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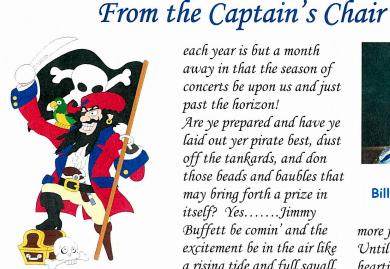
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September is Membershin





Captain's Logbook Eighth Entry: July 15, 2009

Can Ye feel the change? Something in the wind tonight, some kind of change in the weather? Yer doubloons well saved and spent will finally get the prize! The treasure we seek each year is but a month away in that the season of concerts be upon us and just past the horizon! Are ye prepared and have ye laid out yer pirate best, dust off the tankards, and don those beads and baubles that may bring forth a prize in itself? Yes.....Jimmy Buffett be comin' and the excitement be in the air like a rising tide and full squall, and we be ready for him! The party has begun, and we shall start here tonight as we also prepare for the gathering. Don't forget, in just 3 months and a fortnight, the Meeting of the Minds will commence. Will Ye be there by me side? A Captain needs his Crew, and I hope to see



Billy Brehm-President Billy@chicagoparrotheads.com

more familiar faces than not. Until then....drink up me hearties....the show's about to begin....

Sailor's talk is a dialect as distinct from English as Hindustani is, or Chinese.

-W. Clark Russell (that's fer you, Todd, keep it up, I like it!)

Respectfully,

Bloody Bill







SEPTEMBER 26th, 2009

Location and more detail to come Proceeds from the event will go to the Neo-Natal Center at Good Samaritan Hospital. Peggy Farrell—who I believe is actually a robot or something with all her energy—has graciously volunteered to help with the Char-

ity aspect. But we need more people to help us. Please let Peggy and/or Todd know if you would like to help out!

KRISTIN'S KORNER...Kristin McFadden—Secretary... Kristin@chicagoparrotheads.com

Growing Older, Not up!

Jenny Marren celebrated her birthday on the 8th. Kevin and she went to Cheese-burger in Paradise for dinner. Even though she couldn't have a Euphoria, Jenny did at least get popcorn shrimp! It was nice just to get out...... Pretty soon, Jen, you'll be hittin' the booze again....and the Parrotheads be right there for your comeback!!!

Bill Brehm celebrated his birthday on the 6th by.....ummmm....driving through Nebraska. *Hmmmm...I guess I owe him a really good present, huh??*

Changes in Latitude

"Weather is here, reminds me of London...Yes just back from the JB in London, **Bev** says, "...the show was fantastic. We were at the same hotel as Jimmy & the band...Had breakfast with Mike, Mac, & Peter, and was invited to the after show party...." *I've said it before....who else wants to be* **Bev and Rick**, hmmm???



Micky moved!!! She says, "Ha! Now there's a great use of paid vacation days!! I'm in Downers Grove now....closer to Cheeseburger in Paradise. Yay! Actually, because we knew we wouldn't have much time or money for a big vacation, Bob & I hooked up the camper and headed out to Ohio in May. Stayed at a campground on Berlin Lake...an hour southeast of Cleveland. Did some fishing, canoeing and a round of golf. And yes, CLEVELAND ROCKS!!! Went to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and loved it. Bob spent the day checking out all the guitars, and being the seamstress I am, I enjoyed all the costumes. Wasn't a tropical trip, but we had a great time."

Micky isn't the only one who went non-trop this summer....Jean and John and Kristin and Billy, both headed west to Colorado!! While our vacations were a bit different....I think I can safely speak for all of us... the Rocky Mountains are beautiful and should be seen at least once in your lifetime....but I'm ready again for the beach!!!!!

Funny how different vacations can be, Billy and Kristin were on a great adventure rafting, cattle driving, excellent ad-

venture, **John and Jean** were more on the laid back vacation, but on the drive to Este's Park to tour the Stanley hotel of the movie "The Shinning" fame, they saw much wild life such as Moose and Elk. They even came across a drunk coyote. Having a condo for the

week, many meals were eaten in, but one morning we went out for a treat, thinking we were going into a fellow Parrot Head's place, we were surprised that not all places names "SHARKEYS' are Parrot Heads, but I hope we converted them. I welcomed them to become one of us, even gave them a club "shark" key chain. But if you are ever in the Winter



Park area of Colorado, this is a must visit for breakfast. I had the world's best eggs Benedict, the hollandaise sauce was made with Key Lime juice.

Bill and Dee spent a few days in Olympia Washington over Father's Day weekend with their keets, two of whom live out there. While they were there they attended a Solstice party at the home of some new friends (parents of their son's buddy) who, much like them, are aging hippies! Huge bonfire, great food, bluegrass band...it was a great time. They also went kayaking in Puget Sound and visited Northwest Trek Wildlife Park while out there.

"Olympia is a unique little town - it is truly still the 60s there...right down to the Volkswagen hippie buses with flowers and peace symbols that you see driving around. No wonder we feel at home!" I know a few aging hippies in our own little harbor, **Dee!!!**

I happen to have it on good authority that **Tiffany and Jeremy** may have celebrated their fifth anniversary with another tropical vacation recently....but, I guess we will have to ask them about it!



BUFFETT IS BACK IN TOWN YEAR TWO AT TOYOTA PARK

Our Host's, Toyota Park and the Village of Bridgeview are ready to welcome us back!.

This year we will have a meet and greet with Nadirah Shakoor and Doyle Grisham...

Details to follow on times and location, watch the club website for details.

WE WILL BE LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE PARKING LOT
RIGHT ACROSS FROM GATE C The parking lot opens at 10:00 am

Enter at gate 2 C West of Harlem, off 71st Street, if you arrive early, tell them you are with the Chicago Parrot Head Club and they will direct you to our area.

This is the same location as last year for those of you that were there. We have been promised more space. BUT if you want to join the club's tailgreat, you must arrive early. There will a few picnic tables, but not many, so if you are planning on bringing your own picnic, bring your own table.

Bringing your own Pop up tent's are great for the day as well.

CHARCOAL GRILLS ARE A NO-NO. PLEASE BRING YOUR GAS GRILLS IF YOU MUST GRILL. THE CLUB WILL NOT BE PROVIDING FOOD OR DRINK, NOR WILL THERE BE FOOD OR DRINK VENDORS, IN THE PARKING LOT. SO IT IS A BRING YOUR OWN FOOD AND DRINK.

THERE WILL BE FOOD AND DRINK VENDORS INSIDE THE VENUE ONCE THE GATES OPEN.

. Our hosts want this to be a fun event! We have been given an awesome area where we will be setting up a shade tent, a couple of tables, and our club banner so you can find your way to us.

They have 280 Port a Pots thru out the parking area, and even gave us our own Parrot Head-Head!

The concert gates will open at 6:00, show starts at 8:00, but with not having lawn seats, there will not be a great rush to get in, all seats are assigned.

THE CLUB HOTLINE 630-729-3156 WILL BE UPDATED THE DAY OF THE CONCERT IF ANY CHANGES ARE NECESSARY. ANY QUESTIONS BEFORE THE CONCERT,

Our friends at Toyota Park could have not been more cooperative, their goal is to make this once again a positive experience for both the fans and our host venue. So kiddies, there are a few rules that we as adults have to follow so we will be welcomed back again and again.

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

For detailed information of do's and don'ts, check out Toyota's website: www.toyotapark.com

On the South West Corner of the stadium, there is a South West Island open for anyone that wants to wander over there. It has food courts also. This is right where the bus and motor home's will be parked.

WE HOPE THIS WILL BE ANOTHER GREAT EXPERIENCE

FOR BOTH PARROT HEADS AND TOYOTA PARK.

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

\$260 million nationally for the cause Memory Walk is a community event that joins friends, family and coworkers 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.

Memory Walk has raised more than

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!

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Taking steps to end Alzheimer's

Want to help out some super physically fit people? We've been asked to help out at the expo (see email below) for the



My name is Julie Schaeffer, and I am the volunteer coordinator for the Rock 'n' Roll Chicago Half Marathon. I know that your group often helps out local organizations by providing volunteers for events. Our organization was hoping that some of your members would come out and help us with our expo being held July 31-August 1.

The expo is a lot of fun, and it's a nice way to see the running world up close. Each volunteer would receive a staff t-shirt and snacks. And you might be able to see the Pirate Hood run in the thing if he can find an entry to the sold out event.

We partner with many charities on this race, and they are required to provide volunteers. However, it is sometimes difficult for them to get as many people as they need, so we ask other organizations for their help as well. Please let me know if you are interested and what other information you might need. Julie Schaeffer Rock 'n' Roll Chicago Half Marathon If interested please let me know! Thanks.



Todd McPencow
Todd@chicagoparrotheads.com

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



This July 19th 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. Let's come on out and give some support to thank Todd & crew for all they do for our club.

Summer nights are for fun—evening if it is a weeknight. So on **Wednesday July 22** we are invading Lincoln Park. We will meet starting at 6:00 Fernando's 3450 N. Lincoln. This is the restaurants 50th anniversary. And Parrot Heads dream, not only do they have nearly lethal Margaritas, but *The Boat Drunks* of Champaign will be playing starting at 7:00. From you can move down Lincoln

Avenue for 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 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.

Brought to you by popular request (Thanks Travis for the suggestion) VENETIAN NIGHT. Saturday July 25 on Chicago's Lakefront is a great a evening. A lighted boat parade followed by a spectacular fireworks display. The parade usually starts just after dark (about 8:00) but you have to get there early for a good spot. Dan & I will be there at 5:00 to save space but we can't do it alone so if you want to come early to help us please do We will be right at water on the North edge of Queen's Landing (this is the cement area of the lakefront directly across Lake Shore Drive from Buckingham Fountain.) The event is completely BYO—food, chairs, blankets, beverages—although Chicago's finest is strict about alcohol laws so do so at your own risk. If you plan to attend let me know so we can get enough lake front space for our group.

Don't forget the next One Particular Thursday is August 13 at Cheeseburger in Paradise Downers Grove.

And to plan to attend our August 19th Club meeting and hang out afterwards for a very special game of Bingo! Yes I said "Bingo" but they don't play it this way at Grandma's church!

An Engraved Invitation From Local Favorite.

Please Join Us At Ballydoyle Irish Pub in Aurora on Friday, July 24th. It's easy to find—exit Farnsworth South from I-88 and follow it to New York Avenue. Turn right (west) and pretty soon you'll see the casino on your right. Cross the river and the pub is on your left, kitty-corner from the river from the casino. Park for free in the bank parking lot on your right.

If you've been to Ballydoyle in Downers Grove, you know how cool that venue is. Well the owners have managed to re-create the same vive in a space that has to be 3-4 times larger . . . big stage, lots of dance floor, plenty of seating when you need a rest or if you want to eat. And the food's fantastic, from an array of salads to their Guinness Stew and Shepherd's Pie.

We play from 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. (yes, you read that correctly). This is a new venue for us, and it's important that we bring the party with us! So please invite your friends, your neighbors, your co-workers and even strangers (if they seem like fun) to join us that night. We're cooking up a few promos to make the night really special, and Ballydoyle likes to do a few promos of their own while we're on break.

See you there! Frank, Michael, Sara, Stebe, Bob and Nathaniel (aka Local Favorite)

Membership news from Pirate Mama Aymee...



Aymee—Membership
Aymee@chicagoparrotheads.com

ALOHA PHriends!

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

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

Mike and Nancy McFarlane – whose One Particular Harbour is Hilton Head

Nancy is also the GREAT GAL who takes care of us at the Public House !!!

We also had a VISITOR last month! Welcome to Jodi Hines!

E KOMO MAI! WELCOME!

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







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

Nancy Shaffer ~ July 17th
Barb Popescu ~ July 17th
Gloriane Bork ~ July 18th
Kristin McFadden ~ July 20th
Hank Achtieh ~ July 22nd
Molly Middel ~ July 27th
Katie Lisowski ~ July 29th
Kelly Smothers ~ July 30th
Peggy Farrell ~ July 31st

Tom Bottomlee ~ July 31st
Dan Boylan ~ August 2nd
Amanda Siliko ~ August 3rd
Jane Kohlman ~ August 4th
Jamey Rowlette ~ August 5th
Gregory Kerkera ~ August 7th
Vicki Kerr ~ August 9th
Jennifer Wright ~ August 10th
Sue Karns ~ August 11th

Megan Adamovitz ~ August 11th
Nicholas Brammer ~ August 11th
Kay Eller ~ August 17th
Pat Eberhardt ~ August 18th
Mary Kay Rich ~ August 18th
Chris Clausel ~ August 19th
Keith Cross ~ August 20th



ALL HANDS ON DECK !!!

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 <u>BEFORE</u> 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





2009 ELECTION'S



Proposed Crew Positions available are: *Treasurer, Membership Director, Social Director*

Per our club's by laws, these are the only three positions open this year for election.

If a current board member up for election wishes to continue in his or her current position you must also submit a nomination to the Election officer between

August 1, 2009 and September 1, 2009.

Any member of CPHC shall have the opportunity to submit to the election officer a nomination for consideration of office. Applications must comply with the following requirements:

- 1. Applicant must be a member in good standing.
- 2. Applicant must have been a member of CPHC for three (3) full months prior to nomination for his/her position.
- 3. Applicant must submit their nomination for consideration to the Election judge no later than September 1, 2009.

For complete details on officer responsibilities, please reference our club By-Laws which are posted on the club's website.

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www.odtapoimi.com
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www.gone2paradise.net www.flipflopstikibar.com

www.keylimecove.com

www.cabanacharleys.com

www.phinstothewest.com

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, Merriville and Michigan City to name just a few. www.gfs.com for more info.

amazon.com.

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.

JULY AND AUGUST 2009

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			15 Club Meeting Elmhurst House 7:30~9:30	I 6 Mr. Myers Family Aquatic Center/Palatine OD TAPO IMI Central Park, Elmwood, IL	17 Mr. Myers Duo Shark City, Bloomingdale	18 Mr. Myers Chicago White Sox OD TAPO IMI Chicago White Sox Mr. Myers Chucks Lakeshore Inn, Fontana, WI
19 Mr. Myers Tinley Park Caribbean Fest	20	21	22	23 Mr. Myers Norridge Park Dist OD TAPO IMI Sinnissipi Park, Rockford	24 Local Favorite Band Ballydoyle Aurora	25 Venetian Night Chicago's Lake front
26 OD TAPO IMI Annual Dive Event Concert, Haigh Quarry,	27	28 Johnny Russler and Beach Bums Fishel Park, Downers Grove.	29	30 Mr. Myers Turner Park, Ro- selle, IL	31 Mr. Myers Gillson Park Bowl, Wilmette, IL	August I
2 Mr. Myers Gazebo, Village Green, Lake Bluff	3	4	5	6 Mr. Myers Wheeling Park Dist.	7	8 JIMMY BUFFETT TOYOTA PARK
9 Mr. Myers I Tower Road Beach, Winnetka	10 11	12 Local Favorite Band Woodridge Summer Concert Series	13 One Particular Thursday CIPIDG Mr. Myers Band-	14 Local Favor- ite Band Navy Pier Mr. Myers	15 JIMMY BUFFETT TOYOTA PARK	
				shell, Antioch OD TAPO IMI Concerts in the	Bloomingdale Public Library, Blooming- dale	
				Square, Baraboo, WI	Mr. Myers On the River Benefit Con- cert, South Bend, IN	
16 Mr. Myers Keif's Reef, Burtons Bridge, IL	17	18	19 Club Meeting Elmhurst Public House 7:30-9:30	20	21	22
OD TAPO IMI- Concert on the Green, Frankfort, IL			With Dirty Bingo at 8:30!!!!!!!!!!!			

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.