



November 2019

# Chicago Parrot Head News

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## From the Captain's Chair

*Captains Logbook*

*One hundred thirty-first entry*

*November 20, 2019*

*After a check with the quartermaster, it appears all hands have safely returned from the Southern Keys. Methinks the search for adventure has quenched the thirst, for now. To the scalliwags that were in me midst, thank you for sharing the sail. Twas a whirlwind affair and I felt greeted with open arms across Cayo Hueso. Now we look toward colder climes and the ice be creeping across the decks. Fear not, for we have plenty in store to keep the hearts and stomachs warm while the fleet lay at anchor in the cold waters o' the north. Check yer daily rosters for assignment, me Crew is hard at work, with a little help from some of our mates and that be plenty to do before the sun crosses back over the equator. Until then, be sure to give thanks for our little fleet, for friends and family, and for the Veterans that give us the right be thankful. Thar be nothing like a little rum to warm the spirits! And the spirits are moving me while we give thanks, and from me to you... thank you for being a part of my voyage.*

*Billy Brehm, the Pirate King*



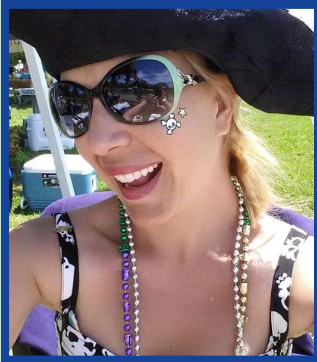
**Billy Brehm**  
*Our Pirate King*



*Got out of town on a boat for the southern islands, Sailing a reach before a following sea  
She was makin' for the trades on the outside, and the downhill run to Papeete  
Off the wind on this heading lie the Marquesas, We got eighty feet of waterline  
Nicely making way, In a noisy bar in Avalon I tried to call you  
But on a midnight watch I realized why twice you ran away*

*Think about how many times I have fallen, Spirits are using me, larger voices callin'  
What heaven brought you and me cannot be forgotten, I have been around the world  
Looking for that woman girl, Who knows love can endure.  
And you know it will. And you know it will.*

*When you see the Southern Cross for the first time, You understand now why you came this way  
'Cause the truth you might be runnin' from is so small, But it's as big as the promise, the promise of a coming day  
So I'm sailing for tomorrow, my dreams are a dyin', And my love is an anchor tied to you, tied with a silver chain  
I have my ship and all her flags are a flyin', She is all I have left and music is her name  
So we cheated and we lied and we tested, And we never failed to fail, it was the easiest thing to do  
You will survive being bested, Somebody fine will come along make me forget about loving you  
And the Southern Cross.*



## Social Navigators

*Yo-Ho Cheryl & Flip Flop Dave*

*Summertime...*

*And the livin' is easy..*

Party with a Purpose

**Chicago Parrothead Events:**



**November 24 Brookfield Zoo Tree Trim 10 AM:** Once again we will be decorating our Christmas tree at the zoo, and it was voted on to once again go with BIG TREE! This is KEET friendly!!! kids and family welcome! This is a donation supporting the Brookfield Zoo and Chicago Zoological Society, so we will have a limited number of parking and entry passes to hand out at the November club meeting (if you have passes, please use them, carpool, and spread the wealth so we get everyone in free!), and then..... tastelessly decorate our tree! Our theme this year is....wait for it.....being discussed!! It gets the most looks every year! Tree decorating starts at 10:00 am sharp on November 24!!! Watch for details on a decoration making party and/or at the meeting! THEN.....off to catch the Bears game (or just be social) .

**December 1st White Fence Farm 12:30 P.M.** Tis the season for ugly sweaters, cups of cheer and.....fried chicken! Please sign up with Renee Fliss if you want to attend this annual holiday extravaganza! We will also be doing an optional ornament exchange. (\$5.00-\$10.00 range.) There will be sign up sheets at the meetings, or you can sign up via email at : Rfliss@att.net or text 815-341-8913. November 25 is the last day to RSVP.

**Sunday December 8: The Sound of Music Sing A Long: 11:30-2:30** Music Box Theater, Chicago. General Seating. The Hiiiiiiiils are aliiiiiiiive....with the sounds of parrotheads! Tickets available online. Head to Coalfire Pizza afterwards to refuel after all that singing! See the facebook event page for more information.

**Friday, January 17: Cabin Fever Party 7-8:30** in Palos Heights w/ Beach Bum Band : 6601 W 127th Street Palos Heights. More info as it becomes available.

**Saturday, January 18th: Hawaiian Night Chicago Wolves Game with the Chicago Parrotheads. 7 P.M.** AllState Arena, Rosemont, IL. Get your Hawiaan gear out, and head out to support the Chicago Wolves! We will grab a bite to eat at King's in Rosemont before the game. (Big menu, great drinks, and it's free parking when you validate!) More information as it becomes available. Keet Friendly!

**Social Events Continued...**

**January 24-26 Barefoot Children in the Sand:** St. Joseph Silver Beach Hotel and Czar's Nightclub. This year's entertainment runs the gamut of the influences found in Jimmy Buffett's career. From his early days as a country artist through the time he spent travelling the world, in particular Key West, the Caribbean and South America his music is a gumbo of all different types of styles picked up during his travels. JOHNNY RUSSLER AND THE BEACH BUM BAND, TROPIXPLOSION, ERICA SUNSHINE LEE, MIKE ARCHER, TWO DUDES IN FLIP FLOPS!!! The Room Crawl, Best Decorated Room and Best Drink contests, trivia contest, Hallway party, auctions, are all back this year as well. Rooms for the weekend are \$69 per night. We again have an Early Signup discount. Entertainment fee is \$65 per person until December 31, 2019, then \$75 per person. This includes all entertainment, Saturday evening meal, and entry to all the festivities. Saturday-only fee is \$45 per person until December 31, 2019, then \$50 per person. Call Silver Beach Hotel to make your reservations and be sure and ask for the Parrot Head rate at (269) 983-7341.

## **Billy Brehm's**

### **PHIP Presidential Inaugural Ball Celebration**

**Saturday, January 11, 2020**

**from: 6pm-11pm**

**Downers Grove Moose Lodge (1030 Warren Ave, Downers Grove, IL 60515)**

**Please show your support and join us for an evening full of fun and entertainment as we celebrate the inauguration of our Chicago Parrot Head Club president, Bill Brehm, as the new President of the International Parrot Heads in Paradise organization.**

- **Registration is \$25\* per person and includes a buffet meal provided by DiLeo's Catering of Elmhurst.**
- **Cash Bar**
- **All proceeds will benefit the Lone Palm Foundation.**

**A quick response is appreciated and will help us plan the event more effectively!!!**

**\* Plus applicable fees**



Membership news from Pirate Diva Vicki, Arrr...



The dust of MOTM has settled where new phriends and fun memories were made. Just have to say that even though The Beach Bum Band played really early they **ROCKED** it for me. Never disappoints a crowd. All the music was amazing got to hear High South for the first time and so glad that they are signed up for Summer Chi.ill in 2020.



You still have time to renew your membership before you are **REMOVED** from the group emails. That process will start December 1st. Thank you to all that have renewed already.

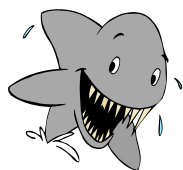
Let's give a big welcome to new members: Mike & Margaret Schmit



To all our phriends celebrating another trip around the sun Happy Birthday

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| Kathryn O'Connell | November 23 |
| Marty Kuklinski   | November 24 |
| Nancy Schreiner   | November 25 |
| Mike Warren       | November 30 |

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| Janice Pope    | December 5  |
| Beth Russler   | December 6  |
| Tara Tuttle    | December 6  |
| Tammi Buettner | December 10 |
| Timothy Walter | December 12 |
| Jason Huffman  | December 17 |
| Brad Pawlowski | December 18 |



Party on!!!  
Vicki Kerr

Membership Diva  
Chicago Parrothead Club



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## The Pirate Hood - Charity Page

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



The **Alzheimer's Walk** was held Saturday, October 28, 2019 at Solders Field. It was cold and wet, but that did not dampen our efforts.

I want to thank all that braved the weather. I was a wimp and was already in Key West readying us for our migration to the National convention. As a Parrot Head nation club, we did very well in our fund raising efforts in the fight against Alzheimer's. Our national goal was \$100,000 and our numbers to date is \$127,424 with money still coming. As for our local chapter, we came in third place among the other clubs nationwide. Here are the efforts of the top 5 chapters to date:

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|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Beaches A1A Parrot Head Club    | \$21,002       |
| Space Coast Parrot Head Club    | \$10,423       |
| <b>Chicago Parrot Head Club</b> | <b>\$8,355</b> |
| Galveston Parrot Head Club      | \$7,190        |
| Shoreline Parrot Head Club      | \$6,063        |

Good Job to all Parrot Heads who helped with surpassing our goal both locally and nationally.

The **29th annual Parrot Head Convention "License to Chill"** was held in Key West October 31st-November 3rd. This year we had over 35 Chicago club members attend this national event. As they say, "What happen in Key West stays in Key West". We did have a good time, but this year we did not win any awards (Golden Coconut, newsletter, Alzheimer', etc.) for our club. But we did have the privilege of belonging to the same club where our next President of PHIP also belongs. There was great excitement about **Billy Brehm becoming president of PHIP** for the next two years. As we basted in the shine of Billy; he had to field many calls, ideas and suggestions from Parrot Heads around the county. He was and is going to be a very busy President elect.

We spent hours visiting with our members and other Parrott Heads around the country. It's always good to see old friends and make new ones. The music was continuous all day and into the night. This year Jimmy Buffett did not show, but many of his band members put on some great shows at the Casa Marina. We also raised money for Lone Palm thru the auction on Saturday morning after our general meeting, gave blood at the blood drive, and donated toys for the children in Monroe County. Yes we do party with a purpose. Thank you all for helping MOTM 2019 being useful on many levels.

Bob Noonan (AKA—Mayor of MOTM)  
 Charity Director, Chicago Parrott Head Club  
 Board Member – Alzheimer's Association – Greater Illinois Chapter



Renee Fliss-Secretary



Mike LaGioia -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

CPHC, PO Box 624, Franklin Park, IL. 60131

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.

joeklen@comcast.net

### Here's your drink of the month: *Pumpkin Pie Martini*

- ½ oz. Vanilla Vodka
- 1 oz. Pumpkin Spice Liqueur
- ½ oz. Kahlua
- ½ oz. Butterscotch Schnapps
- ½ oz. Half & Half

Crushed graham crackers and cinnamon stick for garnish

Add all liquids to a shaker filled with ice. Shake & strain into martini glass rimmed with graham cracker crumbs. Garnish with cinnamon stick.

Cheers!

*Drink recipe provided by: Vicki Kerr*