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REMINDER

Concert ticket payments are due

Alpine Bus payments are due no later than July 15, 2009

From the Captain's Chair



*Captain's Logbook,
Seventh Entry: June 17, 2009*

Avast Laddie's, we be 8 months into this voyage of discovery and it seems we be learning all the time. From talking to the other Captains and the fine written word sent daily, we sail on with hopes of improving and inspiring this fleet day by day. Perhaps ye be having trouble reading between the lines sometimes, but this

Crew, elected by you in true Pirate democracy, seeks out ways to make this ship we call the Chicago Parrothead Club sail smoothly on its' course with as few storms and waves as possible, while providing the best possible options for pillage and plunder with this mischievous crowd we call phamily. As a phamily, we have grown to know our members sometimes truer than our own blood. Cheers for supporting each other in times of need as we suffer losses along the way, lend a hand to each other as we do for strangers, and pick each other up with a hug and a pint and phriendly face.

As we turn our face to the sun and smile, we know the tide will come, the ship will catch the breeze and sail on, and



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working together, we come together again to party with a purpose.....as family.

It is better to be lost and know it, than to be certain about where you are and not be there.... -Olde Saying

Respectfully,

Bloody Bill

The Pirate King



Environmental Project



We are looking for someone who has a passion for doing stuff to benefit the Environment to head up an Environmental Project (and we don't mean weeding your

backyard). Maybe your passionate about cleaning up the Chicago River, pulling Buckthorn at the Morton Arboretum or feeding the pigeons in Grant Park.

Whatever it is, let the Pi-

rate Hood know:

(todd@chicagoparrotheads.com) and you might have access to our roughly 200 members whom you can solicit for help.

WELCOME PARROTHEADS TO THE JUNE "SPECIAL ADDITION" OF

Kristin's Korner!!

In honor of Father's Day this month, some of our club members have shared their past Father's Day memories with us.....some of the names have been withheld to protect the innocent!

"Going out to dinner with my wife and kids with the in-laws every year and it being my choice...wherever I want to go...and I don't have to pay!!"- Vince

"Father/ son baseball games...White Sox."- Ray

"Now that I am a dad, I don't have a favorite Father's Day memory because every day is like Father's Day."- Todd

"I guess my favorite memory is just spending the day with the kids when they were young. It meant a lot more than now that they are grown up and living their own lives."- Ron

"Two words....food poisoning!"

"My favorite memory of my father is when he bought a light for the basement. It didn't work so he hit his chair, told me to take it back and keep the money...just get it out of his face!"- Jeremy

"Digging a big-ass hole to put up my 20 foot fiberglass flagpole with my son!"- Ty

"Visiting my dad in prison. He had missed several child support payments and he was in the city clink! I just received my driver's license, grabbed his keys and paid him a visit."

"Spending a day at the lake sailing with my boys."- Don

"Many years ago my brother held a Father's Day at his house in Griffith, IN. My dad was alive and my brother outlined a volleyball/ badminton court in his lawn. Both he and I had kids, there was barbecuing, laughing, drinking, and carrying on all day and all night. My dad looked really happy, like he had been really successful. I'll never forget that look."- Bill T.

"My family wasn't much for "Hallmark Holidays". We'd forget our own birthdays. I'd try to remember to get a card for my mom - and for Mary Ann when the kids were home. I can't remember a Father's Day. At the end, when he lived in Florida, I'd call my dad on Father's Day. But I called him most every Sunday for his last few years."- Art

More news from around the club....

Lynne Crowley did the MS bike a thon this past Saturday and Sunday, at time of printing we do not know how many miles she was able to complete this year, but last year Lynne biked over a 100 miles to raise money for this awesome cause.

Bob & Vicki Noonan just launched their new boat up at their summer home at Fish Lake, MI.

We hear Mike & Julie Hardesty and Rob Fitzpatrick headed out to North Carolina...

but Julie Fitzpatrick had to stay home because "she was grounded"?

Terry & Carol Leigh were pleasantly surprised when their son Joe announced his engagement to Jessica. Wedding is to be September 2010, enough time for Terry to learn the Hokey Pokey



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The Pirate Hood Page

Make a million dollar difference in the lives of the 210,000 Illinois residents living with Alzheimer's disease! The Alzheimer's Association – Greater Illinois Chapter is on the MOVE to raise \$2 million this year for the fight against Alzheimer's. The Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk® is the nation's largest event to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer care, support and research – and it calls on volunteers of all ages to become champions in the fight against this fatal disease. Since 1989,

ser'in' me rum t' take from the rich an' help the needy

Memory Walk has raised more than \$260 million nationally for the cause. Memory Walk is a community event that joins friends, family and co-workers as they walk to end Alzheimer's. Participants typically register in teams of 10-12 and fundraise using tools supported by the Alzheimer's Association. The Walk this year is Sunday, September, 13th.

The Chicago Memory Walk is a *non-competitive* 5k walk around the lakefront that both starts and finishes at Montrose Avenue and the lake. Dogs on leashes are welcome, and the entire route is wheelchair and stroller friendly. For those of you who are *competitive*, The Pirate Hood will challenge you to a 5k race. If you can beat him (and he should finish in less than 25 minutes), he will donate \$25 in your name to Memory Walk. Of course you have to do it on foot, not segway, car, bike etc.

To join our team visit:

<http://memorywalk.kintera.org/chicago2009/chicagoparrotheads>

Throughout the day, please enjoy:

- Live Music before and after the walk
- Face painting and balloon animals
- A kids zone for the whole family to enjoy
- Tribute Flags to honor or remember your loved ones with Alzheimer's
- The Chicago Wolves Mascot, Skates!



A Reminder for those Pirates looking at 40 (like me) and beyond (like many of you)

of the good we do each month by collecting things at our monthly meetings:

We collect Pop and Beer-tops for Ronald McDonald House. Why tab tops? They are easily removed from the can and allow for any individual or community group to participate. Tabs are much smaller and cleaner than cans, enabling the House to handle the large volume that it receives. Besides, the Tab Top Program is unique to the Ronald McDonald House. Once the tab tops are at the Ronald McDonald House they are put into large French fry boxes and ready for the McDonald's supplier truck to pick them up and take to Minnesota where they are sold to a scrap metal company.

We collect Toiletries for Battered Women because they often have to flee with little or no notice not giving them the opportunity to gather personal belongings. Being able to wash, bathe and even brush teeth daily can significantly improve one's self-esteem.

And we also collect old cell phones to donate to Call To Protect. All donated phones are sent to ReCellular, Inc. where they are either refurbished and sold, or recycled. One hundred percent of the net proceeds generated by the sale of the refurbished phones are used to make grants to national organizations working to end family violence.

All phones donated that are obsolete or

damaged are recycled according to strict environmental standards.



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From Your Cruise Director —Karen Boylan Karen@chicagoparrotheads.com



On Sunday July 19th it is time to take to the streets *Caribbean Style*. Tinley Park is having their annual Caribbean Block party from noon to 7:00 p.m. on Oak Park Avenue from 171st Street to Hickory Street. There are two stages of entertainment, rides and other events. Our club will be meeting for the main stage performance of **Mr. Myers** from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. The stage is located in the Metra lot at 173rd and Oak Park Ave.

Are you missing the Keys? *Blarney Island* on the Chain of Lakes is having **Key West Fest** weekend **June 20 and June 21**. With some of Duval Street's famous acts performing **Howard Livingston and the MileMarker 24** Band will play from 2:00 to 7:00pm. each day. Saturday they will be followed by **Jared Michael Hobgood**, the headliner from Irish Kevin's on stage at 7:00 followed by **Matt Avery**—a hair rocker and former Star Search winner at 9:00.

You need to get to the island by boat a Ferry leaves on the hour from Port of Blarney Bar, 27843 W Grass Lake Rd, Antioch, IL 60002.

Summer nights are for fun—evening if it is a weeknight. So on **Wednesday July 22** we are invading Lincoln Park to mix tropical attitude with Chicago folklore. Starting at Fernando's 3450 N. Lincoln in Chicago where **The Boat Drunks** of Champaign will be playing starting at 7:00. I am still gathering more details so watch the email list. Then it will be time to move on to some of Chicago's gangster culture. Ghost Hunter Richard Crowe has invited us to join in a commemoration of the 75th anniversary of the shooting of gangster John Dillinger. The evening starts at Lincoln Station, 2432 N. Lincoln Ave (Just North of Fullerton Ave. across from the Biograph Theatre). Beginning at 8:00 you can mingle with Richard Crowe, gangster enthusiasts and authors. The cast from *The Brides of Richard Crowe; Dillinger Edition* will perform and there will be a "**Hottest Lady In Red**" contest. At 10:00 a bagpiper will lead the procession from the bar to the alley of the Biograph to the spot where Dillinger was shot by the FBI and the commemoration will continue. This is a free event and should wrap up by 10:30 which is plenty early for a "school night."

And there will be one more tropical outing in July—on **Tuesday July 28** we will head to **Fishel Park in Downers Grove** for music in the park. **Johnny Russler and the Beach Bums** will be playing at 7:00. Fishel park is located just west of Main Street on the north side of Grove Street. BYO Chair.

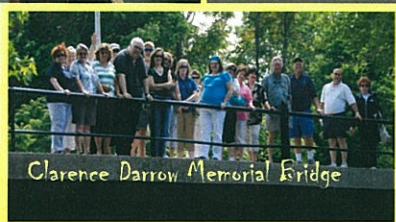
Don't forget the next **One Particular Thursday is July 9** at Cheeseburger in Paradise Downers Grove.

Parrot Heads In The White City

Twenty-two parrot heads, friends and family boarded a bus with Richard Crowe, ghost hunter, to take a tour based on the book *Devil In the White City*. Sites visited were all related 1893 World's Fair in Chicago and the nation's first known serial killer Dr. H.H. Holmes, who roamed the city at that time. If you did not attend here is what you missed.



Chicago Stockyards



Clarence Darrow Memorial Bridge



Oz Park



PARROTHEAD OF THE MONTH!**'MAD MARTY' KUKLINSKI**

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A MEMBER OF THE CHICAGO PARROTHEADS ? I am a new member, but have been a Parrothead since the 1970s

WHAT IS YOUR HOMETOWN and WHERE DO YOU LIVE NOW ? Both are the same, Addison, IL
BUFFETT'S MAKIN' MUSIC FOR MONEY, WHAT DO YOU DO ? I am a System Engineer (IT Grunt) for Canon Business Solutions. I have been a computer geek for almost as long as I have been a Parrothead.

HAVE YOU BEEN TO KEY WEST ? Yes *HOW MANY TIMES ?* Too many to count!!

IF YES, HAVE YOU STUMBLED OVER TO LOUIE'S BACK YARD ? Stumbled, never... Crawled, maybe...

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE BUFFETT SONG ? Fruitcakes

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE LYRIC FROM ANY BUFFETT SONG ?

This has to be the hardest question to answer, I'm going with a rather obscure one:

I'm a cultural infidel ... 'Believe in common sense...

I'm a cultural infidel ...Love the present tense

But we have to keep a lookout for those mean old backed up farts

I'm a cultural infidel... Comin' from the heart

HOW MANY BUFFETT CONCERTS HAVE YOU BEEN TO ? Not to brag, but well over 100

WHAT'S ON YOUR CHEESEBURGER IN PARADISE ?

Lettuce, tomato, Heinz 57, mustard, mayo, French fries, COLD DRAFT BEER, and BACON!!!

BESIDES BUFFETT, WHAT OTHER KINDS OF MUSIC DO YOU LISTEN TO ? I love TropRock, there is much more to Tropical Music than just Buffett. There are some damn good indie artists out there!

IF YOU COULD MEET ANY PERSON, LIVING OR NOT, WHO WOULD IT BE AND WHY ? Bogart! Why? So I could get his suit! Really, Bogart was cool, growing up in the 60s we all wanted to be Bogey!!

WHAT IS IN THE TRUNK OF YOUR CAR ? This one is so simple, jumper cables, spare grass skirt and coconut bra.

FAVORITE DRINK ? (Boring) Beer

FAVORITE MOVIE ? Casablanca, always has been, always will be.

FAVORITE BOOK ? How about authors, I have 2 Terry Pratchett and Tom Corcoran

WHERE IS YOUR ONE PARTICULAR HARBOUR ? I'm really liking the SW area of Florida right now. Someday....

WORDS TO LIVE BY ? It is not exactly cheating, I prefer to consider it creative problem solving!!!

WHAT'S THE STORY YOU'RE STICKING TO ? It was like that when I got here!

Membership news from Pirate Mama Aymee...



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Growing older but not up.... Big Birthday wishes to.....

Mary Meade ~ June 15th

Cheryl Wegner ~ June 22nd

Larry Long ~ June 24th

Bob Keegan ~ June 26th

Kat Whaley ~ June 27th

John Simons ~ July 1st

Art Commings ~ July 3rd

Billy Brehm ~ July 6th

Mike "Rafone" Erickson ~ July 6th

John Tobin ~ July 7th

Jennifer Marren ~ July 8th

Janice Osowski ~ July 8th

Ty Needham ~ July 9th

Nancy Palmsiano ~ July 10th

Nancy Shaffer ~ July 17th

Barb Popescu ~ July 17th

Gloriane Bork ~ July 18th

Finz up to all!



Please don't forget to sign up for our Birthday list !

Please point your browser to:
<http://www.birthdayalarm.com/dob/4413319a1886359b363>

When Birthday Alarm asks for your name,

please add PARROTHEAD in the first name line **BEFORE** your name. Also, feel free to add any Anniversaries if you'd like !

YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE ANY SPAM FROM THIS SITE !!!

If you do not feel comfortable using the link, please email me with your NAME and Birthday/ Anniversary info and I will add you to the list without Birthday Alarm.

Thanx !

Aymee@ChicagoParrotHeads.com



THANKS SO MUCH TO ALL

AND I WISH YOU

A RAG~TOP~MONTH

Always,

Pirate Mama Aymee



ALOHA PHriends !

We have some NEW PHLOCK MEMBERS to recognize this month of June !!!

Please take a moment to Greet them with a warm "**Aloha !**"

Nancy Palmsiano – *Whose One Particular Harbour is KEY WEST !*

Carol DeSimone – *Whose favorite Buffett tune is "Come Monday" !*

E KOMO MAI ! WELCOME !

You are a part of our OHANA now ! We look forward to getting to know you !

IT'S CONCERT TIME AGAIN

Our Host's, Toyota Park and the Village of Bridgeview are ready to welcome us back, we are currently working with the coordinators of Toyota Park on the details of our club's area for this year's tailgreat! Details will follow on location.

This year we will have a meet and greet with Nadirah Shakoor and Doyle... Details to follow on times and location.

For now, here some important information you should know...

The club will not be providing any food or drink.

**THE CLUB HOTLINE 630-729-3156 WILL BE UPDATED THE DAY OF THE CONCERT IF ANY CHANGES ARE NECESSARY. ANY QUESTIONS BEFORE THE CONCERT, CONTACT US AT:
crew@chicagoparrotheads.com**

If you attended last year's concert at Toyota Park, you know this is the best venue you will have to see a concert. Let's please respect our hosts so we will be invited back next year.

So kiddies, let's review the rules from last year...

As far as their rules, USE COMMON SENSE.

They will not allow alcohol to be brought into the stadium, there will be plenty for sale. So be aware, you will be checked at the gate. By the way, If you are intoxicated, they have the right to refuse entry. No pets or animals are allowed on the grounds with exception of service animals for guests with disabilities

These are the Prohibited Items direct from their website:

NO CHARCOAL GRILLS, Aerosol Cans, Balloons and Beach Balls, Cameras with Lenses or

Lens Attachments over 6", Cans, Bottles or Other Beverage Containers, Chains, Studded Bracelets, etc., Coolers or Ice Chests, Fireworks, Flares or Smoke Bombs, Illegal Drugs, Large Bags and Purses, Laser Pens and Pointers, Noisemaking Devices (i.e. whistles, air horns), Outside Food and Beverage, Poles to Display Banners, Flags, etc., Umbrellas, Video or Recording Devices, Weapons, Any Other Item Deemed to be Inappropriate or Dangerous by TOYOTA PARK Management

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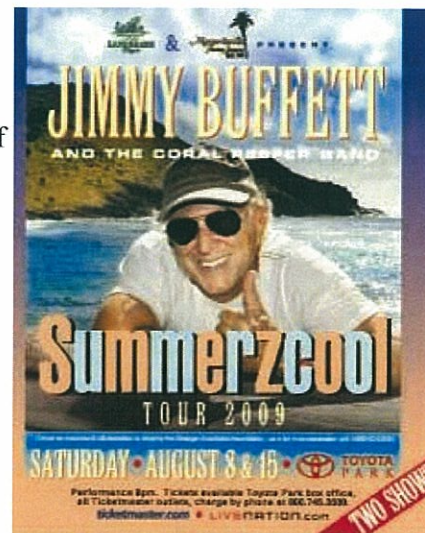
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SHOPPING FOR A PURPOSE!

Since you can not avoid the shopping why not at least get the benefit of helping out our club. The following retailers give a percent of your purchases to the club:



GFS sells food and party supplies in bulk, much like Costco without the required membership.

Our account is under **Midwest Caribbean Association** so mention that at check out so we get credit for the sale. They have locations in Villa Park, Burbank, Orland, Aurora, Lansing, Joliet, Palatine, Olympia Fields, Merrville and Michigan City to name just a few. www.gfs.com for more info.



Amazon.com sells more than books & CDs. You can get MP3 downloads, housewares, toys and anything else.

So when shopping for yourself or a gift. Go to the club's website www.chicagoparrotheads.com At the bottom of the home page is a search box for Amazon.com follow that link and shop as usual.

June and July 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			17 <i>Monthly Club meeting</i>	18 ODTAPO IMI, Market Square, Lake Forest, IL Howard Livingston MM24 , Fins Bar and Grill, Edgerton, WI Mr. Myers , Settlers Park, Plainfield, IL	19 <i>Local Favorite</i> , Navy Pier Howard Livingston MM24 , Sam McGuires, Orland Park, IL Mr. Myers DUO at Key Lime Cove	20 <i>Local Favorite</i> CIP, Dowers Grove OD TAPO IMI , Wadsworth, IL Howard Livingston MM24 , Blarney Island Mr. Myers , Chucks Lakeshore INN, Fontana, WI
21 FATHERS DAY OD TAPO IMI Geneva Commons Howard Livingston MM24 , Blarney Island	22	23	24 <i>Local Favorite</i> Swedish Day Festival Geneva, IL Mr. Myers , Mal-lard Ridge Park, Lindenhurst, IL	25	26 <i>Local Favorite</i> Band, Ballydoyle Irish Pib, Aurora, IL Mr. Myers, The Lodge, Starved Rock, Utica, IL	27 OD TAPO IMI Carpentersville, IL Mr. Myers , Margari-taville on the Mississippi, Ft Madi-son, LA
28 Mr. Myers Tro , Centennial Park, Pingree Grove, IL	29	30 Mr. Myers , Perry Farri Park, Bourbonnais, IL	JULY 1	2 Mr. Myers , Lions Park Bandsbell, Cary, IL	3 OD TAPO IMI Kalabari Resort, Wisconsin Dells	4  OD TAPO IMI Kalabari Resort, Wisconsin Dells
5	6	7	8 Mr. Myers , Island Park, Geneva, IL	9 <i>One Particular Thursday</i> . Frank Whiting , Cheeseburger in Paradise, Downers	10 Mr. Myers , Langendorf Park, Barrington, IL	11 OD TAPO IMI Kane County Cougars Mr. Myers , Blarney Island, Antioch, IL
12 <i>Local Favorite</i> Summer Band Series, Hawthorne Woods Mr. Myers , Kracklauer Park, Mundelein, IL	13	14 Mr. Myers , Wooddale Park Dist. Wooddale, IL	15 <i>Monthly Club Meeting</i> , Elmhurst Public House 7:30 ALPINE FINAL PAYMENTS DUE	16 OD TAPO IMI , Elmwood Park, IL Mr. Myers , Family Aquatic Center, Palatine, IL	17 Mr. Myers Duo at Shark City, Bloomington, IL	18 Mr. Myers , Chicago White Sox Beach Bash. Mr. Myers , Chucks Lakeshore Inn, Fontana, WI

For complete details on times and locations, check either the club's website calendar www.chicagoparrotheads.com or the individual band's websites. Links posted on page 7.

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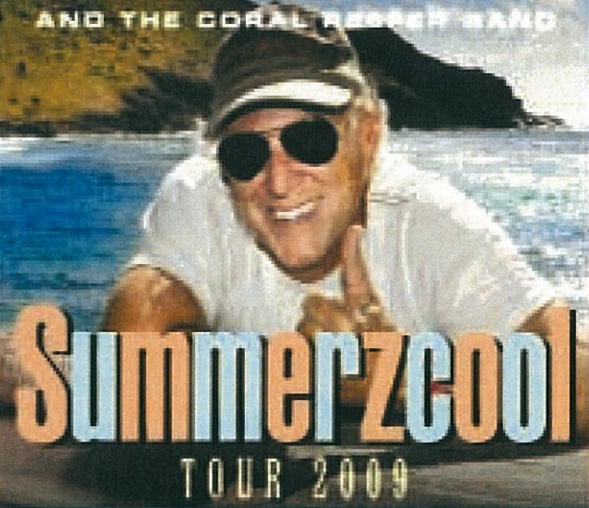
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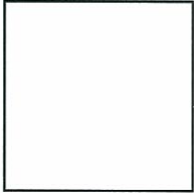


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