



Chicago Parrot Head News

Holiday Cheer & High Seas Ahead!

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, mateys! May Santa stuff your stockings with all the treasures and booty you can handle.

As we sail into the final stretch of 2025, let's raise a glass to the memories we've made, the friendships we've forged, and the adventures still waiting beyond the horizon. It's a perfect time to reconnect with old shipmates and welcome our newest crew members to this fine Island of Misfit Toys we proudly call home. The more pirates aboard, the better!

With the new year just over the bow, I want to thank each and every one of you for being part of this amazing, generous crew of Parrot Head pirateers. While the Crew is busy charting plenty of new activities and escapades for the months ahead, none of it would be possible without you. So if you've got ideas to share, places to explore, or charities that could use a helping hook—step forward and let us know!

Don't forget! Our Christmas Club Party will be held at:

Shoeless Joe's Ale House & Grille

1480 W. Lake St., Addison, IL

(Check the [club calendar](#) for all the details.) <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0?>

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Until then, enjoy the food, the drinks, and the laughter that only good company and great Parrot Heads can provide—truly second to none.

Wishing you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Healthy, Happy New Year—filled with friendship, fun, and fair winds all year long.

Capt'n Joe



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Thank you for dedicating your time and treasure. United we stand, together we Phlock to Party with a Purpose.

Happy Birthday!

Kathryn O'Connell 11/23
Matt Brokenshire 11/23
Carol Jardine 11/24
Nancy Schreiner 11/25
Mike Warren 11/30
Janice Pope 12/5
Tara Concklin Tuttle 12/6
John Lange 12/9
Mark Timler 12/10
Michael Piskel 12/16

One more candle and another trip around the sun.....
Happy Birthday to these members!

"Yes I'll make a
resolution
That I'll never make
another one
Just enjoy this ride on
my trip around the sun
Just enjoy this ride"



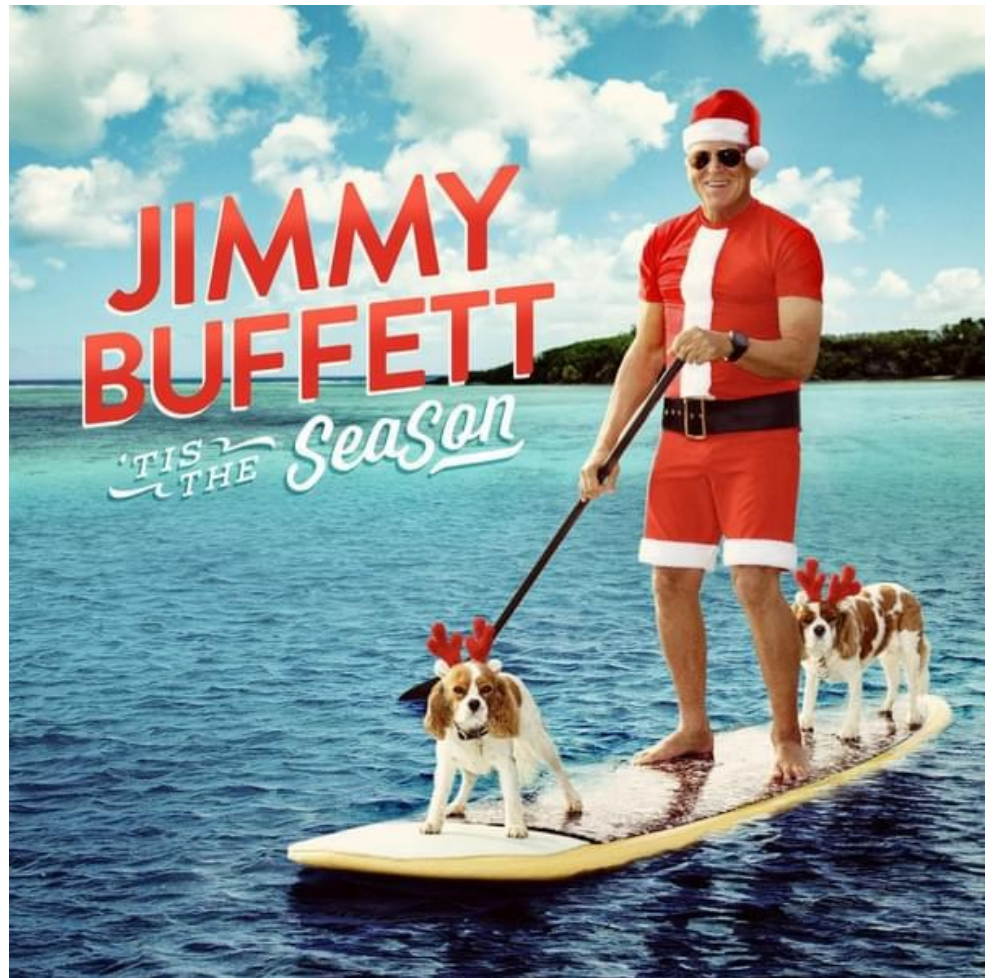
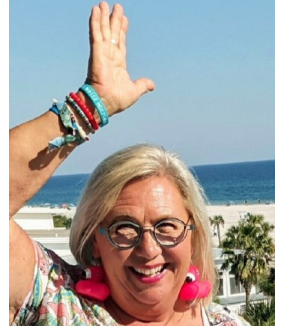
Membership Report

Cheryl Wegner - Membership

We currently have 118 members in our club. If you'd like to renew your membership, click here <https://form.jotform.com/212454232124140>

Not sure if you renewed yet....contact Cheryl Wegner at membership@chicagoparrotheads.com

Never miss a beat...all the fun things our club does can be found here, [on our club calendar](#).



The Pirate Hood— Charity Page

December Charity

TBD- Charity Director



50-50 Raffle

Fins Up for the Food Bank! A Parrothead Triumph!

Well, you've done it again! When a call went out to help our neighbors here in Northern Illinois who are facing a little rough weather with their food assistance, we knew the Parrothead family would kick into high gear.

In true, "Son of a Sailor" fashion, you jumped on deck! We started a small fund-raising voyage for the Northern Illinois Food Bank hoping to hit a modest \$1,000 goal.

Ready for the amazing news?

We hit that \$1,000 in just 8 hours!
And because Parrotheads don't do anything halfway, we kept the engine running and DOUBLED that goal within 24 hours!

You folks are truly the best. Your generosity shows that the spirit of laid-back kindness and Party with a Purpose are alive and well in our phamily!
We'll keep the fundraiser open for anyone that would like to donate. [Click here](#)

Thanks to everyone who came out and volunteered at Misericordia Baking Day. We had so much fun even though we didn't get to eat any cookies. And we rocked those hair nets!

A big shout out to those who braved the cold to help out at Wreaths Across America and placed wreaths on the graves of our soldiers. The temperature was COLD but our hearts were WARM helping for such an emotional cause.

Freezing Temps, Warm Hearts: Parrotheads Deliver the Goods! ☐

The Chicago Parrothead Club just proved that even on the coldest days, our hearts are tropical warm!

Partnering with One Warm Coat and the awesome crew at MOD Pizza in Downers Grove, the Parrotheads organized a warm clothing drive, and the final collection run was made on one of the recent sub-zero, bone-chilling cold days! Phriends, our timing couldn't have been better!

The Haul

18 Warm Coats

39 Cozy Sweaters

12 Warm Scarves

9 Pairs of Gloves

2 Hats

That's a lot of winter gear heading straight to people who really need it. A big cheers (and a warm cup of Irish Coffee!) to the Chicago Parrothead Club for their huge effort! And a big thanks to MOD Pizza of Downers Grove who gave us a bunch of free pizza coupons to use as prizes at our holiday meeting!



The Social Navigator

And that's a wrap Phriends! It was a phantastic year with so much phun. Thank you to all our artists who came through town for our House Concerts. Shout out to: Dan Sullivan, Two Dudes in Flip Flops, Ricky Lamb, and Rebel Railroad. So much great music!

We kick off 2026 in January with Barefoot Children in the Sand in Elkhart, IN. Check out the details: <https://parrotheadsinmichi.wixsite.com/barefoot-children>

If you have ideas for a social next year please email me at social@chicagoparrotheads.com.



Nancy Schreiner—Social Director



Love & Laughter

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SMARTER
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Celebrate Valentine's Day with
America's Legendary
Comedy Troupe
February 14th at 500 \$35 per person

This event is for members of the
Chicago Parrot Head Club and
their friends and family only.

November Meeting Minutes

President—Cheryl filling in for Joe

Treasurer—Doug was not present

Secretary- Nothing to report

Communications (Tony) - Still working on our Website

Receive information via email, FB - events page link until website is working

Membership- 102 members currently

Newest member Jason Niles

Remember to renew membership

Charity—One Warm Coat - Winter clothing drive. The drive will go until December 12th

Can still bring items to drop off at these locations: Joe, Nancy or Cheryl's house.

Pocket notes (on the tables) - write a positive note and put it in one of the pockets of the coats

Special Food Drive started last month

The goal was set for \$1,000.00 and that was reached over night

End of the day that amount doubled and we had \$2330 to give -

Food bank buys food at reduced rates so the money we raised will buy \$18,000 in groceries

Christmas party (December 17th). Shoeless Joes in Addison Doors open at 6:00 pm and meeting starts at 6:30pm.

Pizza and salad will be served. Toys for Tots - any toys brought will be given to the Milwaukee club at their party

Cookie exchange (Jenny). Bring 3 dozen cookies - 12 baggies with 3 cookies in each bag. Bring your own container to collect a dozen bags of a variety of cookies to take home.

Bring another dozen cookies to share for dessert at the party

K-9 for Veterans (charity) people will be at the party

Social- Zoo tree decorating was successful- we are tree #64. Don't Be a Ditka pub crawl last weekend raised \$75 for charity (TBD) December 6th - Misericordia Baking Day - 3 slots available - to sign up use link on the FB page - shift is 3:30-5:30 pm and a Social afterwards. December 13th - Wreaths Across America - Abraham Lincoln Cemetery - social before (Breakfast) and then afterwards as well. They have a wonderful ceremony and then volunteers place wreaths - can also donate money to purchase a wreath - this information can be found on our FaceBook page. Nancy will send out an email regarding parking information

Save date for Barefoot Children weekend of January 23-25th. December 20th - Tiki Bar Tour with a bus - 2 seats available- contact Cheryl if interested. New Years Eve at Illinois Beach Hotel - the package is cancelled however there are a few who want to still go up, spend the night and hang out with friends - Cheryl will take a pole for interest

February 2nd - Steve Sharp at Starved Rock is coming back for a matinee show - come up there and spend the night - Cheryl will take a pole for interest. Valentine's Day Second City show at COD - 30 seats reserved - \$35 for tickets - email is available with the Jot form to sign up - will meet at the Belushi theater - Will have dinner at the Santa Fe in Glen Ellyn

Other- Mixer at the meeting

50/50 - \$167 Winner - Kyle



Maribeth Kavanaugh —Recording Secretary

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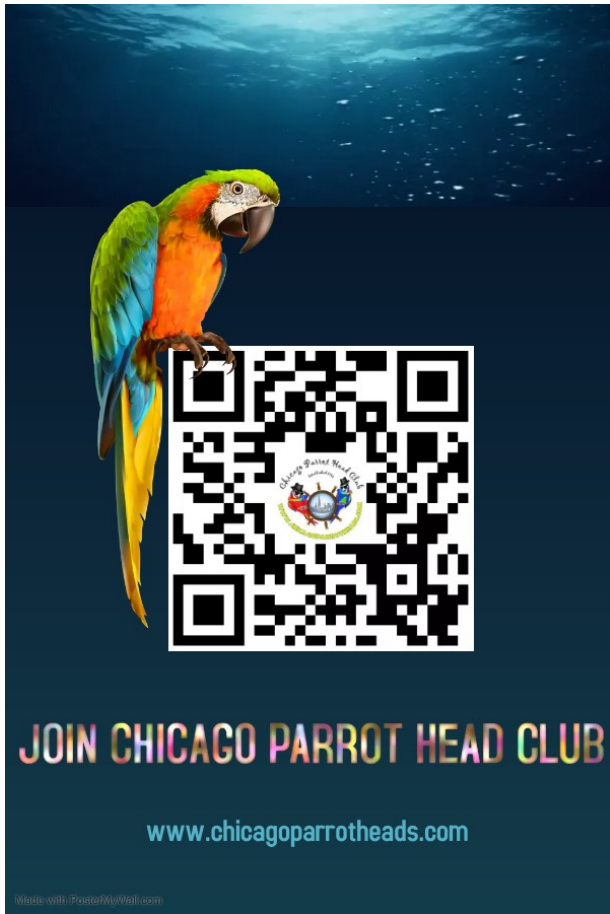
Summer CHI-ILL Specials for all Parrotheads!

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15% OFF on IL CCW classes

Call Us to register

Join The Chicago Parrothead Club



Join us or renew your membership here!

Current members: If you haven't yet renewed your club membership, you can do it now, scan the QR code under the Parrot or just click him!

New Members :

Scan or click the QR code and open the door to a world of new opportunities. We promise—no secret handshakes.



Chicago Parrot Head Club Mission

We're a not for profit organization for people who enjoy Jimmy Buffett's music, and have a tropical spirit. Our club engages in volunteer support for local and environmental concerns, raises money for a variety of charities and parties like no other. The Chicago Parrot Head Club is officially sanctioned by [Parrot Heads in Paradise](#) and was established in 1993.

Learn more about us at the [Chicago Parrot Head Club website](#) or visit us on Facebook



Note we are not a 501c3 organization.

Schedule of Upcoming Events 2025-2026

December 2025

Dec 6—Misericordia Baking Day

Dec 13—Wreaths Across America, Abraham Lincoln Cemetery

Dec 13— Winter Luau Milwaukee Parrothead Club, limited Hotel rooms. MAPA Event

Dec 17— Monthly PHC Meeting

Dec 20—Mele Kalikimaka Express Tiki

Dec 31—New Years Eve Bash at Starved Rock

January 2026

Jan 17—Hawaiian Shirt Giveaway with the Chicago Wolves

Jan 21—Monthly PHC Meeting

Jan 22— Fins Up Volunteers West Suburban Pantry 12-2pm

Jan 23-25 Barefoot Children in the Sand, Elkhart IN

[Chicago Parrot Head Events Calendar](#)

The Monthly Chicago Parrot Head News Letter is Published by the Pilot House Crew.

Have questions? Need Answers? Have an idea you would like to share—lets squawk about it and send it to your humble crew or meet us the third Wednesday of the month at our regular club meeting.

Reach out to us if you have any general questions regarding our club. If you have any information on an upcoming event you would like published, or a review of a current event, please contact Tony Coglianese no later than the first Friday of the month at communications@chicagoparrotheads.com. Like writing? We are always open to publishing new content and could use a couple regular columns. Send me a note and we can get you going.

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