

DECEMBER 2013 Edition

**Emerald Isle Parrot Head Club****PARROT HEAD POOP*****HOLIDAYS ARE HAPPENING***

Halloween.....what can we say, when you combine Halloween Costumes with Parrot Heads (who are predisposed to dressing strangely anyway) you get a wild assortment of folks having fun. Searce and Ketner got our blood flowing, the photo booth was lots of fun (we might have to think about that for the Beach Bike Poker Run) had all of us posing, sometimes multiple times with multiple people. Great food as usual and we did have a lot more Parrot Heads willing to get down and dirty for the song of "Shout" for a little turtling. Seems more and more we have new folks joining in on that ritual, used to be just James Hicks and Ken Stone. I did not get a great picture but there is one on the next page that gives you an idea of what went down. (See page 4 for more details.)

On November 9th, Jean Jensen, big bird for the Highway Pickup (and the Club Vice President) organized about 30 hard working Parrot Heads. We gathered up 28 bags of trash and then went out to lunch to share stories of our great adventure. We always have a few "unusual" items and this time we found about 20 feet of old conduit piping, a road sign left

over from the bridge construction and then there were the pink panties. We aren't real sure what happened to them, there was some discussion on Facebook that Lois (the finder) may have kept them but rumors are funny that way. Jean was able to get the names of most folks, but we may have missed a few, so if you are left off, please forgive. Jean and Maggie Jensen, Ken and Sue Stone, Pretty Marge and BR Browder, Lois Harmande, Dan and Kathy Ruge, Michael Moyer, Trish Logan, Jessie Holland and her son Jaeger (lets hear it for the young one who picked up just as much litter as us old folks), James Hicks, Linda and Bill McGowen, Tom Henderson, Bob and Gigi Liender, Allen Ross, Pat Haut, Natalie and Leonard Crumpler, John Henrickson and James Jeanes. A special flap of the wings to all those who helped make the entry way to Emerald Isle a bit more scenic.

But the real effort this month has been "the Float". For the past maybe 6 Sundays we have had 20-30 folks painting and building and drinking and eating. Lots of food, meeting and working with new friends and lots and lots of laughter. What a creative group.



Way too much fun! The Highway Pick up (minus a few who escaped the picture) , then the Halloween crew doing the Turtle to Shout,. Lots of working on the float pictures - Kip using cardboard creatively and his helpers, Betty Nicole and Janice Brumbelow doing a little painting, lots of ladies (we weren't being sexist, it just worked out that way) stringing beads for the give aways for the parade, Erin doing up some signs and Kelley recovering from the day's work session. We have had so many people stop over and help paint and build this float, one of our favorite activities. I don't think I have revealed too much about what the float looks like or even what it is so you will just have to come on out and see the parade. You will not believe what a talented group of fellow Parrot Heads you know.



## **WHAT'S UP NEXT? (print this out and hang it up!!)**

**November 30th (Saturday) - Emerald Isle Christmas Parade 3 PM** - We have become a staple at the parade and now that they have prizes, we always seem to win something as our floats have become a favorite of folks. We have been working on weekends (let's just call it organized chaos) during the months of October and November with lots of fun, food and grog during the session. You won't believe this year's float, we had some incredible workers and creators this year and it has outdone anything we have had before. We have all the riders we need but we still could use some Parrot Head spectators to help us with a little surprise. If you will be here to watch the parade and want to help us out.....please contact Renee Synan at [renee.synan@yahoo.com](mailto:renee.synan@yahoo.com). We will also be entering the Morehead City Parade on December 14th, and may need some more riders for the float that day.

**November 30th (Saturday) - 2 PM - A Dream 2 Believe Party** to Celebrate the new Ownership of the Emerald Club.....got your attention? Got ya....Mike and Pat Haut always operated the Emerald Club, and now they actually own it! After 13 years of paying rent they now officially own **and** operate it. For those who might be new to the Emerald Isle Parrot Head Club, Mike and Pat Haut along with Bonnie Forkey founded our Club 11 years ago. The E-Club has always been our social, first Friday gathering place and they have been generous to a fault, providing everything from food and prizes and leadership. Mike was our first President and served for 10 years. So what do they do to celebrate their newest acquisition? They throw a party! Music with 4EverAll, appetizers, coffee, hot cocoa. Free entry wristband to come back and hear Spare Change who will be on stage starting at 10PM. Free transportation for Parrot Heads. Please make sure you at least stop by before or after the parade and congratulate them.

**December 6th (Friday)- First Friday PHlocking 7 PM at the Emerald Club.** This is our annual CHRISTMAS PARTY. **Have a little fun and wear your best Christmas Hat.** Remembering that it is the Giving Season, please bring a toy for the Toys for Tots Program and/or non perishable goods for the food pantry. Marsha Horner has again generously made us another beautiful Father Christmas to raffle off to benefit Martha's Mission. To make it a little more special this year, we are asking you to bring an appetizer to share. We will have the plates and silverware there. As always, we have a few little Elves working on a little Christmas activity to liven up the party; as if we need anything but Searce and Ketner to help us get folks laughing and having fun.

**December 14th (Saturday) - Morehead City Parade** - 11 am (judging is earlier) We will be in the parade this year, if you are around, let me know, we may need some more riders for the float.

## **OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS/EVENTS**

### **November 23rd (Saturday) 11-3 PM - Artisan Fair at the Emerald Isle Beach and Pool Club (101 Dolphin Ridge Road, Dolphin Ridge Development-**

**ment-** The Fair will feature hand selected local artists and several of them are Parrot Heads (Kelley Nelson, Erin Liles, Ken Ambrose, Ken Stone) Items include; pottery, one of a kind jewelry, art work, wood carvings, hand woven baskets and lots of other items that would make great Christmas presents.

### **November 29th (Friday) - Swansboro Flotilla**

### **November 30 (Saturday) 8am-6pm 2nd Annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair - Emerald Isle Parks and Recreation Gymnasium**

On the Saturday after Thanksgiving, Emerald Isle Parks and Recreation will host the 2nd Annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair in the Gymnasium. The Fair will feature all handmade or hand-authenticated items from local artisans and crafters. This is also the weekend of our annual Christmas Parade which is the kick-off to the holiday season here in Emerald Isle. If you are interested in participating in this event as an Arts and Crafts Vendor contact information is below. There is no application deadline but space is limited and expected to fill up quickly. For more information, contact Lainey Gottuso at (252) 354-6350.

**Halloween continued:** Just to see if you were paying attention, I wanted to briefly mention some of the highlights of the Halloween costumes and then maybe next year you will have some inspiration. Your President James Hicks came as Tonto and believe me, it was a great re-creation and Jan was his "boss" the Lone Ranger. Mike Haut was a very believable Rastafarian. We had Gene and Lois Harmande and Marge Browder show up as Rock, Paper, Scissors and John Dyer had us all confused by changing costumes and returning in full mask outfit and no one could figure out who he was, devious!!! Joy Bailey was a sexy cave woman....where did she get that bone???? Jack and Renee Synan showed up as the big bad wolf (Jack was having too much fun with his tail.....) and Red Riding Hood. Jason Holland was a scuba diver and kept messing with Sue Stone who was a jellyfish. Both Bartender Erin and Kelley Nelson creeped everyone out with their glowing eyes and Matt (bartender) Morel was the most frightening clown I have ever seen. Let's not forget the Soap and Scrubby (Ty Cannon and Kim) and the Football Replay group....I can't describe what Buck and Beth Browder created in a public document so just ask them to describe it! Way too many to mention. Good job Parrot Heads.

## WELCOME NEW PARROT HEADS

Please make sure you take the time to look for, and meet our newest members. We have a "special designation" ( a colorful flowered lei) for new Parrot Heads to wear at their first PHlocking so it will be easier to spot them for introductions and welcomes, find Maggie Rauschenberg or Sue Stone and get your welcome "lei". Of course, the best way for new members to become part of the Club is to volunteer for activities.

### NEW MEMBERS

Gene Cole from Emerald Isle  
Beryl Packer & Gary Grothaus from EI  
Janet Denny from Emerald Isle  
Susan Camaret from Newport

We have some new colors in Parrot Head T-shirts and they are still only \$10. We have had them for sale at each of the PHlockings from 7-8:30 (or so)

## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

For the DECEMBER PHlocking, you need to find Ken Stone to pick up your free birthday "gift" to help you celebrate. In the meantime, please wish the following DECEMBER Birthday birds a happy birthday. Coupon may only be used at the birthday month PHlocking.

Linda McGowen	December ?
Brian McHugh	December 1
Carl Rauschenberg	December 2
Helen DeFlorio	December 3
Mike Nicholle	December 3
Dicky Scearce	December 4
Cecil Davis Jr.	December 8
Buck Browder	December 9
Donna White	December 11
Rachel Adams	December 14
Sandra Yankwich	December 14
Roma Browder	December 15
Carla Thielen	December 15
Rachael Burrows	December 15
Mel Fairchild	December 16
Kelly Lewis	December 19
Bonnie Forkey	December 20
Billy Alford	December 21
Scott Jones	December 22
George Brumbelow	December 22
Jane Fowler	December 22
Maggie Jensen	December 24
James Bunn	December 24
Bill Thomas	December 25
Glenn Musser	December 26
Margaret Penny	December 27
Greg Stenzel	December 27
Ashlee Gusek	December 29
Loretta Alexander	December 29
Jan Mitchiner	December 30





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#### HOW TO STAY IN TOUCH WITH OUR PARROT HEAD CLUB

**WEBSITE: EMERALDISLEPARROT-HEADS.COM or EMERALDISLEPARROT-HEADS.ORG**

**NATIONAL PARROT HEAD WEBSITE: PHIP.COM**

If you go to this site, check out the mail lists you can get on to find out what is happening with Parrot Heads around the world - Go to the drop down list at the top and select join our email list. Don't forget to become a friend of our Club on Facebook too!

#### FRIDAY NIGHT PHLOCKING

December 6th 7:00

AT THE EMERALD CLUB

Music by Searce & Ketner

**Please bring a Toy for Toys for Tots and/or items for Food Pantry AND and appetizer to share!**

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