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Thank you to everyone who came out for Party in Parrot-Dise!

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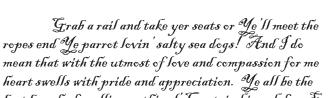


Taptain's Logbook Twenty Ninth Entry: April 20, 2011



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ropes end Ye parrot lovin' salty sea dogs! And I do



best bunch of scalliwags this of Gaptain kin ask fer. For all the kind words and condolences for me Mum, I bow and thank thee. And to follow that we put on a show for the ages! Tould we have provided more grog and entertainment and booty for all those wretched souls and privateers that steered there boats to our shores for thee Party in Parrot-Dise? Methinks not! We made a good contribution to stopping these dread diseases that plaque our numbers, and I'll make shark bait of anyone sayin' we don't know how to throw a damn right party! For that, we raise a glass to the bilge swillin committee that put this together! Ye did a right fine job and I be proud! And last, for she loved this group and being a Parrothead, a toast to me Mum and a quote from her favorite











We can go hikin' on Tuesday, With you I'd walk anywhere California has worn me quite thin, Jjust can't wait to see you again





























































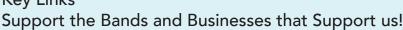




I hope you're enjoyin' the scen'ry, I know that it's pretty up there







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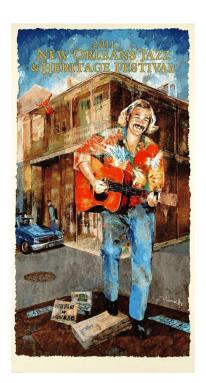


Top Ten Reasons to Go to Jazz Fest

- 10. Café Du Monde for coffee and beignets and a sugar high!
- 9. You can practice saying dirty French words and chances are, no one will notice.
- 8. You can go to the oldest operating bar in the country...Lafitte's Black-smith Shop-Piano Bar and Lounge. (Trust me, more of a blacksmith's shop...less of a "lounge".)
- 7. Good variety of music…e.g. Robert Plant and the Band of Joy! No. I'm not making that up…
- 6. You can see a real petrified cat at The VooDoo Bar!
- 5. The French Market Restaurant for grilled oysters and crawfish.
- 4. Even if you have small boobs, there's always someone drunk enough to give you beads!
- 3. There's always someone drunk enough to show you their boobs for some beads!
- 2. Pat O'Brien's Bloody Marys on the patio

And...the number one reason to go to Jazz Fest......

1. Chances are Jimmy won't fall off the stage twice in one year!!







Cocktail of the Month

Hurricane Cocktail Recipe

Yields: 1 serving

Prep time: 10 min

Ingredients:

1 ounce fresh-squeezed lemon juice or lime juice (your choice)

4 ounces dark rum

4 ounces passion fruit syrup

Crushed ice

Orange and/or lime slice

1 Maraschino Cherry

Preparation:

In a cocktail shaker, add lemon juice, rum, passion fruit syrup, and crushed ice; shake vigorously for 1 to 2 minutes.

Strain into a hurricane cocktail glass, Tiki Mug, or tall Old Fashion Glass.

Garnish with an orange and/ or lime slices and a maraschino cherry. Serve with a long straw.

Makes 1 serving.

Party in ParrotDise

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BONUS New Orleans Mardi Gras Cocktails

ZOMBIFIED

1.5 oz. Lime juice 1.5 oz. Dark Rum 1.0 oz. Light Rum 0.5 oz. Triple sec 0.5 oz. Creme de Noyaux

Directions: Shake with ice and strain into a highball glass.

ZOMBIFIED II

1 ounces Rum (White)
ounce Banana Liqueur
ounce Blackberry Brandy
teaspoon Grenadine
5 ounces Sweet & Sour Mix

Directions: Shake with ice and strain into a cocktail glass

Cajun Martini

1 1/4 oz. vodka 1 dash dry vermouth pickled jalapeno pepper

Directions: Combine vodka and vermouth in a mixing glass with cracked ice and stir well. Strain into cocktail glass. Drop in the jalapeno.





Karen Boylen Social Director

Sunday May 1, 2011 CARRIBBEAN SUN SPLASH CONCERT 3:00 PM

OD TAPO IMI – is having their annual concert at the historic Arcada Theatre in downtown St. Charles. OD TAPO IMI is a large band that features several steel drums and an awesome percussionist along with several other talented musicians. Their playlist IS quite the mix including, Buffett, Santana, Sheryl Crow, Beatles, and even a little Motown. They have a special piece called OIL that highlights the percussion talents of the group while giving a mini-homage to the Blue Man Group. Please RSVP to Karen if you are attending by Tuesday April 26, tickets are \$15 and if our group is large enough we will get a 10% discount. Concert is at 3:00 and we will visiting one of St. Charles's fabulous pubs afterwards.

Thursday May 12 ONE PARTICULAR THURSDAY 7 TO 10

Start forming your request list now for Frank Whiting at Cheeseburger In Paradise, Downers Grove.



TBD- 60 DEGREES AND THE HOCKEY GAME IS ON!

Start growing your play-off beard and keep an eye on the club email list. As the Blackhawks advance in the Stanley Cup Playoffs there will impromptu socials to gather at local establishments and cheer them on.

Saturday June 25 -BUFFETT AT ALPINE VALLEY

We are still determining the interest in a bus trip to the concert. Regardless of the bus trip there will be another budget friendly option to get your tropical fix. There are many other Buffett activities that weekend. Hemingways Port of Call – in Lake Geneva has a full Day of Music planned including, Mr. Myers, Pirates Over 40, Frank Whiting and South of Disorder Band plus more.



Wednesday July 27, 2011 A Non-HOUSE House Party.

Musicians Scott Kirby and Dave Edmeisten will be traveling through town and performing at Cabana Charley's in Woodridge. More details to come.



IN THE WORKS

The White Sox – are featuring Beach Bash Day Saturday July 9. It is a late afternoon game against the Minnesota Twins. Before the game several of our favorite Trop Rock artists will playing at the gates.

And not to be forgotten. The Cubbies – I am in discussions with some rooftop venues to see what kind of package deal we can get for a game.

The Official Unofficial Treasurer's Report



Julie Fitzpatrick Count De Monet

The treasurer is exhausted from counting the proceeds from Party in ParrotDise and is in search of a nap.

Once everyone has found their lost shaker of salt, we'll finish counting. Until then, preliminary

reports are that the event was gangbusters and the club will be making a significant donation to our charities.

Just ignore that the treasurer is driving a new 2014 tricked out Cadillac Escalade.





Pirate Momma Aymee Membership Maven

GROWING OLDER, BUT NOT UP:

B I G Happy Birthday Wishes go to:

APRIL:

Bill Tropp ~ April 22nd Sharon Klupar ~ April 24th Mike LaGioia ~ April 26th Bob McAllister ~ April 30th

MAY:

Ron Horne ~ May 1st Alina Stevens ~ May 6th Lorelei Dreyer ~ May 7th

FINZ UP TO YOU ALL!!!

If I missed your Birthday, it is because I DO NOT HAVE IT! Please email me and I will add you to our Birthday List!!!

ALOHA PHriends!



No New Members to report this Month...

BUT -- We are always accepting NEW MEMBERS and RENEWALS. Please make sure to tell your PHriends and PHamily to come check us out for a Meeting some time!

If you know of anyone who has not yet renewed, why not invite them for one of our upcoming events

THANKS SO MUCH and I WISH YOU ALL A RAG-TOP-MONTH!



Pirate Momma Aymee Your Membership Director

Parrot Head of the Month page is back! Please check your email, because I will be sending out the Questionnaire for everyone to fill out.

Please fill out the form, and email it to me along with a PHOTO and you just might be surprised one month with YOU as our PHeatured ParrotHead of the Month!!!

THANX!

Aymee@ChicagoParrotHeads.com

Need Something Special for an Easter Basket?

Who needs candy, when you can give your loved one an amazing neoprene coozie? Available in 4 different colors - pink, orange, green or yellow, it's what every Parrot Head needs now that concert season is just around the corner. Need just one? Then take your pick of colors for \$3. Can't decide what color to get? Then get a 4 pack - one in each color for only \$10.





PARROTHEAD OF THE MONTH !!! Dee Tropp

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A MEMBER OF THE CHICAGO PARROTHEADS?

think about 4 years...time flies when you're having rum.

WHAT IS YOUR HOMETOWN and WHERE DO YOU LIVE NOW?

Carol Stream since 1977...grew up on the south side of Chicago, although I was actually born in Venice, Italy.

BÜFFETT'S MAKIN' MÜSIC FOR MONEY, WHAT DO YOU DO?

I'm an Operations Manager at DU-COMM, a consolidated 9-1-1 police and fire dispatch facility. Been there for 23 years.

HAVE YOU BEEN TO KEY WEST? HOW MANY TIMES?

OH YEAH! Hmmm...5 or 6 times at least.

IF YES, HAVE YOU STUMBLED OVER TO LOUIE'S BACK YARD?

Again...OH YEAH!

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE BUFFETT SONG?

Oh, always "Manaña", for all the BVI references.

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE LYRIC FROM ANY BUFFETT SONG?

So many great lines...but the one I quote most often is "Walls that won't come down, you can decorate or climb or find some way to get around." I'm not much of a decorator, so I WILL get to the other side of that wall!

HOW MANY BUFFETT CONCERTS HAVE YOU BEEN TO?

Maybe 7 or 8? Planning to hit 3 this summer.

WHAT'S ON YOUR CHEESEBURGER IN PARADISE? A Veggie burger!

BESIDES BUFFETT, WHAT OTHER KINDS OF MUSIC DO YOU LISTEN TO?

I love all the trop-rock little people who play for tips and take me back to islands, beaches and boats. I also love country and the classic rock oldies that I grew up with.

IF YOU COULD MEET ANY PERSON, LIVING OR NOT, WHO WOULD IT BE AND WHY?

My father as a young man...specifically when he was in a far off land during $\overline{W}\overline{W}2$ buying my mother's engagement ring. I would like to tell him how well it all worked out.

WHAT IS IN THE TRUNK OF YOUR CAR?

An umbrella...in case I get the chance to dance in the rain!

FAVORITE DRINK?

Anything with rum in it.

FAVORITE MOVIE?

I'm not a big movie buff - I find it hard to sit that long. I do like natural disaster movies but I'll probably never pick an Oscar winner.

FAVORITE BOOK?

Trashy novels and beach books – and no apologies for it!

WHERE IS YOUR ONE PARTICULAR HARBOUR?

The British Virgin Islands, of course! White Bay, or Cane Garden Bay or...pretty much anywhere in the BVI where there is a beach bar and live music that I can dance to.

WORDS TO LIVE BY?

"Never hurt anyone and never walk away from anyone who needs your help." If we would all follow that, would we need any other rules???

WHAT'S THE STORY YOU'RE STICKING TO?

I just want to live happily ever after every now and then.

WHAT'S THE MOST IMPORTANT THING TO YOU ABOUT BEING A PARROTHEAD?

This wonderful community of friends - I love you all!





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Thank you to the Party in ParrotDise committee for an outstanding event!



Party in ParrotDise Wrap-up

Hmmm, no pictures have been posted. That's either a sign of a good thing (no evidence) or a really good time (too busy to take pictures).

Highlights:

- Packed Cabana Charleys on Friday night
- Packed Happy Hour at the Arbor Bar
- Jammed Packed Party in ParrotDise on Saturday evening
- Cool event T-shirts
- An Indian wedding
- CHICA No Bob Noonan in a PARROT HE parrot costume
 - · Teresa Carter as the Last (Wo)Man Standing
- Lots of money raised for American Cancer Society and the Greater Illinois Alzheimers Association!

Around the Lake:			
Date	Event/Group	Location	City
30 Apr	Candy Days for Misercordia	Butterfield & Finley	Downers Grove, IL
13-15 May	Phins to the West	Avi Resort & Casino	Laughlin, NV
13 - 15 May	Niagara Phalls Bus Trip Michiana PHC	Mishawaka, IN	Niagara Falls, NY
21 May	GLASA - The Big Night	Lake Bluff Golf Club	Lake Bluff, IL
3 - 5 Jun	Pirate-Fest	Downtown	Port Washington, WI
11 Jun	Beachathon	North Avenue Beach	Chicago, IL
9-12 Jun	Phlocking of the Phaithful Cleveland PHC	Commodore Resort	Put-in-Bay, OH
8-10 Jul	Laid Back Attack Parrotheads of Puget Sound	Kingston Cove Yacht Club	Bremerton, WA
25 Jun	Jimmy Buffet Concert	Alpine Valley	Troy, WI
16 Jul	Beach Bash & Volleyball Beaches A1A Parrot Head Cl	Holiday Inn Oceanfront lub	St. Augustine, FL
16 Jul	Rockin' for the Troops	Cantigny	Wheaton, IL
23 Jul	Jimmy Buffett Concert	Toyota Park	Bridgeview, IL

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