



Chicago Parrot Head News



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Captain's Logbook
Eighty-ninth Entry:

From the Captain's Chair

April 20, 2016



Billy Brehm
Our Pirate King

Bloody Bill
The Pirate King

As I gaze out from the Captains Quarters with the ship in port, what is supposed to be green grass, looks a lot like snow on a Spring Day! No matter, because we have turned toward the sun and I continue to plot our course into Summer. The ships log be fillin' up quickly with Ports O' Call, and we be gathering plunder from sister ships near and far. In fact, I plan to enjoy seeing which if ye scalliwags win some swag from the Crew of the big Captain hisself tonight! I look forward to starting this journey with ye! Let's get ready to ride the high seas and make history this year! Welcome to April my friends, it is just begun!

Of Mermaids and mermen

Mermaids usually are considered lucky, but not universally. In Trinidad and Tobago, sea-dwelling mer-men "were known to grant a wish, transform mediocrity into genius and confer wealth and power."

Mermaids appear in British folklore as unlucky omens, both foretelling disaster and provoking it. Several variants of the ballad Sir Patrick Spens depict a mermaid speaking to the doomed ships. In some versions, she tells them they will never see land again; in others, she claims they are near shore, which they are wise enough to know means the same thing. Mermaids can also be a sign of approaching rough weather, and some have been described as monstrous in size, up to 2,000 feet (610 m).

Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tale "The Little Mermaid" was published in 1837. The story was adapted into a Disney film with a bowdlerized plot. In the original version, The Little Mermaid is the youngest daughter of a sea king who lives at the bottom of the sea. To pursue a prince with whom she has fallen in love, the mermaid gets a sea witch to give her legs and agrees to give up her tongue in return. Though she is found on the beach by the prince, he marries another. Told she must stab the prince in the heart to return to her sisters, she can't do it out of love for him. She then rises from the ocean and sees ethereal beings around her who explain that mermaids who do good deeds become daughters of the air, and after 300 years of good service they can earn a human soul. A world-famous statue of the Little Mermaid, based on Andersen's fairy tale, has been in Copenhagen, Denmark since

August 1913, with copies in 13 other locations around the world.

Sailors would look for mermaid's purses on beaches for signs of mermaids in the area.



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Racey Tracey - Cruise Director

Well...I was going to start with a comment about it being spring and maybe April Showers bring May Flowers, but as I write this I look out my window to SNOW. So what does April Snow bring? I hold out hope that Summer will arrive soon, and with that lots of outdoor events and great music will be back!

Here's what's coming soon...

One Particular Thursday – Margaritaville Café at Navy Pier welcomes us back one Thursday a month again this year. Normally the 2nd Thursday of each month (except June). These are the ONLY nights they have live music, so come on out and have a few boat drinks! Here are the dates and confirmed performers –

- May 12 - The Beach Bum Duo
- June 16 - Don Middlebrook
- July 14 – The Detentions
- August 11 –South of Disorder Duo – Panama Jay and Bobby
- September 8 – Frank Whiting
- October 13 – Flip Flop Dave

Hemingway's Bubba Bash, May 14 - As you all know, we lost a great friend 2 years ago in Steve Slawkin. He provided us with Hemingway's in Lake Geneva, and started and fronted the band South of Disorder. So the best way to keep his memory alive is of course with opening Hemingway's Lake Geneva AGAIN and have a party, on May 14th, featuring some great specials, and of course....lots of live music! This will include: South of Disorder, Frank Whiting, Pirates Over 40, Johnny Russler and the Beach Bum and more..... This will be a great little staycation getaway to Lake Geneva! We will be partying and celebrating our friend from opening until they kick us out.

Train Crawl, May 21 – Yes...it's back! What is train crawl? Well, we have a starting station where we board the METRA and head out with an all-day pass and jump on and off the train hitting pubs going out and coming back! We'll be riding the BNSF Railway (Chicago – Aurora Line), starting in LaGrange and finishing in Naperville. We've got 6 stops planned with about an hour each. Get an unlimited weekend pass for \$8 and hop the train at your station and meet us in LaGrange at Palmers Place at 11:00 a.m. for lunch. Then at around 12:45 we'll head out, take a quick group photo, and catch the 1:03 train to start our adventure. Stops include –

- Palmer's Place - LaGrange (lunch at 11ish and board the train to start he crawl at 1)
- James Joyce Irish Pub - Berwyn (Harlem stop)
- Irish Times - Brookfield
- Hillgrove Tap - Western Springs
- The Uptown Tavern or Potbelly Pub - Westmont (This is a 2 bar stop - or you can choose to go to one or the other)
- Evviva Bar & Eatery - Lisle
- Draft Picks - Naperville (Route 59)

Further details will be provided at the May meeting or via e-mail prior to the event. Please RSVP to crew@chicagoparrotheads.com so we can send you all the information. And MANY THANKS to Kristi Moen for planning our route!



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- “Uncle Jim” Mayer
- Thom Shepherd
- Coley McCabe
- Charlie Imes
- Johnny Russler Beach Bum Band
- Flip Flop Dave & Catfish
- Donny Brewer

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Racey Tracey - Cruise Director cont. part1

Kane County Cougars – Jimmy Buffett Night, June 18 – Mark your calendars for a night at the ballpark. Mr. Myers will again be performing a pre-game concert followed by the game and fireworks set to the tunes of Jimmy! Tickets are \$13 per person and parking is \$10 for reserved parking or \$5 for general parking. This is a family friendly event, so bring your kids and grandkids for a fun time at the ballpark! Barb Siegman will again be coordinating for us, so please email her at siegman823@att.net or catch her at the meeting and let her know how many tickets you'll need and what kind of parking. (THANKS BARB!)

Jimmy Buffett, Hollywood Casino Ampitheatre, Tinley Park, June 25 – Jimmy's back with Huey Lewis and the News for the I Don't Know Tour.

Zac Brown Band, Alpine Valley Music Theatre, June 25 – 26 – If Jimmy wasn't enough...Zac's also in town the last weekend of June. Decisions decisions....

Dreadlock Holiday with Todd Donnelly at Tropp's Rock, June 25 – Join Dee and Bill Tropp at their home in Olympia Washington as they introduce Todd to a whole new fan base in the Pacific Northwest. The weather is typically sunny and warm in the summer. Olympia is a funky little town with lots of stuff to do, including the famous Oly Bar Crawls that the Tropps take all visiting friends on. They are an hour south of Seattle, an hour and a half from Mt St Helens and two hours from Mt Ranier. If you want to venture a little further...about 200 miles to British Columbia to the north or 100 miles to Portland OR to the south. An hour's drive west will take you to the Pacific Ocean. They are at the gateway to the Olympic Peninsula (think ocean beaches, temperate rain forests and Olympic National Park.) To the east are the Cascades. C'mon, who needs more reasons than that to go! Dee has set up a Facebook page for the event and will be providing updates there as the date gets closer.

Brookfield Zoo Summer Nights, July 1 – Mr. Myers is excited to be playing at the Brookfield Zoo's "Summer Nights" Concert Series. Enjoy Brookfield Zoo in a new light with cooler evening weather, enhanced dining, beer and wine garden, live music, roaming performers, kid entertainment, and a new laser light show, all surrounded by wildlife and nature. Mr. Myers performs at 7:00 p.m.

Chicago Margarita Festival, July 30-31 - Chicago Margarita Festival is an outdoor festival combined with a tasting featuring live music, dancing and food trucks on the lake. What better way to spend the day lounging with friends listening to music and more. For more information, visit <http://www.chicagomargaritafestival.com/>

Arlington Park Luau Family Day, August 28 - Grass Racing and Grass Skirts. Arlington will host a specially themed Family Day. Get out the grass skirts for this fun family style luau! Plus, Family Day activities and a live kid's concert. Don't forget to purchase your Pony Express Pass! Gates open at 12:00 and First Post is at 1:15 p.m. More details to come....

Jimmy Buffett, Alpine Valley, September 3 – Start your Labor Day weekend with Jimmy and the I Don't Know Tour at Alpine Valley.

Racey Tracey - Cruise Director cont. part2

Party with a Purpose -

One Particular Harbour, April 30 – Sponsored by the Dubuque Phlockers and benefitting St. Mark Youth Enrichment. This year's event features Pirate Over 50 and Steve Cavanaugh with Randy Dressler as the opening musical acts, followed by Johnny Russler & the Beach Bum Band. Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. The event will be held at The Grand River Center in Dubuque, IA. Discounted rooms are available at the Grand Harbor Resort and Waterpark of Dubuque - visit the resort on-line at <http://www.grandharborresort.com> or call them at (563) 690-4000 and ask for the Dubuque Phlocker/Parrothead room rate. For more information, visit <http://www.dbqphlockers.org/>.

Leather and Leis River Run, July 9 – Sponsored by the Central Illinois Parrot Head Club and benefitting Illinois CancerCare Foundation. Ride your motorcycle, drive your car or boat, or ride our party bus (limited seating) to five iconic bars on the Illinois River in Central Illinois. Check in at Kuchie's on the Water between 10:00 and 11:30am. Food and drinks are available at each of the stops. Ticket price includes dinner at the final stop. Host Hotel is East Peoria Hampton Inn, 11 Winners Way, East Peoria, IL. Phone number is 309-694-0711. The group rate is \$124 if you use the name Central Illinois Parrot Head Club. For more information and to purchase tickets - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/leather-and-leis-river-run-2016-tickets-19062873568>

Island Fever, August 13 – Sponsored by the Isle of Iowa Parrot Head Club and benefitting Eastern Iowa Honor Flight, HACAP Operation Backpack, and Team Breast Friends. Welcome Party Friday night featuring The Bamboozlers, Bloody Mary Buffet on Saturday Morning, Island Fever Pub Walk Saturday afternoon, and Saturday evening music by The Boat Drunks. The event is once again at the Coralville Marriot Hotel & Conference Center. Special room rates available for Friday and Saturday nights. Call 319-688-4000 to reserve, make sure to ask for the Isle of Iowa Island Fever rate! Tickets to the event will be available soon at islandfeverphlocking.com.

Other places to find the music....

April 29 – Todd Donnelly, Tilted Kilt, Bolingbrook, 9p-12a

May 6 – Callaloo (Steel Drum band) with the WCC Jazz Band, Waubonsee Community College, Sugar Grove, 7p

May 12 – Beach Bum Duo, One Particular Thursday @ Margaritaville, Navy Pier, 7-10p

May 22 – Pirates Over 40, Taste of Glen Ellyn

May 28 – Gizzae (Reggae band) and Callaloo (Steel Drum band), Oswego Beats & Eats, Downtown Oswego, 4:30p (<http://www.oswegobeatsandeats.com/>)

May 30 – Mr. Myers, Bandito Barney's Beach Club, East Dundee, 1-4p

Membership news from Pirate Diva Vicki, Arrr...



Well it is finally getting warmer so put those tops down (Ladies the car tops only), dust off your flip flops and head to the nearest beach. I'm sure we are all ready for this to happen.

It certainly took it's time getting here . So get out and get your tan on and enjoy the fun and exciting stuff happening with your phriends and phellow parrot heads.

Don't forget to clean your closets, garage and cubby holes for items that can be used for baskets and decorations for Summer Chi.Ill. We can usually figure out how to use just about anything.

Thanks to all who have updated their info it really does make this job a whole lot easier.



A very Happy Birthday to:

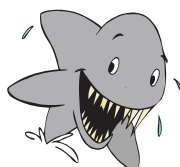
Chris Bert	April 20
Bernie Fliss	April 20
Bill Tropp	April 22
Sharon Klupar	April 24
Mike LaGioia	April 26
Bob McAllister	April 30
Mike Wallin	April 16
Jeanette Hagen	April 16

Ron Horne	May 1
Alina Stevens	May 6
Beth Vanderbrink	May 6
Al Camp	May 7
Karen Levang-Evinger	May 13
Kevin Eltoft	May 16

Apologies go out to Kathy Kosloski I forgot her Birthday on 3/17.

Now go and party like a rock star and have a Fruitful Day

Vicki Kerr
Membership Diva



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Mr. Give Until It Hurts—Bob Noonan



Spring is Here!!!!!!

Misericordia Candy Day is Saturday, April 30, 2016. Join us distributing Jelly Belly jellybeans in exchange for donations to support Misericordia programs that are so important to more than 600 children and adults. We are going to work the intersection of St. Charles Rd./West Ave. The intersection is one block east of Route 83. It is not far from HB Jones, the place we meet for our monthly Club meetings. We definitely encourage you to wear Parrot Head attire, so get your coconut bras, grass skirt, and Hawaiian shirts and join us for a shift or 2 on Saturday. If you dress like you would for a Buffett Concert, you'll be right in style. I will be at the location all day – I'm giving up my Alzheimer's Board meeting for this cause so we encourage you to join!!

I will have a sign-up sheet for Candy Day at April's Club meeting. I am looking for people to sign-up for two-hour shifts starting at 9:00 AM and ending around 5 PM. We will be meeting at HB Jones at the end of day.

Our Club page for "Walk to End Alzheimer's" is set up and ready for volunteers to sign-up. If you have walked in the past, use your 2015 sign-up name and pass code. If you are a new walker, go to

http://act.alz.org/site/TR?company_id=1260&pg=national_company&pw_id=9721

We as a Club have led the way for other Parrot Head Clubs for the Alzheimer's Walk, so let's continue the tradition. Our Chicago Walk is Sunday, September 25, 2016 and will begin at Montrose Harbor, same location as last year. I will update the Club on money raised and any other information as we get closer to the event.

We also were looking for any basket, auction and raffle donations for our Big Event, Summer Chi.ill. Please bring them to any meeting before the Event. I also want to remind you the Summer Chi.ill event charity is Corner Stone which is a 501 3 (C) entity.

Dates to remember:

Candy Days Saturday, April 30, 2016 (corner of St. Charles Rd. and West Ave, 1 block east of Route 83)

Summer Chi.ill—Thursday, July 14 through Sunday, July 17, 2016 (more details on our web site)

Misericordia Family Fest Sunday, September 11, 2016

MOTM 2016 - November 2nd – 6th, 2016 – Key West

As in the past, if you have any questions about our Charity events, please contact me at Rnooner@aol.com

Bob Noonan

Charity Director, Chicago Parrott Head Club - Mayor of MOTM

Board Member – Alzheimer's Association – Greater Illinois Chapter



Sharon Klupar - Secretary



Karen Levang-Evinger - Treasurer



Joe Klen - Communications Director

The Chicago Parrot Head club is a Not For- Profit organization whose purpose is to assist in community outreach programs and to provide for its members a means of social interaction for people interested in Jimmy Buffett's music and tropical spirit. Any general questions regarding our club, contact

billy@chicagoparrotheads.com -or- write us at

MCA/CPHC, PO BOX 6313, VILLA PARK, IL 60181

The Chicago Parrot Head Club newsletter is a monthly publication. If you have any information on an

upcoming event you would like published, or a review of a current event, please contact Joe Klen - No later than the second Friday of the month.

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