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# From the Captain's Chair

Captain's Logbook Sixty-ninth Entry: August 20, 2014

This trip around the sun seems to have gone by way too fast! Here we be in the midst of August and entering our busy season for the fleet. Tis only a month away til we make our mark and rejoin our shipmates for another tour. And don't be late with yer dues! This ship doesn't sail on charity alone! Plus, we be considerin in true pirate form who wants to continue navigatin our crews through these shark infested waters. Elections be comin. Who will ye vote for? Let's parlay the rest of the Summer with some grog and dance until we hit home port again and get some business done. Another voyage well done!

> Bloody Bill The Pirate King

Everyone knows that swashbuckling types aren't exactly known for obeying the rules. But years before the United States gained its independence, democracy was actually thriving aboard pirate ships. For a mob of mostly illiterate seadogs, their concepts of governing were pretty evolved. Typically, they divided authority into three branches, complete with checks and balances. The captain, who only ruled absolutely in times of battle, was the executive branch; the quartermaster, who arbitrated disagreements and doled out punishments, was the judiciary; and the entire crew served as the legislature, voting on matters of importance, such as when to attack other vessels and when to elect a new captain.



Billy Brehm Our Pirate King





### Racey Tracey - Cruise Director

Summer's almost over, but there's still a lot going on! Get out there and enjoy the warm weather and great trop rock music while you still can. Here are a few things coming up soon....

<u>August 22-24 – Alpine Valley Concert Weekend</u> – Hemingway's, Lake Geneva. The official phlocking starts Friday, August 23 at 5p with Mr. Myers, Frank Whiting, and Pirates Over 40. Tickets are \$8 at the door (\$5

after 9p). They'll have a pig roast and fish fry along with their full menu. Saturday doors open at 10a for pre-concert tailgating and music on the deck starting at 11a. Saturday night post party event will feature the Dave Marshall Band and broadcasting the pre-show and post-show events live for those unable to attend the concert. On Sunday, wind down starting at 9a with Bloody Mary's, omelettes, and lots of post-concert sharing. Hemingway's offers taxi/shuttle service to area hotels (\$7-8) and the concert (\$40), but is limited so contact them ASAP to reserve your seat on the bus. www.hemingwaysportofcall.com or call 262-348-1200

September 20 – Island Fever Phlocking, Isle of Iowa – The Iowa Parrotheads came out in force to Party in Parrotdise, so let's show them some love at their event benefitting Eastern Iowa Honor Flight and Operation Backpack. Tickets are \$25 in advance (\$30 day of event) and can be purchased at <a href="https://www.islandfeverphlocking.com">www.islandfeverphlocking.com</a>. Special room rates are available at the Coralville Marriott – 319-688-4000. Ask for the Isle of Iowa rate. Event tickets include access to Friday night pre-party and Saturday morning Bloody Mary Bar!

October 4 – Return of Far Side of the World Pub Crawl – We had so much fun at our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary party, that we're going to do it all again! Exact itinerary is still being ironed out, but be prepared to get your passports stamped as we drink our way around the world. Discount room rates are available at ALOFT which is connected to the venue. Use this link for reservations http://www.aloftchicagoohare.com/social-house

Also our local trop rock bands are finishing up a busy summer. I've included a list of where they'll be over the next month.

August 22 – Hemingway's Port of Call – Pre-concert bash, Lake Geneva, WI Featuring: Mr. Myers, Frank Whiting & Pirates Over 40

August 22 – Mr. Myers, Chuck's Lakeshore Inn, Fontana, WI, 10p-2a

August 23 – Todd Donnelly, Alpine Valley, 4-7p

August 29 - South of Disorder, Crystal Lake Dinner at the Station

August 29 – Mr. Myers, Starved Rock Lodge, Utica, 8-11:30p

August 30 – Tropixplosion, Cow Chip Fest, Prairie Du Sac, WI, 10:30-12:30a

August 31 – South of Disorder, Eaglewood Resort and Spa, Itasca, 3-7p

August 31 – Johnny Russler & the Beach Bum Band, St. Joseph Park, Crest Hill, 5p

August 31 – Mr. Myers, Indiana Harbor Yacht Club, East Chicago, IN, 7-11p

September 5 – Johnny Russler & the Beach Bum Band, Sideouts, Island Lake, 7p

September 7 – Pirates Over 40 – Misericordia Family Fest, Chicago, 11-1p

September 7  $\,$  – Todd Donnelly, Bahama Breeze, Schaumburg, 4-9p

September 11 – Todd Donnelly, Bahama Breeze, Schaumburg, 5:30-9:30p

# The Pirate Hood - Charity Page

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

The dates for the "Great Highway Clean Up" in 2014 are as follows:

- September 14 (Sunday)
- October 11 (Saturday)

This is a fun and Keet friendly event. We always meet in the back parking lot of Tilted Kilt at 10:00 AM and the pick-up usually lasts only two hours.



Misericordia Family Fest is Sunday, September 7, 2014. We have enough volunteers but I have started a waiting list. We usually work in the beer tent from 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM. This volunteer sign-up event requires everyone to be 21 years of age or older. No open toed shoes are allowed while volunteering for this event.

#### The End of Alzheimer's starts here!!!!!

Log in to alz.org/walk and click on Parrot Heads of Chicago. Make a personal donation to show your commitment to the cause. It easy to send emails to groups of people to let them know you are walking to raise money and to raise awareness for the **Alzheimer's Memory Walk on Sunday, September 28, 2014.** The Walk is slated to be along the lakefront near Montrose Harbor again this year. We have set a Club goal of \$10,000.00. Now is the time to ask all those people at work who have asked for your support all year – Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, band camp, etc. – to help support your walk, and it has no calories (until later)!!!!!

I will have a donation canister and contribution envelopes at our July meeting. Let's work hard to be number one again in the Parrot Head world for raising money for Alzheimer's. We are receiving an award this year at MOTM for all our 2013 efforts — Good Job Chicago Parrot Heads!!!!!!

MOTM 2014 is October 29 – November 2, 2014. You must be a member in good standing of a Parrot Head Club in order to register and you must register by 11:59 PM on September 30, 2014. We have about 20 of our Club member's registered so far with more to follow. Any questions you may have about MOTM, I am sure I or one of our many members who have made it to Key West for MOTM can help; just ask.

NOTE: I am looking for donations to the basket we will be donating to the raffle at MOTM. Your donation an be a physical thing or we are accepting cash donations. I ask for no Booze as the UPS store who ships our basket (for 10 years now) can not ship alcohol. I buy booze in Key West for the basket when it arrives.

Sincerely,
Bob Noonan
Charity Director
Board Member of Greater Illinois Chapter of Alzheimer's Association

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



## **Happy August**

Wow I can't believe we are already into August. It has been one busy summer for this club and its members and we are not yet done with the fun. Alpine is this month and remember what our fearless leader always says it's a marathon not a sprint so have fun but, be safe.

Remember that your membership dues are due in September.



As always please let me know if any info in your life has changed.

#### **Happy Birthday to:**

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Teresa Carter	August 21	Julie Hardesy	September 7
<b>Bob Gard</b>	August 23	<b>Jake Sibley</b>	September 10
<b>Bob Sabalaskey</b>	August 25	Tim Crowley	September 12
Laurie Grant	August 27	<b>Mike Dorminey</b>	September 14
<b>Mary Jo Compton</b>	August 29	<b>Paul Perkins</b>	September 15
Matt Goetz	August 29	<b>Vince Stevens</b>	September 17
Renee Fliss	September 1	<b>Brian Kautz</b>	September 17
<b>Emily Piech</b>	September 4		
Don Wegner	September 5		

#### Hope you all have a great day!

September 5



Jim Farrell





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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

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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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