



# TRADEWIND TIMES



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## Captain's Logbook — Eleventh Entry — October, 2023

### Not Yet Has Arrived...

I cannot begin to tell you how long I have stared at the screen trying to reconcile and decide what to write. Jimmy made it a point to keep the crowd engaged and singing and continued to remind us that he will finally disappear, but not yet. Then “yet” came.

As the professional showman he was, Jimmy provided us with the ultimate Labor Day weekend show. No Parrothead in the world will ever forget the date of September 1, 2023, giving us a couple of days to gather our thoughts and then come Monday, it will be alright. He even left us a parting gift in a song, *Bubbles Up*.



In his way from beyond the horizon, he told us, his loyal followers, that he is guiding us to safety no matter where we are, no matter where we roam. He is there with us in spirit and in his music always. It has given us an even bigger reason to party with a purpose. A new album (the party) and a list of charities in his obituary (the purpose).

As club leaders, it is now up to us to remember and cherish every memory Jimmy Buffett gave us. To build up your club, listen to their stories and ideas, and do more than ever in his name. That is what we are all about, Parrotheads. It has brought us together, and now will bind us together forever. Rest in Peace, Jimmy. We will take it from here.

Fins Up and Bubbles Up my Phriends!

Billy Brehm, President  
Parrot Heads in Paradise, Inc.

**The Masthead** ... A blustery day on the beach, the Trade Winds blowing hard. It's hard to reason with the season, but I must confess, we could use some rest. So relax and enjoy the *Tradewind Times*.

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### In Loving Memory of Jimmy Buffett

1946-2023

Like all of you I was stunned and deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Jimmy Buffett. All of us knew this day would arrive, but I doubt that any of us imagined that it was imminent.

Who would have imagined the impact that a song, Margaritaville, would have on so many of us? Yet it captured in our imaginations a common longing for escape from the routines of everyday life and transported us to a different world: of cocktails, beaches, steel drum music, lost salt shakers, and even sharks, pirates and volcanoes. In so doing it inspired countless other musicians and an enduring organization, Parrotheads, to enjoy the music and help our communities in his name.



The stroke of genius was in naming this world Margaritaville, a catchy name encompassing all the joys of the laid back, island, lifestyle. Who wouldn't want to live in Margaritaville?

Thank you, Jimmy. You will be deeply missed. Our thoughts and prayers go to your family. Your concerts brought us all a lot of joy and camaraderie. But we will continue enjoying your music and that of others following in your footsteps, partying with a purpose and helping our communities in your name.

Stephen Woods  
Editor

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### Savannah Parrotheads Bid Farewell to Jimmy

The Savannah PHC wanted to pay tribute to Jimmy with a musical tribute and, of course a fundraiser. I contacted several musicians that are in our club, and they were all in for a charity gig, and our BOD was in for a fundraiser for Alzheimer's. We have a member who is now in the later stages of the disease. He was a great contributor to the club over the last 15 years. In addition, we know that Alzheimer's is a favored charity for PH Clubs. We set an aggressive date of September 10th to make this happen on Tybee Island, Georgia.

We hit the local social media, radio stations and our mailing list to get the word out for Parrotheads to be at the Cockspur Grill at 2PM for "Tailgate" and 3PM for music. We also went to the local Landshark Distributer who donated some items for our raffle. In the end we had about 12 raffle baskets.

Come Sunday morning, September 10th, we had the Cockspur outside patio decorated as a tropical paradise. The music was supposed to start at 3PM, but people started showing up at noon. We literally had people tailgating in the parking lot with lawn chairs and coolers. By 2PM it was standing room only. We started the music early to a crowd of about 150 people outside and about 70 inside the restaurant where the music was piped in on the house sound system.

Included in the decorations were handmade floral decorations that were made by one of our members fighting breast cancer. We sold these and the money raised was donated to the local breast cancer fund.

We raised over \$3,000 for Alzheimer's that day. Every one had a fantastic time and at 6:00PM we still had a crowd to hear Jimmy sing "Bubbles Up" followed by the band playing Margaritaville one more time.

We have a small club here in Savannah and our team did a fantastic job of getting this Tribute done as I believe Jimmy would want it.





## Nautical Wheelers IT Corner

### News and Updates from the PHIP Communications and Technology Committee

Ahoy, Parrot Heads!

It's that time of year when we gather under the digital palms to discuss all the exciting developments within our vibrant PHIP Communications & Technical community. As we embrace the winds of change, we're thrilled to share the latest updates regarding our Parrot Heads in Paradise (PHIP) and Meeting Of The Minds (MOTM) websites along with all of our Social Media Network Platforms.

If you've visited our PHIP and MOTM websites recently, you might have noticed a fresh coat of digital paint. We've been updating the sites to make them even more user-friendly and visually appealing to provide you with an abundance of helpful resources and engaging content. From event updates to news about your favorite PHIP chapters, our websites are easier than ever to find the information you need and stay engaged with our community.

With new enhancements in the works, we will soon offer members the opportunity to create individual profiles in a member's only section of the PHIP website. In this section you can take advantage of member benefits and opportunities (soon to be announced), connect with other members throughout the country, and stay up-to-date with local activities.

One of the most exciting developments is the launching of the Multisite hosting capability on the PHIP website. This feature will allow us to host individual club sites within our website's ecosystem. In our ever-evolving digital world, it's crucial for local clubs to have an online presence that is engaging, efficient, and accessible. However, hosting and maintaining individual club websites can be costly. By moving to our multisite platform, PHIP is paving the way for a streamlined and more cost-effective approach to managing local club websites.

### Club Birthdays

- 10/1 -- Barefoot Children of FLL 1998  
Orange County PHC 1994
- 10/2 -- PHs of the Lower Ohio Valley  
2003
- 10/11 -- Simply Complicated PHC  
2004
- 10/12 -- Ocala PHC 1996
- 10/17 -- Chicago PHC 1993  
The Calypso Castaways  
2017
- 10/20 -- Clinton County PHC 2007
- 10/26 -- Los Angeles PHC 1996
- 10/28 -- PHs in Michiana 2004
- 10/31 -- Lake Havasu PHC 2010
- 11/8 -- St. MinneSomePlace PHC  
1994
- 11/9 -- Chippewa Valley PHC 2003  
Left Coast PHC 1994
- 11/10 -- Southwest Florida PHC 1994
- 11/19 -- PHC of Maine 1993  
PHs of Pensacola 2003  
Seguin PHC 2009
- 11/20 -- Detroit PHC 1992  
PHs of the Blue Ridge 2002
- 11/22 -- PHs in Amish Paradise 1997
- 12/3 -- Quad City PHC 2003
- 12/4 -- Pelican Coast PHC 2002
- 12/7 -- Five O'Clock Phlock 2007
- 12/9 -- PHs of Port Aransas 2008
- 12/14 -- Galveston Bay PHC 1995
- 12/17 -- Corn Republic PHC 2008
- 12/22 -- Phin City PHC 1995  
Sun Valley PHC 2011



## Nautical Wheelers IT Corner (Cont.)

Managing your club's website will never be easier. Our multisite feature will allow each chapter to maintain its site independently, updating content, posting events, and communicating with their members. This means club leaders can focus on what matters most – building the Parrot Head community – while we help with much (or little) of the technical aspects of maintaining your site (donations in the form of drinks will be graciously accepted – lol).

As we continue to enhance our digital presence and offer valuable tools for our members, we encourage all Parrot Heads to explore our updated website and connect with the PHIP Communications & Technology Committee or your respective Regional Communicators for more information. We welcome your creativity and insights. If you're a Parrot Head with a passion for writing, photography, graphic design, website development, a social media aficionado or just anything Parrot Head-related, don't hesitate to drop us a line.

We are looking for passionate and spirited Parrot Heads to help and make a positive impact through our music, philanthropy, and good-natured fun.

Here's to another year of living the dream and spreading the love, one beachy social media/website click at a time!

Love & Luck,

Joe Klen

Vincent MacQueen

PHIP Communications & Technical  
Co-Chairs

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### Social Media Platforms

Here are the PHIP Social Media Platforms. Anyone with abundant experience building up a Youtube Channel or Instagram Account (or Facebook or Twitter) please consider joining the social media team by contacting [Vincent MacQueen](#).

#### Facebook

[PHIP'S Meeting of the Minds](#)

[PHIP, Inc.](#)

#### Youtube

[Parrot Heads in Paradise inc.](#)

#### Instagram handle is:

[parrotheadsinparadise](#)

**Twitter handle is:** @parrotheadsIP



## Oklahoma Parrotheads Pay Tribute to Jimmy Buffett at the State Fair

The Central Oklahoma Parrothead Association (COPA) held it's annual "Jamaican Me Crazy" Senior day at the Great State of Oklahoma Fair. This event is a COPA favorite held at The Jamaican Me Crazy Bar at the fair. A Good Time was had by all that attended.

We had a very nice Jimmy Buffett Tribute Toast announced by long time COPA member Grant Bedlion Napoleon!



It's A Great Time To Be A Parrothead!

## Tidewater Parrotheads Battle Ovarian Cancer in Memory of Bonnie Harrell

The Parrot Head Club of Tidewater held an extremely successful "10th-ish Bonnie Harrell Memorial Benefit for the Ovarian Cancer Research Alliance" on Saturday, July 29th. Our club created this annual charity event to honor our co-founder, Bonnie's memory and as was her wish OCRA is the beneficiary of the event proceeds. Bonnie lost her four year battle with ovarian cancer in December 2010 and asked that we continue to raise awareness of ovarian cancer symptoms, treatments and research efforts. She was an amazing lady that had a very special gift for caring for others and "paying it forward" when it came to helping out her fellow human beings and the community.

We had some really great partners and sponsors for this event. It was an all afternoon musical extravaganza of local musicians who generously donated their talent and time: Win Winslow, Stacy and Steve Stephens, H. L. Wilson, Lewis McGeeHee, and Joey Wood. Our day was capped off by an amazing performance by Peter and Brendan Mayer!

We held 50/50 raffles, gift basket raffles and a wonderful silent auction. Throughout the day and in partnership with our amazing sponsor, FireHouse Subs, we raised \$13,170 for the Ovarian Cancer Research Alliance.

## Domino College Dean's List

*There ain't no graduation from this kind of education*

Pirates of the Northwoods  
PHs in Natural Settings  
Padre Island PHC of Corpus Christi  
Calgary PHC  
New Smyrna Beach PHC  
Emerald Coast PHC  
PHs of Central Florida  
Tallahassee PHC  
Panama City PHC  
PHlock of South Jersey  
Phun Coast PHC  
PHC of Tidewater  
Savannah PHC  
Central Oklahoma PH Association  
Central Illinois PC  
Tulsa PHC  
Blue Water PHC  
Eastern New York PHC  
Nature Coast PHC  
PHs in Niagara South  
San Antonio PHC  
Galveston PHC  
Western New York PHC  
Blossomland Pirates PHC  
Coast of Carolina PHC  
San Diego PHC  
Metro PHC  
PHC of Richmond  
New Hampshire PHC  
Lakes Area PHs  
5 o'Clock Phlock PHC  
PHs of Central Kansas  
Magic City PHC  
Sarasota Bay PHC  
Austin TX PHC  
PHs of the Susquehanna  
Chicago PHC  
PHs in Michiana  
Annapolis PHC



## Calgary Parrotheads Play 18 for School Lunches

Canada's oldest Parrot Head Club, the Calgary Parrot Head Club, held its annual golf tournament on Saturday, September 16 at Crystal Ridge golf course. This was the third year that the tournament raised money for the local charity: Brown Bagging for Calgary's Kids (BB4CK). Sadly, over 7,000 children in Calgary go to school daily without lunch. BB4CK packs that many lunches each school day and delivers them to the schools. The support from the Calgary Parrot Head Club will go a long way to helping them with this very important work.

This has to be the most colorful golf tournament in the Calgary area. We have prizes for 'Best Dressed' players and "Best Decorated Cart". It's always fun to see how creative the group can be.

The tournament winner is awarded the GREAT WHITE CUP. Second only in importance to the Stanley Cup, this trophy rewards the foursome with the lowest score the recognition of being The Champion Golfers in Canada.....well, kind of. This year the Rob M team were the winners.

The Calgary Parrot Heads celebrate honesty, integrity and modesty perhaps even more than we celebrate golfing excellence with the awarding of THE LANDSHARK CUP. This is awarded to the Most Honest Team. The 2023 winners were the Bruce M foursome.

Fortunately, we had a number of generous sponsors this year so that more than half of the 40 golfers in the tournament walked away with a prize. The biggest winner however was our charity, BB4CK. We were able to raise \$1,500 for them . A local foundation will match that donation so BB4CK will get \$3,000 in support.

## PARTIES & PURPOSES PARROT HEAD UNIT

Hardy groups of partiers always find ways to provide much needed help to their communities. They are known as Parrot Heads. These are their stories .

Parrot Heads In Natural Settings (PHINS), held its annual golf tournament in April of this year at World Golf Village in St. Augustine. We were able to raise \$13,000 for Dreams Come True, which was presented to them at our club's birthday party in July.

The Phlock of South Jersey gave Unforgotten Haven Food Bank in Camden, NJ 100.00 worth of food in July. Maple Shade Congregational Church Food Bank 150.00 in July and 140.00 in August, and we donated \$500.00 in September to Singing for Change in memory of Jimmy.

Pirates of the Northwoods held a fundraising event selling soup for FestiFall in Lakewood WI and raised just over \$1,000 to be donated to the local food pantry.

The Parrot Heads of Central Florida held a 'Celebrating the Life, Songs, and Stories' PHlocking on September 15th at The Porch-Winter Park. Our PHounder, Jim Schlegel, reminded us as to how few of us would ever have encountered one another, if not for all that Jimmy gave to us. Jim led us in a 'tribute toast' to the Grand Parrothead and we did our best to 'keep the party going!'

The Key West Parrot Head Club was out in force at the inaugural "Second Line" memorial procession in memory of Jimmy Buffett 3 September 2023. The event was planned and coordinated by local rum maker Paul Menta in just 16 hours. Over 3000 people were in attendance. Mark your calendars because it is now an annual event every September 1st.



## Parrot Head Clubs Stepping Up This Walk Season

by Bob Noonan

National Alzheimer’s Walk Team Captain

Board Member-Greater Illinois Alzheimer’s Association

The Alzheimer’s Association has long been the leading voice on behalf of people living with this fatal disease. The Association believes that these people deserve the opportunity to discuss and choose, with their doctors and family, whether an approved treatment is right for them. This discussion should take place with as few barriers as possible.

Most of the Walks for Alzheimer’s around the country are over, but we still have a few more to go. As a reminder, anyone may give to you or your team up to December 31, 2023, and it will count for this year. I have had people say, “Sorry I forgot to give to your efforts on your walk” and I respond to them “You may give to the end of the end of the year. It’s a nice tax incentive.

Our efforts (Parrot Head Clubs around the country) have been a huge success. We raised \$104,969.00 so far this year, surpassing our 2023 goal of \$100,000.00. (Thank you!) It’s been a good year nationally for getting out and “Partying with a Purpose.” That was accomplished with 43 teams (clubs) participating, and over 300 Parrotheads walking in live walks around the country.

Please remember that you can contact me with any questions about our walks and teams. You also can call the Alzheimer’s Toll-Free Helpline (1-800-272-3900) with questions or concern about the disease and where to find help for a loved one.

Again, thank you to all for your efforts in the fund raising and awareness of Alzheimer’s with the hope to have a cure for this terrible disease.

Bob Noonan-Chicago Parrot Head Club  
National Alzheimer’s Walk Team Captain  
Board Member of Greater Illinois Alzheimer’s

### Here are the National standing of our Parrot Head teams and individuals around the country as of 10-14-23.

- 1. Chicago Parrot Head Club \$14,040.00
  - 1. Shoreline Parrot Head Club \$13,610.00
  - 2. 5 O’ Clock Phlock Parrot Head Club \$10,330.00
  - 4. Space Coast Parrot Head Club \$9,297.00
  - 5. PHs in Paradise - Barefoot Children \$8,393.00
  - 6. Des Moines Parrot Head Club \$5,000.00
  - 7. Team False Echoes-Metro PHC #2 \$3,779.00
  - 8. Lake Area Parrot Head Club \$3,375.00
  - 9. Pirates of the Susquehanna \$3,058.00
  - 10. Galveston Bay PHC \$2,641.00
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- 1. Friends of Two Dudes in Flip Flops-Shoreline PHC \$13,610.00
  - 2. Bob Noonan-Chicago PHC \$5,130.00
  - 3. Linda Masten-Team False Echoes-Metro PHC \$3,454.00
  - 4. Laura Ennis-Space Coast PHC \$3,005.00
  - 5. Kris Nordstrom-5 O’ Clock Phlock PHC \$2,500.00
  - 6. Nancy Schreiner-Chicago PHC \$1,730.00
  - 7. Melissa Harvey- 5 O’Clock Phlock PHC \$1,725.00
  - 8. Kathleen “Kathy” Sullivan- Chicago PHC \$1,550.00
  - 9. Kathy Mitchell-Forness—Lakes Area PHC \$1,545.00
  - 10. Cathy Furtado-Space Coast PHC \$1,487.00





## PARROT HEADS IN PARADISE FINANCIALS

**Financials Contributed by Kyle Witten, PHiP Director of Finance**

### Financial Statement General Fund Savings, 3rd Quarter 2023

		Withdraw	Deposits	Balance
Beginning Balance				\$52,785.93
Deposits	Interest Earned		\$5.32	
Expenses	FATCA	\$1.60		
<b>Quarter 3 Balance</b>				<b>\$52,789.65</b>

### Financial Statement General Fund Checking, 3rd Quarter 2023

		Withdraw	Deposits	Balance
Beginning Balance				\$21,479.40
Income	Scholarship Fund - Deposit to Gen Fund		\$10,000.00	
Expenses	Scholarship Fund - Payment from General Fund	\$10,000.00		
	Insurance	\$1,174.00		
	F2F	\$2,083.00		
<b>Quarter 3 Balance</b>				<b>\$18,222.40</b>



## PARROT HEADS IN PARADISE FINANCIALS

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### Financial Statement MOTM Savings, 3rd Quarter 2023

		Withdraw	Deposits	Balance
Beginning Balance				\$41,401.91
Deposits	Interest Earned		\$4.18	
Expenses	FATCA Withholding	\$1.25		
<b>Quarter 3 Balance</b>				<b>\$41,404.84</b>

### Financial Statement MOTM Checking, 3rd Quarter 2023

		Withdraw	Deposits	Balance
Beginning Balance				\$627,131.85
Income	MOTM - Registration		\$230,410.10	
Expenses	MOTM - Credit Card Fees	\$5,938.26		
	MOTM - Storage Costs	\$320.85		
	MOTM - IT	\$58.50		
	MOTM - 2022 - Lodging	\$6,311.53		
	MOTM - 2023 Site Selection	\$4,077.96		
	MOTM - SWAG	\$25,075.44		
	MOTM - Registration Refund	\$2,034.44		
	MOTM - Administrative Expense	\$5.00		
	MOTM - Shuttle Service	\$12,980.00		
<b>Quarter 3 Balance</b>				<b>\$800,739.97</b>



## PARROT HEADS IN PARADISE FINANCIALS

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### Financial Statement Scholarship Savings, 3rd Quarter 2023

		Withdraw	Deposits	Balance
Beginning Balance				\$20,972.97
Deposits	Interest Earned		\$1.61	
	Deposit		\$3,095.32	
Expenses	FATCA Withholding	\$0.48		
	X-fer to General Fund	\$10,000.00		
<b>Quarter 3 Balance</b>				\$14,069.42



## Upcoming Events

Who: Parrotheads in Michiana  
What: Barefoot Children in the Sand  
When: January 19 -21, 2024  
Where: Holiday Inn and Mishawaka Conference Center, Mishawaka, IN  
Benefits: Singing for Change  
More Info: <https://parrotheadsinmichi.wixsite.com/barefoot-children>

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Who: Tampa Bay PHC  
What: Music on the Bay  
When: February 28—March 3, 2024  
Where: Whiskey Joe's Bar and Grill, Tampa, FL  
Benefits: Shriners Children's Florida  
More Info: <https://musiconthebay.org/>

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Who: Emerald Coast Parrot Head Club  
What: Escape to the Island (music festival)  
When: May 17-18, 2024  
Where: Elks Lodge #1795, Fort Walton Beach, Okaloosa Island, Florida  
Benefits: Benefitting Local Charities TBD  
More Info: [www.ECParrotHeads.org](http://www.ECParrotHeads.org)

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Who: Galveston Bay Parrot Head Club  
What: Riddles in the Sand #27  
When: July 25-28, 2024  
Where: Victorian Condos, Galveston, TX  
Benefits: Lighthouse Charity Team, Alzheimer's  
More Info: <https://gbphc-riddlesinthesand.com/>



## On the Road

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