#### **Chicago Parrot Head Club**

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# **Chicago Parrot Head News**

Ahoy there Chicago Parrot Heads!

With our house concert schedule in full swing, it's time to grab your flip-flops, don your tropical shirts, and prepare for some fun in the sun! Stay updated with any changes or new additions by checking our website, calendar and the club's FB page. Remember, tickets can be purchased directly through these channels.

In accordance with our Bylaws, we are officially calling for crew nominations for elections at our October club meeting. Positions open for election include President, Secretary, Charity, and Communications. Please refer to the current Bylaws for detailed descriptions of each crew position. If you have any questions or are interested in running for a position, feel free to reach out to any current crew member directly.

We have had several recent changes in leadership roles within our club. Jennie Watkins has taken on the role of Phreindship Fund chair this year, Mario Armas stepped into the Communication Chair position following Jon Kotrba's move to South Carolina last year, and Patrick Downey has been diligently crafting our club newsletters for the past year. Our latest addition is Cheryl Kuropas, who serves as our Alzheimer's Captain and assists with our social media efforts. A big thank you to these individuals for their dedication and hard work!

Mark your calendars for our big summer charity event, "Summer Chi-IILL at the Beach," happening August 2nd-4th. Visit the <u>Summer Chi-ILL</u> website for event details and to secure your tickets and accommodations while they last. There are only a handful of rooms available, so don't wait!

Looking ahead, we're excited to announce that approximately 30 club members have signed up for Meeting of the Minds, taking place October 22nd-27th in Gulf Shores, Alabama. Visit the MOTM website for event details and a current lineup of performances: motm.rocks

Lastly, stay connected with us through our club calendar and social media channels, where we regularly share updates, photos, and important announcements. We welcome your ideas and suggestions for future events and community initiatives.



PS – On a final note, I'd like everyone to join me in wishing longtime Chicago Parrothead Member Bev Kleinman good luck, smooth sailing, and safe harbor as she relocates to the Sarasota area in Florida. Bev has been a driving force in shaping our club and a dedicated supporter and participant in numerous club activities. Her generous donations from her Jimmy Buffett private collection have significantly supported our charity events in the past and will continue to do so in the future. Please join me in bidding Bev a heartfelt farewell and thanking her for her years of hard work, dedication, and selflessness for the club. Bev, we look forward to seeing you drop in on our club meetings and activities in the near future. Good luck in your new adventure!

Love & Luck, 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!

John Smith 6/18 Steve Mattes 6/20 Cheryl Wegner 6/22 Arthur Wielga 6/22 Claudia Kell 6/26 Dorothy Eberhardt 6/27 Jeff Siegman 7/2 Diana Wielga 7/3 Billy Brehm 7/6 Melissa Huffman 7/6 Jenny Marren 7/8 Ty Needham 7/9 Chris Wiebel 7/13

"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

Welcome to our new members, John Gannon, Toni Hinson, Denise Hiller. Our total membership is now up to a record breaking 216! Our membership renewal dues come up Sept. 1 of every year, but if you joined the club anytime after June, you're paid up until the following year, or Sept. 1 2025.



Members are always encouraged to pitch in and join the fun of planning activities for our group . Like what Jerry Batke did for the Beach Bum Band at Canal Days last weekend.....Jerry helped get a big group together, and we had an absolute blast, thanks Jerry !! If you have an idea for something fun to do... just let the crew know at crew@chicagoparrotheads.com

June 30 1 pm–Don and I are hosting a fun afternoon of music with Frank Whiting and Looper (watch your email for the .prepay button coming soon).

It's a Celebration of the music (and life) of Jimmy Buffett

Come out and spend the afternoon as if you had wandered into the Chart Room Bar at

The Pier House in Key West and caught Jimmy playing for drinks in the early 1970's.

Frank will perform Jimmy's "Songs You Know By Heart& record in its entirety, plus lots

more from Jimmy's earlier records: A White Sport Coat . . . , Living And Dying . . . , A-1-

A, Havana Daydreamin, Changes in Latitudes . . . , Son Of A Son . . . , Volcano,

Coconut Telegraph, Somewhere Over China, One Particular Harbor, Last Mango . . . , Floriday's.



#### Membership Report continued.....

Accompanying Frank will be Brian "Looper" Lucas, filling the shoes of Jimmy's long-time accompanist harmonica player "Fingers" Taylor.

Before relocating to the Lake Geneva area Frank was a favorite with the Chicago Parrothead Club, with a monthly Thursday evening Cheeseburger in Paradise gig "One Particular Thursday." He would come to LG to perform Hemingways Buffett Pre-Party and occasionally the Alpine Valley tailgate. Frank was one of five artists selected to perform when Jimmy's Margaritaville Navy Pier opened in 2011. Looper is a multi-faceted performer and a member of The Brothers Quinn, The Organgrinders Blues Band, What's His Name and The Other Guy and pretty much every various and sundry musical collaboration that he can find (including this one). By day he teaches Audio Production in the College of Arts & Communications at UW Whitewater and serves as an advisor to the student-run radio station WSUW.

Wear your favorite concert t-shirt, share your favorite story about Jimmy, or just sing along for old times' sake. Bonus - there will be QR codes to scan to access the lyrics of every song that we'll sing, so if by chance you don't know them all by heart you can still sing along!

#### Chi-ILL at the Beach

Plans are coming together and fun things are still being added to our Chi-ILL schedule! Here's what I'm looking forward to the most:

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- The nature walk with our resident Parrothead biology expert, Mike Piskel....I love learning about our Lake Michigan!
- Theme nights-Friday is the Texas Barn Dance, Yeehaw.... and Saturday is Yacht Rock...think Love Boat/Nautical...get your Captain's hats for that one!
- The hotel Door and Balcony decorating contest! (non marring adhesives only on the doors, brace for wind on the balconies!)
- Drink specials 2
- Having the whole hotel COMPLETELY TO OURSELVES!!
- Bonfires (bring your instruments!)
- Our gorgeous State Park venue with forever views of Lake Michigan!
- Partying with so many good Phriends!!

See you there! Cheryl W

### The Pirate Hood— Charity Page Kathy Sullivan—Charity Director

Happy Summer Phreinds!!!



50-50 Raffle

MARK YOU'RE CALENDARS!

June 50/50 virtual raffles tickets on sale!!!

Drawing will be held June 19th live on during our monthly Phlocking. You can buy your tickets online in the for the raffle. Just click the link below or scan the QR code and it will bring you to the form to fill out and you can pay via PayPal.

\*\*\*We have instituted the Ed Dunn rule (LOL), you are allowed 3 wins in a year. Because we will never say no to a donation for charity, if Ed wins we will just re-spin until we have another winner. I

https://www.chicagoparrotheads.com/50-50-raffle/

September will be here soon! Have you signed up for the Alzheimer's Walk? Sunday September 29th Busse Woods, Grove 5 Elk Grove Village, IL 60008. We only have a few months to make our goal of \$10,000 this year, you can sign up to walk or just raise funds. Please share with everyone as this debilitating disease needs to be eradicated!



We have 8 people signed up, but we need more!!!!! We are only at 19% of our \$10,000 Goal! September will be here soon! Have you signed up for the Alzheimer's Walk? Sunday September 29th Busse Woods, Grove 5 Elk Grove Village, IL 60008. Please share with everyone as this debilitating disease needs to be eradicated!

2024 Walk to End Alzheimer's - Northwest Suburban, IL: Chicago Parrot Heads | Walk to End Alzheimer's



#### DONATIONS;

If you have signed up to donate a gift basket for, we need you to get those to use as soon as you can. The deadline is Mid-July, and you can arrange to drop off at my house or contact Anna Mitchell, Nancy Schriener, or myself to arrange a meeting or pick up. You can also bring to the monthly meeting or upcoming house concerts in the area.

We will also be asking for donations of wine & Liquor for our bottle auction. The value should be \$20 and up and can be in a gift bag. These will be used to raise money by live auction during the event! This is a fun way to raise money!!!!



### The Social Navigator

Did you hear the good news? We now have a store where you can get your club shirt or other merchandise. Be sure to head over to the Members Only section of our website and place your order now.







WE'RE ON A MISSION FROM JUMMY! It's 1,540 miles to Key West, we've got a full case of beer, a half bottle of trouila, it's snowing and wi're wearing flip flops.....HIT IT!





### The Social Navigator continued....

Summer is off to a great start. First, we had the honor of placing flags on the gravesites at Abraham Lincoln Cemetery in honor of Memorial Day. Then the club welcomed Back our phriend Christoper Dale to kick off house concert season at Alter Brewing in Oak Brooke. Then Drop Dead Dangerous Fully Loaded dropped by for a great show. Rain wasn't going to stop the phlocking, we just took over Cheryl & Don's basement. Up next on June 30 is Frank Whiting at the Wegner's house. The pre-sale button is on the website now. You won't want to miss this great sing along event

Mark your calendars for more great house concerts:

July 14 – Jesse Rice July 19 - Kirstie Kraus & Scott Southworth September 15 - Mike Nash

Just a reminder to bring your bottle donations for Summer Chi-III to the next club meeting. You can also bring them to the Frank Whiting house concert. There are also a few baskets left to create for our silent Auction. If you want to claim a basket idea, message Kathy Sullivan Anna Mitchell or Nancy Schreiner to claim your basket. Just include your name, contact number and the basket you want.









#### **Recording Secretary - John Sheridan**

MINUTES FROM THE May 15, 2024 CHICAGO PARROTHEADS MEETING Location: Another Round Bar & Grill

In attendance were President Joe Klen, Treasurer- Doug MacArtney, Secretary- John Sheridan, Social Director -Nancy Schreiner, - Membership Director Cheryl Wegner, Communications Director- Mario Armas and Kathy Sullivan- Charity Director.



President Joe Klen called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Joe thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. He also thanked Another Round and our servers for the night. He thanked Mario for running the video for the meeting. In addition, thank Don for always setting up the equipment.

He reminded everyone to buy tickets to the 50/50 raffle.

Joe thanked Jennie, Michelle, and Karen for baking for the Phiendship fund.

Joe mentioned house concerts which will be talked about by Nancy. Joe mentions that the "Talk Derby" was a success and they only had one winner for picking the horses.

He talked about our club website section for members to order club merchandise. The link is for Island Jay. If you forgot your password just reset it by using the website. If you never used it, then contact Cheryl Wenger.

Trying to set up a baseball event on July 20th with Chicago Dogs for Jimmy Buffett night. A link will be set up to buy your tickets. Joe gave an update on" Chi.ill At The Beach."

Anna gave us an update on the bottle auction for the event. A lot of money was raised at the Barefoot Children event, and we want to double the amount for our event in August. She is looking for people to donate a bottle of booze, wine, etc. with a value of \$20 or more.

Treasurer- Doug MacArtney gave us an update on our money. He talked about selling more tickets to Chi.ill at the Beach to cover our expenses. He did post the Treasures report on the club website.

### 05/15/24 Meeting Minutes Continued...

Joe mentioned that we will be advertising more about the event on Trop Rock Radio. He stated there are rooms left along with about 50 tickets. We are shooting for 200 people.

Communications Director- Mario Armas was the next speaker. He asks who uses FaceBook and Instagram. He stated that we use these apps to promote our events. Be sure to share the posts to get advertisements.

Secretary- John Sheridan reminded people about placing flags on the graves at Abraham Lincoln Cemetery on Friday. He made 5 stakes to make the holes in the ground for the flags. He asked for more volunteers for this great heartwarming event.

Social Director -Nancy Schreiner mentions Johnny Russler performing this Friday night. Christopher Dale will be at Alter Brewery on Sunday. Don't forget the Flags at the cemetery. Double social, breakfast in the morning, and lunch after the flags. Then on June first we have Drop Dead Dangerous at the Wengers. The pre-purchase button is on the website. Johnny Russler is back at Canal Days on June 9th. She asked who was going to the Indy event "Here We Are." We need to set up a meeting place so we can all go in together like Alpin\e Valley.

She talked about other events coming up just look at our FB page and our CPHC website for a total listing. She also mentions the baskets for Chi.ill At The Beach. You can still donate even if you can't make the event.

Kathy Sullivan- Charity Director was our next speaker. She reminded people about the flags next Friday. She stated that we have 24 baskets and about 12 to be claimed and designed. She wants all baskets by June 28th, if at all possible. If you have them fully assembled already, we will need those by the July 17th meeting. We will also take baskets to use for the event. Please make a list of all items in the basket and approx.. value of the baskets. On the bottle of booze for the raffle, please try to keep the value around \$20.

September 29th is the Alzheimer Walk at Busse Woods. The 50/50 from the Talk Derby went to the team collection for Alzheimer's Walk. The goal is \$10,000.

Joe said part of Chi.ill will be making stickers and we could pass them out to the "Here We Are" event in Indy.

## 05/15/24 Meeting Minutes Continued...

Membership Director Cheryl Wegner thanked Pat Downey for the great job on the newsletter. She reported that we have 210 members in our club. Two new members are present tonight. We still need sponsors for our event in August.

Maddie wanted to thank everyone for the well wishes when she was sick. She loved the flowers the club sent her.

The 50/50 raffle was Pamela Mulraney for \$250.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 Respectfully submitted by, John Sheridan Recording Secretary



## Schaumburg Boomers Hawaiian Shirt Giveaway on May 25th, 2024



## Chi-ill At the Beach 2024

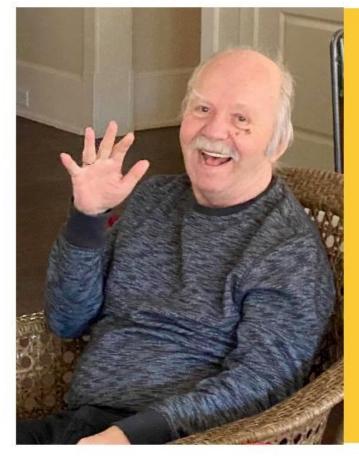
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New Members :

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 <u>Parrot Heads in Paradise</u> and was established in 1993.

Learn more about us at the <u>Chicago Parrot-</u> <u>head Club website</u> or visit us on Facebook



Note we are not a 501c3 organization.

### Schedule of Upcoming Events 2024

June 2024	July 2024
June 19—Monthly PHC Meeting	July 13—Mike Nash House Concert - Timler's Tiki Bar
June 22—Here We Are Camp Sertoma	July 14—Jesse Rice House Concert (Save the date)
June 30—Frank Whiting House Concert	July 17—Monthly PHC Meeting
	July 19—Kirstie Kraus and Scott South-

worth House Concert

#### 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. 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.

You can reach the Pilot house crew at a meeting or in the clouds at: Captain Joe Klen— president@chicagoparrotheads.com Social Director Nancy Schreiner—social@chicagoparrotheads.com Charity Director Kathy Sullivan—charity@chicagoparrotheads.com Membership Director Cheryl Wegner— membership@chicagoparrotheads.com Secretary John Sheridan— secretary@chicagoparrotheads.com Treasurer Doug MacArtney—treasurer@chicagoparrotheads.com Communications Director Jon Kotrba—communications@chicagoparrotheads.com

Or snail mail if you must to: Chicago Parrot Head Club PO Box 624 Franklin Park, IL 60131

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