



# Chicago Parrot Head News



August 2013

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## From the Captain's Chair

Captain's Logbook

Fifty-Seventh Entry: August 21, 2013

*The air be sending a shiver through me timbers, if Ye know what I mean! But it didn't stop the raiding party of Beach Bikers as they plundered the North latitude of Chicago Territory! And now on to another endeavor to the North with a concert, and merriment, and coming into another month of charity! And lest we forget, it be time to make yer mark and sign on for another year of servitude to this great ship! To celebrate it right, next month, we will have all the makings of an epic pub crawl followed by the musical wiles of troubadours from the South! Here's to August, and may she warm up enough to call it Summer before we have to put away the flip flops!!!*

*Bloody Bill  
The Pirate King*



**Billy Brehm**  
Our Pirate King

*In 1977, Happy Days' Arthur "Fonzie" Fonzarelli jumped over a penned-in shark while on water skis, giving birth to the expression "jumping the shark" to describe a desperate dramatic measure by a TV show.*

*More people are killed by bee stings and lightning than by shark attacks. Worldwide about 30 people die each year from shark attacks, which means a person has a one in 300 million chance of being killed by a shark. A shark attack most often occurs when a shark mistakes a person for a seal or other animal. ~Thank you Shark Week!*

### 20th Year Anniversary - Bar Crawl

#### LIVINGSTON SATURDAY NIGHT

- Five Roses (Ireland) recommended: Guinness, Magners
- Adobe Gilas (Mexico) recommended: Sol, Pacifico, DosXX, 45oz. margaritas, 84oz. fishbowls, bikini drinks
- My Big Fat Greek Restaurant (Greece) recommas, Mythos
- Toby Keiths I Love This Bar (USA) recommended: any drink in a mason jar !
- Park Tavern (England) recommended: 80 beers on tap, or Flight of 4 for \$8
- Hofbrauhaus (Germany) recommended: Munich recipe German bier!

#### SUNDAY "LIVE MUSIC" FUNDAY!

- Five Roses at 11:00 for a traditional Irish brunch and acoustic morning.
- Adobe Gilas at 1:00 for LIVE TROP ROCK MUSIC!!! John Friday & Thom Shepherd!

### Mojito Slushie

- In a blender; combine 1/2 cup each sugar and water. Blend until sugar dissolves (about 1 minute)
- Fill with 10 cups crushed ice.
- Add 1/3 cup fresh lemon juice (about 3 lemons)
- 1/3 cup fresh lime juice (about 5 limes)
- 1 cup white rum and 1 cup fresh mint leaves
- Blend till smooth

Makes about 8 cups

It seems like a lot of work but sooooo worth it.

*Recipe provided by Vicki Kerr*



## *Greeting From Your Cruise Director - Karen Boylan*

Just a reminder that Official Club socials earn you points. If you are at an event designated as an official social, please see a crew member to sign in..

Okay my article is below and I am exhausted just typing it all!

### **Buffett Weekend – Part Deux**

The mud has finally worn off the flip flops of those that attended the Chicago Buffett Concert, and now Jimmy is taking Songs from St. Somewhere just a little north of us. This Saturday August 23 he will be at Alpine Valley. Whether you are going to the concert or not there is plenty of Buffett Fun to be had.

Hemingway's Port of Call has a weekend full of tropical fun. Friday starting at 3 p.m. is their backyard BBQ. \$12 per person and three of our favorite groups – Frank Whiting/ Local Favorite, South of Disorder and Pirates Over 40 will be keeping us entertained from 4 p.m. until we drop. Saturday Hemingway's will have live music, broadcasts of Radio Margaretville and all sorts of pre& post concert fun.

Two Seasons Bowl is also having their final Buffett Bash ever! Friday, Jim Hoehn 4pm, John Patti & Jimi Pappas 5pm, 6pm cedar island Band, 8pm the boat drunks. Camping is available, and shuttles to the concert on Saturday!

Saturday of course is the big show and tailgating! I know some people are setting up camp for Tailgating, please coordinate amongst yourselves if you want a big group!

Also as a sidebar, if you are not going to the show, we currently have 8 members at least (but anyone is welcome) heading West on Saturday with a stop in New Glarus for lunch and a brewery, and onward to House on the Rock! We are overnighing at the House on the Rock Inn (the details and deal are online including room and ultimate experience).

### **Back to the Future Party in Park 80s style at Arlington Park**

Come early for an exhilarating afternoon filled with good friends, great food and heart-pounding Thoroughbred racing. Then stay into the night for dancing, live music, popular entertainment, photo booth, Bags, betting, giveaways and food and drink specials from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Pre purchase your ticket NOW **for \$25 - includes all you can drink beer**, complimentary Party in the Park After Dark Mug, and admission into the track!

Tickets are available online at [www.arlingtonpark.com](http://www.arlingtonpark.com) or by calling **847.870.RACE (7223)**. Phone sales subject to a \$8 phone fee per transaction. Please note all sales are final, no refunds or exchanges, Party in the Park After Dark is a rain or shine event. You don't have to be 21 to enter the park.

Making this 80s nigh is the featured entertainment is **Wedding Band**. Skip the ceremony and start the party in your favorite 80's gear as Wedding Banned plays all your favorite hits from back in the day! Wedding Banned is a musical experience, a show, an event and something you will not forget. So if you want to have one of those, "you should have been there nights," come and see Wedding Banned and party into the night at Arlington International!

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**September is a Marathon Not A Sprint – Charity, Club Anniversary, Wedding**

**Saturday Sept. 7 – Oak Lawn Fall on the Green**

For the 18th year South of Disorder band is playing this fest in the south Suburbs. I will get you more info when the band or the village of Oak Lawn updates their websites.

**Sunday Sept. 8 - Misericordia Family Fest aka – BEER POUR**

While the Charity Director Extraordinaire has details about working the beer tent, I just wanted to let you know this event is fun to attend not just work and Pirate Over 40 will take the stage at 11 a.m. to kick off the day.

**Saturday September 14** – A little parrot told me that our club President and his favorite pirate princess are tying the knot. They have invited us all to attend and it will be at Hemingway's Port of Call in Lake Geneva with a full evening of tropical rock entertainment interrupted by some wedding vows!



**September 21 & 22 Party At the Far Side of the World - 20th Anniversary**

**Extravaganza**

September 21st, take a moment to book your rooms if you choose and RSVP to Billy if you are attending the 20th Anniversary Far Side of the World Pub Crawl! We will need to order up the thank you gifts!

Accommodations are at the Crowne Plaza Hotel; 5440 North River Road, Rosemont, IL. 60018. Special Parrothead Hotel rate is \$99 per night and can be used both or one night! Discounted \$13 parking rate for hotel guests, free Wi-Fi, with pool, restaurant, bar, workout room, etc! Suites are also available! By providing the group name, individuals will also be able to make reservations by calling 1- 877-337-5793 or there is a link on the club facebook page.

Saturday is a Pub Crawl times. We have allotted about 45 minutes per pub! And for those concerned about distance, they are all, LITERALLY right next to each other within one block. The final time of 7:00 at Hofbrauhaus.....this is so that we can get in and hopefully get tables all together as best we can. It is Oktoberfest, and it will be BUSY! SO we may have to wait briefly and have a liter of beer!

For Sunday.....a nice LATE Irish brunch with acoustic Frank Whiting at 11:00. Then at 1:00 back to Adobe Gilas for John Friday and Thom Shepherd! If you have never seen these 2, they are full of fun, laugh out loud, Parrothead, drinking music!

**Saturday September 29 Walk to End Alzheimer's**

When Bob Noonan poses as a respectable adult he is on the board of the Alzheimer's Association. So he can give you the details of the walk on the charity page. But I just wanted to let you know that as always we will be having a little party with our purpose. So after the walk the Tiki Transit will pick us up and bring us to Trader Todd's on Sheffield so that we can have some libations, watch some football and party like we do best.

**Saturday – October 19 – Train Crawl**

After September we are going to slow things down and do another Metra Train Crawl... watch for details in September.

## The Pirate Hood - Charity Page

### Mr. Give Until It Hurts—Bob Noonan



#### MISERICORDIA FAMILY FEST 2013

As of now, we have the following Club members working the beer tent at Family Fest.

Noon – 2:00 PM: John, Roxy, Johnny S, Vinnie & Alina S  
 2:00 – 4:00 PM : Matt Goetz, Joe Klen  
 4:00 – 6:00 PM : **Need Parrot Heads**

The Tent will be open from Noon to 6 PM. We need 8 Parrot Heads at each shift. Our tent is the one which will have the Bears game on a large screen TV, so will be very busy. I will have a sign-up sheet at our August meeting or you can email me direct at Rnooner@aol.com.

Family Fest is truly a fabulous day of entertainment, food, drinks, auctions, raffles, games and more. Yes you can enjoy all of these things after or before your shift at the beer tent. The Family Fest brings together thousands of Misericordia family members, friends and neighbors together for a fun and exciting day that has become Misericordia's largest fundraising event – the ultimate "Party with a Purpose." Misericordia Family Festival takes place from 11:00 AM until 6:00 PM on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at Misericordia's campus located at 6300 N. Ridge Avenue in Chicago (corner of Ridge and Devon). S&G Electric generously provides free parking for Fest attendees and volunteers, which parking can be accessed off Devon Avenue – just east of Ridge. A bus from the parking area to the Family Fest grounds will be available.

This is a sign-up in advance event only, NO SIGN-UP, NO WORK. This year Family Fest volunteers' free admission tickets will be given out at our meeting or I will mail them to you if you cannot attend the meeting. Vicki Kerr will be in charge of volunteers the day of as I will be out of town.

#### ALZHEIMER'S OF GREATER ILLINOIS WALK

The "Walk to End Alzheimer's" is Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>. Our team is building every day and if you have not registered, please to go to <http://act.alzorg/goto/chicagoparrotthead> and start to get pledges for this Walk on Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>. The Chicago Parrot Head Club is currently number one in the Parrot Head country, but Detroit is very close on our heels. Our own Tracy Roth is number 5 of individual Parrot Heads nationwide for raising money for Alzheimer's. We are only at 33% of our goal this year, so we (and I too need to get my feathers in gear) need to get pledges for our Team Walk. If you cannot walk, please go to our page and make a donation – any amount helps this great cause.

#### MOTM 2013 "BRING BACK THE MAGIC"

MOTM is held in Key West, Florida October 30<sup>th</sup> through November 3<sup>rd</sup>. We have about 15 of our Club members registered for this event. I am still working on details for MOTM Chicago style and looking for ideas from our attendees of things they would like to do while in Key West. Let me know if you would like to plan dinner, Drag Show, tattoo day – we are open to any type of special events while in the Keys. There have been some great sales for airline tickets to Key West. I personally have not booked my hotel yet, but plan to in the next few weeks. My plan is to be in Key West by Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> and head back into cold Chicago around the 7<sup>th</sup> of November. So go on-line and get your spot at MOTM 2013. PHIP closes registration at 3,500 registrants, and it is anticipated it will close registration in less than 6 weeks. Also, I will be doing a raffle basket for MOTM and will again ask our members to donate to our MOTM basket. We have only 3 meetings until MOTM, so please bring your donations to the next meeting. Any questions, I can be contacted at Rnooner@aol.com.



Bob Noonan, Charity Director, Chicago Parrot Head Club  
 Board Member of Greater Illinois Chapter of Alzheimer's Association

## Membership news from Pirate Diva Vicki, Arrr...



**Happy Summer!!!**



Hope everyone is having the time of their lives right now. The club has been doing so many socials and fun stuff to keep us all really busy. As August is coming to a close I am dreading the coming of colder weather and shorter days. I know that I need to go where it is warm all the time my feet need to live in flip flops full time How about you? Enjoy the meeting sorry I will miss you all this month. See you at the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party and the other fun socials in September.

And a Big Happy Birthday to those celebrating growing older but not up:



Teresa Carter  
Bob Gard  
Bob Sabalasky  
Mary Jo Compton  
Matt Goetz

August 21 (today)  
August 23  
August 25  
August 29  
August 29

Emily Piech  
Don Wegner  
Jim Farrell  
Julie Hardesty  
Tracy Roth  
Tom Paperiello  
Jake Sibley  
Tim Crowley  
Mike Dorminey  
Paul Perkins  
Vince Stevens  
Cyndie Kautz

September 4  
September 5  
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September 7  
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September 10  
September 12  
September 14  
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Have a wonderful day...  
...and FINS UP to all



Vicki Kerr  
Membership Diva



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## Beach Biker Guest Review Article.... By Cyndie & Brian Kautz

### Saddle up from your Road Captain's

Well, what can we say but...we came, we saw and we rocked it! What a turn out it turned out to be. Brian and I came up with the idea of the "Beach Bikers" on our way back from Peoria when he mentioned, "Too bad some of our fellow Phlockers aren't here to enjoy this ride", and bam, it hit me...and the Chicago Parrot Head Beach Bikers were born! I had a slight thought for our 1<sup>st</sup> ride, presented it to Billy and he said "Run with it! This is yours!" So with some planning, coordinating and stressing, (tons of stressing!) our inaugural ride was going to see Mr. Myers at Kief's Reef. At the meet-up, we were amazed at how bike after bike kept showing up! We had a few decorated bikes (it's not easy to get Harley Men to "trop-out" their bikes!), but everyone was in full tropical spirits! Brian and I knew it was a success when at each stop, we'd see the riders having an awesome time just getting together and talking! The support we show toward each other in this club is really amazing!! We even had a lot of people who wanted to become members, and offers for future ride ideas (our safety riders are in for any and all future rides!)

Thank you to all who participated, helped, and just had fun...because that's what it's all about! We are currently in the planning stages for next year....got 4 in the works with one over nigher!! If you have an idea of a ride to support the Tropical lifestyle just drop me an email [ckautzk12@att.net](mailto:ckautzk12@att.net) and we'll get on it!!

The Beach Bikers would like to send out a heartfelt "thank you" to Rivers Edge Pub (5019 Wildwood Dr. McHenry) for their donation to our raffle. The owner Linda was more than pleased to see 50 plus people converging on their establishment! Brian and I are planning a dinner ride out to give a personal thank you during a weekday...I'll post the ride info on the Beach Bikers Event page – until then, keep the shiny side up!!



# Fragments of the Lost Newsletter of July (volume20, Issue 7)...

*Captain's Logbook*  
*Fifty-sixth Entry: July 17, 2013*

*Well shiver me britches, is that the sun I see and warm...nay, HOT air on my face? Summer has finally arrived and I still be smiling ear to ear after what I felt was a pirate-tastic show on the new island. Was it perfect? No. That shanty town they created needs a wee bit O' work. But the music made me heart strings sing! And it was started off right at Trader Todd's seeing Scott Kirby pass through from Key West! A taste of what we shall see come November! Thanks for all yer hard work laddies, I didn't need to flog a one of ye! I look forward to the rest of the Summer, sailing in social waters until September when we go in search of treasure for charity! Enjoy the weather me hearties, and we'll see ye at the next Port!*

*Bloody Bill*  
*The Pirate King*



*All of us have in our veins the exact same percentage of salt in our blood that exists in the ocean, and, therefore, we have salt in our blood, in our sweat, in our tears. We are tied to the ocean. And when we go back to the sea, whether it is to sail or to watch it, we are going back to whence we came.*

*~John F. Kennedy*

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## Happy July to all:

**What a fun filled month this has been for all. The concert weekend was truly a show of how much fun this club and the people love to party. Virginia decked out Trader Todd's perfectly to fit right in with the theme for the day. Sharon did an awesome job on tags and figuring out how to make lanyards with beads and paper clips, all I have to say is Thanks for there being a Walgreens on every corner. We still have a lot to look forward to in the coming months so mark your calendars so you can join in on the fun....**



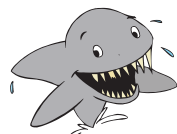
**And a Big Happy Birthday to those celebrating growing older but not up:**

**Barb Popescu July 17**  
**Gloriane Bork July 18**  
**Kristin McFadden July 20**  
**Hank Achtein July 22**  
**Karen Wallin July 25**  
**Matt Septeowski July 26**  
**Peggy Farrell July 31**

**Dan Boylan August 2**  
**Scott Badskey August 3**  
**Janiece Gilbert August 3**  
**Regina Driessen August 3**  
**Johnny Sheridan August 5**  
**Kevin Felton August 6**  
**Lisa Linkin August 11**  
**George Sifnotis August 13**  
**Rbert Ruzich August 14**  
**Joshua Hintz August 15**  
**Mary Kay Rich August 18**  
**Pat Eberhardt August 18**

**Have a great time and  
 celebrate the Parrotthead way!!!!**

**Vicki Kerr  
 Membership Diva**





Sharon Klupar-Secretary



Karen Levang-Evinger -Treasurer

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

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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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