



Chicago Parrot Head News

From the Captains Chair

Tis the season to be jolly - so cheers, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year... hope Santa fills your stocking with all the booty you can handle!

With the coming new year, I'd like to thank all of you for being a part of this fabulous selfless group of Pirateers! Although the Crew has conjured up many new activities for the upcoming months, none of the courses we chart would be possible without the participation from all of you. So, if you have something to share, places to you'd like to see, or a charity that needs help... please step forward and let us know. Until then, enjoy the food, the drinks, and the laughter amongst the good company of Parrotheads (that cannot be rivaled).

As mentioned before the crew has been busy trying to put new paint and sails on our 30year old flotilla... and one noticeable change is the new format of our newsletter. Jon has done a great job with this new redesign and I'm sure everyone will appreciate the new and vibrant presentation it provides. Kudos to Jon along with all the other crew members for all their time and effort.

Here's wishing everyone we know and love a Merry Christmas and a Healthy-Happy New Year filled with a wealth of fun and friendship.

Captain Joe



Joe Klen — Captaina -Claus



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December 2022 Club Stats

- Club Members—198
- FB Group members—1900
- \$42,927 Donated in 2022

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

Membership Update



No new members in November. Total new members added to

the Phlock in 2022—21 Parrot Heads. Come out and join us!

The Social Navigator

There is a party at the end of the Year!! Well, that's not how the song goes, but there sure is a lot of fun going on this month!

We already went to Sparkle Light Festival at Impact Field and then off to Crust Brewing for pizza and a beer or two.

Then what are the holidays without a Burlesque Nutcracker show!! Right? Some of the crew and members enjoyed The Buttcracker at the Greenhouse Theater!

Now for some upcoming events:

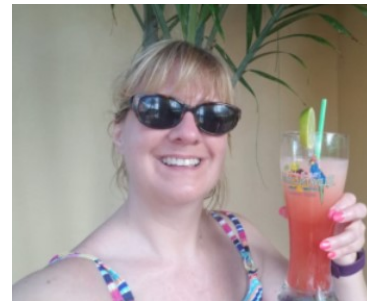
Thursday, December 15 - **Shuckin' Shack** 7:30 PM

Join us for a midweek social and some live music

Sunday, December 18 **Peter Mayer Stars & Promises Christmas** at Elmhurst Hall 6:30 PM

January 20-22, 2023 **Barefoot Children in the Sand** Once again, this year 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 will be found at <https://parrotheadsinmichi.wixsite.com/barefoot.../tickets>.



Nancy Schreiner—Social Director

“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” - Jimmy Buffett and Martina McBride, from the Album, “License to Chill”

Happy Birth Day to the following members

12/27— Kim Block

12/29— Alex Eichberger

01/05—Patti Jordan

01/08—Cameron Needham

01/09— Jonathan Kotrba

01/16—William Szabo

01/17—Jennifer Perkins

November Club Meeting Report

John Sheridan—Secretary

Our Nov 16 meeting took place as scheduled at Another Round Bar and Grill in Downers Grove. Report were given by the pilot house crew. Of note: Joe Klen took over the helm as Captain thanking the staff of Another Round, all the volunteers supporting making the ornaments and decorating the Brookfield zoo tree, Billy and Mike for their help in the transfer, Anna for bringing hard copies of the newsletter and agenda to the meeting and the new officers for stepping up to the plate. Joe Mentioned the 50/50 proceeds that evening would benefit the Northern IL food bank and reminded members to bring pop tops, old ink cartridges, old cell phones and new toiletries to club meetings for donation. Reports from the club directors followed- Membership— No new members at the meeting, Communication— will be making website and newsletter updates, Treasurer—Booty is in good shape, Social— Reviewed all upcoming events and Charity— \$90 was raised in the 50/50 and requested members to bring in all types of lids and bottle caps from plastic containers to club meetings. Mike L won the other half of the 50/50 raffle and the meeting adjourned at 7:51.



The Pirate Hood— Charity Page

Hello Phriends!

December is known as the time of giving and as Parrot Heads we Party with a Purpose.

For the first time we will be volunteering to lay wreaths on the graves at Abraham Lincoln Cemetery to honor our Veterans on December 17th . I am so honored to be able to do this and hope to make this an annual tradition for the Club as I know everyone wants to help and honor our Veterans! I consider this a natural extension of our Club's partnership with the Veteran Business Project and another way to honor them. Thank you to all who came out to volunteer.

We will be collecting new unwrapped toys for donation in December, please bring to the meeting. Hope to see everyone there for a Phlocking good time!

Next Month! January 7— Volunteer opportunity for the Northern IL Food Bank...I have been able to secure a Saturday shift at the Joliet Packing Center, from 9am-11:30am at 171 S Larkin Ave, Joliet, IL 60436. Anyone ages 8 and older can volunteer so this is a Keet friendly event and will also qualify for community service hours. Please let me know if you are interested so I can register everyone on our team. Each year the Northern IL Food bank provides 72 million meals to people struggling with hunger. We will also be spotlighting the collection of salt, pepper and spices for the Food Pantry in January. These are the items that are needed that most forget about when donating food. No one wants to cook without the flavor so please help us fill the pantry with all sort of spices for cooking. Thanks!



Kathy Sullivan—Charity Director

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

The Coconut Telegraph

Hey There Fellow Parrot Heads

Updates are underway on our website – mostly clean up but we were able to get in pictures from Summer CH.ILL this year with more to come. If you see a pic on there you want taken down—shoot me a message. I think all of them were G rated but you never know.

By now you may have noticed some changes to the newsletter. This is a work under construction. If you would like to see more or less of something let me know! We have some more content that will be coming your way in future editions and are eager for any



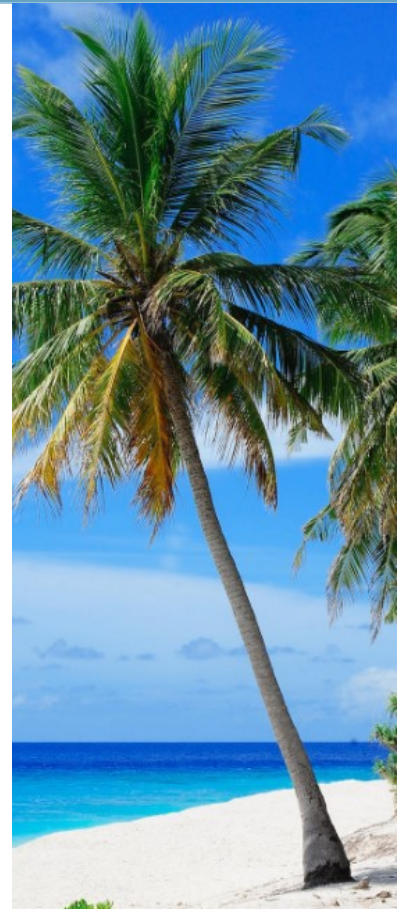
Jon Kotrba—Communications

feedback you might have, good, bad or indifferent. This is your club, let us know how we

are doing. Beside the format change we are also looking at distribution and making it easy for members of either the club or Facebook group to opt in to subscribe to receive the Newsletter by email. Of course there will also be the chance to opt out. In the meantime though, if you are receiving emails from us and would no longer like to get em—let me know and we will oblige.

New Opportunities to share photos and contest for 2023— We love photos, great memories of the fun times together. To make it easier for anyone in the club to share Photos with us for use on the website or in our newsletter, our Captain has created a simple jot form that you can use to drag and drop pics to our Google Drive. Its simple and quick to do—check it out and give it a try. In 2023 we will be creating prizes for the best pics. Kinda like the CPHC Golden Coconut of Pictures. More information to follow next month. In the meantime—check out the link and drop us a holiday pic. WISHING YOU A MERRY FINSMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR—See you there!

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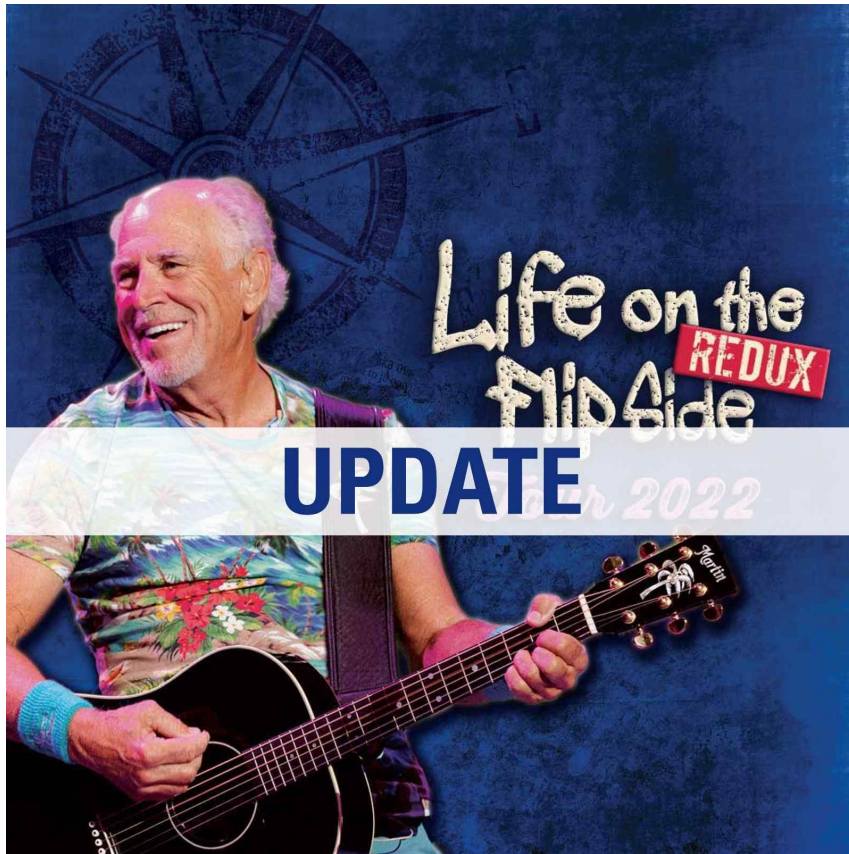


November Club Photos



“Wrinkles will only go where the smiles have been.” - Jimmy Buffett, Barefoot Children in the Rain, from the album “Barometer Soup”





LIFE ON THE FLIP SIDE – REDUX UPDATE

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Due to health issues and brief hospitalization, Jimmy will need to refrain from touring for the rest of the year. On doctor's orders, he must take this time to recuperate and heal. Jimmy looks forward to getting back on stage next year.

Jimmy Buffett and the Coral Reefer Band are rescheduling the following concerts from 2022 to 2023:

- 10/8 - MGM Grand Garden Arena, Las Vegas, NV - Rescheduled for 3/4/23
- 10/15 - MGM Grand Garden Arena, Las Vegas, NV - Rescheduled for 3/11/23
- 10/22 - Snapdragon Stadium, San Diego, CA - 2023 Date To Be Announced

Jimmy Buffett and the Coral Reefer Band are unfortunately unable to reschedule the following dates, which will no longer be happening:

- 10/10 - Vivint Arena, Salt Lake City, UT
- 10/12 - Ford Idaho Center, Nampa, ID

We appreciate your understanding. Fans with tickets to the rescheduled dates are encouraged to hold on to your tickets, as they will be honored at the rescheduled dates in the 2023. For refund information for the MGM Grand Garden Arena shows, please refer to the details below.

For cancelled shows, your tickets will be refunded.

Please visit jimmybuffett.com/tour for more information. You can also email us at ticketinfo@jimmybuffett.com.

Remembering Bob Dunbar

In 2022 we lost one of our Phlock, Bob Dunbar. Bob was fondly remembered in the words of our club members: "brought with him his own style of wit and charm...along with plenty of she-nanigans", "cheerful person and very welcoming to everyone", "your spirit will be with me on every future transport", "we lost a good one", "he would always give me a hug", "Forever heaven Parrot Head club keep your FinsUp", "one of the first guys to welcome us in the club", "I miss him already"



"Sail on Bob " and have a Margarita ready for us when we meet again.



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 Parrothead Club website](#) or visit us on Facebook



Schedule of Upcoming Events

December

- 12/10 Sparkle Holiday Light show
- 12/11 The Buttcracker Burlesque
- 12/15 Shukin Schack Live Music
- 12/17 Wreath Laying at Lincoln Cem
- 12/18 Peter Mayer Concert
- 12/21 PHC Meeting and Holiday Party

January

- 1/07 Northern Food Bank Serve
- 1/18 PHC Meeting—Another Round
- 1/20-22 Barefoot Children Weekend

[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.

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