Parrot Poop – February 2021

FROM THE PERCH: Prez Jan Hicks Shares Her Thoughts

It's easy for us to get bogged down in the daily grind and lose our motivation in the things we really love to do. Don't let that happen to you! Stay well informed by reading your Newsletter and visiting www.emeraldisleparrotheads.com often to keep up with what's happening in the world of Parrot Heads.

A great way for you to know us better and become involved in upcoming events is to attend our annual "PHluff the PHlock" Membership Meeting scheduled for Sunday March 7, at 4 p.m. The meeting will be virtual and held via ZOOM. This Newsletter will contain additional information. Your suggestions and involvement in deciding the directions we take this year is of great importance to us. Let your voice be heard! After all, you are the reason we're still here!

Lastly, you are reminded to renew or pay your dues for 2021. Thank you if you already have done so. Each of you is a valued member of this Parrot Head PHamily. Listen up, it will get better, and the time will come when you can hug again, spill your drink on your best buddy, step inside someone's space, dance like a PHool, and work side by side! Raise your glasses high and let's drink to the adventures that lie ahead in 2021! We will "Party with a Purpose." Jan H., President

Important Announcements

2021 "PHLUFF THE PHLOCK" MEMBERSHIP MEETING

- **SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 4:00 P.M. VIA ZOOM**
- **REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2021**
- **ONLY THOSE WHO REGISTER WILL BE INVITED**

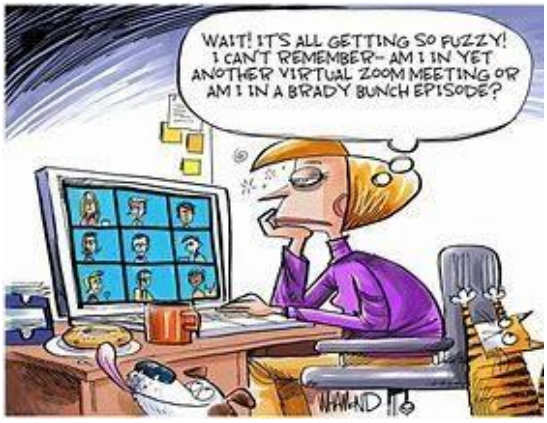
Here's how it works:

Go to www.emeraldisleparrotheads.com and search the menu for the button entitled ***Registration for the 2021 EIPHC "Phluff the Phlock."*** Click the button, enter your name and email address, and any two digits for verification. That's it! You're officially registered for attendance. ***You must register your attendance on or before March 1, 2021.*** Following your registration, you will receive an email, at the address provided, containing ZOOM information and an Agenda of the March 7 meeting. ***Only those who register their attendance will receive the invitation.***

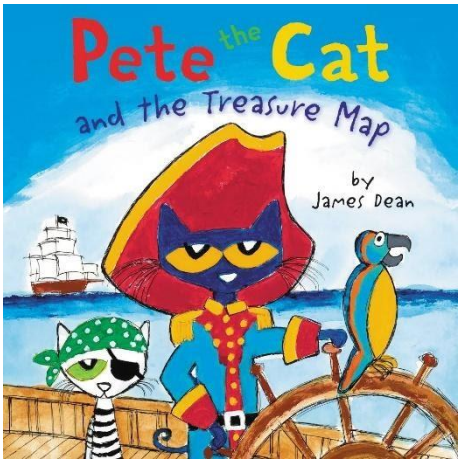
Every year in January, EIPHC holds its annual "PHluff the PHlock" Membership meeting. It offers us an opportunity to fill vacant positions on our Board of Directors and Committee members as well as plan events and assign "Big Birds" to each. Due to COVID restrictions, it is necessary to change the order of things.

Our 2021 membership meeting via ZOOM will still offer you an opportunity to be heard and be a part of the future of EIPHC. Here are a few items that will be included in the Agenda:

1. Confirmation of our 2021 Board Members
2. Current financial and membership status of EIPHC
3. PHlockings and PHlash PHlockings – future
4. Major Events - when and where



WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!!!
Register today!



KIDS LOVE BOOKS & PIRATES!!!

WHAT: **Parrot Head Book Invasion**
WHEN: **March 11,2021**
WHERE: **All first graders, White Oak Elementary School**
WHY: **Books help develop and nourish kids' imagination**

This will show kids in our neighborhood that we care, and we encourage them to read. At the same time, they will be entertained and inspired by a CREW OF REAL LIVE PIRATES! Aye! Aye! Mateys!

The teachers will present the "wee ones" with a book of their own as EIPHC volunteers, dressed like pirates, will perform on the outside windows of each first-grade classroom. (Social distancing and safety measures will be followed.) The pirates will interact with the kids and teach them a few Pirate words and gestures found in the book, to get them started on the treasure hunt with Pete the Cat. Arrrrgh!

The club will purchase the books for about $3/each and make over 100 first graders incredibly happy! If you wish to contribute $$ toward this project and/or wish to volunteer to BE A PIRATE for an afternoon, please respond and leave a note at President@emeraldisleparrotheads.com. Ahoy ye scallywags!!!

Membership Dues are Rolling In

Thank you to everyone who has paid their dues. There is still time to join us if you have not. Make a difference in people's lives through our projects in 2021.

There are two ways to pay your dues as a result of Covid 19. Please use Method 1 or Method 2.

Method 1 – Use our website to renew, emeraldisleparrotheads.com. Use the Click here to Join or Renew picture (or click this link!) and follow the directions. You do not fill out a form to renew. There is a 61-cent fee that you need to add to your $10.00 for each membership being renewed. This is the fee to PayPal. Also, you do not need to have a PayPal account. Any credit card can be used.

Method 2- Renew your membership through the mail. Send check to
Emerald Isle Parrot Heads
PO Box 4293
Emerald Isle, NC 28594-4293

We don't want to eliminate your membership from our data base when it is updated to reflect current paid memberships. Our club dues are lower than any other club. After paying a small amount of each membership to the National Parrot Head Club, we use the rest to run projects to help the community.

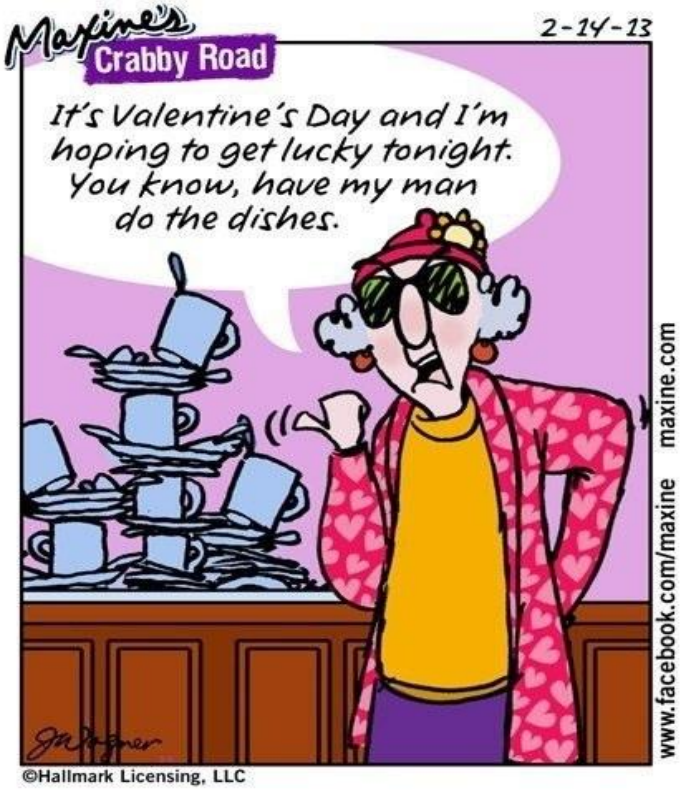
Hope to see everyone by summer. Until then stay healthy.

Membership Directors: Maggie Rauchenburg
Jeanne LaVanna

PHiP Scholarship Now Open, Deadline March 31, 2021

Click here for details:

http://www.phip.com/club-scholarship



Welcome new members!

Ann and Otis Garner – Midway Park, NC

Parrot Head February Birthdays

If you see them, wish them a Happy Birthday!

Bob Henry	Feb 2	**Leslie Thompson**	Feb 19
Rich Mackesy	Feb 3	**Steve Strader**	Feb 20
Greg Thompson	Feb 4	**Mendy Barrow**	Feb 20
Sue Stone	Feb 4	**Bill Grady**	Feb 20
Ronnie Hudson	Feb 5	**Patrick Byer**	Feb 20
Joan Gerdson	Feb 6	**Jen Sawyer**	Feb 21
Mark Lindsay	Feb 7	**Gary Hardee**	Feb 21
Cyndy Lindsay	Feb 9	**Eileen Lazevnick**	Feb 23
Georgia Childs	Feb 10	**Dean Michaux**	Feb 21
Jan Dunn	Feb 11	**Stephen Tolliver**	Feb 23
Johnson Byrd	Feb 13	**Kerri Yancey**	Feb 23
Mary Mathusek	Feb 13	**Mike Haut**	Feb 23
Colleen McBeth	Feb 16	**Jan Hicks**	Feb 24
Rene Simencic	Feb 16	**Ed Miner**	Feb 27
Tim Randall	Feb 18	**Marsha Hudson**	Feb 28
Marsha McMahan	Feb 18		

Your Parrot Head Board

Officers/Board:

President	Jan Hicks
Vice President	Jimi Crampton
Secretary	Betty Strader
Treasurers	Carl Rauschenberg
	Carol Lauback

Members at Large:

Activities Directors	Donna Grady
	Moh Traini
Membership Directors	Maggie Rauchenberg
	Jeanne LaVana
Technology Director	Joel Dunn
Communications Director	Jessi Holland
Historian	Cris Lauback
Voting Member at Large	Bobbi Raub

"If life gives you limes, make margaritas!"
--Jimmy Buffett