

**HAMILTON PARROT HEAD CLUB
MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING**

DATE: April 20, 2010

Location: DiMaggio's, Hamilton

IN ATTENDANCE: Annette, Danny, Gloria, Bob, Mark, Kym, Larry, Shona, Janine, Steve, Darlene, Catharine, Dave, Mary G., Art, Nijole, Tony, Judy, Mary T. Visitor: Bob Morrow

President Annette brought the meeting to order.

Welcomed visitor, Bob Morrow, to our meeting. He apparently wandered in off the street and thought we might be a good bunch to sit down with! We're hoping he'll pick our club to become a member of – he's already committed to attending our next meeting in May!

LAST MEETING MINUTES:

Minutes were adopted as presented. No unfinished business.

Motion to accept: Steve Seconded: Mark

Carried: Yes

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Bank balance is still good.

We still have our donation to the CPA to look after – Annette to contact Fran re setting up a time to make this donation official, perhaps with a photo op.

Motion to accept: Nijole Seconded: Steve

Carried: Yes

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

No change from last month – 35 members.

Note: We are expecting two previous members Geri & Mike from the Western New York Club to join our club again. Also, more of the ladies who belong to Geri's "Diva Club" are interested So our phlock just may get bigger!

MASCOT ABDUCTION!

It would appear that somehow Parrot Pedro from the Western New York Club has found his way to Hamilton, Ontario! A ransom note along with pictures of the captive bird has been sent out to their club – but, a mere two bottles of tequila and 6 members of their club coming to one of our events - just may get him released! This is all done in the spirit of good fun between our clubs – and we certainly trust we didn't offend anyone!

Bob suggested maybe we should try for our next abduction to steal the BIG SHARK from Gina & Joe Lombardi of the Detroit Club!

MAIL:

Annual State of the Parrot Head Nation report received. This reports everything Parrot Heads have been doing all over the U.S. and Canada with regard to fund raising etc.

Anyone wishing a copy of this can contact Annette and she will email it to you.

Letter received by Mary from Jill Dennison, Regional Lead, Western Region Schizophrenia Society of Ontario wondering if our club would be interested in attending their Walk of Hope fund raiser. The date is May 16th and unfortunately, conflicts with our club's commitments. Mary to advise Ms. Dennison of this and suggest maybe next year.

MAIL: Continued

Bob received letter from Burlington Humane Society (formerly Animal Aid) for one year \$30.00 membership donation. This was agreed to at meeting in March and will be looked after by the Treasurer.

Our Club Charter was received - looks like our club will soon be celebrating it's 10th Anniversary! Our visitor, Bob Morrow, has kindly offered to bring in a frame for our charter at our next meeting. Thank you Bob!

NEWSLETTER:

It would seem Janine and Kym need more feedback from our members in order to put a newsletter together. Gloria will resend what she has - if anyone has recipes, jokes, stories etc. send 'em in! They will then get the newsletter out ASAP.

CURRENT BUSINESS & PROJECTS:

April 18th was road clean up day on the mountain brow.

Nine members came out: Mary, Doug, Danny, Annette, Nijole, Art, Ed, Eric, Steve

15 Bags of garbage were picked up – good haul guys!

Mary found \$5.25 – not quite enough for a case of beer this time!

Afterwards, a BBQ was put on by Mary & Doug and as usual, it was wonderful. Everyone contributed a pot luck item but thanks to Mary & Doug for providing sausages, hot dogs, buns, condiments etc. Doug cooks a mean sausage!

Steve went home to get Janine who just had knee surgery a few days ago and was a real trooper for coming out.

Bob and I missed the clean up – but managed to get to the BBQ! Sorry guys, we'll be there for the "hard stuff" next time!

T-SHIRTS FOR MARGARITAVILLE NIAGARA

When the new Margaritaville opens in June (not sure of date yet) they would like Parrot Head Club shirts be donated so they can hang them up.

We will send one of our club shirts (Yellow, Size M) to them.

"Diva" Geri will be working as a hostess there (she starts her training in May) and has indicated she might be able to get tickets for our club. She will keep us posted.

Motion to accept: Kym Seconded: Danny Carried: Yes

At the next meeting, an inventory of club shirts will be available and we can decide when to place our next order. How many we want and colours etc.

SUMMER PARTY

In the past we have had a summer party called The Red Neck Riviera party.

This year we are looking at other possibilities:

Emerald Lake: Camping weekend. Kym has a trailer up there (Hwy. 6 north of Hwy.5 area) she to check with the people who run the camp re what we can do there.

Club Trip to Margaritaville, Niagara Falls

Any other suggestions are welcome. Think about it for next meeting.

ELECTION:

TREASURER: Bob Aitken was re-elected by acclamation.

VICE PRESIDENT: Nominees: Janine Mathers, and Kym Howell

Thank you to both nominees.

Congratulations Kym on your election.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

PHINS first official meeting, Tuesday, May 4th, 7:30 – Port Dalhousie Yacht Club. This was the new Welland Club whose members came to our meeting in March.

Brian Neal's Canadian CD release, Friday, May 7th, Whistler's Pub, Toronto

Breast Cancer Fund raiser featuring Tropical Daze, Saturday, May 15th, Halton Sportsman Club, Milton. Tickets \$25.00 per person – includes a buffet. Contact Lorraine or Kym re tickets and info.

Phlock to the Dock, June 25th & 26th, Sarnia. If you haven't registered yet, better do so right away. Apparently the VIP package is sold out now (only one cruise down the river on Friday night) – the Harbour Inn is fully booked; however, Shona says they have an extra room if anyone is interested that they haven't cancelled yet. Contact Larry/Shona re this.

Spring 2010 – Opening of Margaritaville Niagara – Exact date unknown.

K.D. Moore plays Ayre Parrot Head Club, Sept. 24, 2010

MONTHLY RAFFLES

Discussion re having a small raffle at each meeting. This is the main way we have of putting money into our club account. We will have the prizes laid out at the beginning of the meeting and sell the raffle tickets while people are mingling before the meeting starts. A reminder to members, when you are out and about on your travels, bringing back a small donation for the raffles would be much appreciated. Nothing too expensive – tacky is fine!

A raffle was held tonight – thanks to all members who purchased tickets. Every little bit helps the Parrot Head coffers!

FUTURE MEETINGS:

Date for next meeting: Tuesday, May 18, 2010 7:00 PM

Location: The Black Bull Pub, Burlington (unless otherwise posted)

(Nijole to set this up with Phil of the Black Bull)

MOTION TO ADJOURN - Mark

MEETING ADJOURNED