

DETROIT PARROTHEAD CLUB NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Lou Ann Tilton

Good Day PH Cruisers...

Can you believe that Fall is upon us and the weather has been in the 80's..keep it comin Indian Summer.

Well as you all know we have some illin phriends in the Club. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

You will have till **November 15th** to mail in your **VOTES**. Please send them to Kris & Jim Heidt. (See page 11.) Remember if you have a joint membership you are entitled to 2 votes. As you read on... there are BIO's on those running for Office so you can get an idea of who we are and what we're all about. Please VOTE!!

Thank you Andy and Dan for keeping our DPHC strip of Highway clean. Also thanks to all that came out to pitch in. See you next Spring.

Beach Party Committee is looking for HELP. If you are interested please contact Tony at- webmaster@detroitparrothead.com

Congrats to Granma & Grandpa Boyd on the new addition to the family.

Please remember to check the web-site and shout-outs for last minute up-dates.

Toes in the water,

Your Cruz Director Lou

Aloha

Your **Detroit ParrotHead Club** is planning a Party to be held in March 2011 at a hotel.

It will be an **INDOOR BEACH PARTY**.

We are asking all members to consider assisting in this large undertaking with many areas of responsibility. We would like to get as many club members as possible involved to spread the work and help shape the event.

Each of you may have talents in various areas that can be utilized and / or some of you may just want to be on a list of volunteers as we find the needs/jobs to do.

Following is the first list of areas requiring help, many of which need to be started quickly..

Please review this and let us know where you can help. Respond by email to Tony Kay pirate60@gmail.com as to your interests, questions ideas etc.

Entertainment - Finding, coordination and scheduling

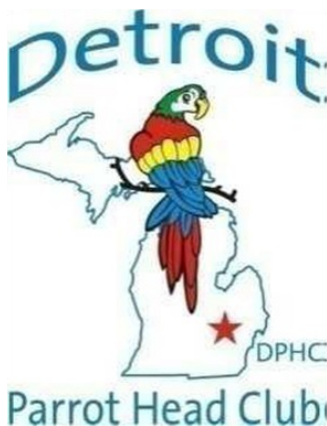
Games - Creating, setting up, administering

Sponsors and solicitation - Actively finding sponsors, actively finding donations of goods and services for prizes and / or silent auctions/raffles.. Additionally... **Advertising , Communications ,Hospitality, Security, Decorations, Set up.**

Please respond as soon as possible.

Thank You !

Beach Party Planning Committee



Candidate Bios

President - Lou Tilton

Your Cruz Director is running for Re-Election... I know I must be crazy but, I feel my job is not finished yet. I'll start with a quote from JFK "you can please some of the people all the time...and all of the people some of the time...but you can't please all the people all of the time". My goals this year were to bring back good old fashion PH fun. With low cost events for old and new members to gather and chat. Introduce new DPHC members some great Trop-Rock's. Increase membership and get you all involved. I know I've gotten to a few of you because I've seen many new faces at events (not just at JB's concert). My goal in 2011 will be more of the same...let's party with a purpose, make new phriends and have a whole lot of fun doing so.

I have been a member of DPHC for 16 years. I have held all but MAL positions for many years. I'm old school ... don't mess with what works.

Re-Elect Lou Tilton



Tony Kay, candidate for President

Hello Pholks

I am running under the platform of "Bring Back the Magic"

I joined the DPHC in 1999. Have actively participated in most everything and was previously a board member (Vice President). For the past 7 years have been the Web-master of our club website, responsible for its maintenance, administration, updating and mass communications.

My organizational background includes over 20 years in corporate management with a large insurance company. My personal / voluntary resume includes raising a quarter million dollars for the mentally handicapped while Executive Director (over a 5 year period) of a Michigan Telethon aired on TV Channels 20 and 50.

If elected, I will revisit those "simpler times" and strive to "Bring Back the Magic"

What got us together in the past? What and where did we go? What charities did we support? What did we try.... that we should keep and what should we discard? Why did we join the DPHC and what has kept us going?

I have already spearheaded a project to "bring back" the DPHC Spring (indoor) Beach Party, which has been board approved and is in the planning stages for March of 2011. As your newly elected president for 2011, I WILL see this pro-



2011 Election

ELECTION TIME IS HERE...TIME TO VOTE!!

Nominations are all in... and it looks like we have a few candidates for President, Vice-President and Members at Large.

President: Lou Tilton and Tony Kay

Vice-President: Keith Vohwinkel

Member at Large: Glen Bob Montagne, Geralyn Fernandez and Dave Strilcov and Mary Judd.

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Treasurer: Heather Peasley

Secretary: Mary Brohl

project/event through to its conclusion.

I owe this club and the friends I have made through it, and am asking for the opportunity to take on a leadership role as my way of "giving back" and most optimistically "bring back"

Member at Large Bios

Dave Strilcov

So there I was lounging in my own personal paradise (Mowing the Grass) when Mary tells me I got an e-mail from two of our favorite people, Kris & Jim Heidt, I could tell by the look on Mary's face that this was gonna be fun.

Well, low and behold it was a note that someone got drunk, or had a moment of insanity, and had nominated me for Member at Large. When I jokingly told Mary that it should be "Member at 2XL" she kind of looked at me funny and said "I think you should do it" It was at that moment I realized I needed to check the liquor cabinet. Sure enough it was empty.....

.....just like I had left it.

Realizing that my wife was both sober and serious, I thought maybe I should consider this. After all how hard could herding all these parrot heads be? Then I remembered all the times Dan, Rhonda, Ron and Lou had explained to me just exactly how much fun it could be. And it made me realize just how fortunate I was to be nominated.....

.....for something other than President.

So, I cleared my entire weekend to just focus on this. As I was sitting in A2 at the "Big House" (GO BLUE) I thought there are some things I would like to do and if "Mame" is gonna support it why the hell

not! So I let Kris & Jim know that, even though I was proof that the nominating process was flawed, I would throw my hat in the ring. Kris responded with "Great, now write up something for the "Tail Feather"..... Which brings us to the present.

Knowing that Mary and I have "Been Away" from the Club for a couple of years I realized two things.

There are people who might not know who I am.

Those that do know me, hopefully the alcohol has addled their minds.

On a serious note Mame and I have been members since 2005. I had the pleasure to serve as the Cruz Director for a couple of years, (Mame did the work I just stole the credit). While Cruz Director I helped pull together some of the best nights we ever had with members of the DPHC. I also helped pull together a couple of special nights for the DPHC as Pre-Parties for when "Bubba" came to town. (Yup I was one of the demon seeds for those three night pre-parties with a purpose).

We also did the Happy Hour at Hard-Rock and the Downtown Pub Crawl, broke the ice in the Detroit River, got to see some phenomenal singers and bands as well as hear from a few storytellers and made some wonderful new friends along the way, stole some peanut butter, smoked some.....Uh Never mind!

As you can tell I enjoy having a lot of fun

and watching all the natives get "Restless". I truly believe that the DPHC is a social club and that one of the outgrowths of that is our support of those in need. If elected as "Member at 2XL" I will try my hardest to ensure that we continue to "Party with a Purpose".

I want to be part of making this club as enjoyable as possible, by making it as open and appealing as possible. I won't tell you I will be perfect. I will screw up. But I will promise you that I will always do what is in the best interest of the members of this club.....

.....Whether I like it or not.

That being said, I will leave you with a couple of thoughts.....

There are some amazing people we have in this club..... You should meet them all.

Laughter and tears are best when shared with a good friend and a cold drink.

See Page 11 for Mail -In Ballott and Vote!

Mary Judd

Hello, My name is Mary Judd and I am running for Member at Large. I am looking forward to a great new year with the club and to serve and help in the many areas and events needed. I am excited about the challenges that await me in this coming year. I am

ready to meet and greet new mem

bers as the club grows, sharing and giving and helping to give back to our community... It is great to be back and to be apart of this organization once again. I look forward to the opportunities to serve as a member of the board. Thank You !

Mary Judd, MAL Candidate





Andy Sigler did an
awesome job this
years as
The Highway
Cleanup
Committee Chair
Thanks Andy!

Last Highway Cleanup of the Year - Thanks Andy & Dan P.

2010 Highway Clean-Up, Year Ends On A High Note Last Saturday there was a surprise for the Parrotheads who gathered at the corner of Van Dyke and 17 Mile Road. For the first time in the past couple years - nine, no kidding, nine Parrotheads and Phriends arrived at the Rite Aid parking lot, ready to walk a mile carrying a green and white MDOT trash bag. No "Barefoot Children" here. Everyone wore hiking or walking shoes, a bright yellow MDOT safety vest, and at least one glove. The Michigan Adopt-A-Highway program has been around for many years and the Parrotheads have been a part of it for many of those years. We've received several "Certificates of Appreciation" from the Michigan Governor for our efforts during those years.

Our part of the mission is two miles of Van Dyke Avenue between Metro Parkway (16 Mile Rd.) and 18 Mile Road. No need to "Take Another Road". Metro Parkway leads to the nearest, sunny, sandy beach and "Boat Drinks". And at Van Dyke and 18 Mile Road is Fuddrucker's Restaurant, where we often find our

favorite band, Caribbean Blue, playing Trop Rock till the wee hours of the morning. Look for large white signs in the median areas near Metro Parkway and another one near 18 Mile Road, across the street from Fuddrucker's, declaring that the Detroit Parrothead Club is keeping things clean and picked up for the next two miles. Me, I always look for the signs that discourage feeding the bears.

Paula and I wanted to arrive early to set up the sign-in board and a small table with snacks like donuts and breakfast bars (no "Fruitcakes") and a cooler of cold water bottles. But, as we pulled in the parking lot we noticed a vehicle with "GlenBob" license plates and we knew that we were running a little late. Soon after that, Dan arrived. He's got the most experience and knows how to do the job the right way. I really like those extended mechanical grippers he uses. No aching back the next day for him. By 9:30 we had enough helpers to begin the litter pick up (or start a baseball team). Some "Changes in Latitude" as two teams went north and two teams headed south towards 16 Mile. A "designated driver" in a Caravan, playing Buffett tunes and the "MDOT Safety Video", provided a ride to the starting areas, or a ride back to the parking lot. After a little more than an hour our mission was com-

plete. We picked up about 12 bags of litter, and some small car parts, including a broken license plate frame that once proudly announced, to all who followed, "PARROT HEAD". Was that a "sign" that we were doing the right thing? The Parrothead who owns the "GlenBob" license plate deserves a lot of credit and thanks for the improved turn out. Glen started a Facebook page for the Club, and the Highway Clean-Up has an "events page" where you can get an idea of who plans to come out. Tony at the webpage has also helped a lot to get the message out for our events. One of the things I enjoy about this event are the conversations that always happen as we walk along the sidewalks. Like Jimmy sings, "Everybody's Talkin'".

The subject for one team was, "summer and fall camping in the Upper Peninsula". You can always learn something from a phriendly Parrothead. I also enjoy long walks, taking a couple hours in this area, on those all too few nice weather days. You can carry a small bag and glove, picking up litter and adding it to a trash barrel beside a fast food place like McDonalds or along side a car dealer's showroom. In reality, it seems to be only a temporary improvement. Due to all the McDonalds and Burger Kings, the paper and plastic litter, like the song on a Buffett C.D., is "Blowin' In

the Wind". Later that afternoon, as Paula and I drove down that same stretch of Van Dyke, more, new litter had arrived. But, maybe some drivers saw us earlier that morning, wearing those bright yellow vests, and had a second thought about cleaning out their cars, while driving those two miles, between the two signs, that say The Detroit Parrothead Club, was here. Maybe. In the end it was a very good year for the Adopt-A-Highway project. Dan and I appreciate and thank all those who volunteered their time and effort to make a difference along a bit of Michigan highway. We hope to see everyone out there next year, in the Spring, at the corner of Van Dyke and 17 Mile Road. (That first clean-up, after the winter, can be a little scary!) Thanks again ----- **Andy Sigler**

Very Cool Footnote:

Among the nine Parrotheads that Saturday morning was Kelly M. A "Brown Eyed Girl"? Not sure when she woke up that day. But, she drove from Bowling Green, Ohio to join us at 9 a.m.. It's easy to see her interest in a clean environment. But, how many know about her study of "Adult Fans of Bands"? Imagine a Master's Thesis about the "bands" and the "fans of the bands" like the Parrotheads. Thanks again, Kelly. We wish you great success.

Look what the storm blew in...

Aug 19 Paul Roush former lead singer of Fins came to play at Cheeseburger in Paradise. Several brave soul's road in tornado weather to hear Paul play. Tom and I were coming back from Dearborn (didn't even get a drop) came in for Paul's last set. We saw and heard all about the severe weather and damage that blew through. It just goes to show you that nothing will stop a PH from catching some good trop-rock!



Birthdays and Anniversaries

October Birthdays

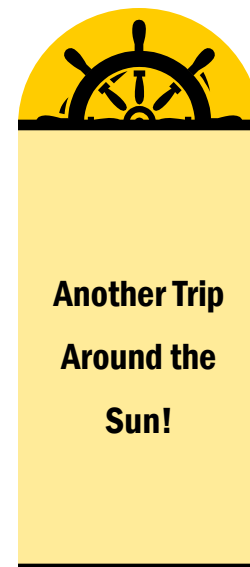
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 Bill Meeke 10/4
 Bill Bellaver 10/5
 Robert Di Giovanni 10/6
 Suzy Mizinski 10/8
 Karla Sadler 10/8
 Joe Lombardo 10/9
 Deb Zoltek 10/9
 Phyllis Downs 10/11
 Debbie Saloka 10/11
 Kris Heidt 10/12
 Gina Lombardo 10/12
 Donna DiGiovanni 10/14
 Dan Paterek 10/18
 Keith Vohwinkel 10/18

Kit Domers 10/26
 Connie Rightmer 10/26
 Jill Bellaver 10/29

October Anniversaries

Kitty Whitford 2009
 Scott Whitford 2009
 Herb Stevens 2009
 Betsy Stevens 2009
 Mitch Zigler 2009
 Mindy Zigler 2009
 Mary Brohl 2008
 Jim Brohl 2008
 Donna Perry 2008
 Mike Bresnahan 2008
 Tim Castaneda 2006
 Darlene Danielak 2006
 Mike Musci 2006
 Paul Saloka 2002
 Debbi Saloka 2002

Tom Green 2000
 Monica Green 2000
 Tony Kay 1999
 Bob Halik 1997
 Laura Halik 1997
 Carrie Thompson 1994



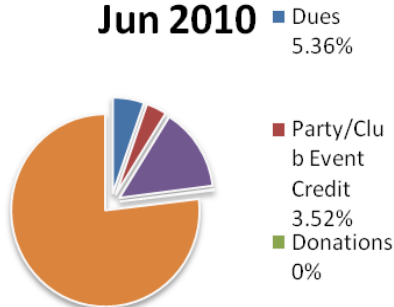
Treasurer's 6 Month Finance Flash

Hello Phellow Parrotheads!

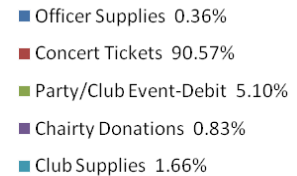
It's time for our 6 month financial update this update covers January 2010-June 2010. The following charts show how DPHC gets its funds and what those funds are spent on. Per usual our financial status has remained pretty steady as we primarily work on a break even system with social events and fundraisers. As always, if anyone has any questions about the finan-

cial aspects of the club, please feel free to contact me at treasurer@detroitparrotheadclub.com or any other member of the board!

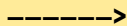
Total Incoming from Jan 2010- Jun 2010



Total Outgoing Jan 2010-Jun 2010



**Important Message
for those attending
Meeting of the
Minds**



Hey Club Leaders!

I'm asking for your help...

For some strange reason not known by us until this past weekend, all of the registered guest for MOTM have not been receiving the updates.

There are so many last minute details that we want to share and the only way we can at this point is for you, our valuable club leaders, to send this out to your membership...we cannot thank you enough for your efforts and your members should thank you as well because a lot of the information is really needed ahead of time.

Please pass this along to your members that are registered.

Discounts, Fun Stuff & the Casa....print out to have on hand
<http://hillbillyphc.com/MOTM-Special-Announcements.htm>

Cornhole Competition..\$5.00 per person to enter..team of 2 or 4. Winners taking home a 50/50 split with other half going to their favorite charity..please send names and phone numbers to Pege Wright
mspege@yahoo.com

There are many ways to help and have fun while doing it!
We still need a few more

volunteers.

MOTM Raffle Committee...
Contact Frank McInvale
fmcinvale@comcast.net

MOTM Security...
Contact Joe "Cuervo" Czerwinski
ovcuervo@yahoo.com

There will be more details and announcements that will need to be sent out.

Many Many Thanks!

Charlotte Skinner
Director Of Conventions,
PHIP
Meeting Of The Minds 2010
"Gypsies In The Palace"

<http://www.phip.com/MOTM.asp>

Other Stuff of Interest to Parrot Heads!

Here is a list of sites you may be interested in...

www.detroitparrotheadclub.com
www.phip.com
www.margaritaville.com
www.jimmydreamz.com
www.radiomargaritaville.com
www.margaritamafia.com
www.buffettnews.com
www.singingforchange.com
www.lulubuffett.com
www.beachfrontradio.com
www.caribbeanblueband.com
www.airmargaritaville.net
www.donmiddlebrook.net



One Love One Ocean...T-shirt

A MUST HAVE... tee that Jimmy wore at the concert. Go to lulusathomeport.com. Proceeds from sales will help fund scholarship program at The Dauphin Island Sea Lab and U of Southern Mississippi.

www.detroitparrotheadclub.com

Web site/Designed & Hosted by: Jeremy Kay

jjk@jjkweb.com www.jjkweb.com

"Specializing in comprehensive web design and hosting Services for small businesses, organizations, and individuals."

Margaritaville...not so hard to find...

they seem to be popping up all over the place these days.

Now open in Niagara Fall Margaritaville Café.

Check in out...and look for DPHC t-shirt and others.

*Also open is the Margaritaville Hotel in Pensacola Beach, FL
162 rooms fronting the Gulf of Mexico w/more to come.*



The Scavenger Hunt was Awesome!!

Thank you Lisa...Saturday morning panic call to Lisa...weather's not looking promising...can you pull it off with the rain? Lisa says let me think about it...plan B just might work. Well it sure did. This was the largest group so far and we didn't want to disappoint them by canceling due to rain. Messages went out on Facebook, e-mail and phone...the Hunt is ON. We all gathered about 7'ish for cocktails (for warmth of course), food and ready ourselves for some fun.

Lisa had us all gather in the enclosed arena where she had 7 stations of DPHC history set up. With your leg tied to your partners in a two legged race to each station you had to dance with Carmen, shoot a jello shot, limbo, pick trash, shake the tambourine to CB's show and quench your thirst w/ margarita...then call it done. This was timed by the way. There was a lot of hooting and cheering going on for each team. Some galloped, hopped, walked and fell down myself included...but we sure had fun. Prizes were awarded to Dan & Elise who came in first, Dave & Tracy second, Tony & Leal third (all under 2 minutes) and Ron & Sharon won the Boobies.. Thank you Dan & Elise for the goodie basket used for 2nd place. Next Scavenger Hunt 2012...thanks again!!



October 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5 SE	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 OBM	13	14	15	16
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23/30	24/31	25	26	27	28	29 HH

SE = Special Event OBM = Open Board Meeting HH = Happy Hour

October...

1-31 Cast your vote for New Board Officers – contact Kris & Jim Heidt at apolomt@hotmail.com

5 Help feed the Homeless Downtown @ I'm my Brother's Keeper – meet up at 5:30 more info.. contact Lou at Lonepalm32@comcast.net

12 Open Board Meeting @ Crash Landing 7pm ...there may be a change

29 Happy Hour @ Parrot Cove 7pm

November ...December...

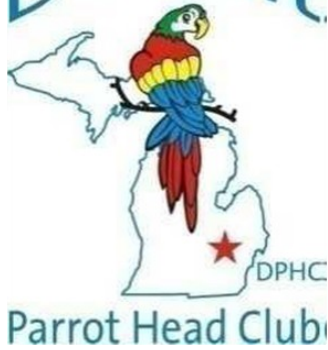
DPHC Christmas Party...Mark your calendar for the first weekend in December, details to follow...

You may have noticed... on our calendar the date to Help Feed the Homeless. The reason it is there is because it is a good way for you and the keets to do some community service.

Tom and I have been buying, preparing and serving the homeless in downtown Detroit at My Brother's Keeper for several years now. Lynn Craig (Parrot Cove) has been putting in hours for school credit. Marcy Coddington, sons and friends have joined us to for school credit in the past. Fruitcake Mike and wife Becky join us quite often.

We serve the first Tuesday of the Month. We meet up around 5:30; 6:00 if you would like to join us please contact me at Lonepalm32@comcast.net so we can make arrangements to meet up.





The Detroit Parrothead Club is a nonprofit corporation whose sole purpose is to assist in community outreach programs and to provide for it's members a means of social interaction and meeting people interested in Jimmy Buffett's music and tropical sprit. We are proud to be the 5th official club in Parrot Heads In Paradise



Florida Adopts New and Improved Endangered and Threatened Species Rule



On September 1st, after years of work spurred on by concerned environmental groups like Save the Manatee Club, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission adopted a new and improved Endangered and Threatened Species rule at their Commission meeting. Under the new rule, manatees and other federally listed species will maintain their federal designation. In other words, the manatee continues to be listed as endangered in Florida because it is listed as endangered under the federal Endangered Species Act.



Eliana Campos (at left) talks with Dr. Katie Tripp about Florida's new and improved Endangered and Threatened Species rule. (Photo by Nancy Sadusky)

Save the Manatee Club and several other environmental stakeholders have remained actively engaged in this issue at every step, advocating for a better rule that would provide meaningful protection to Florida's at-risk species.

Learn more about what the new rule means for manatees. Listen to an audio interview with Dr. Katie Tripp, Director of Science and Conservation for Save the Manatee Club, to get more information about the new rule, learn about her work, and how to get involved. The interview was conducted by Eliana Campos, who maintains the Club's Facebook and MySpace pages.

[Listen to the Interview](#)

Fold this page to create back of ballot mailer. Please secure with small piece of tape. Joint memberships, do this twice.

You MUST include return address to validate your vote.

If you can't figure it out you probably shouldn't vote. Get your Mommy to help you...

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**Kris and Jim Heidt
321 Hickory
Troy, MI. 48083**

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Official Ballot

President (Vote for One)

Lou Tilton Tony Kay

Member at Large (Vote for Two)

Glen Bob Montagne Geralyn Fernandez

Mary Judd Dave Strilcov