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# PARROT HEAD CLUB OF TIDEWATER



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Club Founders

Hey there PHCOT Phlockers!

We are off to great start for the new year. In January we celebrated our 28<sup>th</sup> club birthday and had a tribute to our tropical troubadour, Jimmy Buffett. Our social committee did a PHantastic job organization the Jimmy's Buffet coupled with a great performance by the Hungry Hard Luck Heroes. You all did great with your originality in the dishes that you brought for the phlock to enjoy. After the voting, the following awards were given out: For Most Creative – Ramona and Joe Czerwinski, Best Tasting Entrée / Appetizer – Juli and John Shipp and Best Tasting Dessert – Samantha Pitz. Great job to all. Look here in the newsletter and on our Facebook page / group and the coconut telegraph for upcoming social events.

In the last weekend of January, we had a nice crew of twenty PHolks go up to Midwinter Meltdown and enjoy all the great music for that event. They was even a CalypsoNuts reunion.

Coming up in March, we have the Ocean View Parade on Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. I know that there is a contingent of our club members that will be gallivanting around the Caribbean on the Parrot Head Cruise but I am confident that our members holding down the fort in the area will have a good showing. Bob Roberts is also putting together an after the parade social for us, so more details to come.

On the fundraising front, we will be participating in the MS Walk on Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. Jim Levick and Ray Cross are our team leaders for this effort. They will be getting information out to the coconut telegraph about our team and volunteer opportunities. I know that Jim keeps touting that we need to try and beat Katie Collett and the WAVY TV10 team. Claire from the National MS Society loves to have our team out at this event because of all the spirit and energy that our team brings.

As we continue in the winter time our favorite Hampton Roads musicians' schedules are changing as well. Please check out our favorite local musicians Robbie Meade, Joey Wood, Mike Proffitt, the Tiki Bar Band, Brad Brewer and others on their webpages and Facebook pages.

Coming up this spring we will be holding elections for the Board of Directors. More information will be in the newsletter next month, but the process flow will be call for nominations in March and April, presentation of candidates in May and elections in June with the new board members to be seated in July. This is your club and we need your input and your participation to make it all work.

Well, that is about enough for this month.

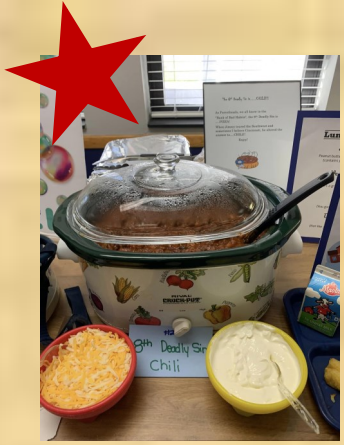
*Barefoot children in the rain,  
Got no need to explain.  
We'd be swingin' on a ball and chain,  
It's always understood by those who play the game.*

**Skipper**

The Board of Directors Meeting Minutes and Treasurer's Reports are available for review at the Secretary's table at each general meeting.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** Our not for profit organization is formed of people who realize they are blessed with abundant life and want to return to the community and environment in some small way, the gifts we share as well as provide a variety of social activities for people who share an enjoyment of Jimmy Buffett's Music.

**ALL TRIBUTE GALA TO JIMMY BUFFETT**  
*And*  
**Jimmy's Buffet**  
*Congrats to the Winners!!!!*





## **Parade Time!**



**Mark your calendars, March 16th.  
It's time for the Oceanview St. Patrick's Day Parade.**

### **Parrotheads turning Irish for the day!!**

We will be getting our flock together for the annual St. Patrick's day on March 16, 2024. Shake your tail feathers and show Norfolk what we do for the community. Based on past parades, we meet in front of Northside Middle School on Granby St. between 8:30 and 9:00. Shuttle provided from Oceanview Elementary (end of parade route) to the start of the parade. After the parade, we will all meet up for lunch at a nearby establishment. It is a fun event and should not be missed. Everyone is Irish for the day, so wear your PHCoT, tropical or green attire. Final details are coming soon!!

Please contact Bob Roberts if you have any questions at [bobbob160@cox.net](mailto:bobbob160@cox.net).

**Date:** April 7, 2024

**Start/Finish Location:** ODU VA Beach Higher Education Center, Lot 3  
1881 University Drive, Virginia Beach

**Time:** Check-In opens at 12:00/Walk Starts at 1:00



The Parrothead Club of Tidewater is helping raise funds to change the world for everyone affected by multiple sclerosis. Here is a step-by-step on how to sign up: Please [CLICK HERE](#) to join the team. Select the orange “JOIN OUR TEAM” button. Then fill out the registration form. You will then be given a “Your Page” to help track your progress and see how made donations to your page.

LINK your fundraiser to social media through your Walk MS dashboard. This is so powerful. Fundraising through Facebook increases your reach and invites others to join you in this important work. If you need help with this, you can reach out to Clare Lorio (clare.lorio@nmss.org) or the Fundraising Support Team (855.372.1331 orfundraisingsupport@nmss.org) to get all taken care of.

It is going to be another great year for PHCoT & Walk MS. Cary Cross started us on the journey...let's keep going until we have the cure for her granddaughter, my wife, and everyone we know affected by this disease.

Thank you,  
Jim Levick



***BOGO PHCoT Hats!!***

***Buy one PHCoT hat and get one FREE!! Two different designs but same color hat. Both for only \$10.***

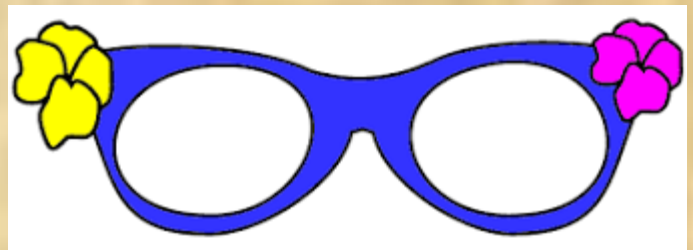
***Contact Tom Cannon to purchase or for more information.***

***Turn your ink cartridges into SMILES!***

**SMILE** can turn every ink cartridge brought to a Parrot Head Club meeting into \$2 at OfficeMax/Office Depot. This helps us offset the cost of our printing from promotional materials to brochures and applications for future **SMILE** Kids, folders (given to families with important materials for their equipment and a welcome packet to the **SMILE** family) as well as everyday office materials we use to further our mission of enhancing the lives of children impacted by life-threatening medical conditions. Any size used ink cartridge (home or office) can be brought to a Parrot Head Meeting and given to **Ray Cross**.

**Lion's Clubs can offer the gift of sight or sound to those in need through the kindness of others.**

PHCoT is collecting eyeglasses, hearing aids, cell-phones and keys at our meetings to support those in need. Please bring any of these items to a club meeting and see Colleen Cannon.



**February PHlocker Birthdays!**

Ramona Czerwinski—February 2  
Karen Cagni—February 7  
Cecy Ebaugh—February 16  
Win Winslow—February 20  
Kevin Fowler—February 22

**February PHlocker Anniversaries!**

Kerri Singer 2/1/2022  
Joseph Singer 2/1/2022  
Linda Barnes 2/2/1997  
Jerry Barnes 2/2/1997  
Anne Gunnell 2/5/2013  
Scott Gunnell 2/5/2013  
Cydney Cavender 2/28/1996

**Communication Corner**

(or where can I find information????)

**PHIP.com** - Parrot Heads In Paradise, Inc.  
\*Official Website  
Check out the PHIP TradewindTimes  
Quarterly Newsletter under Chapters  
PHIP You Tube—<https://www.youtube.com/c/ParrotHeadsinParadiseinc>

**PHCOT.com** - Parrot Head Club of Tidewater  
\*Information about us!

**PHLOCKERS MAGAZINE.com** - a wealth of  
information. Phlocking parties all over the  
country and great articles.

**TROPROCKIN.com** - a wealth of information  
about happenings in the Trop Rock world.

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**UPCOMING PHLOCKINGS -**

**Music on the Bay**  
February 28-March 3, 2024 Tampa FL

**ParrotHead Rendezvous**  
April 19-22, 2024 Panama City FL

**AIA PHC Beach Bash**  
June 13-16, 2024  
Fernandina Beach, Amelia Island FL  
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We are collecting non-perishable food items for the **Atlantic Shores Baptist Church Food Pantry!** So on your next grocery trip, pick up some canned goods, pasta, rice, beans, cereal, peanut butter, or other healthy, shelf-stable food items and help out your neighbors. See Graham and Kathy Hallowes with your donations.



**Food Pantry**

***“When the Wild Life Betrays Me” Calendar***

**February**

Tue 6th **Club Meeting**  
AJ Gators 7:30 pm

Thurs 29th **March Beakon Submission**  
Deadline 5 pm

**March**

Tues 5th **Club Meeting**  
AJ Gators 7:30 pm

Sat 16th **St Patrick’s Day Parade**

Thur 28th **April Beakon Submission**  
Deadline 5 pm

**April**

Tues 2nd **Club Meeting**  
AJ Gators 7:30 pm

Sun 7th **MS Walk**  
ODU VB Higher Ed Center

Thur May 2nd **May Beakon Submission**  
Deadline 5 pm



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**Everyone Needs A Little Sunshine!**

Occasions arise in everyone’s lives where they might need some good old fashioned Parrot Head love. Please let Maryglenn Huffman (757) 574-4067 or [2fruitcakes@cox.net](mailto:2fruitcakes@cox.net) know about weddings, births, hospital stays, etc. so that we can reach out to our members in need of some sunshine!



Help out our phurry and pheathered phriends! At every meeting we will be collecting items for the SPCA. Items needed include food, litter, birdseed, biscuits, old newspapers and old towels. Items collected will be sent to the Virginia Beach SPCA.

**PHCOT Membership—Note Dues are now \$40 per year**

Membership includes a club T-shirt and this monthly newsletter. Annual dues are now **\$40.00 per person per year.** Membership renewal dues are required to be **paid in full by the October meeting** to remain a “Member in Good Standing” and are not pro-rated. However, **new membership dues** are prorated. You will find more information and a membership form at [www.phcot.com](http://www.phcot.com). Click on **“Visit Us”!** Come join the phlock.

