

Ocean State Parrot Head Club

You Had to Be There.....

Members Meeting Minutes - June 12, 2014

Davenport's Restaurant - Doherty's Ale House, Warwick

Our Vice President Patrick opened up the meeting.

First up... Our OSPHC Annual Fundraiser on May 10th was at the Shields Post in Warwick was a HUGE success.... This year, we raised a total of \$3600.00 for our three charities....Wreaths Across America, The Wounded Warrior Project and The Military Lounge at T.F. Green airport. A great big thank you to all who attended to make the evening a fun and exciting time. We had tons of raffle prizes, a great 50/50 raffle and the food was delicious! We get better every year and next year's fundraiser will be just as exciting!

The Annual Chowder Cook-off in Newport was on June 7th. It was a beautiful day for the event. We had a huge crowd and a big thank you to all who volunteered that day. Everyone did a great job and some even pulled a double shift! This is such an easy fundraiser for us. We volunteer and we get a check from Polar Seltzer, this year's sponsor for the event. We do this every year, so mark your calendar for next year...we will be there!

Terri announced that dues are due and should be handed in ASAP. Your badge will be given to you after your payment by Terri. By this writing, all should be paid up, if not contact Terri Weissenberg.

For those of you who didn't know... there was a simulcast drive in theatre concert for the June 19th concert of Jimmy Buffett at the Mendon Drive-in in Mendon, Mass. From what I read (unfortunately I couldn't go) it was a great time! Lots of pictures were posted from the event and it looks like it was a big hit. I have a feeling this will happen again in the future.

Relay for Life was on June 20th into June 21st. at Tollgate High School in Warwick. Don Lessard again hosted this event. Due to our recent donation to Relay for Life we have

officially become a sponsor of this event and our logo was on the t-shirts! Yay! Our team name was "Inner Courage" This is always a very meaningful event, so if you participated like I did, it was very moving. Don does this every year and camps out for the night with plenty of provisions as does everyone. If you couldn't make it, keep in mind this is a yearly event and we hope to see a lot more people there walking the walk next year.

Our annual golf tournament will again be in September 7th at Jamestown Golf Course. Registration is now available (forms went out via email and posted on Facebook) for OSPHC members and will be open to the public July 15th. This sells out every year, so if you plan on attending, get those registration forms in early. We will also need non golfing volunteers for the day and would love to have you help out with raffles and other assorted things necessary to make this day go as smooth as possible. Bugsy will again be heading this event and will provide us with the details.

We had a special guest at our last meeting. Klete Squires from PHCOEM is heading up a fundraiser for United Cerebral Palsy. He is the Director of Development for the organization and asked for volunteers for July 12th's walk in Jamestown. If you are interested in helping out at the various water stations, please contact him at ksquires@ucpri.org.

Have you booked your hotel yet for next year's NEPHC?? If you plan on going...book your room now for the best available selection. This is a highlight event for the year and always a very fun time. For those of you who have been, you know what I am talking about, for those of you who haven't....what are you waiting for! Great music, friends, food and location, plus we raise a ton for charity!

Charlie Pitts gave our Treasurer's report and we are looking good as always.

Birthdays were announced for June and the 50/50 and badge raffle was drawn.

Some upcoming events.....

Buffet Concert on July 17th in Bethel, NY

Buffett Concert on July 19th at the Xfinity Center

Buffet Concert at Jones Beach, Long Island, NY

International Beach Cleanup – Contact <u>www.Savethebay.org</u> for details.

Also a reminder....Alzheimer's walk in Newport in September....Diane Mulligan will be giving us more information in the coming months.

Again....Club merchandise is for sale anytime...t-shirts, golf shirts, hats, sweatshirts, and new for this year...denim shirts. Mike Sheehan is in charge of that and will have information on ordering at every meeting...He can order anything at anytime and has a list of products, pricing and so on...order forms will be put on tables at every members meeting.....just ask him for the information. Show your OSPHC pride and do a little free advertising for the club by wearing your gear!

We have changed up our meeting places for 2014. Every other month will be at Davenport's in East Providence or Doherty's in Warwick for the other months...keep an eye on your e-mail and facebook for time and place.

Our next members meeting will be at Davenports on July 10th, 2014

Till we meet again....

Sue Nelson - Secretary, OSPHC