



Meeting called to order 6:30pm, April 28, 2005

Attending: Teri Assaf, Kim Dyer, Marcia Evans, Linda Fish, Mary Goke, Eric Griesinger, Becky Griesinger, Dave Grogner, Michael Gross, Joann Hansen, Bob Hoffman, Lee Howell, Chris Jacobs, Clyde Keep, Tami Kuhn, Gail LaLonde, Julie Lenneman, John Lennemann, Randd Miller, James Mills, Katie Noel, Kristy Petersen, Paul Rashid, Denise Reinhart, Saragen Spadling, Norman Spalding, Jan Swiss, Jackie Tallman, Megan Tuttle, Debbie Villegas, Jana Weeks, Greg Wilson, Phyl Wojack, Bobbi Woods, Randy Worden

Corrections/Additions to March 15, 2005 Minutes:

Charlie Villegas was not in attendance at the March 15, 2005 meeting
Jeff Saxton was nominated to do signs for the 2005 Phun Phest

Welcome new members:

Welcome to two new members, Dave Grogner and Chris Jacobs.

Treasurer's Report:

The club currently has \$1472 in the bank. Contract for Don Middlebrook and Living Soul is still to be finalized. Alternate plans may be made if this can not be accomplished soon.

50/50:

\$101 taken in. Tami Kuhn won \$51.

Parrothead Cruise:

The Atlanta Parrothead club raised \$30,567 for breast cancer research during the April 2005 Parrothead Cruise. Congratulations to everyone involved. **389** Parrotheads from 30 states and provinces and 45 PHiP clubs were onboard. MMPHC members that went had a great time, and encourage participation by everyone next year. Check <http://www.parrotheadcruise.com> for details about the 2006 trip soon.

Misc. Stuph:

Mary Goke reports that Jon Goke is still doing well in Iraq. He has now received our letters and packages, and sends his thanks. He is not involved in any of the convoys, and is making every effort to stay out of harm's way. He's put in a request so he can be here for the party in June, and things are apparently on-track for that.

Jana, Jackie and Norm were celebrating their birthdays.

2005 Phun Phest – June 24, 2005

\$2,700 was raised the first year. \$7,700 was raised the second year. We're shooting for \$10,000 this year.

We have an MC for Phun Phest – Bob Hoffman.

Hospice House has been selected as our charity again this year. Hospice House will let us determine exactly what the money will be spent on. Last year the money we donated was used to complete a roof garden. MMPHC members can contact Julie Lennemann if they would like a tour of the facility.

We hope to start sending out lists of who has been contacted for sponsorships once a week so we do not duplicate efforts.

Remember, MidMichigan Parrot Head Club is a 501(3)C organization, so their check to us is tax deductible.

Committees/Chairs

Set Up/Tear Down – John Lennemann

- American Rentals has been contacted. Last year we had a 40x80 tent. This year we are reserving a 40x100 tent that will cost us \$910.
- LaSenorita is covering the portajohns. We're expecting to have 5 this year at the cost of \$80 each.
- People should contact John as soon as possible to sign up for set up and tear down. He's hoping for more help with the tear down on the 25th this year. We will know shortly how early people should arrive for setup on June 24th.

Prizes/Raffles – Kris Petersen

- Prizes will be announced at set times on a board set up for that purpose.
- Prizes are already being collected

Ticket – Sara Spaulding

- The tickets will be printed by the same folks who did such a wonderful job last year. They should be ready in a couple of weeks.
- Corporate sponsor tickets will be a different color so we can see how many are turned back in
- We are working on getting perforated tickets this year, as some people last year wanted to keep their stubs.

50/50 – Gail LaLonde

- There will be an 8:00pm and an 11:00pm drawing
- There will be a table as well as people working the crowd
- Tickets will be \$1 each, or 6 for \$5

Corporate Sponsors – Julie Lennemann

- CORPORATE Sponsorships are \$100, and they will receive 2 tickets.
- GOLD Sponsorships are \$500 and they will receive 10 tickets.
- Last year on May 25 we had 15-18 corporate sponsors. We've surpassed that already. We'd like 60 sponsors this year if we can! Be sure to get names, addresses and all that sort of information when you get a sponsorship so we can credit people properly.
- Donations of prizes are also gratefully accepted.

Sound Committee – Tami Kuhn

- Don Middlebrook has not contacted us about sound. If we don't hear very shortly we may decide to go with Caribbean Blue instead and seek sound equipment elsewhere.
- SoundEFX has offered to charge the same as last year, put place the speakers higher to improve sound coverage.

Promotions/Advertising – Debbie Villegas

Debbie will be contacting the following outlets. Given the large response we got last year, we're expecting more media coverage this year.

- What's On
- City Pulse
- Noise
- Lansing State Journal
- Radio/TV

Parking & Enforcement – Norm Spalding

- Hospice has volunteered to supply a van/driver to shuttle people to and from parking
- Overflow parking has been arranged with the Asbury United Methodist Church just west of LaSenorita on Lake Lansing Road

We have a group rate at the Courtyard by Marriott of \$79 for the night. There are only 20 rooms available at this rate. The number for the hotel is 482-0500 (1-866-526-2893). Our group code is M.P.H.S.

LaSenorita will be providing security for this event. Last year we had only one minor "scuffle", and we hope to avoid even that much trouble this year.

The band will be under the tent this year if there is inclement weather. The dance floor will be moved away from the bar area.

LaSenorita will have alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages available. Chips and salsa will be available as well as hamburgers.

Other upcoming events:

May 12, 2005 – Next MMPHC meeting at La Senorita

June 24: Phun Phest, La Senorita, Lake Lansing Rd.

July 14-17: Camping/tubing on the Rifle River with Detroit Parrothead Club. The Mid-Michigan Parrot Head Club and the Chicago Parrot Head Club will be manning the “Buffet Buffett” on Friday and Saturday nights. Check <http://www.detroitparrotheadclub.com> for details.

July 24, 2005: Ele’s Race. – 5K walk/run. Group participation in the Ele’s Place walk/run is being considered. Contact Kim Dyer (kimbis@aol.com) if you are interested.

August 25: Mike Gross is working on setting up another group night out at the ballpark. This is the Lugnut’s “Buffett Night”, and it’s “Thirsty Thursday”, so there will be \$2 beers and \$2 wings. There will be t-shirts available if we get enough interest.

September 4&5: Jimmy Buffett in Chicago at Wrigley Field. It’s finally official ... and tickets sold out in minutes. Sept. 4 is an evening show, and Sept. 5 is in the afternoon. The closest 30 clubs (that includes us) will probably be getting tickets. At this time we do not know how many, or for which show. If we do not get enough tickets allocated to us to cover all requests tickets will be allocated on the basis of participation in club events. Club tickets are available ONLY for club members in good standing. Members can not purchase extra tickets for friends/relatives/etc. More details will be passed along as we get them.

November 3-6: Meeting of the Minds in Key West.

Minutes approved May 4, 2005 by
Norm Spalding, President
Sara Spalding, Treasurer