



Ocean State Parrot Head Club

You Had to Be There.....

Monthly Members Meeting 2/12/15

Doherty's – Warwick, RI

Our President Ben called the meeting to order.

First up.....he told of a meeting change. Next month's members meeting will be a week early due to the NEPHC...so mark your calendars for March the 5th. The meeting will take place at Davenport's in East Providence.

Speaking of convention...it's coming up fast. Ben has announced that he will have open room hours at the hotel. Since this year's convention is titled "The Stories We Could Tell", he will be displaying in his room, pictures of the OSPHC through the years. Look through your old photos...if you have a few you can spare...let Ben know, so he can display them. He will also have food and drink for your enjoyment. The ironing board buffet will be outside of Ben's room in the hallway. Bring a dish to share and your ironing board, which should be in everybody's room and come on down around 6:00pm. This has been a long standing tradition and always a good social event. Ben also spoke of the sheet metal cut out which will be displayed along the garden area. We are going to decorate it with bumper stickers and we are going to have RI landmarks and such in a 3D format. So if you have any RI significant bumper stickers you would like on it...let Ben know by emailing him. Around the area where our cut out will be, we will be able to decorate as well. We will be using RI specific things. Ken Nelson is building a Newport Bridge and we can decorate around it. Ben is soliciting volunteers for the Parrothead Olympics. If you go to newenglandphc.com...you can read up on these events with the day and times for each one. We need you! Do you love jello?? There is a jellyshot eating contest. Can you swim?? We will need you in the pool! Do you love to travel??? There will be a tacky tourist relay. Do you like the cold?? There will be a frozen T-shirt contest. Our team color is neon green...so yeah...you will be seen! Go to the website for more info and email Ben if you are interested!

As you all know...we are hosting the convention in 2017. But...you can't think of it as 2 years away. We have to present our theme and set up our registration process for next year. So think 1 year. We will be recruiting for assorted committee's and will need EVERYONE'S help to get this going. Committees will be needed for registration, games, raffles, security, decorating, etc. You will receive more information in the coming months about this. We would also like your ideas for a theme. They usually are coordinated from a Jimmy Buffet song...so look through his song list and let us know what you think.

Convention committee meetings will be set up in the near future, so please let us know if your willing to get involved.

Next up...we have a small fundraiser on the 21st of February at Tara's Family Pub. We will be supporting the Jonnycake Center in Peacedale. OSPHC's own Cabana Boy, Brian Cabral will be playing the tunes from 1-4...the pub is open to the public and all are invited. We will have a raffle and a 50/50 that day. Come on down!

Our Social Director, Kathy Batease is working hard to find fun and interesting things for our club to do. Right now we have the Foolproof Brewery Tour coming up on March 28th...the cost is only 10\$! We will have a public tour beginning at 2:00pm. The Foolproof Brewery is located in Pawtucket on Grotto Ave. Please let Kathy know if you will be attending and payment will be needed ASAP. She is also trying to set up a meeting again at the Barking Crab in Newport. She will let us know if this happens and when...she is aiming for the April meeting.

As you all must know...this is the OSPHC's 20th birthday this year. The BOD has already decided on a party site. We will be going to Newport Polo grounds on July 11th. A few of us went last year and what a great time we had. You can bring tents, chairs and grills. The match will be USA vs. Ireland...which should make for a lot of fun. Be on the lookout for more information on this and other events.

Birthdays were mentioned for the month of February...so Happy Birthday February babies!

Just for planning purposes...rumor has it the our beloved Jimmy Buffett will be playing this year at the Xfinity Center (Great Woods for most of us) on August the 15th. This comes from an extremely reliable source. We will let you know about tickets as soon as the official word comes out.

Our treasurer Charlie says we are in good shape as always.

Till we meet again....

Sue Nelson – Secretary, OSPHC

Calendar of events see below.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February, 2015

- Feb. 21 OSPHC/Cabana Boys/Tara's Family Pub Matunuk Fundraiser 1-5 pm.
- March 5 Members Meeting, Davenport's - 1925 Pawtucket Ave., E. Providence
- March 28 Foolproof Brewing Tour – 2:00 Public Tour-241 Grotto Ave., Bldg.D
Unit 1, Pawtucket, RI \$10/person
- April 10 Members Meeting TBD
- ~~May 2~~ ^{TBA} Annual Fund Raiser – Vets Charities—Warwick Legion Post
- July 11 OSPHC 20th Birthday Party – Parrots for Polo, USA vs. Ireland
- Aug. 15 "Rumor has it"Buffett Concert at Comcast Center

*****Fellow Parrot Head Club Events*****

- Feb. 21 - Changes in Latitude – "Blizzard Concert" – Hyatt Hotel, Newport.
- March 12-15 NEPHC – Holiday Inn Mansfield, MA Sponsored by Frozen Finz PHC Theme "Stories we could Tell"
- March 18 Top our Tanks 7-10:00 pm Audubon Environmental Education Center, 1401 Hope
St., Bristol - Concert & Fund Raiser by Sunny Day - Tickets at www.audubonri.org
- April 24-26 New Orleans Jazz fest – Jimmy Buffet & the Coral Reefers Band on the main stage!!!