

# Pirate Log

## Blossomland Pirates

### Parrot Head Club

### February 2017



#### *Ahoy Ye Pirates!*

Now that was a 'kick ass' party. This year was the 5th Annual Barefoot Children in the Sand Weekend and without a doubt the best ever. While we were very concerned about moving the bands to Czars it certainly paid off. Of course the weather was near perfect that weekend. The Sandbar Bums did very well on Friday keeping everyone 'in the mood'. Of course favorites Jeff Grossenbacher and Tim Krause both did outstanding. Tim even got to play with SDB on stage Saturday. Speaking of Southern Drawl Band, they proved they are among the elite in bands today. In addition they were absolutely fantastic to work with. Three of them and Melissa joined us late Saturday, actually early Sunday morning, in the hospitality room. Both Mike and Larry kept us well entertained with some of their stories from the road.

I want to thank all of you for helping make this a success. Also fins up to the Parrot Heads in Michiana for their always fantastic help. This is truly a joint venture with both clubs working so well together. Also the other Parrot Head members and guests who attended. Elsewhere in this newsletter there is a list of businesses who contributed to our success by donating goods, please remember and support them when you can. We had friends from 7 states attend, that I know of. We also showed Czars and many of the local's just what Trop Rockin' and a Party with a Purpose is all about.

In the end our net was slightly over \$5000.00, by far our best ever. This will be split evenly between our club and PHiM. We'll be making our donation to Climbing for Cancer, Relay for Life team.

Gonna be tough to beat next year but the wheels are already turning and plans begun.

I also want to acknowledge all the great things we do as a club. Most of you know we file an annual report to PHiP each year along with our dues. Among other paperwork submitted we provide them the figures for the dollars we raised for charity along with the number of hours it takes to conduct and plan our projects.

Last year we raised and donated a total of \$4950 and provided 135 hours. Since we chartered in late June 2014 we've donated \$8124.34 and 292 hours. Not bad for a small club such as ours. Fins up to us.

Where did this go you ask? We donated and helped Berrien County Youth Fair Expo Arena Fund, Skeeter Strong / Cancer Sucks fund, Flint Water Drive, Relay for Life / Wine Tasting, #DeniseBohnStrong Childrens Education Fund, South Suburban Family Shelter, Beach Sweep at Lincoln Twp. Park, #BerrienCountyStrong / Sheriff Dept. Equipment Fund, Squeeze 'em for a Reason.

Fins Up  
Paul

#### February Phlocking

Haymaker Brewing, Bridgman

Monday - February 20

This is our area's newest brewery.

Located on Red Arrow Hwy. in the former

Michigan State Police Post about 1 mile north of the traffic light or 1/4 mile north of the Get-A-Way bar.

Good food and beer.

Let's aim to arrive between 6 and 6:30 with the meeting starting around 6:30.



We want to thank and acknowledge the following businesses who contributed towards this years auction. Without their generosity we would have a very difficult time with our auction.

Hardings Market - Bridgman  
Rogers Foodland - St. Joseph  
Liquor Cabinet - St. Joseph  
Slosson's - Benton Harbor  
Ace Hardware - Stevensville  
Cultivate Brewing - Berrien Springs  
Domaine Cellars - Berrien Springs  
Four Seasons Spa & Pool Services - Coloma  
Orchard Hills Country Club - Buchanan  
Sweet Shoppe - Buchanan  
Silver Beach Hotel - St. Joseph  
Czars 505 - St. Joseph  
MI Love - Sawyer  
Coaches - Stevensville  
Chili's - St. Joseph  
Jimmie John's - St. Joseph / Benton Harbor  
Papa Vinos - St. Joseph  
Ryebelles - St. Joseph  
221 Main - St. Joseph  
The Buck - St. Joseph  
Haymarket Brewery - Bridgman  
Founders Winery - Baroda  
Santaniello's Ristorante - Stevensville  
Krazy Kat Designs - Berrien Springs  
Margaritaville Foods  
Tabor Hill Winery - Buchanan  
Lemon Creek Winery - Berrien Springs  
Round Barn Winery - Baroda  
12 Corners Winery - Benton Harbor  
Warner Winery - Paw Paw  
Miles Lab Restaurant  
United Parcel Service - Elkhart  
Anonymous  
And the many individuals & members of several clubs  
Those who may have not been mentioned, I apologize.

**Another Trip Around the Sun  
Birthday's this month**

Feb. 2 - Bryan (Norm) Wright  
Feb. 8 - Lindsey Kovarik  
Feb. 21 - Larry Carlson

**Other Dates of Note**

Feb. 13 - Italian Food Day  
Feb. 14 - Valentine's Day  
Feb. 18 - Drink Wine Day  
Feb. 22 - Margarita Day  
Feb. 24 - Tequila Day

**Welcome to the Phlock**

In the recovery period on Sunday morning after Barefoot Children we added two new members to the phlock.

Sisters **Lindsay Kovarik** and **Madeline Kovarik** both live in Indianapolis. Maybe we found our guides for the Indy Pub Crawl in April!

**FINALLY GOT MY SINK FIXED**



**Looking for a Winter project?**



**Parrot  
HEADS**  
*in Paradise, inc*

### Club Bits & Pieces

The latest Tradewind Times is out. Visit PHiP.com and take a look. Lots of info about this years Meeting of the Minds, and we're on the Domino College page, and more. Check it out.

Want to become more involved with the club. How about being a chairperson for some important areas. Socials (select various Phlocking places around the area), New Member recruiting / orientation, Fund Raisers, Publicity, Communications, or what ever 'floats yer boat'. Just let any board member know.

Think about what you want to become involved with, cuz I'll be in touch with you soon!

Be sure to visit the PHiP page and the Great Lakes calendar's and see what your phellow clubs are up to. You'll never be disappointed when visiting another clubs event. Parrot Heads will always welcome you with open arms, and a drink, to join them whenever they 'Party with a Purpose'.

Jimmy Buffett tickets. As a member you have the opportunity to purchase club seats at most JB shows. He's announced that he will be cutting back touring but he will make good on his promise in 2005 to come back to Wrigley once the Cubs win the World Series which is planned for July 15. He will also be in Las Vegas on April 1.

Remember if you hear of Jimmy Buffett show and are interested in club seats. Let me know and I'll see if they are available for you. Usually we need to act fast to get these as we're usually given about a week's notice to order them.

**IDEAS WANTED!** Have a favorite charity you'd like to help? How about a great place to have a phlocking? Any ideas for an event? What would you like to see your club do? What about hosting a house party? Or just arranging for a social of some sort?

Any ideas for future phlockings? Place - day - time - ???

Send in your ideas and let's talk about them.

#### Board Members

President	Paul Pantaleo
Vice-President	Brenda Kovarik
Secretary	MaryJo Carlson
Treasurer	Larry Ward

### Pub Crawl for Cancer

We've been invited to participate in a Pub Crawl for Cancer fundraiser in downtown Indianapolis. The date is Saturday, April 22 (yes, this changed since the Jan. meeting) starting at 1:00 pm.

The plan is to have 10 person teams each given 4 pitchers of beer at five different bars and given four hours to finish the crawl. (I think they mean literally). The cost to participate is \$40 each and includes a t-shirt and admittance to the after party with more beer. The host hotel will have a discounted rate and shuttle service provided (thank God).

Our invite came from our phriends Parrot Heads in Michiana who may has 2 teams and may end up with three. Registration opens on Feb. 13 and if we're going to have a team I'd like to register asap. We could go as a club and this would be a great way to 'Party with a Purpose' with members from other clubs.

Anyone interested please let me know at this email and we'll start planning an April road trip. We'll collect the money at the end of Feb. providing we get enough to go. Could be a blast and if you're a light weight beer drinker, I'm sure others will be willing to help.

### February Recipes of the Month

Feb. 13 is Italian Food Day

#### Gorgonzola Sauce for Pasta

2 T. Butter  
2 T. All Purpose Flour  
1 C. Milk  
1/2 lb. Gorgonzola Cheese, crumbled  
Melt butter in sauce pan  
Add flour and whisk together making a light roux.  
Add milk and whisk together until smooth  
Bring to a simmer stirring until thickened  
Add Gorgonzola and stir until just mixed well  
Optional add a healthy pinch of Italian Parsley  
Serve over your favorite pasta.  
(no this isn't diet food but it is delicious)

#### Classic Margarita

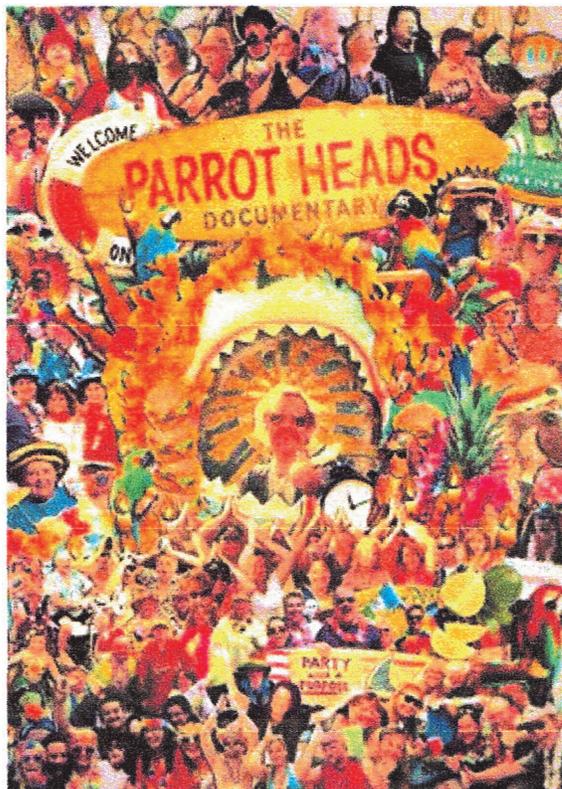
Margarita Day is Feb. 22

2 oz. Tequila (use the good stuff)  
1 oz. Triple Sec  
3/4 oz. Lime Juice (fresh squeezed)  
Put into cocktail shaker filled with ice  
Shake well  
Strain into salt rimmed Margarita glass filled with ice  
Add slice lime for garnish

## Road Trip and Other Phun things to do

Here's a few of the many opportunities to attend Parrot Parties that are fairly close by.

Keep a look out for the date when Jimmy returns to Wrigley Field this summer! Some may remember his Labor Day Weekend show in 2005 - it was a blast!



The Parrot Heads documentary, is now available on iTunes, Amazon, Google Play, Youtube, Vimeo and Time Warner/Comcast VOD! This heartfelt, feature length documentary features never before seen interviews and footage of [Jimmy Buffett and the Coral Reefers](#), and explores (and celebrates) the world and lives of all of YOU, his most FIntastic phans! Please like, share, and review 5 stars wherever you can:)

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Youtube: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WZr\\_mm6QVNY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WZr_mm6QVNY)

Vimeo: <https://vimeo.com/ondemand/parrotheads>



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**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**July 8, 2017!**

Join Central Illinois Parrot Head Club for the 6th Annual  
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to benefit Illinois CancerCare Foundation

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Leather and Leis River Run 2017  
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*Watch for news about coming house parties this summer.  
Recently heard about several in the planning stages.*



Sandbar Bums



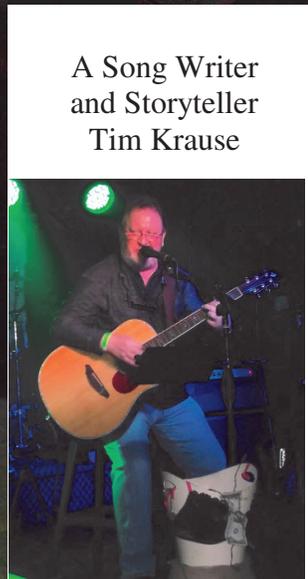
Heeeeeer's Jonnie!



Southern Drawl Bank rockin' the house!



Jeff Grossenbacher Playing his Pans



A Song Writer and Storyteller Tim Krause