



Heartland LakeSharks Parrot Head Club

The LakeShark Bytes Newsletter

October 2020

A NOTE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

First of all, a big thank you to all of our volunteers who continue to spend their time and effort month after month to support our club and the charities we serve. And a special thanks to Nick and Tonyia - founders of "Little Key West." Without them, we would not have been able to continue with Phlockings during most of the virus situation.

Next, as announced at the September 27 Phlocking, **Karavan to the Keys Flip Flop Stock in Sebring is almost sold out.** Please get your tickets now, as there will be no tickets available at the event. See page 5 of this newsletter for all the details.

As most of you are aware, our club has grown significantly over the past year or so and continues that trend even during these strange times. Thanks to all the new members for joining and to those current members who continue to renew their membership.

And finally, back in February, Sharon Eason forwarded a picture of one of their feline family - "Inky". Inky is now the background for this month's newsletter. Thank you Sharon and thank you Inky!

Please continue to stay safe. We look forward to seeing everyone at Flip Flop Stock October 23rd and 24th.

John

SEPTEMBER 27th PHLOCKING

A great Phlocking. This was the first public event since June. We were entertained by Rich McGuire and Jimi C. "The Cabana Dogs." By the way, the Dogs will be entertaining us at Flip Flop Stock and again at Music on the Bay, beginning March 23rd 2021. Great job Rich and Jimi. Members and guests donated 800 pounds of pet supplies and \$400 in monetary contributions for Pawsitive Effects. Gini and Steve from Pawsitive Effects attended the Phlocking and made an excellent impromptu acknowledgement speech. Thank you Gina and Steve for all that you do for our furry friends. The boozie basket donated by Anna and Jim Hansen was won by Steve Shevick who promptly turned over the bounty to Barbara Nickels. Early on Barbara did exclaim that if she didn't win there would be "hell to pay." Just say'n.

John

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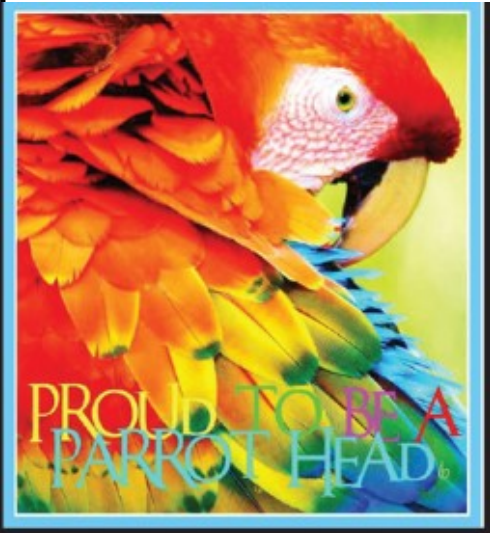
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SEPTEMBER 27th PHLOCKING - But wait, there's more!

In the members only drawing, Trisha Winner won a \$25 Amazon card, Amy Howard won a \$10 Amazon card and Greg Breslich won either a pop up fan or a pop up frisbee (none of us were quite sure what it really was, but certainly something of great value.) A bonus 4th place award was a Cabana Dogs “Rum Thoughts” CD donated by the Dogs that was won by Steve Shevick.

Thanks to everyone who donated at the Phlocking and to the many folks who could not attend and donated prior to the Phlocking.

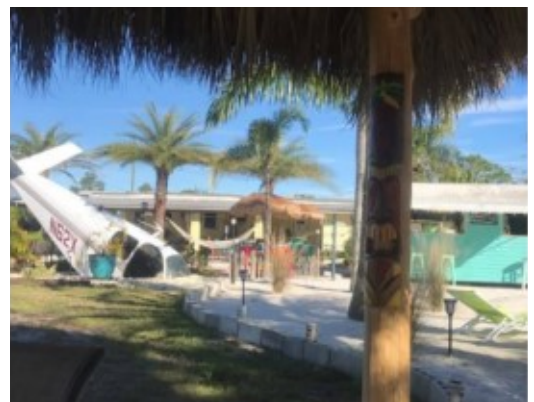
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BIRD BUSINESS

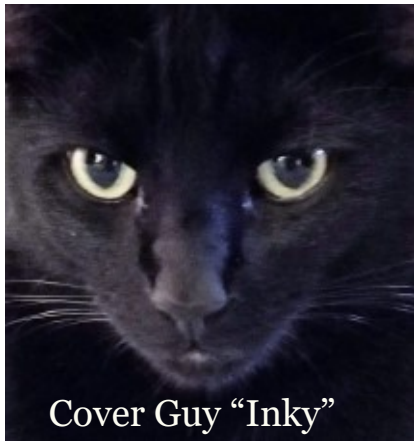
Want to know what’s happening in “your club?” Have suggestions to share? Then come and join us at our next business meeting. Assuming that we will be able to do so, we plan to meet at 5:30 pm on Tuesday, October 13, at the Mid-Florida Community Center, Stuart Ave., Lake Placid. We always welcome any new ideas to help with our future Parrot Head Club planning. Board members who are unable to attend should contact John at jhoward7411@gmail.com.

NO PHLOCKING IN OCTOBER BUT KARAVAN TO THE KEYS WILL BE STOPPING IN SEBRING OCTOBER 23-24. **ALMOST SOLD OUT - SO GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!**

October 23-24 will be the date for “Flip Flop Stock” in Sebring. This event will be held at Nick and Tonyia’s “Little Key West.” Tickets for one or two nights are available on line. In addition, tickets are available for all the other stops along the way to Key West. These events are open to the public. For all the details go to page 5. Our club will be providing dinner for a donation on Saturday - flyers to follow.



SEPTEMBER 27TH PHLOCKING PICTURES



MORE SEPTEMBER 27TH PHLOCKING PICTURES



DON'T MISS THIS ONE - OCTOBER 23 -24, LITTLE KEY WEST IN SEBRING

KARAVAN TO THE KEYS

KTTK

FLIP FLOP STOCK

SUNNY JIM, JOHN PATTI,
CABANA DOGS, DANNY ROSADO,
THOM & COLEY, WES LOPEZ,
ERIC ERDMAN, MIKE NASH,
RICKY LAMB, STEVE HOPPER,
BILL COCKRELL, BERT HEBERT,
AND AN ALL STAR JAM
WITH DONNY BREWER

OCT 23-24, 2020

2 DAY PASS

DAY PASSES

**DAY PASS - FLIP FLOP
STOCK (BOTH DAYS)**

\$40.00

OR
Individual
Days

FLIP FLOP STOCK day 1

OCT 23



DAY PASS

DAY PASSES

**DAY PASS - FLIP FLOP
STOCK (DAY 1)**

\$20.00

FLIP FLOP STOCK day 2

OCT 24



DAY PASS

DAY PASSES

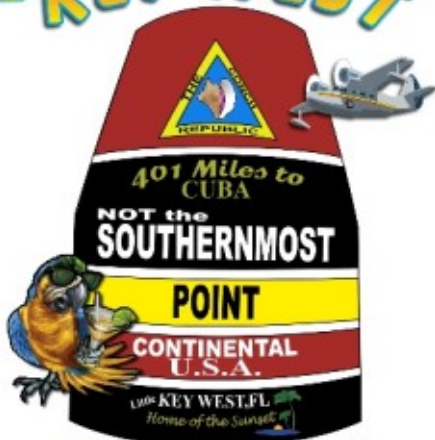
**DAY PASS - FLIP FLOP
STOCK (DAY 2)**

\$25.00

DAY PASSES ARE ALMOST SOLD OUT

<https://karavan.donnybrewer.com/product-category/day-passes/>

LITTLE KEY WEST



A Proud Member of the
HEARTLAND LAKESHARKS
PARROT HEAD CLUB

OCT 23-24, 2020
Sebring, FL
OUTDOOR EVENT
Some of the Greatest
Trop Rock Artists
Live on Stage

**DON'T MISS THE FUN
AND
GREAT MUSIC**

GREAT LAKESHARKS NEWSPAPER ARTICLE

Robert Miller from the Highlands News Sun asked for information on what our club was doing during the virus situation. Here is the article published on September 12, 2020.

SEBRING — Much like the title of Jimmy Buffett's new album, living in the time of COVID-19 has been like "Life on the Flipside."

Social gathering restrictions and limits to the number of patrons in restaurants and bars have all led to changes across the board. But despite it all, the Heartland LakeSharks Parrot Head Club has continued to serve the community of Highlands County and usually to the sounds of Jimmy Buffett and Trop Rock.

One of 215 Parrot Head clubs around the world, the Heartland LakeSharks Parrot Head Club is made up of people who enjoy the sounds of Jimmy Buffett and Trop Rock, as well as helping out their community. "Our motto is 'party with a purpose,'" said John Howard, president of the Heartland LakeSharks.

The Club holds monthly meetings for its members called Phlockings. These meetings see Trop Rock artists brought in for members and guests. More than an excuse to party, the Club also collects items for local charities.

Started in 2014, the Club selects charities based on suggestions from its members. "Once a charity is identified, our board of directors investigate the charity to determine the need and if it fits what we can offer," said Howard.

A new charity for the Club this year was St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. At the January Phlocking, the Club raised and donated \$2,700.

"Our primary concern is the well-being of our members and the public who might attend a Phlocking," said Howard. "We try to make it clear that due to the virus situation we might be forced to cancel any event on short notice."

Many of the charities also have their own guidelines, meaning the Club must make sure that the charity will accept the items they collect.

For the March Phlocking, the Club had planned to make Easter baskets and hand-deliver them to various organizations around Highlands County. "When the virus hit there was a lot of confusion as to how we could safely hold a Phlocking, prepare the baskets and safely deliver them," said Howard. "Therefore, we canceled all planned activities."

The Club faced a similar situation in April but by May they were confident enough to hold another public Phlocking and ended up collecting 190 pounds of items used to make ditty bags for veterans. The bags were produced by Finishing Touches in Lake Placid and distributed to food pantries across the county.

By July the Club still had reservations about holding a public Phlocking at a local restaurant, so they held a private event at a member's home instead, where they were outdoors and able to adhere properly to social distancing guidelines. "During this event, we collected 583 pounds of items for Peace River Shelter along with 1,040 pounds of food for Heartland Food Bank," said Howard.

On Sunday, Sept. 27, the Club will gather at Caddy Shack Bar & Grill in Sebring. "We do prefer public events where all fans of Jimmy Buffett and the Trop Rock lifestyle have a chance to join us," said Howard. The Club welcomes the public to the September Phlocking and will accommodate as many as they can while still maintaining social distancing guidelines. Information on the Club can be found at HeartlandLakeSharksPHC.com.

Howard and the Heartland LakeSharks are proud that they have been able to continue to operate at any level and continue contributing to their favorite charity organizations. "We believe that these organizations have greater needs than ever before," said Howard. "Sometimes, there are unexpected triumphs. For example, one couple in our Club donated \$1,200 to the Golden Corral in Lake Placid to help them continue to feed the hungry and a group of us won a \$500 attendance award on a February cruise which we just donated to RCMA in Lake Placid. Makes us all feel good."



The Heartland LakeSharks Parrot Head Club recently donated \$500 to RCMA in Lake Placid. For September, the club will be collecting items for Pawsitive Effects, Inc. From left to right: Rosa and Janet from RCMA; John, Linda, Marylin and Amy from the LakeSharks Parrot Head Club.

PHUN WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

Sunny Jim and John Patti

Tropicoool Duo

Your own private concert from our planned December Phlocking Duo. Sit back, grab a beverage or two and enjoy.



BASKETS AND SPECIALTY ITEMS NEEDED FOR FUTURE RAFFLES, DRAWINGS AND PRIZES

HELP - We have openings in 2021 for baskets, raffles and specialty items to be donated for our member's only drawings. Maybe you received items for the holidays that aren't quite your style...donate here! The basket raffle proceeds are how we pay for our entertainment. Have something to donate? Please contact Amy at ahoward7411@gmail.com to reserve your month or to donate items! Thanks, everyone.

WE NEED YOU

Have a suggestion? It's your club, give us your thoughts in an email or at a Phlocking. Also, we are asking all members to help out by contributing Phlocking or other event pictures; and/or submitting articles for future newsletters and the website. Together, we can only get better! Please email your pictures, articles or any questions and/or suggestions to John at jhoward7411@gmail.com; or at a Phlocking just chase him down.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We are so happy to welcome the following new members to the Heartland LakeSharks Parrot Head Club!



Rhonda and Bart Fouts



BUFFETT SCHEDULE

Want to know where to go to see our favorite entertainer in concert? Just visit Jimmy's official website at :<https://www.jimmybuffett.com> or the Margaritaville website at: <https://www.margaritaville.com>

OCTOBER PARROT HEAD BIRTHDAYS

Robin	Hunter	Oct 3
Nancy	Sothen	Oct 9
Clay	Wagnaar	Oct 10
Todd	Marsee	Oct 13
Dawn	Shaedon	Oct 14
Gary	Sexsmith	Oct 15
Cecelia	Pohlen	Oct 19
Greg	Breslich	Oct 24
Stacey	Barone	Oct 26
Linda	Sexsmith	Oct 27

BRING BACK THE MAGIC CRUISE

Great News Parrot Heads!

The Atlanta Parrot Head Club is presenting Bring Back the Magic Parrot Head Cruise in March of 2021.

The Norwegian Joy will depart Miami on Sunday March 14, 2021 for 8 days and 7 nights returning Sunday March 21.

Port of calls: Puerto Plata, DR; St Thomas, USVI; Tortola, BVI; and Great Stirrup Cay, Bahamas.



[CRUISE DETAILS](#)
[CLICK HERE](#)

ENTERTAINMENT



John Friday



Scotty Bryan



Barefoot
Reggie Starrett



Tall Paul and Kristie Bobal



Scott Kerby and Brendan Mayer

[FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE GREAT ENTERTAINERS CLICK HERE](#)

As of July 23rd, there were 380 Parrot Heads from 31 states and 2 countries signed up. This represents 33 clubs including Heartland LakeSharks. There is room for up to 500, and you can cancel and make final payment as late as **January 12, 2021** with no penalty.

Hope to see lots of you there.

Please contact Amy at ahoward7411@gmail.com with any questions.

John and Amy

LAKESHARK PREPARED AND TESTED RECIPES

JAMAICAN BABY BACK RIBS BY CLAY WAGNAAR

Ribs

INGREDIENTS:

2 tablespoons sugar
2 tablespoons salt
2 teaspoons black pepper
2 teaspoons dried thyme leaves, crushed
1/4 teaspoon each of cinnamon, nutmeg and allspice
1/2 teaspoon ground red pepper
6 pounds well-trimmed pork baby back ribs, cut into 3 to 4 rib sections

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. For seasoning rub, combine all ingredients except ribs and barbecue sauce in a small bowl; stir well. Spread over all surfaces of ribs; press with fingertips so that mixture adheres to ribs. Cover, refrigerate overnight (even better for 2-3 days.)
2. Preheat oven to 250 degrees. Prepare ribs as directed in step 1. Place ribs in foil lined roasting pan. Cover with foil; bake 3 hours.
3. Prepare grill for indirect cooking.
4. Baste ribs generously with barbecue sauce; grill until ribs are browned, turning occasionally.

BBQ Sauce

INGREDIENTS:

3 tablespoons butter
1/2 cup finely chopped onion
1 1/2 cups ketchup
1 cup hot pepper jelly (or jalapeno jelly)
1/4 cup apple cider vinegar
1 tablespoon soy sauce
1/4 teaspoon each ground red and black pepper

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Melt butter in medium saucepan over medium-high heat. Add onion, cook and stir until softened. Stir in remaining ingredients. Reduce heat to medium-low and simmer 20 minutes, stirring often. Use the sauce to baste ribs for grilling. Makes about 2 cups.
2. Bring remaining barbecue sauce to a boil over medium high heat; boil 1 minute. Serve ribs with the remaining sauce.



2020 Party with a Purpose First Half Donations

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	JAN "St. Jude Children's Research Hospital"
			1	2	3	4	Need: \$\$ donations/commitments.
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
26	27	28	29	30	31		Collected \$2,700 in cash and checks for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	FEB "Veterans Food Drive"
						1	Need: Non perishable food items.
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	Collected 1,017 pounds of non perishable food items for the Veterans Food Drive.

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	MAR "Easter Baskets for Golden Corral Feed the Hungry"
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Need: Chocolate bunnies, Peeps, plastic grass, bubble gum, puzzles, coloring books, brushes.
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
29	30	31					Jay and Cathy Sockwell donated \$1,200 to Golden Corral Feed the Hungry for the LakeSharks

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	APR "RCMA"
			1	2	3	4	Need: Diapers size 4,5,6,7, baby wipes, Pull-up training pants, girls size 4 & 5, Construction toys, sports colors, balls, Puzzles, dolls, Underwear, socks, shoes for boys and girls size 3,4,5,7
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
26	27	28	29	30			LakeSharks on Feb cruise won the 3rd place attendance prize of \$500 which will be donated to RCMA

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	MAY "Toiletries for Vet's Ditty Bags"
					1	2	Need: Tooth paste, tooth brushes, dental floss, body soap, liquid hand soap, nail clippers, shampoo & conditioner, disposable razors, shaving cream, combs, hand sanitizer, lotion, mouthwash, body/baby powder, small packages of treats, Kleenex, pens/notepads.
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	Collected 190 pounds of toiletries for the Vet's ditty bags.
31							

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	JUN "Peace River Wildlife Refuge"
	1	2	3	4	5	6	Need: Toiletries such as toothpaste, oral hygiene products, etc. Clothing, shoes, socks, underwear, diapers, games, books.
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
28	29	30					Moved collections to July Phlocking

Note: = Phlocking Date

2020 Party with a Purpose Second Half Donations

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26	27	28	29	30	31	

JUL "Heartland Food Bank"
 Need: Non perishable food items.
 (Peanut butter & jelly always needed)
 Heartland Food Bank supplies "36" food banks
 Collected 583 lbs of items for Peace River (for June)
 Collected 1,040 lbs of food for Heartland Food Bank

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

AUG "School Supplies"
 Need: Folders, filler paper, pens, pencils, glue, crayons, Kleenex, back-packs, notebooks, any school items. Items delivered to Highlands County School Board Student Activities to be used by the entire county's school system via social workers as needed.
 Collected 385 lbs of items including 20 pack packs.

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27	28	29	30			

SEP "Items for Pawsative Effects in LP"
 Need: Quality dog & cat food (Made in the USA), cat litter, leashes, collars, pet shampoo, flea/tick prevention, beds, blankets, toys, treats, pet crates.
 Collected 800 lbs of pet care items plus \$400 cash.

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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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OCT "Toiletries for Vet's Ditty Bags"
 Need: Tooth paste, tooth brushes, dental floss, body soap, liquid hand soap, nail clippers, shampoo & conditioner, disposable razors, shaving cream, combs, hand sanitizer, lotion, mouthwash, body/baby powder, small packages of treats, Kleenex, pens/notepads.

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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

NOV "Heartland Food Bank"
 Need: Non perishable food items.
 (Peanut butter & jelly always needed)
 Heartland Food Bank supplies "42" food banks

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

DEC "Toy Drive"
 Need: Wrapped toys for child you sponsor.
 \$\$ to purchase toys for RCMA children and Advent boxes.
 Unwrapped toys for siblings of RCMA kids over 4 yrs old.
 (please provide batteries if you bring toys needing them)
 Bring items to December Phlocking.

Note: = Phlocking Date

Note: = KARAVAN TO THE KEYS