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Cocktail of the Month

The Snuggler

- 2 oz peppermint schnapps
- hot chocolate
- whipped cream and chocolate sprinkles for garnish (optional)
- Pour the schnapps into a mug or Irish coffee glass.
- 2. Fill with hot chocolate.
- 3. Stir well.
- Optionally, top with whipped cream and chocolate sprinkles or shaved chocolate.



The Scurvey Edition



Gaptain's Logbook Twenty Seventh Entry: February 16, 2011

So how did Ye faire with the Saint of Valentine's day? Hope that fruity cupid swooped down and gave ya an arrow right in the arse and got Ye all squirrely eyed for yer hunny. Did it ever occur to Ye



that as a Parrothead, we live Valentine's Day every day? We don't need no stinking Valentine's Day, Look left! Look right! It be LOVE I tell Ye! Now hug yer neighbor! I said HUG! Now Mardi Gras.....THAT is a holiday we can relate to! Eating and drinking and debaucherygood times....good times! Let's keep the party rolling, right through the running of the Chiditarod and all the great fun in between! Me and me best mate be off with a small contingent to scout the Islands, but be back in rare form scon! The Virgin Islands will not be Virgins for long! Fair Winds and Following Seas me hearties!

Bloody Bill The Pirate King

A lot of people ask me if I were shipwrecked, and could only have one book, what would it be? I always say How to Build a Boat.



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Kristen McFadden Madame Secretary

Celebrate National Margarita Day

This comes to us from Sherry Perkins from the Milwaukee Area Parrotheads.

On Monday, February 22, America will celebrate NATIONAL MARGARITA DAY and, in honor of America's favorite mixed drink, we'd like to share with you some fun factoids about the popular cocktail and its consumption.

From the Food Channel:

Named after a lady named Margarita. The original Margarita was invented in 1948 by socialite Margarita Sames. According to the legend it was during a party at her cliffside hacienda in Acapulco that Margarita began experimenting with 'the drink'. Looking for something to cut the dust of a hot afternoon, she mixed Tequila Herradura, Cointreau and fresh lime juice. Her cocktail kept the party going for two weeks and today the Margarita is the #1 most popular cocktail in the U.S.

Tops in 2008. The Margarita was the most popularly ordered drink in 2008, representing 18 percent of all mixed drink sales in the U.S., followed by the Martini, Rum and Coke, Vodka and Tonic, and the Cosmopolitan (Cheers On-Premise Handbook 2008)

We must really be thirsty. On average, Americans consume 185,000 Margaritas per hour (Brown-Forman, 2008)

Margarita-Mad Metropolises. Atlanta, Miami, St. Louis and Nashville are among the best major metro cities for the Margarita (Cheers On-Premise Handbook 2008)

Vanilla, Chocolate, or Margarita? The first frozen margarita machine was invented in 1971 and it was based off a soft-serve ice cream machine

We're Number One! The U.S. is the number one tequila market - larger and more important than Mexico (Cheers On-Premise Handbook 2008)

But another story, this one from the «<u>Mr. Boston Official Bartender</u>'s Guide," reports that <u>Francisco Morales</u> invented the drink in 1942 and called it a "Margarita," which means "daisy" in Spanish.

Read more: <u>http://www.nydailynews.com/lifestyle/</u> <u>food/2009/02/21/2009-02-21 tequila february 22 is national</u> <u>margarit.html#ixzz1DPPmPWJN</u>

Also, it was

«Drink of the Month» from Esquire magazine in December 1953

CHARITY NEWS



Lisa Hellman Charity Director

Party in Parrot Dise- April 15 - 16, 2011

Party with a Purpose - Party in Parrot-dise! Mark your Calendars for April 15-16, 2011. The Boat Drunks will be performing at Party in Parrot-dise at the Hickory Ridge Marriott. Stay tuned for additional details. Party in ParrotDise benefits the Greater Illinois AlZheimer's Association and the American Cancer Society. Register online at www.chicagoparrotheads. Com

Other Charity Efforts

Don't forget phriends, we collect cell-phones, pop-tops and toiletries at each monthly meeting. Cell phones are donated to Call To Protect, a national initiative to fight domestic abuse. Pop-tops are sold to scrap metal recycling centers to benefit Ronald McDonald House. Toiletries are donated to local battered women's shelters. So bring your donations next month! You get points for these efforts too!



Have you registered for Party in ParrotDise yet?

Online registration is now open. Go to www.chicagoparrotheads. com for more information.

Concert Ticket Time

With all this snow it is no wonder that everyone is trying to think warm thoughts, and with warm thoughts comes dreams of summer and Buffett and concerts... so needless to say rumors about concert season have begun.



What does concert season mean for Parrot Head Clubs? Well thanks to Jimmy's management there is a block of tickets set aside at each concert to be purchased by local Parrot Heads. As the Chicago Parrot Head Club our assigned concert is here in Chicago – Toyota Park, unless we hear otherwise. (WE ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR ALPINE VALLEY) Each Parrot Head Club Member in good standing is eligible for one ticket, PHIP tickets must be used by members of a PHIP club. In the event there is more demand for tickets than we have available we will fill requests based on the number of points you have accumulated.

We have 300 tickets to share with our neighboring clubs. The tickets are usually in the \$135 - \$150 range, they are pavilion seats in most venues or in the case of Toyota Park they are on the field. The last two years our seats have been located in section B2 starting at approximately. Row 10 and the cost has been \$136 per ticket.

Just like if you were to go to the evil Ticketmaster, you will need make a decision regarding purchasing your tickets fairly quickly once concert date is announced. The regional ticket coordinator (Karen Boylan) must turn in ticket requests the same day tickets are sold to the general public, once tickets are requested – they are ours...no returns, refunds or exchanges. Last year before Margaritaville officially announced the concerts a big ad announcing ticket sales was in the Sunday Tribune – there was less than a week to get in ticket requests and it was over Valentine's weekend. The year before was similar - concerts were announced the first week of February and 10 days later tickets were on sale. So let's assume this will happen again and be ready.





Julie Fitzpatrick will be the ticket coordinator for our club. So once tickets are announced you will need to forward your requests to her at Julie@ chicagoparrotheads.com

If you know for sure you will be going to the Buffett concert and want club tickets, sign up now. If you need to know the date, be ready to lact immediately as soon as the dates come out. We will try to keep everyone posted as much as possible via club yahoo list. If you do not have access to the club list or do not check email on a daily basis,

please give the crew a contact number to receive a text or phone call when tickets go on sale so you don't miss the deadline.

If you commit to the tickets they are yours, other clubs or members may need tickets after the deadline, the regional ticket coordinator may help to assist someone in getting rid of unwanted tickets however there is no guarantee. Tickets cannot be resold to anyone outside of a PHIP club.

Top photo blatantly copied from Margaritaville's website: http://www.margaritaville.com/tour.html Stanley Cup photo blatantly copied from http://www.buffettworld.com/2010/08/14/chicago-goes-under-the-big-top/



Treasurer's Report

We've got money. Not as much as last month.

I've been writing checks that this body can't cash. All is well.



ROAD TRIP ALERT Northern Illinois PHC Beach Bash February 26, 2011 6 p.m.

Our friends from Sharks on the Rock (Northern IL Parrot Head Club) are hosting their 11th Annual Beach Bash to benefit Special Olympics. Musical Entertainment will be provided by Tony Amber, Johnny Russler & the Beach Bum Band and Pirates Over 40. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door you can visit <u>www.niphc.com</u> to get tickets. The event is being held at Giovannis, 610 N. Bell School Road, Rockford, II. Hotel accommodations are available at the Comfort Inn for \$59.99 per night. All details are on the Sharks' website <u>www.niphc.com</u>

Karen Boylen Social Director

20 DEGREES AND A HOCKEY GAME'S ON Monday February 28 7:00p.m.

It is a Bud Light Hockey Night at Tilted Kilt in Woodridge. Starting at 7:00 the Blackhawks Ice Crew will be there giving out Bud Light themed prizes while the tvs will all be tuned to Blackhawks away game in Minnesota. What else do you have to do on a Monday night? Please send an email to Karen if you plan to attend so we can save some seats.

It's Time for a Cocktail!

In honor of National Margarita Day, see if you can find these cocktail related words.





Pirate Momma Aymee Membership Maven

GROWING OLDER, BUT NOT UP:

B I G Happy Birthday Wishes go to:

FEBRUARY:

Tina Horsky ~ February 20th Dawn Marek ~ February 21st Robin Galante ~ February 22nd

MARCH:

Kurt Rubin ~ March 3rd Maurine Baird ~ March 3rd Eleanore Skopek ~ March 6th Brian Osowski ~ March 13th Joe Binkowski ~ March 14th

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 !

We have some NEW PHLOCK MEMBERS to recognize this month of February !!! Please take a moment to Greet them with a VERY warm "Aloha !"



Mike and Robin Galante - favorite Song is Southern Cross Diane and Ed Roloff - favorite song is Changes in Latitudes

Welcome Back to Member Jake Sibbley!

🗧 E KOMO MAI ! WELCOME !

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

We are still 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.

ALL HANDS ON DECK !!!

I want to reincorporate the PARROTHEAD IN THE HOUSE page for our future Newsletters.

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

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



Pirate Momma Aymee Your Membership Director







Party in ParrotDise is the Chicago Parrot Head's major fundraising event benefiting the American Cancer Society and the Greater Illinois Alzheimer's Association. The Chicago Parrot Head Club is a non-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.

This year's Party in ParrotDise will be held April 16 at the Hickory Ridge Marriott in Lisle, IL.

To help raise funds for our charities, we are seeking sponsors, advertisers and donors.

Sponsorship

Pletanum Petazet Leval - \$1000

- Spread advertisement in the program guide
- Thank you from the stage by CPHC President
- Banner at the event
- Logo on club website event page
- Logo included on Sponsor page in program guide
- 10 tickets to Party in ParrotDise

Balel Peteroid - \$500

- Full page advertisement in the program guide
- Thank you from the stage by the CPHC President
- Logo on club website event page
- Logo included on Sponsor page in program guide
- 6 tickets to Party in ParrotDise

Silver Petered - \$250

- Half page advertisement in the program guide
- Logo on club website event page
- Logo included on Sponsor page in program guide
- 4 tickets to Party in ParrotDise

Green Pettrell- \$100

- Logo on club website event page
- Logo included on Sponsor page in program guide
- 2 tickets to Party in ParrotDise

To be included in the event program, please let us know about your sponsorship by March 17.

Questions

Program Advertising

The Chicago Parrot Head Club will provide all attendees with a program for the event. Advertising will be accepted.

Full page ad - \$50 5 inches x 8 inches

Half Page <mark>ad - \$25</mark> 5 inches x 4 inches

Materials need to be received by March 17, 2010. Preferred format is EPS, PDF, JPG or AI. Please contact us if you need help putting together your ad.

Donations

A major part of the event fundraising efforts are the Raffles held during the event.

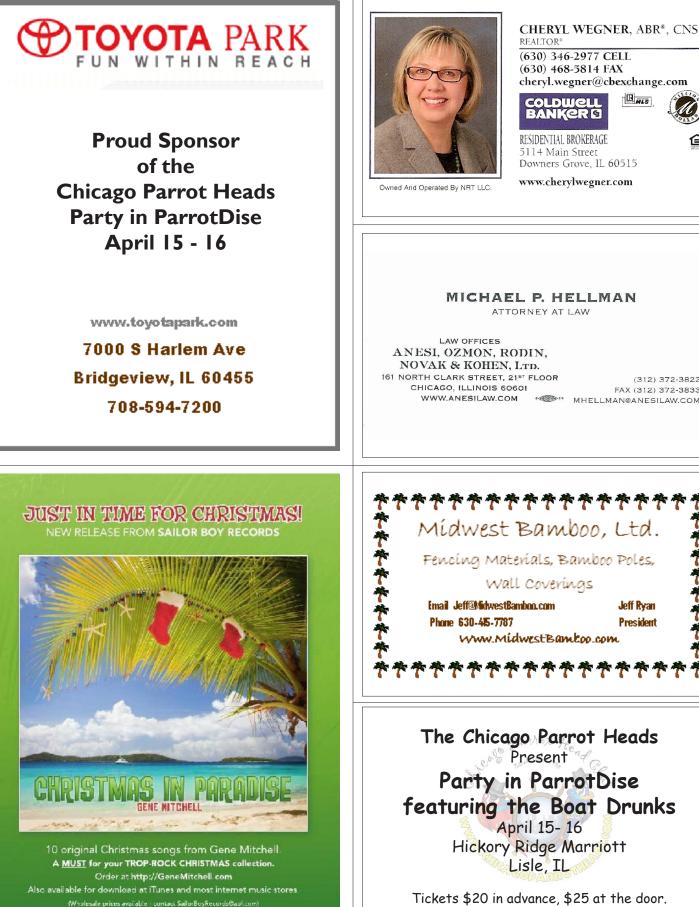
Join us this year as a donor to our raffle that will be held at Party in ParrotDise. Any items, large or small, that you are willing to donate would be greatly appreciated. Of course, monetary donations are also welcome. All donors who respond by March 17th will have their names and information prominently displayed in the event program.

Should you have any questions, please contact P-I-P Chairwoman, Cheryl Wegner at (630) 346-2977, Bill Brehm, CPHC President at (224) 629-0754 or send an email to PIP2011@yahoo.com.

Deadline for sponsorships, donations and advertising is March 17.

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Tickets \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. Register online at www.chicagoparrotheads.com

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19-Feb	Spring Phling hosted by the Clinton County	Bretz Wildlife Lodge	Carlyle, IL	Presid Billy E billy@
	I Shot 6 Holes in my Freezer hosted by the Madison PHC	Sleep Inn & Suites	Madison, WI	Secre Kristii Kristii
	Derby PHC Chili Cook-off	Aero Club	Louisville, KY	Treas Julie
26-Feb	Island Beach Bash hosted by the Northern Illing	Giovannis vis PHC	Rockford, IL	julie@
	Cabin Fever Phlocking hosted by the River Bend PH	Grafton Winery C	Grafton, IL	Socia Karer Karer
5-Mar	Chiditorad	Downtown	Chicago, IL	Chari Lisa H lisa@e
16-Mar	Club Meeting	Elmhurst Pub	Elmhurst, IL	Com
19-Mar	One Particular Beach Party hosted by the Detroit PHC	Best Western	LePeer, MI	Julie julieh
	Cabin Fever Reliever hosted by Phloc 186	Dave's Sportden	Evansville, IN	Mem Ayme Ayme
8 - 10 Apr	Flipperstock hosted by the St. Louis, MO	Sheraton Westport PHC	St. Louis, MO	Club 630-7

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