



Chicago Parrot Head News



February 2015

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From the Captain's Chair

Captain's Logbook
Seventy-Fifth Entry: February 18, 2015

Well, it seems a bit of love and lust are in the air. Wait...love and luck? Whatever! Get back to scrubbing the deck ye swabbies! Gather up yer shipmates and bunkmates and prepare for the downwind run to Party in ParrotDise. We be goin ashore in just 2 months, so have ye waylaid a berth and signed your attendance? The hourglass be running low and still so much to be done. As we look toward warmer weather, let's look to make the biggest haul for charity in our ships' history! Prepare the rigging to set sail, the new year is now, and there be pirates afoot, and that be us. full speed ahead, Lads! I see mischief ahead...

Bloody Bill
The Pirate King



Billy Brehm
Our Pirate King

*It's the reason for livin'
That's what I'm givin'
I don't need a history lesson
To tell my why*

*I mean I'm in no hurry
To hustle and scurry
There's so much to see
And life ain't gonna
Pass me by*

*Tomorrow's right around the corner
I'll get there somehow
But I'm stuck in meantime
And I Love The Now
~JB*

Party in Parrot-Dise
April 17-19th Before that ship sails!!!
 Buy your tickets now!




CPHC 2014
Golden Coconut
Award Winners



Racey Tracey - Cruise Director

Having survived the Super Bowl Blizzard of 2015, I know I'm ready to move on to warmer weather. Just 30 days til spring! Until then, don't forget National Margarita Day next Sunday – February 22nd! Oh...and some fun events coming up too! !

Musical Memorial for Hugo, February 21, 5p - Performing this year are David Matchette, Chris Clifton, Chris Corey, Jack Mosley, David Edmiston and a surprise guest on sax and flute to take the musical bill or fare in a different direction. Tickets are once again \$50 per person, a dish to share (there is a TON of food), and your drink of choice. No one makes any money here except we have to pay all the musicians. Space is LIMITED!!! Doors will open at 5:00PM and music will start about 7:00 PM and go till who knows when. Late I am sure! Also we will once again be gathering on Friday night at Stacy's cafe for drinks and dinner and some music after dinner to get everyone in the mood. . RSVP to Jim Whaley at whaleyj5@comcast.net.

Party in Parrotidise – Cruisin' to Parrotidise Island, April 17 - 19 – Tickets are available NOW!

Featuring Flip Flop Dave, the Jumbo Shrimp Band, Mr. Myers, and Frank Whiting. Proceeds benefit The Alzheimer's Association – Greater Illinois Chapter and Gateway to Cancer Research. Tickets are \$35 until April 3rd (\$40 after that date and \$45 at the door) and includes a buffet dinner.

Our host hotel is once again the Holiday Inn & Suites in Carol Stream. Room rates are \$110 for standard room, \$120 for Junior Suites, and \$125 for suites. Rates include 2 Alberto's Deluxe Breakfast Buffets per room per night. Call the hotel at 630-665-3000 and mention Group Code CPB or the Chicago Parrot Head Club for reservations. Reservation deadline for these rates is April 5th.

Kane County Cougars, Jimmy Buffett Night, June 20 – Mr. Myers will again be playing at the Cougars' annual Jimmy Buffett night. Gates open at 3:30 and the band will perform from 4-5:30 in the Music Garden before the Cougars play the Peoria Chiefs. Barb Siegman has offered to coordinate group tickets for us again this year (Thanks Barb!) Please contact a Crew member or Barb at siegman823@att.net if you are interested in attending. Oh...and please do your NO RAIN dance. J

Jimmy Buffett and the Coral Reefers – First Midwest Bank Ampitheatre, June 27 - Club tickets are \$136 and only available for club members. All ticket requests must be turned in to Billy at fyrkid138@gmail.com no later than February 21. Stay tuned for more details on pre-concert events.

Sunny Jim House Concert, June 27 - Well...seems the other Jim has thrown a wrench in the plans for this one. But save the date and look for more details soon.

Cruise Events (cont.)

Brittany Kingery “House Concert”, July 2, HB Jones - Come on out to start the 4th of July holiday early with a "house concert" featuring the music of Brittany Kingery, along with Rob Hill, and maybe the Djembabe! They will be passing through for a one night only show at HB Jones in the atrium! No cover charge, but please "tip" like a house concert! Brittany lives in Mexico and has an incredible voice with the tropical feel we all enjoy!!! More info to come!

Mark your calendar for some road trips for music and partying with a purpose...

February 28 – Island Beach Bash, Rockford, IL – Sponsored by Northern Illinois Parrot Head Club. Features Tony Amber, Mr. Myers and Pirates Over 40. Proceeds benefit Northern Illinois Special Olympics, Noahs Arc., and PAWS. Visit <http://www.niphc.com/#!/beach-bash/c1ra2> for more information

February 26 – March 1 – Music on the Bay, Tampa, FL – Sponsored by the Tampa Bay Parrot Heads in Paradise Club, Sarasota Bay Parrot Head Club, and The Villages Parrot Head Club. Features too many artists to list. :) Proceeds benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children. Visit <http://www.musiconthebay.org/> for more information

March 28 – Havana Daydreamin’, Bettendorf, IA – Sponsored by Quad City Parrot Head Club. Features The Boat Drunks, Tall Paul & Kristie Bobal, and The Calypso Nuts. Proceeds benefit USO Rock Island. Visit <http://www.qcph.com/> for more information. Note – this will be Jake Tatar’s last show with The Boat Drunks.

April 25 – One Particular Harbor, Dubuque, IA – Sponsored by the Dubuque Phlockers. Features A Pirate Over 50, Steve Cavanaugh with Randy Dressler, and Johnny Russler and the Beach Bum Band. Proceeds benefit the Dubuque Community YMCA/YWCA Victim Services Shelter. Visit <http://www.dbqphlockers.org/activities/2015/oph.aspx> for more information.

July 9-12 – Laid Back Attack, Olympia, WA – Sponsored by the Parrot Heads of Puget Sound. Features too many artists to list, but listen to BeachFront Radio and you might hear our own Dee Tropp in the promo spots. Proceeds benefit the USO. Visit <http://laidbackattack.com/> for more information.

Upcoming local island music favorites ...

March 6 – Pirates Over 40, Dock’s Bar and Grill, Wauconda

March 28 – Regatta Mondatta (Police Tribute Band featuring Todd Donnelly), Mike & Denise’s Pizzeria & Pub, Aurora, 8p

April 25 – Pirates Over 40, Holiday Inn Elgin, Elgin Cosmopolitan Club Fundraiser, 6-10p, call 847-741-6201 for tickets and information

Membership news from Pirate Diva Vicki, Arrr...



Happy Valentines Month



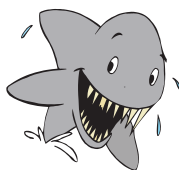
I hope you all got to spend valentines with your special someone. I'm also going to wish all you Irish and those that are Irish on March 17th a Happy St. Patrick's Day. Can't wait to toast with green beer. Part of my duties is to remind you if your information changes I really would like to know that includes email address or your home address and or phone number. Just please try to keep me in the loop.



For everyone celebrating your Birthday have a blast!

Mr. Tom Tanton	February 18	Flip Flop Dave	March 10 (AKA Dave Floger)
Dawn Marek	February 21	Joe Sebek	March 11
Mr. Kurt Rubin	March 3 (Mr. 50/50)	Brian Osowski	March 13
Chi Chi Skopek	March 6	Pat Stefan	March 16
Larry McLaughlin	March 9		
Kristi Moen	March 10		

Enjoy your Birthdays and have a great month all



Vicki Kerr
Membership Diva



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Calling all ParrotHead Members...

Party in ParrotDise 2015 will be here before you can pack your bikini and sunscreen...
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This year, proceeds from the event will again be split between The Alzheimer's Association and The Gateway for Cancer Research. Since the Chicago ParrotHead Club is NOT a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, we rely on your help to secure sponsorships and donations. The amount of money we raise is dependent on donations and sponsorships.

We need:

Donations - Smaller donations to go into raffle baskets. Items such as:

- Bottles of booze, wine and beer – stock up during your holiday shopping for better prices and swag included in packaging
- Gift Cards to restaurants, bars and stores – ask at your favorite places for a donation
- Tickets/passes to Movie Theaters
- Signed sports memorabilia
- Alcohol related swag –new t-shirts, glasses, bottle openers, etc.
- Cooler bags, rolling coolers, beach balls, tailgating items
- Cool items you might get for Christmas but don't need...
- Fun tropical items you know a fellow ParrotHead would love

Larger donated items for Silent Auction. Usually these items have a \$250 or greater value. Items such as:

- Timeshare for a vacation stay
- Sporting Event Tickets
- New TV/DVR/Blue Ray players
- Theater/play tickets
- Unique Tropical Items
- Concert tickets
- Signed Jimmy paraphernalia
- A drivable or large rollable cooler
- Surprise us

Collections to be made at the January, February, and March meetings!

Sponsorships

Sponsorships help cover the costs of the event and allow us to donate more money to our charities. Sponsorship levels are as follows:

- Green Parrot \$100 (includes 2 tickets)
- Silver Parrot \$250 (includes 4 tickets)
- Gold Parrot \$500 (includes 6 tickets)
- Platinum Parrot \$1000 (includes 10 tickets)

Please check www.partyinparrotDise.com to see what else is included with each sponsorship level.

Consider your own company as a sponsor, your employer, business owned by friends or relatives, and your favorite places to frequent. ASK EVERYONE! You may be pleasantly surprised by how many people may want to help.

Make your hotel reservations for this event:

We have a block of rooms for Friday April 17th and Saturday April 18th 2015.

Holiday Inn & Suites, 150 S. Gary Ave., Carol Stream, IL, 630-665-3000

Thank you everyone!!

Jen Jagielski– PIP 2015 Co-Chairman

2015 PARTY IN PARROTDISE

JOIN THE CHICAGO PARROTHEAD CLUB



"CRUISIN' TO PARROTDISE ISLAND" APRIL 17-19, 2015

Friday April 17th

Saturday April 18th

Sunday April 19th

SAIL AWAY

**FLIP FLOPS
TIKI BAR AND GRILL**
CAROL STREAM, IL

Featuring the music of
FLIP FLOP DAVE
8 - 11 PM



Food and Drink Specials

**PORT OF CALL
PARROTDISE ISLAND
AMERICAN LEGION
POST 76**
CAROL STREAM, IL
5:30pm till midnight

From St. Louis
**"The Jumbo Shrimp
Band"**
6 - 8 pm



PORT OF CALL
Sunday Moaning
Brunch

**ALBERTO'S
HOLIDAY INN**
CAROL STREAM, IL

Featuring the music of
FRANK WHITING
10 AM - NOON



50-50

Basket Raffles



Chicago's own
"Mr Myers"
8:30 - 11:30 pm

**Dinner Buffet
Included**

Silent Auction

Pirates Welcome

*Book your cabin on the SS Holiday Inn Carol Stream
Free Breakfast Brunch
Free dinghy to the events (or 'Hotel Shuttle' for you landlubbers)
Saturday Afternoon 'Lounging at the Lagoon' pool party*

All Proceeds to Benefit:
**The Alzheimer's Association - Greater Illinois Chapter
and
Gateway to Cancer Research**

Registration \$35 before April 3rd

Registration opens January 21st, 2015

Go to www.PartyInParrotDise.com for full details

The Pirate Hood - Charity Page

Mr. Give Until It Hurts—Bob Noonan



I know many of us are looking forward to a warmer Chicago, but remember Parrot Heads don't take a holiday from our charity work. A large group of Chicago Parrot Heads is heading south to help our Tampa club raise money for the Shriners. We as a Club in the last few years have shown others in Tamps how well we embrace the motto "Party with a Purpose". Our Club has been one of the clubs with the most attendees. This distinction along with our donations helped the Tampa club raise record money for the Shriners in Tampa. This Year MOTB ("Music on the Bay") will be held in Tampa, Florida from February 26th – March 1st. We have secured our Palapa (a table for the Chicago Club Members to hang at all weekend). We will be collecting from individuals attending to cover the cost of the Palapa, probably in the range of \$20 to \$30 per person. I will be bringing our Club flags to make our spot known to others and us. Let's wear our Club shirts to show our Chicago Club pride. No thongs allowed this year; there is a story, see me for it.

Our biggest fundraiser, Party In Parrotidise, is set for April 17th – 19th. To find out more details, please go to our website. We are planning on this event to be a sold out event, so spread the word and register. We are in need of donations for our raffles and baskets. Please bring your donations to our February and March meetings. The April meeting will be too late to make a donation as all baskets and print material will be completed by then. Any checks can be mailed to our Club mailbox if you cannot attend our monthly Club meetings. Sporting event tickets and gift certificates mail very nicely. Any questions can be directed to our PIP Committee or me.

It may seem like a long time before we play in traffic for Misericordia in our grass skirts and Hawaiian shirts, but Candy Days is set for April 24th and 25th. We will be working as a Club on Saturday, April 25th. We do not have a corner yet since Cheese Burger in Paradise has closed but we are working to secure a new location to flock. Details will be available on-line and thru our newsletter as I receive them. We are looking for a large number of volunteers so mark the date on your calendar.

The "Walk to End Alzheimer's" is set for Sunday, September 27th. I have been appointed captain of our Chicago Parrot Head Club team. Vince Stevens has registered our Club so we are ready to form our team. It's not too early to start getting donations for our walk. As most of you know, the Chicago Parrot Head Club has raised more money than any other club in the Parrot Head Nation. We received an award for 2013 at MOTM 2014 and we will be receiving top honors again for 2014 at MOTM 2015. You can receive more information on the Alzheimer's Walk on our Club website or contact me.

The Meeting of the Minds registration is open and is set for November 4th – 8th. The meeting of the Minds 2015 will again be held in Key West, Florida and any and all information can be viewed at our PHIP website.

Bob Noonan, Charity Director Chicago Parrot Head Club
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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Jimmy Buffett Chicago Concert Tinley Park - June 27th, 2015

