

Membership Meeting 7/31/24

26 members attended the meeting including three BOD members.

Meeting called to order by Nancy Forberg.

Agenda

-Membership- 162 members

-Finances- approx. \$7000K

-Recap of Events to date including:

January-Clothing Drive for Big Brother/Big Sisters

February- Happy Hour with Tom Maxwell, The Oar Patchogue

March- MOTB attended by 37 club members and we won the Club attendance award again. Also many members attended the JATP fundraiser in Rockville Centre in March

April- Fundraiser for Autism Speaks at Carneys with Pete Mann

May- Jimmy Buffett day and Bench Dedication North Haven, with flip-flop collection for local shelters.

June- Escape to Margaritaville at Gateway Playhouse

July- Soldier Ride

Election of Officers Update-

Nancy reported that in even number years we will elect a President, Secretary and Community/Environmental Director. Bosco has served two terms and is not eligible to run for president again. Nancy and Liz are eligible to run again. Additionally, we currently have vacancies for Vice-President, and Social Director, and Arlene Rosenthal was appointed to continue as Membership Director, which should be only temporary. Nancy encouraged all to consider a position as we want to continue to “keep the party going”.

We also need a volunteer to serve as Election Officer. Lisa Benatti will consider volunteering.

Club Merchandise: Nancy asked what items people would be interested in. Suggestions of hats, v neck shirts, window decals and jackets. Nancy discussed the difficulty of ordering large quantities of items and then storing them so we would like to have an online “store” where people can individually order what they want during a specific time period. This was considered to be a good idea.

Nancy opened the floor(grass) for questions/concerns from the membership:

1. John Everett would like to organize a Club event or photo during MOTM, and also asked if the Club flag or banner could be brought to MOTM.
2. Lisa Benatti suggested that during summer months, we should organize social events to be held outdoors in parks where people can bring their own food/drinks and just socialize at no cost.
3. John McCracken suggested holding the annual picnic again as well as more events in Nassau county. Nancy reported that we have scheduled an upcoming HH in Prost in Garden City, and also asked members to look into places that they frequent and ask owners/managers if we can hold events there.
4. Andrea Silverstein suggested that events

Following the meeting, six additional club members arrived to enjoy the Landsharks Concert.

Submitted by Nancy Forberg, Metro BOD secretary