



# Chicago Parrot Head News

## From the Captains Chair

Happy New Year Everyone,

We have successfully made another trip around the sun and into the new year with fresh horizons ahead and many a stiff breeze and stiff drinks! Charting our course for the upcoming year shows many a ports of call, both local and distances away, that are sure to bring a booty full of treasured experiences and memories.

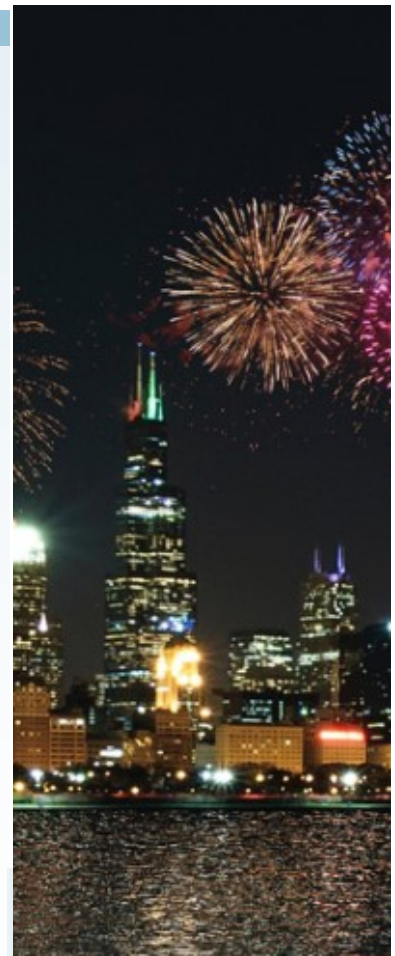
This weekend, just a couple hours west in Mishawaka In, is the Barefoot Children in the Sand charity event. A great opportunity to start the new year with some phun, pfrolic, and phriendly plundering involving multiple clubs. Register now and join the fun (for the weekend or just the day): <https://parrotheadsinmichi.wixsite.com/barefoot-children>



Our Clubs 30th year anniversary takes place later this year, details are just starting to formulate. Additionally, we are kicking around the idea of a “No Salt, No Sharks, No Problem” (AKA No Shit) summer weekend club event. It’s basically a no frills social gathering weekend, with fly by the pants drinking, dancing and socializing. We are actively searching for a group of volunteers to develop and plan these activities. If interested, please reach out directly to one of the crew members or email the crew ( [crew@chicagoparrotheads.com](mailto:crew@chicagoparrotheads.com)) to get involved.

Lastly, about a handful of house concerts are in the works to avert any weekend doldrums you want to avoid this summer – ha! Don’t forget the One Particular Wednesday socials (or is it Thursdays?) that happen during the first part of each month. Be sure to check the dub calendar (on our website: [www.chicagoparrotheads.com](http://www.chicagoparrotheads.com) ) for details regarding all club social events.

Cheers, Captain Joe



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

## December Meeting Update

Our December meeting was a rocking good time featuring a concert replay by Jimmy and the Coral Reefers thanks to Doug and his laptop. We originally planned live trop rock but COVID is still out there doing its thing so we overcame and adapted.

Our charity for December was a Toy Drive for the Almost Home women's shelter and we had 39 new toys donated. This was a great way to help raise the spirits of kids. In addition there was support for the Golden Dog Rescue with Joe taking back some gently used cages and toys. Special Huge thanks to: Andy Flagler for the flip flop bottle opener give away to everyone that came out— too cool Andy! And to Mario Armas for putting together our end of year video. The hours you invested made our night!

## The Social Navigator

Your crew is hard at work planning so many fun events this year, we are looking for a few good mates to join the planning committees.

CPHC 30th Birthday Bash in September - 2-3 volunteers are needed. We are going to raise the bar celebrating our Clubs 30th Birthday!!

Veterans Business Fund Raiser Event Date TBD- 4-5 volunteers will be needed for support.

If you are interested in joining a committee, please send us an email to [crew@chicagoparrotheads.com](mailto:crew@chicagoparrotheads.com), and let us know which event you want to join.

Don't forget there is still time to get ticket to Barefoot Children in the Sand on January 20-22, 2023.

The event will be held at the Holiday Inn - Mishawaka Conference and Event Center at 1208 E. Douglas Rd in beautiful Mishawaka, Indiana. The charities this year are Resale to the Rescue and the American Cancer Society. The event is a joint effort between the Parrot

Heads in Michiana and the Blossomland Pirates Parrot Head Club. Tickets for the event and additional information can be found at <https://parrotheadsinmichi.wixsite.com/barefoot-children>



*Nancy Schreiner—Social Director*

*“There's a little bit of fruitcake left in everyone of us” - Fruitcakes, Released May 1994, Jimmy Buffett*

## Happy Birth Day

Steve Tuttle 1/20  
Susi Camp 1/23  
Jeff Smith 1/26  
Susan Hill 2/1  
Mike Hardesty 2/6  
Kevin Marren 2/12

Congrats and enjoy your ride around the sun!

## New Members

Welcome New Members  
Melissa and Mike Burback

## Membership Report

Hey Phriends—

My job this month is to make sure that you're all in the loop and actually receiving club info. Will you please take a few minutes to help me out and let me know if...

...you're not receiving emails from the club's google group. Jan.18 I sent out a “test” email, if you got it,

you're all good. If you didn't, then I need to update your email address.

...you don't have access to our website's members only section. Try to login here, <https://www.chicagoparrotheads.com/> and if it doesn't work, then send your best email address to me.

If you're not getting all that info, please send your best email address to me at [membership@chicagoparrotheads.com](mailto:membership@chicagoparrotheads.com)



*Cheryl Wegner - Membership*

# The Pirate Hood— Charity Page

**FUNDRAISERS  
& FOOD DRIVES**



## Happy New Year my Phriends!

I think we are off to a wonderful year! January 7th, we had a group of 18 spend a couple hours packaging at the Northern IL Food Bank facility in Joliet. We were able to listen to some wonderful music as they played quite a lot of Jimmy just for us and meet some very nice people! In total we helped pack 8,750 pound of food providing 7,292 meals for people in Northern Illinois. Our club set the record by packing a total of 16,200 cereal bowl packages and we logged almost 50 Volunteer hours! It was a total of 16 pallets of food! I loved seeing the Keets helping! So proud of all of us and we will be doing this again!!

Please consider donating to the Northern Illinois Food Bank as we did last year! It makes a huge difference and helps so many!!! Search for our team Chicago Parrot Heads -> [Online Fundraisers & Food Drives \(agiv.com\)](http://Online Fundraisers & Food Drives (agiv.com))



*Kathy Sullivan—Charity Director*



In other news, we will be starting a on-line 50/50 monthly raffle. Once we have the button on the website, I will put out a Facebook post with all the rules and information. All proceeds will benefit the Charity of the month...Jan is Northern IL Food Bank.

MORE TO COME.....

## YOUR CHICAGO PARROT HEAD CLUB NEEDS YOU! GET OUT HAVE SOME FUN AND DO SOME GOOD!!

## The Coconut Telegraph

### Hey There Fellow Parrot Heads

Fins up and welcome to 2023, we are still here! Personal and work travels are keeping me away for nearly all of January. Stinks this is the second year I wanted to make it to Barefoot and second year that other stuff is happening.

A couple updates on some of the new things we are trying.

1) Jotform—as discussed last month we created an easy way to send us pics via the link <https://form.jotform.com/223348805375158>

So far the process is working great and we have started receiving pics directly to our google drive. Thank you for sending those to



*Jon Kotrba—Communications*

us.

2) Pics submitted in 2023 will be entered in our clubs Golden Coconut of Pics awards. We haven't settled on a name, prize or guidelines yet but plan to do so soon. If you have some ideas on how to shape or name it, shoot em over to me this month. Better yet—looking for a cool role in the club and want to run it? I would love to talk to you about that, send me an email.

3) Facebook Group— We have updated the approval process to join the group to include a couple questions including one related to opting—in to receiving the newsletter. Goal is to move people from Facebook to joining the club. That said, feel free to invite friends and family to join the FB group and club. The more the merrier.

My new years request to you—help us grow our club and participate. Come to a meeting or event and if your new or relatively new let us know in advance so we can make sure to connect. Lots of great people—Lots of great fun, take that step forward.



## December Club Photos



*"It's important to have as much fun as possible while we're here. It balances out the times when the minefield of life explodes." - Jimmy Buffett*





# December Club Photos





## Jimmy Spends NYE 2022 in St Barts

Is that Gronk?  
What's a Kygo?



Jan 2, 2023 - Jon

Looks like Jimmy is well on the mend doing 5oz curls with his wine glass. He was spotted in St Barts for New Years eve with Kygo and ...yep Rob Gronkowski. I know what a Gronk is but I had to look up what is a Kygo? And why did Kygo dub Jimmy the "Godfather of Tropical House" music?

Kygo is a Norwegian DJ recently listed in Forbes under 30. He is learning from Jimmy's playbook by building the Margaritaville of Gen-Z dance music with a little help from Buffett. Jimmy never shy to seize an opportunity must have seen a bit of himself in the DJ. "It was a whole other line of music for me, but it was also interesting because tropical house was close to what I was doing," Buffett told Forbes magazine. He liked Kygo's desire of "controlling our own destiny" instead of leaving it up to the music industry. "Those guys knew that it's not all party, rock 'n' roll and have a good time. You've got to take care of business."

Kygo took inspiration from Buffett by also starting the Palm Tree Crew which looks a lot like Margaritaville, both focused on the tropical lifestyle. The roots of Palm Tree Crew can be traced to a Jimmy Buffett concert that Kygo attended several years ago with his now manager Shear. "I see 40,000 people tailgating outside already for doors to open. Once I get in, Buffett has his own tequila, his own merchandise," says Shear, who was a 20-year-old college student when he first heard Kygo's music and convinced him to become his manager. "I'm just, like, this is insane. Why are more artists not doing that?" Seeing the opportunity, Jimmy became one of the first investors into the Palm Tree Crew for around \$50,000, although he claims is doesn't recall exactly how much.

All this left me wondering, what is Tropical House music? Took it for a spin on Spotify. Not bad... not bad at all. Trop Rock, Trop House—sort of a Fins Left, Fins Right.

Photos from Kygo's Instagram account; Source Forbes Dec 9, 2022— Beaches and Billionaires: Inside DJ Kygos Quest to become the Gen-Z Jimmy Buffett

## New Years Tips from the book, "Tales From Margaritaville" by JB

- 1) Never forget "They" are always the enemy
- 2) Just remember, assholes are born that way, and they usually don't change.
- 3) You don't want to go to jail.
- 4) When you start to take this job seriously, you're in trouble.
- 5) It takes no more time to see the good side of life than it takes to see the bad
- 6) If you decide to run the ball, just count on fumbling and getting the shit knocked out of you a lot, but never forget how much fun it is just to be able to run the ball!"

## Treasurer update

Treasurer Doug has been basking in the sun of Keys this last week so he is late with the December financial report and the annual 2022 recap, but look for those to ward the end of the month on our website in the members-only section. In a nutshell, the booty is intact and looking good going into our new year!



Doug MacArthey — Treasurer

### 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



## Schedule of Upcoming Events 2023

### January

01-18: Club Meeting

01-20 to 22: Barefoot Children Party

### February

02-15: Club Meeting

### [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 Jon Kotrba no later than the first Friday of the month at [jon@chicagoparrotheads.com](mailto:jon@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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