

## Ocean State Parrot Head Club

## You Had to Be There.....

## **Members Meeting Minutes - January 12, 2017**

## Doherty's, Warwick

Our board is preparing the annual report for PHIP. Here are few of the highlights: current members 110, \$13000 raised for charities in 2016 and 2400 volunteer hours. Thanks to everyone for making 2016 such a successful year!

In December our club volunteered to help out at the Wreath's Across America event. On January 21st the wreaths are being removed and retired in a burning ceremony. If anyone is interested in participating the ceremony will be from 12pm – 2pm at the RI Veteran's Cemetery in North Kingstown.

Our social director, Kathy is working on a few things for the coming year. First up is dinner out at Wright's Farm Restaurant in Harrisville. Please join us for an all-you-can-eat family style dinner including chicken, pasta, salad and French fries. Please join us on Sunday, January 29th at 4pm for a fun night out! Kathy is also looking for a few new locations for our Member Meetings.

Convention is fast approaching and we are planning an onsite convention meeting on February 18<sup>th</sup>. Everyone interested in helping out with convention is invited to join us at 1pm for a walkthrough of the hotel followed by a convention meeting in the Atrium. We will do a final run through on the convention plans on this day.

Our convention raffle prep is underway! Charlene is collecting all the raffle room donations...more donations are appreciated! She will be planning a basket making meeting sometime soon. If you would like to help out with the convention raffle (or anything else) please sign-up today.

Nancy and Sue went on a shopping spree for clearance Christmas décor and we are just about all set to decorate the convention hotel. There are just a few more items needed. If you have any of the following items that can be borrowed for convention please let Kathy know: holiday inflatables, extension cords, power strips and those laser lights that were so popular this year...especially the snowflakes.

Gene will be holding his quilt raffle at convention again this year. He is nearly out of shirts for making them, so start sorting your tees and look for a message from Gene in the coming year about collecting them for the 2018 quilt raffles.

Calling all Bruins fans! NHPHC is raffling a pair of Bruins tickets for the game on 2/28. Proceeds of the raffle will go to Liberty House, which helps veterans. Check out the NHPHC Facebook page or website for information about buying raffle tickets.

Until we meet again.... Next meeting is at Davenport's in East Providence on February 2 at 7pm. Hope to see you all there!!

Submitted by:

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