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THE PRESIDENT'S PERCH

Goodbye 2017 and welcome 2018!

2017 had some challenges, no doubt, but there were also many things to celebrate. The amazing outpouring of support for those affected by the hurricanes leads the top of my list. Nothing epitomizes the Parrot Head spirit more than the efforts of the individuals and clubs throughout our organization coming together to raise and donate funds to Lone Palm Foundation and other community groups helping with rebuilding and support.

A wonderful Meeting of The Minds was definitely an event worth celebrating. The people of Key West and the staff at the Casa Marina were amazing in putting everything back together in time for us to converge on the island. Director of Conventions Andrew Talbert and his awesome volunteers made it a wonderful con-

vention for us.

Jimmy continued to tour and provide us with opportunities to party with our fellow Parrot Heads. Not that we needed an excuse to hang out but it sure is nice to enjoy those shows together.

Club and regional events also brought us together. Every event is worth celebrating the fun and music we share but they're especially fantastic when combined with fundraising for our communities and charities as so many are.

I never thought I'd suggest celebrating 5Ks (exercise, ough) but, man, a lot of us made the effort in the Walk To End Alzheimer's in 2017 with out of this world results. We blew by our Silver National Team commitment of \$125,000 to the Alzheimer's Association and raised over \$240,000!

My final celebration is to celebrate you all! Everyone who commits to a Board po-



sition, who chairs an event, who gives their time and/or money, who pays dues that provide operating funds, who spread the word about our group and who lives the "Party With A Purpose" lifestyle is critical to our continued success. We can't do this without you and it's my honor to continue to serve the Parrot Heads in Paradise organization in 2018. Y'all rock!



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PHIP NEWSLETTER CONTEST WINNERS FOR 2017!

The following clubs were announced as winners at the General Membership Meeting at Meeting of the Minds last year on November 4th, 2017.

1st place – Sarasota Bay PHC (\$300)

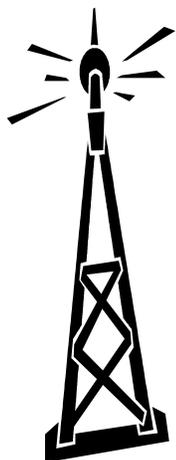
2nd place – Orange County PHC (\$200)

3rd place – Route 66 Parrot Heads (\$100)

Each club will donate their winnings to the charity of their choice.

We congratulate all of the 2017 PHiP Newsletter Contest Winning Clubs.

We also wish to thank every club who submitted their newsletter for consideration as well as our esteemed newsletter.



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PARROT HEAD CLUB OF TIDEWATER WINS THE 2017 PHIP GOLDEN COCONUT AWARD

On Saturday Morning at MOTM, the winning Parrot Head Golden Coconut Club was announced.

But first a little history behind the Golden Coconut ... In 1996, Margaritaville and Parrot Heads In Paradise, Inc. decided to create an award to be given to a deserving Parrot Head Club, emblematic and in recognition of the outstanding Charitable and Environmental efforts of ALL Parrot Head Clubs.

Today, competition for the coveted award is waged through a "blind essay" submitted to an illustrious panel of judges composed of previous Golden Coconut Award recipients. Bestowed upon the winning chapter, the Golden Coconut is a one of a kind trophy

designed, hand-crafted and presented during the annual Meeting of the Minds.

The judges had a tough decision on their hands and at times the scoring was close. However as we can honor only one club per year, the esteemed panel of judges did their job and scored the winning essay on the basis that it truly showed the "spirit" of the winning club.

Like all of our PHIP Clubs, this club takes the "Party with a Purpose" motto and gives back within their own community. Just to name a few things they do: Raising funds for Alzheimers, collecting food for the Community Food Bank, Supporting the local SPCA by donating pet food and supplies and collecting toys for children at



Christmas.

Read about their fundraising for Alzheimers on line at the Golden Coconut Winner's portion of the website. ... <https://www.phip.com/club-winners>

Congratulations again to the Parrot Head Club of Tidewater, the two time member of the prestigious Golden Coconut Clubs!!



Meeting of the Minds

By Andrew Talbert, PHiP Director of Conventions

Hello Parrot Heads!

Happy New Year Everyone! Meeting of the Minds 2017 came and went leaving us with some wonderful memories of all the great times we had down in Key West. Before getting into the next event, I want to recap the past event and thank many people for making everything happen!

“We’re Still Here” was our event name and was a phrase that summed up the 2017 Meeting of the Minds event in general after Hurricane Irma came through Florida and left a path of destruction in many areas. We were there and thankfully Key West was spared major damage unlike many neighbors in most all other directions. The 26th Annual Meeting of the Minds was down in attendance a bit as some folks elected to stay home after a huge sell-out year in 2016. Some of our people who wanted to come in 2017 lost their accommodations up the keys and we missed you all! We did however have a nice crowd on hand and we all had a great time at the Casa Marina! Our crowd also filled Duval Street on Friday for two blocks solid as they enjoyed three great bands!

What was accomplished in Key West at 2017 Meeting of the Minds? We had PHun! The weather was perfect from beginning to end! We were surrounded by our PHriends! We raised some PHunds for some

great charities and organizations to donate in 2018! There was great music! We raised over \$10,000 in scholarship raffle money for our college Keets for 2018 and beyond! We had 184 attendees attempt to donate at our blood drive. We collected 142 pints of blood this year which is great support for the local area! Thank you Jeff Hoffman for your support in keeping our blood drive rocking each year. Awesome! The MOTM toy drive produced boxes and boxes of toys plus gift cards. Thanks Carl Wessling for all your support with the toy drive! The Salvation Army was extremely grateful for the donations! Our shoe drive delivered over 400 pairs of shoes including shoes shipped in from people who could not attend this year! That is great support for

the “Kids Come First” organization! Those shoes help kids all the way up into the most heavily hurricane-damaged areas of the keys! This year Parrot Heads in Paradise gave away \$16,000 raised at the 2016 MOTM to the “Key West Police Athletic League”, “The Sister Season”, and “Kids Come First” as well as a small donation to our 501c3 the Lone Palm Foundation! All of this donated money will be helpful to the residents of Key West and even up the Keys in other areas hit hard by the hurricane.

Thanks to Rick Fyffe and Kathy Kaz along with all the awesome volunteers who kept registration flowing very smoothly this year! It gets better every year. The gift bag team set a record for setup and execution of the stuffing of the gift bags this year at 50 minutes! Teresa Burchwell and the Calypso Nuts have gotten this party



All photos in this article provided by Rob O’Neal

down to a science! Our Mini Mart was sold out with more vendors that we have ever booked this year thanks to David Cohen our PHiP Secretary. We had almost 100 people on our MOTM security team as well as a full crew from the Key West Police Department. Thank you to Jim and Val Delocono all for your leadership and support as we had a massive crowd on the beach this year and our security team kept it all safely rocking! I do want to give a shout out to the rest of the leadership crew. Your hard work was definitely an asset to Meeting of the Minds. Thank you!

I don't want to leave out Charlene Schultheis. She pays all the bills all year round and spent a couple of days in her room working on numbers and internet banking while in Key West. Nice work as the longest tenure board member to serve MOTM.

Our PHiP President Kathy Pfister kept the club leaders brunch and general meeting rolling while our Membership Director Sue Kermis kept the side meeting and brunch organization going. Thanks gang...well done by all.

Our PHiP 501(c)3 charity arm, the Lone Palm Foundation, held a very successful auction for helping Parrot Heads with natural disasters. There was a hurricane t-shirt sell out that resulted in a photo shoot on Duval Street on Friday and that photo made the front page of the Key West Citizen newspaper and our PHiP, Inc. Facebook page! All for Parrot Heads Helping Parrot Heads! Thank you all for your support. The money has been coming in and going out this year to help many recover from storm damage across our country and member-

ship.

Thanks to Sara Kessler and Charley Gingrow for all the behind the scenes work on the MOTM convention guide. It looked great as always.

The Zonta walk featuring Team Parrot Head was very successful this year! The raffle baskets raised a very nice sum of over \$8000 for 2018 donation to charity! Nice work Joe and Lorene Prorok for your passionate hard work with the raffle baskets! You rock!

All told...in 2017 as a result of fund raising attributed to the overall 2017 MOTM event was just over \$40,000 from the Zonta Walk Run, Scholarship Raffle, MOTM raffle, and Lone Palm Foundation fund raising, Nice job across the board by all. Parrot Heads are amazing!

I want to say this was a great MOTM. I am VERY PROUD of all the support of the PHiP board, our long-time and new sponsors, sound and lighting crews, Key West City leadership, Key West Police and Fire Departments, committee leadership, volunteers, and attendees. I want to take a moment to thank

every person who volunteered any moment of time during MOTM. Without every volunteer this event would never even get started. It is ALL ABOUT YOU...every one of you volunteers. Thank you.

Thanks to everyone for helping with keeping the Casa Marina Resort as full as possible. This was a very tough year towards the end due to the uncertainty of the storm damage and the down time the hotel experienced from loss of local utilities and displacement of staff. The hotel did an amazing job of getting the place ready for us as they only opened two weeks before we got there! The place looked great for MOTM 2017. The staff was awesome as always!

The Casa Marina is the place to be for MOTM as many people tell me year after year. There is so much music on site you could come to Key West and find it hard to leave the Casa during MOTM! We have to fill the Casa every year and you keep it full! You will find the 2018 rates will continue to be among the lowest in Key West especially for a Hilton Waldorf Astoria. Thanks to all the MOTM sponsors and MOTM supporters for





the whole year. THANK YOU MARGARITAVILLE!! We cannot have this celebration without you and your contributions.

Thanks Tech-Tronics for your usual outstanding sound and lighting. JL we missed you this year for the first time in a long time. Special thanks hanks to the local JL crew led by Rick Hume! The MOTM main stage is totally the best ever. Thanks to the crew at "Art of Sound" for the Sun Sun beach stage sound!

I also want to thank all the musicians and bands that come to MOTM and provide FIVE days of awesome music for us. There was Trop Rock music from beginning to end almost half the night at times. I appreciate the support of all of the Coral Reefer Band we had in town and alumni traveling to Key West after a long tour leg right before our event! Special thanks to the Peter Mayer Group for playing a set of two solid hours! I want to give a special shout out to the Devon Allman Project for bringing his brand new band to Key

West and rocking the house. I heard nothing but praise for this set!

The Beachside Album Hour was amazing with all of the support from Ramajay Intercoastal, special guests, Coral Reefer Band members, and alumni members Keith Sykes and Roger Bartlett. It was awesome to hear an entire two album set of "You Had to Be There!" I have been told over and over how everyone loved Marshall Chapman and Will Kimbrough playing with the band of Casey Wood, Michael Utley, and Zebadiah Briskovich on Thursday. My email inbox has been buzzing with requests to bring them back to MOTM. Did I mention the crowd noise for the Peter Mayer Group after their set? It was amazing to hear that crowd roar from the stage. There were so many musical moments I could write about but there is no space here to do any of them justice.

You should be at MOTM 2018! There is only one Meeting of the Minds. 2018 marks the 27th Annual Meeting of the Minds. Planning has been underway for several months now. I can tell you that there will be NO letup in entertainment. I plan to have as much music as we can afford in the schedule so get ready for the 2018 schedule announcement in a few short months. The exact date of the schedule announcement will depend on contract completions but I will get it to you as fast as I can! I already have some cool things on the hook and penciled in!

The dates for Meeting of the Minds 2018 and 2019 are on the web site. SETUP YOUR VACATION PLANS NOW! Here is the link to the dates for the event the next TWO years: <https://www.phip.com/meeting>

Meeting of the Minds 2018 - The 27th ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MINDS in KEY WEST, FLORIDA in 2018!! Wow!! 27 YEARS!! Congratulations to all that have sustained this event from the very beginning! This should be another great year of celebration and reunion!! The title of this year's event is "We are the People Our Parent's Warned Us About!" You know who you are!

Here is a video link for you to enjoy: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4YiW5Z0fr-Q>

2018 WILL be a great year in sunny Key West come November! I know November seems so long away but I want to give

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you several great reasons to go ahead and register early for MOTM. First! Remember we close out our MOTM registration at 3,500 or by September 15th, whichever comes first. I also want you to book a room at the Casa Marina as we need to fill every room at the Casa Marina! I also do not want you to miss out if you want to stay at the Casa Marina! So we are going to give you some awesome incentives for not putting off registration or your room reservations for 2018!

Registration for MOTM 2018 and reservations for the Casa Marina opened early on Friday morning December 15th at 12:00 noon EST!! The Casa Marina is about 60% full after just two weeks of registrations! Things are moving fast in the hotel reservations room. Don't wait too long to book! Please tell your Parrot Heads PHriends so no one is left out if they want a room at the Casa!

A GREAT DRAWING FOR EARLY REGISTRATION!! GREAT ODDS OF WINNING!!

IF you register before April 1st, 2018 YOU will be put in a drawing to WIN 2 tickets to see JIMMY BUFFETT AND THE CORAL REEFER BAND in a city of your choice in the USA or Canada during the 2018 tour courtesy of MARGARITAVILLE FOODS!! All you have to do is register and pick your choice of a city on the 2018 tour!!! NOTE THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE THE JIMMY BUFFETT DATES WITH THE EAGLES.

If you are the lucky winner YOU

will win a pair of concert tickets and access to a pre-show VIP party for any 2018 regularly scheduled Jimmy Buffett tour date within the U.S. or Canada. The concert date must be selected at least 8 weeks prior to the show or as soon as possible if the concert is announced with less than 8 weeks' notice.

Here is the link to register for the 27th ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MINDS 2018:
<http://www.phip.com/motmregistration>

WANT A ROOM AT THE CASA MARINA FOR MEETING OF THE MINDS 2018?
Want to stay at the CASA MARINA RESORT during Meeting of the Minds?

You should book your room!! Why? Because if you book your room by April 1st, 2018 you will be put in a drawing to win a FOUR NIGHT STAY DURING MOTM 2018 IN A TWO BEDROOM OCEAN VIEW SUITE FREE!! Only the people who are on the Casa Marina reservations list and registered for MOTM 2018 by April 1 will be eligible for the drawing. This is the sixth year in a row this prize has been offered. Ask some of the previous winners how cool this is to have this awesome suite right on the water in Key West during Meeting of the Minds for FREE!

Here is how to book a reservation for MOTM #27 at the Casa Marina, A Waldorf Astoria Resort - The online link:
<http://group.waldorfastoria.com/MOTM2018>

Booking code: **ZZPAR1**
Central Reservations: 1-888-303-

5717

Casa Marina In House Reservations: 1-305-296-3535 ext 6605
The 2018 MOTM dates are on the PHiP web site for use in planning your vacation and booking your rooms right now!
<http://www.phip.com/meeting>

More announcements will be coming soon! I can't wait to share all the details of this year's event in the coming weeks! Here are a few lines of the song that inspired the 2018 event "We are the People Our Parent's Warned Us About"
We are the people there isn't any doubt
We are the people they still can't figure out
We are the people who love to sing "Twist and Shout" (Shake it up, Baby now)
We are the people our parents warned us about.

Happy New Year and until next time I'll see you, down the road!

Andrew

Andrew Talbert
Parrot Heads in Paradise, Inc.
PHiP Director of Conventions
Meeting of the Minds 2018
Key West, Florida
"We are the People Our Parent's Warned Us About"
<http://www.phip.com/meeting>



PARROT HEADS IN PARADISE FINANCIALS

Financials Contributed By:
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PHiP Dir of Finance

Parrot Heads in Paradise, Inc. Financial Statement - General Fund - YTD as of December 31, 2017

Income:

Balance 12.31.16	\$27,787
Membership/Handbooks-CD	\$30,323
Transfer from Scholarship	\$10,370
Total Income	\$68,479



Expense:

Board Meeting/Meetings	\$3,769
Filing Fee (Arizona)	\$10
Newsletter Charities	
Bee is for Fully	\$300
Boys and Girls Club of Anaheim	\$200
Casa of Franklin County	\$100
Office Equipment/Software	\$7,764
Printing/Postage/Office Supplies	\$556
Returned Item/Service Fee	\$125
Scholarship	\$10,176
The Johnson Insurance Co (D & O Insurance)	\$1,174
Web Development	\$2,531
Web Hosting	\$1,200
Total Expenses	\$27,905

Ending Balance: \$40,574

Parrot Heads in Paradise Financial Statement

MOTM Year to Date December 31, 2017

Income:

Balance 12.31.16	\$	17,753
Convention Guide	\$	5,300
Merchandise	\$	150
Mini Mart	\$	7,000
Raffle	\$	1,110
2017 Registration	\$	198,092
2018 Registration	\$	13,766
Scholarship	\$	564
Sponsorship	\$	38,250
Transfer from TD	\$	40,000
Total Income:	\$	321,985

Expenses:

Authorize.net (transaction fees)	\$	462
Award/Giift	\$	117
Bank Charge (iPayment)	\$	6,058
Casa Marina	\$	68,829
Charities		
Key West Police Athletic League	\$	5,000
Kids Come First	\$	5,000
Lone Palm Foundation	\$	1,000
Sister Season Fund, Inc.	\$	5,000
Conch Republic Seafood Co (Deposit)	\$	4,194
Cube Services Inc. (credentials)	\$	5,280

Expenses Cont.

Entertainment	\$	88,166
Florida Keys Group Transportation	\$	6,720
Four Star Rental	\$	1,909
Harmony Press (Guide)	\$	5,434
Keyboard Advertising Specialists	\$	26,344
Keys Activities	\$	240
MOTM 2016 Grand Prize Winner	\$	1,321
MOTM Meetings	\$	14,693
MOTM Supplies/Artwork/Misc.	\$	2,746
Namify	\$	3,782
Old Town Storage	\$	2,152
Postage/Printing	\$	269
Security	\$	9,145
Software	\$	599
TBA Communications	\$	616
Tax software (1099)	\$	154
TechTronics Productions Inc (Deposit)	\$	28,300
The Johnsons Insurance Co (event insurance)	\$	3,160
Transfer to Scholarship	\$	564
Transportation	\$	3,668
Website	\$	902
Total Expense:	\$	301,825

Ending Balance: \$ 20,160

Parrot Heads in Paradise, Inc. Financial Statement-Scholarship YTD as of December 31, 2017

Income:

Balance 12.31.16	\$18,937
Credit Card Partner	\$520
Interest	\$6
Scholarship Raffle	\$8,465
Total Income	\$27,928



Expense:

Transfer into GEN Checking	\$10,370
Total Expense	\$10,370

Ending Balance:

\$17,558

Parrot Heads in Paradise Financial Statement Relationship Savings YTD as of December 31, 2017

Income:

Balance 12.31.15	\$26,101
Interest	\$26
Total Income	\$26,128



Expense:

Total Expenses	\$0
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Ending Balance:

\$26,128

Parrot Heads in Paradise Financial Statement Relationship Savings (MOTM) YTD Dec 31, 2017

Income:

Balance 12.31.16	\$91,550
Transfer from Checking	
Interest	\$137
Total Income	\$91,688

Expenses

Transfer to Checking	\$40,000
Transfer to Scholarship	\$6,666
Total Expenses	\$46,666

Ending Balance:

\$45,022

LAKES AREA PARROT HEADS

PHIP FEATURED CLUB, OCT 2017

My name is Jim Brogren and I am our club founder. I grew up listening to Jimmy Buffett and always strived to live the laidback life style Margaritaville represented. After going to a few concerts at Alpine Valley I knew I wanted to start a Parrot Head club. I started researching the process and found out there were a few attempts by individuals in the Fargo, ND area to start a club but nothing ever took. I still was determined to have a local club. I contacted PHIP, Inc and Bob sent me the application and info regarding startups. Within 3 months our first meeting was scheduled and much to our surprise more than a dozen people showed up.

Each year the weekend prior to Labor Day Weekend we host our annual Boats & Bars events. It consists of three days of PHUN. Friday night is our maCAWS for PAWS benefit for a local animal shelter. There is live music, silent auction and a raffle drawing for a vacation package (this year was 7nts in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico and a \$1000 airfare voucher). The event is held at Zorbaz on the Beach which is our host bar throughout the year. We will be donating approx \$8000 to the Marshmallow Foundation from this years event.

Saturday is our Boats & Bars event where people float their boats for charity. People decorate their pontoons, load up the coolers and head out to the sandbar on our lake. We have a stage set-up for music and everyone ties their boats together for a day of fun in the sun.

A \$15 lanyard gets you Live Music from Noon to 1:30AM plus two complimentary beverages. Proceeds to benefit Lakes Crisis Center and Friends of Tamarac. Sunday Bloody Mary Morning at Zorbaz is a great

way to recap the weekend's adventures and say goodbye to phel-low Parrot Heads.

BUT our favorite yearly event is held on Christmas Day at 11:00AM. We gather at the local hospital with Santa and Mrs. Claus and hundreds of stuffed bears to distribute to patients at our hospital and all local nursing homes. We even sing carols at one of the homes! We solicit donations all year for this project and even had a Fargo TV station join us on our tenth year for the feel good story of Christmas Night news.

Operation Teddy Bear is now in it's 13th year we can't wait until December 25th to arrive.



We try to donate to a variety of charities within our 50 mile radius. We vote on what our events proceeds will benefit. Some of the recipients have been Humane Society of the Lakes, Habitat for Humanity of the Lakes Area, Becker County Food Pantry, The Marshmallow Foundation, WDAY Honor Flight, Make A Wish of North Dakota, Ronald McDonald House, Mahube Giving Tree, Great Plains Food Bank and many more.

We do have a fondness for animal charities and our local food banks :) I think one of the unique qualities of our club is its size and what we have been able to accomplish. We maintain approximately 50 or



so members annually. Our monthly meetings average a 50% or greater attendance by membership. We are a small group with big hearts. When they say Parrot Heads have a volunteer problem, that definition was written for us!

We are one of only two clubs in Minnesota. We are located approximately 45 Miles East of Fargo, ND and 4 hours North of the Twin Cities. Northern Latitudes, Caribbean Attitudes.

Winning the Golden Coconut Award of Excellence at the 20th Meeting of the Minds was our greatest accomplishment. For those who haven't submitted an essay, do it. The accolades that come with this honor are immeasurable.

For more information about the Lakes Area Parrot Heads, or to join them, go to www.lakesareaparrotheads.com



PHIP SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST

It's that time of year again for the PHiP Scholarship Essay Contest. Please pass this information along to your club members. This is the only way that all our PHiP club members will know of this great opportunity. This is a wonderful opportunity for our members and their families. This is a great opportunity that we want all eligible students to take advantage of. Thanks in advance for helping to get the word out and good luck to all the applicants.

We are proud to announce that the PHiP Scholarship Essay Contest for 2018 is NOW OPEN!!!!!!

Summary of the PHiP Scholarship:

The PHiP Scholarship is for current Parrot Head Club Members of an officially Chartered Chapter or their children or wards of Parrot Head Club Members, for post-secondary education.

This program was established in 2008. Three scholarships will be awarded in 2018. The funds may be used for tuition, books or living expenses, at an accredited four-

year university or college of the student's choice. The award will be paid to the winner's school account, when a student account is established.

PHiP awards 3 awards in the amounts of:

First Place: \$5,000

Second Place: \$3,000

Third Place: \$2,000

Eligibility: Parrot Head Club Members and members children (Sorry nieces, nephews or other extended family members beyond those mentioned are not considered eligible).

The Scholarship instructions and application can be found on the PHiP Website at:

<http://www.phip.com/club-scholarship>

It is VERY important the applicant follow ALL of the rules and instructions. Only typed, electronic submissions will be accepted. Incomplete applications will not be considered eligible.

Make no references to your identity, your local parrot head club or your location in your essay entry OR your question and statement responses.

All applications must be signed at the appropriate place. We accept electronic signatures.

To Apply: Complete the Parrot Head Scholarship Application found on the PHiP website at www.phip.com. Please email your completed application and essay to:

David Cohen

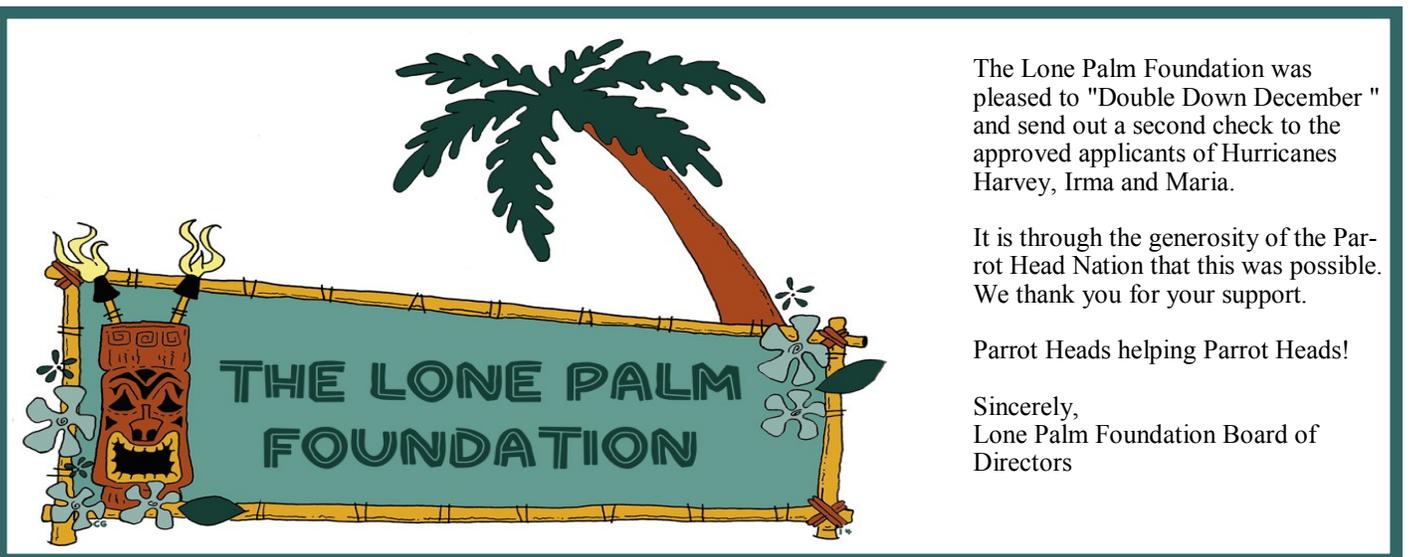
PHiP Secretary

PHiPscholarship@gmail.com

DEADLINE FOR APPLICANTS is MARCH 31st, 2018, for enrollment for fall term (summer terms not applicable). Students may apply yearly; the awards will be given annually, based on a new application process.

Good Luck to all applicants!

David Cohen,
Secretary - Parrot Heads in Paradise, Inc.
2012-2018 Scholarship Chair

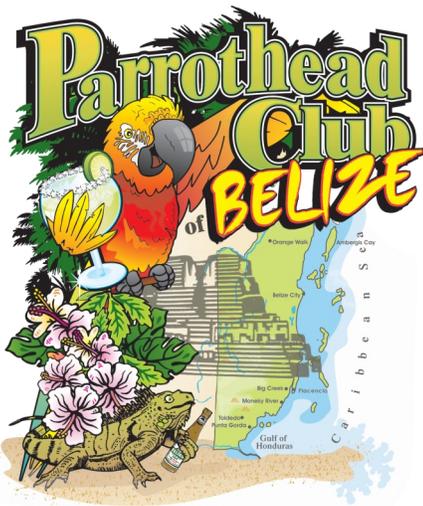


The Lone Palm Foundation was pleased to "Double Down December" and send out a second check to the approved applicants of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria.

It is through the generosity of the Parrot Head Nation that this was possible. We thank you for your support.

Parrot Heads helping Parrot Heads!

Sincerely,
Lone Palm Foundation Board of Directors



My husband, Whitey, started talking about creating the club in August, 2016. We got a core group together (Ryan Atkinson, Tracy Atkinson, Linda Sue Whitehead), who quickly agreed with a “Heck yeah! We’d love a Parrothead Club here in Belize!” By April, the club was sanctioned by PHiP and then we were off and running. Currently we have 87 members, at least 65 are living in Belize the majority of the year. The club is based in Placencia which is located in the southern part of Belize but we are accepting members from the rest of Belize. A number of us attend MOTM so we have had some good training for a music event.

Whitey and I have spent over 20 years sailing and working throughout the Caribbean. As Captain and Chef on crewed charter boats, we have been lucky to see almost every island or country in the Caribbean basin. Of course Jimmy Buffet and island music is the theme everywhere. After many visits by boat to Belize, we finally ‘dropped our anchor’ in Placencia in 2014.

The members of our club all have a strong desire to give back to this wonderful and diverse country we have chosen to live. The Belizean people are wonderful. They are hard working with gentle personalities and strong family values.

Our first big charity effort has been

PHLOCKING SOUTH FOR EDUCATION WITH THE NEW PARROTHEAD CLUB IN BELIZE!

By: Maxine White, Parrothead Club in Belize, www.parrotheadsinbelize.com

to provide for Haven House in Belize City. Haven House provides shelter & services for women and their children who are survivors of domestic violence. For the last few months of 2017 we collected donations of all different items. Just in time for Christmas, we delivered everything to the welcoming group at Haven House. This all happened with tremendous assistance from many people. As they say ‘it takes a village’.



Our next big task will be our big event in May where all funds will go to Education in Belize. While education here is free and compulsory up until the age of 14, many children are unable to complete even primary school. The cost of just a school uniform, especially for a family with more than a few children, is above their budget. Moving on to high school is competitive and not government supported. So many children are out in the work force as teenagers and have difficulty moving on from an entry level,



barely minimum wage job. As a club we wanted to have an event which brings some new music to the peninsula while raising funds for an educational charity. We are lucky to have the support of the Belize Ocean Club, which is located half way up the peninsula in Maya Beach. This resort is the perfect location for this type of event with a beach, gorgeous swimming pool and the very necessary swim up pool bar rival most restaurants in the US.

We have a great line up of Trop Rock musicians as well as some local bands and a group of Garifuna drummers. The schedule is set up in a way that people can enjoy the music days while relaxing at the Belize Ocean Club swimming pool and also visit the village and other parts of Belize. We hope people who are interested in exploring a Mayan Ruin or Scuba diving on the Barrier Reef will come early or stay longer. A few days are not enough to see this beautiful and diverse country.

With less than a year as a club it may be a bit crazy to be planning such a big event so soon. But making an impact quickly has always been our theme. Off with a run for our new club, this inaugural Parrothead Beach Bash in Belize is just the beginning when you can PHLOCK SOUTH! More information for our event can be found on www.parrotheadbeachbashbelize.com

Parrot Head Clubs Celebrating Birthdays This Quarter!

JANUARY

Central Alabama PHC	01/08/11
Desert Sharks PHC	01/09/03
High Desert PHC	01/10/02
Southern Illinois PHC	01/25/07
Midwest Indiana PHC	01/12/00
Bluegrass PHC	01/27/95
Acadiana PHC	01/30/11
Shoreline PHC	01/19/94
Kansas City PHC	01/22/95
Ozark Mountain PHs	01/17/98
1000 Islands PHC	01/24/06
Pirates in Paradise	01/01/99
Palmetto PHC	01/05/97
Phlip Phlop Phlockers	01/25/12
Memphis PHC	01/15/00
Wasatch Mountain PHC	01/07/95
PHC of Tidewater	01/11/96

FEBRUARY

Magic City PHC	02/13/01
Colorado PHC	02/15/94
PHs for the Palm Beaches	02/18/96
The Villages PHs	02/02/04
Savannah PHC	02/04/02
Pau Hana PHC	02/21/05
Western Mass. PHC	02/23/98
Lakeshore PHC	02/01/02
Route 66 PHC	02/04/12
Wagoner PHC	02/20/03
Coast of Carolina PHC	02/14/95
Rose City PHC	02/07/10
PHC of Green Bay	02/09/93
CNY Parrot Head Club	02/22/15

MARCH

PH Pirates of the CA Delta	03/06/03
Nature Coast PHC	03/12/08
PHs in Perry-dise	03/17/09
Pirates on the Water	03/01/06
PHs of the Savannah River	03/07/96
PHs in Lincolnland	03/21/98
Summit City PHC	03/05/00
Annapolis PHC	03/14/95
Chesapeake PHC	03/27/97
OBX Pirates	03/28/04
Sandlapper PHC	03/29/98
PHs of the Prairie	03/08/05
Music City Phins	03/03/03
San Antonio PHC	03/11/99
Fins of the Valley	03/08/05
PHs of the Phininsula	03/20/11
PHs in Niagara South	03/03/10
PHs on the St. Clair	03/15/07
Black Hills Parrot Heads	03/17/15



**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
PARROT
HEADS !!**



In the early 1990's, a different kind of Parrot Head club.... An online Parrot Head Club was formed. There would be no geographical boundaries to limit membership, only one's appreciation for the lifestyle Jimmy Buffett sings about would be a requirement.

Parrot Heads in Paradise, granted the Virtual PHC an official charter...to be the first and only online Parrot Head Club! Club membership remains as the cyber roost for Parrot Heads who have no land based club and many remain loyal members.

Over the 20 years, annual donations have varied but included these charities... The American Red Cross, Tons N Tots (A Key West Police Department Toy Drive), Walk to End Alzheimer's, Bike MS, The Visiting Nurse and Hospice Association of the Florida Keys and the Scleroderma Foundation to name a few.

The Virtual PHC hosts an annual Party with a Purpose during Meeting of the Minds. This party is the one opportunity the VPHC members have to gather, meet face to face and hold conversations with other Virtual members.

The Virtual PHC closed the 2017 year out with 214 members and had a large representation during MOTM! In 2017 the Virtual PHC donations totaled \$5,000.

To join the Virtual PHC check out their website <http://www.virtualphc.com/>

PHIP REGIONAL EVENTS



WHO: Clinton County PHC
 WHAT: Spring Fling 2018
 WHEN: Feb 16 – 18, 2018
 WHERE: Bretz Wildlife Winery, Carlyle, IL
 BENEFITS: Clinton County Senior Services
 MORE INFO: <http://www.ccparrotheads.com/>



WHO: Connecticut PHC
 WHAT: “Under the Big Top” NEPHC Convention
 WHEN: Feb 22 – 25, 2018
 WHERE: Windsor, CT
 BENEFITS: Multiple charities
 MORE INFO: <http://www.newenglandphc.com/2018>

WHO: LowCountry PHC
 WHAT: LowCountry Mardi Crawl
 WHEN: Feb 24, 2018
 WHERE: Mount Pleasant, SC
 BENEFITS: Alzheimer’s Association
 INFO: <http://dev1.lcparrotheads.org/registration/>

WHO: Tampa Bay PHC
 WHAT: Music on the Bay
 WHEN: Feb 28 – Mar 4, 2018
 WHERE: Whiskey Joes, Tampa Bay, FL
 BENEFITS: Shriners Hospitals for Children
 MORE INFO: www.musiconthebay.org



WHO: Multiple Parrot Head Clubs
 WHAT: Stars Fell on Alabama
 WHERE: Island House Hotel Orange Beach, AL
 WHEN: March 15 – 18, 2018
 BENEFITS: Multiple charities
 MORE INFO: <http://www.starsfellonalabama.org>

WHO: San Antonio PHC
 WHAT: 19th Anniversary Party
 WHEN: March 24, 2018
 WHERE: Garden Ridge Community Ctr, TX
 BENEFITS: Multiple Charities
 MORE INFO: Mani Andrade, ragtopmani@att.net



WHO: Panama City PHC
 WHAT: Panama City PHC Rendezvous
 WHERE: Sharkey’s Panama City Beach
 WHEN: April 26 to 29, 2018
 BENEFITS: Girls, Inc.
 INFO: <http://www.rendezvous2018.myevent.com>

WHO: Parrothead Club of Belize
 WHAT: Parrothead Beach Bash
 WHEN: May 17-20, 2018
 WHERE: Belize Ocean Club, Placencia, Belize
 BENEFITS: Education in Belize
 INFO: www.parrotheadbeachbashbelize.com/



Are you missing out on advertising your party or event? Advertise your club’s activities on your **Regional Calendar by contacting your RC today!! Be sure to list WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHO BENEFITS, and where to get MORE INFO! You never know when people might want to travel to your area!**



Don’t Let Time Get Away From You ... Finish & Mail Your PHIP Annual Renewal TODAY !!!

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Arizona PHC	Hillbilly PHC	PHs on the St. Clair
Atlanta PHC	Houston PHC	Phun Coast PHC
Blossomland Pirates PHC	Isle of Iowa PHC	Pirates in the Harbour
Calgary PHC	Lone Star PHC	Pirates on the Water
Canyon Lake PHC	LowCountry PHC	Pleasure Island PHs
Cedar Creek Lake PHC	Miami PHC	San Antonio PHC
Central Illinois PHC	Midwest Indiana PHC	San Diego PHC
Central Oklahoma PHA	Milwaukee Area PHA	Seguin PHC
Central Texas PHC	Music City Phins	Southern Idaho PHC
Charlotte Harbor PHC	Nautical Whalers	Southside Virginia Land-sharks
Chicago PHC	Ocala PHC	St. Louis PHC
Coast of Carolina PHC	Ozark Mountain PHs	St. MinneSomePlace PHC
Desert Sharks PHC	Pau Hana PHC	Tallahassee PHC
Eastern Illinois PHC	PHs in Michiana	Treasure Coast PHC
Eastern New York PHC	PHs of Port Aransas	West Georgia PHC
Five O'Clock Phlock	PHs of Puget Sound	Western New York PHC
Galveston Bay PHC	PHs of the Triad	

FINS WAY UP to all of you that "Partied with a Purpose" this past quarter! To be included in this list you need to post on the PHiP Club Leader's Yahoo groups lists when you have a charitable or community service activity. Or you can send an email direct to me at ssspenny@att.net.



" We Are the People Our Parents Warned Us About!"

October 31 to November 4, 2018

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