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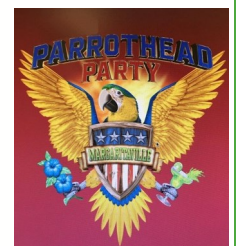
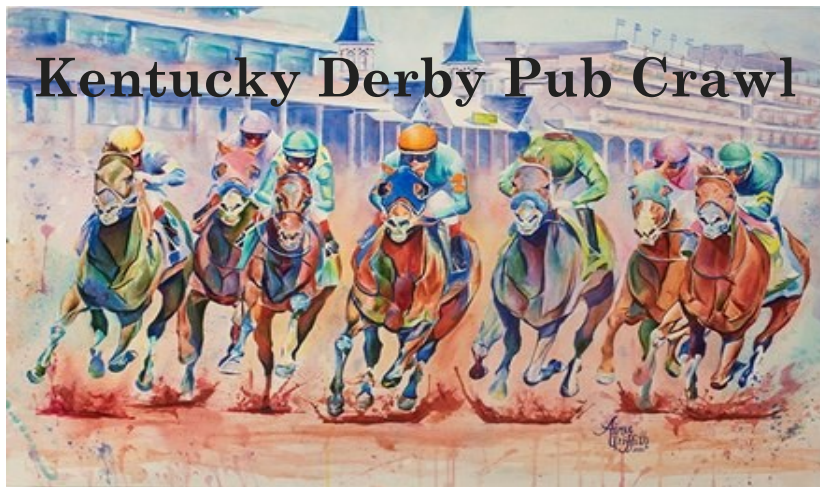
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Avast me hearties! Spring has taken hold and methinks, or perhaps me hopes, that the snows have finally gone to the northern climes until next year. Therefore, we be preparin the rigging and mending the sails to start once again on our Summer adventures! Tonight we get to know our crewmates a little better with a healthy competition. We are also preparing and gathering goods for our main flotilla which will culminate in a sort of military style ball as we show our respect and honor the men and women of the armed forces. But until then, let's parlay some bets on the ponies running the Derby and celebrate together with food and drink...and betting! Good luck to ye all and welcome to Summer!

Billy Brehm, the Pirate King



Billy Brehm
Our Pirate King



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Fascinating Facts You Never Knew About the Kentucky Derby

1. It has a connection to Lewis and Clark

In 1872, Meriwether Lewis Clark, Jr., the grandson of that Clark, went to the Epsom Derby in England. When he got back to the States, he started a racing club called the Louisville Jockey Club and raised enough money to build a permanent racetrack in Louisville.

2. It's the longest running sporting event in the U.S.

The first Kentucky Derby was held on May 17, 1875. A crowd of 10,000 watched 15 three-year-old Thoroughbred horses race for 1.5 miles. Can you believe these sports used to be in the Olympics?

3. Aristides was the first Derby winner

The three-year-old chestnut Thoroughbred won the race in just over two minutes and 37 seconds. His jockey, Oliver Lewis, was 19 and never raced in the Derby again. Aristides' trainer was Ansel Williams, a former slave.

4. The racetrack didn't always have a name

It wasn't until 1883 that Churchill Downs was first used to mark the racetrack that hosts the Derby. On the other hand, these are objects you never knew actually had names.

5. Its architecture is iconic

We're talking about the Twin Spires atop the racetrack's grandstand. As the Derby gained popularity, a new grandstand was constructed in 1894. When it was done, Joseph Dominic Baldez, who designed the structure, thought it still needed something extra to make it stand out, so he added two hexagonal spires to the top. Now people from around the world travel to Kentucky for a photo op with the Twin Spires.

6. The red rose is the race's official flower

Roses first appeared at the Derby in 1896, when the winner Ben Brush was given a garland made of white and pink roses. In 1904, the red rose became the official flower of the Kentucky Derby. (Do you know the meaning behind each rose color?) Years later, sports columnist Bill Corum accordingly nicknamed the race the "Run for the Roses," which, of course, stuck.

7. That famous rose garland is quite a sight

It's made up of more than 400 red roses sewn on green satin, weighing more than 40 pounds. In the center of the garland is rose "crown," with a single rose pointing up that symbolizes the heart and struggle needed to reach the Kentucky Derby Winner's Circle. The number of roses in the crown is determined by how many horses compete in the Derby. Use these tips to grow perfect roses, just like the ones featured on the garland.

8. The trophy is pretty nice, too

The Kentucky Derby trophy is made of 14 karat gold and stands on a jade base. It's 22 inches tall and weighs 3.5 pounds.

Social Navigator

Party with a Purpose



When spring hits Chicagoland it's definitely something to celebrate. I can't wait to get out and about with my Parrothead Phriends! The crew is brainstorming to get some fun events on our calendar. If you have any ideas, we'd love to hear them...just shoot an email to crew@chicagoparrotheads.com

Kentucky Derby Pub Crawl - May 7th

<u>Race time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Arrival time</u>	<u>Departure time</u>	<u>Address</u>
1:48	Uptown	1:15 PM	2:20 PM	12 W. Burlington Westmont
2:40	Potbelly Pub	2:30 PM	3:15 PM	24 N. Cass Westmont
3:31	Bishops Chili	3:30 PM	4:45 PM	250 N. Cass Westmont
4:27	Neat	4:50 PM		246 N. Cass Westmont
5:57	Kentucky Derby Race!!!			

Restaurants

J. Flemings Absolutley Delicious	18 N. Cass	https://willbeyourchef.com/
Johnny's Blitz	20 N. Cass	https://www.johnnysblitz.com/
Taurisi	14 N. Cass	https://www.taurisirestaurant.com/
Uncle Bubs	132 S. Cass	https://unclebubs.com/
Dolce's Restaurant and Wine Bar	15 W. Quincy	https://dolcewestmont.com/

Visit website for more detail.....

Chicago Parrot Head Club 2021 Golden Coconut Award Winning Essay By: Andrew Flagler



Greetings from your Membership Director.



Welcome to our new member:
John McIntyre

We have a fun spring mixer planned for the April meeting! Come early and stay late!

Make sure to let us know when you're attending your first event. You can email me at membership@chicagoparrotheads.com



Happy Birthday to the following members:

April

- Bernard Fliss** 4/20
- Chris Bert** 4/20
- Bernard Fliss** 4/20
- David Russo** 4/22
- Dee Tropp** 4/22
- Mark Lemke** 4/23
- Cheryl Metcalf** 4/23
- Carla Moore** 4/24
- Doug MacArtney** 4/24
- Christine Vanta** 4/24
- Sharon Klupar** 4/24
- Mike LaGioia** 4/26
- Kurt Gugora** 4/29

May

- Sarah Brenner** 5/5
- Joey Klen** 5/6
- Robert Good** 5/6
- Al Camp** 5/7
- Terrie McClain** 5/8
- Cathy Kappel** 5/15
- Kevin Eltoft** 5/16

We're planning another club meeting mixer for April, similar to the super fun one we did last November. Have you got a fun idea for a mixer activity? Please let me know at membership@chicagoparrotheads.com

I'm looking into a source for club flags for our members to purchase. Watch for more information soon on the flags..I'll be taking a poll to see how many are interested.

Cheryl Wegner
Membership Director
membership@chicagoparrotheads.com



The Pirate Hood - Charity Page
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Chicago Alzheimer's Walk 2022!!!!!!

(See Mayor of MOTM Corner article for details)

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Mayor of MOTM Corner
Bob Noonan (AKA - Mr. Give Until It Hurts)



Chicago Alzheimer's Walk 2022!!!!!!

The Walk Season for the fight against Alzheimer's is beginning.

Our walk will be held on **Sunday October 2, 2022**. (Yes, I will be in town but looking forward to my flight to Key West and MOTM later that month. (BTW, MOTM registration is now up and running smoothly.) The Walk location again will be at Busse Woods in Elk Grove Village. Maybe we will see Elk along our walk. Who knew Elk Grove had real Elk running wild? Next you will tell me Blue Island is an Island.

This year I lost a friend who had early onset Alzheimer's and passed away at the young age of 62. In 2020, Covid-19 contributed to a 17% increase in Alzheimer's and dementia deaths. This is a terrible disease, and we need to find a cure.

This link brings Parrot Heads directly to our page. Here you go: https://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr_id=15551&pg=team&team_id=728143

Nationally, we are currently in the number 2 spot in leading the fight and raising funds and awareness for Alzheimer's Walks for PHIP.

You can go to [alz.org/parrotheads](https://www.alz.org/parrotheads) to find the ranking of your own club and club members, to register, and to get helpful hints on raising awareness and fund for your team.

At this time, we have 10 members on our team with Cheryl Kuropus leading the way with \$530.00. Great job!!!! She did a great job and asked friends to donate to her walk as a birthday present. I am going to borrow that idea for my birthday in June. There are other ideas to raise fund on the web site of Alzheimer's Association. Many of us, including me, have signed up and have not raised any money yet. Go to your page and donate to your walk; if you don't believe in it, why should anyone else?

If anyone needs help finding our page or registration, you can contact me at Rnooner@aol.com. I am happy to do what I can to support your walk.

Bob Noonan
Alzheimer's Walk Captain-Chicago
Board Member - Alzheimer's Association - Greater Illinois Chapter



Julie Hardesty -Secretary



Mike LaGioia -Treasurer



Joe Klen-Communications Director

The Chicago Parrot Head club is a Not For- 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. Any general questions regarding our club, contact

billy@chicagoparrotheads.com -or- write us at
CPHC, PO Box 624, Franklin Park, IL. 60131

The Chicago Parrot Head Club newsletter is a monthly publication. If you have any information on an upcoming event you would like published, or a review of a current event, please contact Joe Klen - No later than the second Friday of the month.

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