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From the Captain's Chair

Captain's Logbook

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The ships are battened down and we are riding out the bitter cold with a warm fire and hot glogg for the holidays! It be a great time to enjoy our family and friends and spread some good cheer. It is also the time to thank you all for another great trip around the sun! We have added many new shipmates, added to the Crew, retired some Crew, and have still done an incredible job of sailing the Chicago coast and beyond with a little love and luck. We have given til we can't no more. And partied til.....well, that doesn't seem to apply! I have to say it every year, I am especially proud to be leading this bunch, scurvy lot that ye are, and you should all be proud of what we accomplish. The Crew gets many a compliment everywhere we go, and that is because of all of you! From the bottom of me heart, you are all family to me, thank you all, and have a great Christmas!

Billy Brehm Our Pirate King

Bloody Bill

May peace on earth and goodwill toward men, never be as hard to come by as a fine sipping whis-

key (rum).



The Pirate King

ATTENTION PARROTHEADS

From Sharon—PIP Chairman Party - IN Parrot-Dise 2014 Update

The PIP planning committee is busy getting everything in place for Party in Parrot-Dise 2014. You are now able to make your hotel reservations for this event at: Holiday Inn & Suites- 150 S Gary Ave, Carol Stream IL.

We have a block of rooms for Friday night April 11th and Saturday night April 12th 2014. Room rates are: \$109.95 Standard * \$119.95 Jr. Suite * \$124.95 Suites * Rates good til 4/5/14. Included with your hotel room are 2 deluxe Breakfast Buffett Coupons per night booked. Registration will begin January 15, 2014 for PIP. In the meantime you can check the website for further information www.partyinparrotdise.com

You must call the hotel directly at 630 665-3000 to make your reservation and let them know you are with the Chicago Parrot Head Club.

Don't drag those flip flops....this event sells out at 225 attendees



Racey Tracey - Our New Cruise Director

Greetings from your new Cruise Director - Tracey Roth J

First of all, I'd like to thank the Crew for allowing a newbie to join them as your Social Director. I'm looking forward to all the fun things to come!

I'm sure everyone is busy with all their holiday shopping and get togethers with family and friends, but be sure to mark your calendar for some of the things planned the next couple months!

Thursday, December 19 (Yes...TOMORROW!) - John Patti and Nadirah Shakoor in A Calyp-Soul Christmas at the Arcada Theater in St. Charles (105 E. Main Street).

This is a benefit for NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness). Tickets are available at www.oshows.com or at the door and are \$30. Thanks to Ron Horne for helping organize this great event!

Friday, December 20 - Christmas in the Tropics. Peach's Beach Party Duo.

American Legion, Elmhurst (310 W. Butterfiield) American Legion Fish Fry starts at 5 p.m., music starts at 7 p.m.

New Year's Eve

Still looking for something to do? Key Lime Cove in Gurnee (1700 Nations Drive) has a New Year's Eve Beach Bash that includes CPHC favorite Todd Donnelly of the Mr. Myers band. Room package includes dinner and breakfast buffets plus music, dancing, waterpark admission etc. www.keylimecove.com for information.

Saturday, January 11 - Tropixplosion

is performing two shows at the Listening Room in Crystal Lake (401 Country Club Road). They have an educational and interactive family show at 2 p.m. and a "Music and Margarita" show at 8 p.m. Tickets for the family show are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door, the 8 p.m. show is \$15 in advance/\$20 at the door. Margaritas and other island drinks will be available for purchase at the later show. Please visit http://www.lakesidelegacy.org/2013-schedule-3/ for more information. Saturday, January 25- The Wailers (Featuring original members of "Bob Marley & The Wailers" - will be performing at MOEJOES in Joliet (22 W. Cass St.) Tickets are \$20 in advance/\$25 at the door. Doors open at 7 p.m. and the show is at 8 p.m. For more information, visit www.moejoesofjoliet.com







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Social Cruise Director Tracey (continuation)

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>February 22</u> – This is one busy day! You've got your choice of not one, not two, but THREE places to check out some great live music!

Jim Whaley's 2014 Birthday Bash – Jim & Liz Whaley's, 360 Eggleston Ave., Elmhurst. Performers -Hugo Duarte, Chris Clifton, Bob Banerjee, Dave Matchette and Chris Corey, Dean Cavill, Jack Mosley. Also, we will have a Friday night "Eat and Greet" at Stacy's Cafe on Mannheim Road in Bellwood with all the guys who are in town in attendance. If you are interested in being a part of the magic this year please e-mail Jim Whaley at whaleyj5@comcast.net with a head count.

Parrots of the Caribbean – Jimmy Buffett Tribute – This is an annual event at the Rialto Square Theatre in Joliet (15 E. Van Buren St.) and is sponsored by Dos Equis. Tickets are \$50-60 and include the concert, tailgate party, drinks and light appetizers. Tailgate party begins at 5 p.m. and the show is at 7 p.m. For more info, visit http://www.rialtosquare.com/parrots of the caribbean.asp#

<u>Island Beach Bash</u> – See Party with a Purpose Road Trips below for more information

Also mark your calendars for the following Party with a Purpose Road Trip opportunities!

<u>January 16 – 19, Pardi-Gras, New Orleans, Louisana</u> – benefitting two local New Orleans charities – Cops 8 and New Orlean's Musicians Clinic. For more info, visit <u>www.pardi-gras.com</u>.

February 1, Havana Daydreamin' – Davenport, IA (Quad City Parrot Head Club) – benefitting Honor Flight of the Quad Cities. For more info, visit http://www.qcph.com/.

<u>February 22, Island Beach Bash - Rockford, Illinois</u> (Northern Illinois Parrot Head Club) - benefitting Special Olympics. For more info visit http://www.niphc.com/ (details to be published in January)

<u>February 27 – March 2, Music on the Bay (MOTB), Tampa, Florida</u> (Central Florida Parrot Head Clubs) – benefitting Shriner's Hospitals for Children. For more info visit musiconthebay.org

The Pirate Hood - Charity Page Mr. Give Until It Hurts—Bob Noonan

It is that time again to help others as much as we can. We as Parrot Heads follow that philosophy all year long. A month does not go by that we are not helping others through our motto "Party with a Purpose". I was going to list all the organizations we helped during the year but it would take up this entire newsletter. Organizations that have benefited from our involvement are listed on the website. In addition to the website list, we have also recently helped **Brookfield**



Zoological Society, I Am Who I Am, and families from Manhattan, Illinois that were displaced by the recent tornadoes in our state.

The annual tree decorating at Brookfield Zoo went very well despite the very cold conditions. Yours truly was not in attendance, but as reported to me, fun was had by all. This event was a great way to start the Holiday season, and the money we donated benefits the **Brookfield Zoological Society**.

Our annual baking day at **Misericordia** was also a good way to start the holiday season. This year we worked in shipping and packing. I would like to thank the following people who took the time during the week to help-out at Misericordia. Thanks to Karen B, Bob Mc, Kathy C (California Parrot Head) Vicki K, Pat S and me for making this a successful event.

This year our January meeting will collect food for the food depositories. We have learned that many organizations/people donate during the holiday season and the food panties have low supplies in January. Please bring non-perishable food items to the January meeting so we can help replenish the food pantries. Given the reduction to the Federal food stamp program, these donations are needed more than ever.

Registration for MOTM 2014 opens on-line January 2, 2014.

Party in Paradise is set for April 12, 2014. Check-out our website for details. Remember there are many ways to help out our Club with your time, treasure or talent.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all, and to all a good night,

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 November to you all

Wow where in the world did this year go? I really can't believe it will be 2014 in just a few weeks time but, it does give us all the excuse to get together with friends and party like it's 1999..... or 2014 which ever one you prefer????? If you are traveling for the holidays be safe and enjoy the ride and I sure hope it is warmer then here. This a very magical month for all to enjoy. Have a safe holiday season and put your best foot forward for the year ahead.

A reminder to those how are reading this and have not renewed for this year.. You will be purged of club emails as of January 1, 2014.



A Happy Birthday to all

Tim Hammond	December 20	Jim Whaley	January 1
Karen Driessen	December 21	Brian McVéy	January 1
Christi Foster	December 26	Jeff Smith '	January 2
Kim Block	December 27	Cam Needham	January 8
Micky Clauser	December 27		,

Also remember if any of your information has changed please give me a heads up so we can change it and keep records up to date.

Thanks!



Happy Holidays to you all 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

billy@chicagoparrotheads.com -or- write us at 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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