

Pioneer Valley Boat and Surf Club

January 3, 2012 Meeting 7:30 PM
Springfield Yacht & Canoe Club
1210 River Rd.
Agawam, Ma. 01001

6:45 PM Board of Directors Meeting
7:30 PM Club Meeting

Guest Speaker: Al Gaggis; lure and plug maker, and fisherman. Well known speaker

At our Meeting on December 6, 2011 we had the clubs election take place. The following were voted in as newly elected Officers for this coming year.

President Bob Ruzala
Vice President Sean Carey
Treasurer Charlie Wikar
Secretary Pearl Warzecka

We are still looking for a secretary, Pearl would like to step down. So if you are interested, please contact me.

I would like to take the time to thank Ray Nacewicz for being president the last 3 years for our club. Ray did an outstanding job as president and spent many hours volunteering for our club. Selling raffle tickets at high school functions, and leading our club in every way possible. Ray was very dedicated and represented our club well. Ray, THANK YOU!

To Charlie Wikar and Pear Warzecka, Thank you for your work on the Board of Directors. We appreciate your dedication and work for our club.

To all members who volunteered or just came to our meetings to make our club a great one, Thank You.

The club members voted to stay at the Springfield Yacht Club for this year's meetings.

For our Christmas raffle drawing the winners were:

Kevin Colen, \$200 gift card to Cabelas

Gabriella Wikar, Saltwater rod & reel

Don Prior, Dick Roberts, Pearl Warzecka, Marty Sullivan, Rich Smith won saltwater plugs made by Mike Desanto from Mike's custom plugs. Thank you Mike for donating all the plugs to our raffle.

50/50 raffle winner was Steve Nacewicz. Congratulations Steve.

Thanks to Bob Genetelli for running our 50/50 raffle this year.

Fish Slips, We need them. This will be the last meeting we will collect your fish slips from the 2011 fishing season.

At our next meeting we will have raffle tickets available for a chance to win a trip on The ERNIT with Capt. Jim Puhala or a gift certificate for \$200. This is our club raffle. Drawing will be held on April 3rd, 2012. A special thanks to Marty Sullivan for getting the tickets printed. All members are asked to try to sell some tickets.

Future Speakers

February: Scott Glazier, guide, Salmon River, Altmar, NY

March: Pat Paquette, On The Water Magazine

April: Dr. Rich Rubin, UMASS Wocester Hospital, Speaking on ticks

May: Mike DeSanto, Mike's Custom Plugs

June: TBA

Stay tuned for:
Our Ice Fishing Derby. Date TBA
Big E Sportsmens Show, February 23-26, 2012
Club Banquet, TBA

I would like to thank the membership for voting me in as president. It is truly an honor to be elected and I hope to continue with good leadership and direction for our club. My thanks to Ray Nacewicz for his guidance and education for helping me take the next step as an Officer of our club.

In another situation, Al Gagg has suffered a heart attack recently. If you know Al, please send along a get well card. Ray nacewicz sent a get well card from our club. Our prayers and thoughts are with Al for a speedy recovery. We hope to see Al at our January meeting.

On behalf of all the Board of Directors we wish you have a healthy and joyous holiday season. I hope all of you get your wanted fishing equipment from SANTA. Merry Christmas and Happy New year to all.

Sincerely,
Bob Ruzala
President