



Heartland LakeSharks Parrot Head Club

The LakeShark Bytes Newsletter

September 2020

A NOTE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Hello LakeSharks.

You might notice that the September edition of the newsletter has a slightly different look. Thank you Linda Breslich for creating the new logo for the name tags that were distributed at the December Phlocking. We have incorporated this logo into the first page header starting this month. Also this month, the recipes will be “LakeSharks tested” and contributed by those members who have brought their favorite dishes to LakeSharks gatherings.

As with the rest of the 215 Parrot Head clubs, one of the most challenging issues we have had to address has been the virus. Whereas the majority of the clubs have elected to shut down Phlockings, we decided to continue Phlockings as long as we could do so and follow current social distancing guidelines. We wanted to push forward so that we could continue to support our charities and give our members the opportunity to have a little fun during these trying times. This was a difficult decision and fortunately, Nick and Tonyia Cartos were gracious enough to offer up “Little Key West” for members only LakeSharks events. While this did not work out for a few members due to the later start times, it was obviously a big hit with the vast majority of our members and in fact was so popular that it helped us gain 16 new members starting with the July Phlocking. Thanks to all the previous members who have attended these events, the positive notes with their appreciation for keeping the Phlockings going and to the new members who have joined. Your enthusiasm and support means so much to those who volunteer their time, effort and financial support to continue the Phlockings instead of shutting down. Additionally, we would again like to thank the Sockwells for their generous donation of \$1,200 in the name of the LakeSharks to the Golden Corral to help them continue feeding the hungry.

Please continue to stay safe. We look forward to seeing everyone at the September Phlocking.

John

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AUGUST 22nd PHLOCKING A PHLOCKING TO REMEMBER

John McDonald played well into the evening and then played a special sing along set at the Tiki Hut for the late night crowd. Thank you John and Donna for doing another great job.

You donated 385 pounds of school supplies, including 20 back packs for Highlands County Schools, which were delivered by Amy and Marilyn on Wednesday, August 26th.

Again, since this was an outdoor event, we started later to let thinks cool down a bit and let the attendees experience “Little Key West” at night. For those who have visited Capt. Tony’s in KW, we had a special decorating party to complete Nick’s rendition of this famous KW bar. See it on you next visit to “Little Key West.”

Speaking of “Little Key West,” Nick has recreated The Smokin Tuna stage in meticulous detail including the stage door. Pictures do not do it justice; it is incredible! Thank you John McDonald for the test run.

In addition to local members, we were excited to welcome members from St. Augustine, Okeechobee, and Cocoa Beach. Eight new members joined and attended the Phlocking. Welcome all!

A hilarious new game “Pong Me” - was introduced that had to be witnessed to be appreciated. Five teams participated with a first place award of a \$25 Amazon gift card going to Linda Breslich and Julie Wagner. All participants received a face mask donated by Chic Chick Boutique (Gini and Steve Shevick) who also donated the summer raffle basket.

Members only first place winner of a \$25 Amazon gift card was Jim Hansen. Second place winner of a \$10 Amazon gift card was Tom Shergalis.

The summer raffle basket was won by Milt Ellison (of Mort and Mindy fame.)

See pages 4 and 5 for all the fun pictures.

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, September 8, 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.

SEPTEMBER PHLOCKING

We plan to have the September Phlocking on Sunday, September 27 from 3-6pm at the Caddyshack Bar and Grill in Sebring. This event will be open to the public.

Entertaining us will be Rich McGuire and Jimi C. of the Cabana Dogs. The Dogs entertained us in February of this year and put on a great show. We certainly are pleased to welcome them back.

We will be collecting items for Pawsitive Effects, Inc.

We need: Quality dog & cat food MADE IN THE USA, cat litter, leashes, collars, pet shampoo, flea/tick prevention, beds, blankets, toys, treats, and pet crates.

Needless to say, we are continuing to monitor the virus status, and if the situation dictates we will announce an alternate outdoor member's only event in place of the planned public event.

See you there.

John

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.

WHO ARE THE CABANA DOGS?

Cabana Dogs formed by Rich McGuire and Jimi C, is a party band with a trop rock vibe and a rock n roll soul. Out of Sarasota, Florida, this band keeps people on their feet and singing along. Rich (Schooner) McGuire is a trop rock favorite and Jimi C is a rock/country veteran. Together they have written and performed some of the hottest music around. A must see for anyone looking for a simply fun show!

Wanna hear a little? [Cabana Dogs on Reverbnation](#)

Visit the Cabana Dogs official website at: www.cabanadogs.com



RCMA PRESENTED WITH \$500 CHECK FROM THE FIVE O'CLOCK CRUISE III ATTENDANCE AWARD



From left to right: Rosa and Janet (RCMA), John, Linda, Marilyn and Amy (LakeSharks PHC)

AUGUST 22 PHLOCKING PICTURES





AUGUST 22 PHLOCKING DONATIONS

School supplies = 385 pounds
including 20 backpacks.

Thank you everyone for all of
your great efforts!



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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



Robin Hunter
with little brother Jim



Tara and Grant Kleinmark



Joy Brescia and Mark Willis



Chuck Roberts and
Lindsay Moore



Bobbi Snow

Extra! Extra!

THE RETURN OF THE FLAMINGO SISTERS

The Flamingo Sisters made their first appearance during the 5-O'Clock Somewhere cruise in late February. Now they are back with new members and making waves on Lake Charlotte. The fun was captured in pictures during the launch event. Coincidentally, the Highlands County Gazette ran a story that I suspect was related to the launch event. I first thought that Nick was behind the story, but he vehemently denies it.



Highlands County Gazette

Monday August 17th, 2020

LAKE CHARLOTTE SIGHTING of GIANT FLAMINGO LAST SATURDAY NIGHT

Reported Last Saturday night during a fireworks display, onlookers spotted a giant PINK FLAMINGO off from the east bank of Lake Charlotte. It was said that many heard loud screaming that sounded like a bunch of out of control women. In an interview with a young teen, they said a woman appeared to be pole dancing on its neck. The parents although intoxicated said they saw a boat circling it but this has not been confirmed. After further investigation, it seems as if the Giant Flamingo left alcohol shots in its wake. If you see this giant Pink Flamingo, please take pictures to report at a later date.

Written by Fred Johnson



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

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON MEETING OF THE MINDS

Unfortunately, Meeting of the Minds 2020 has been canceled due to the virus.

However, Eric and Gina from Radio Trop Rock have just announced that The Caravan to the Keys is still on and that most of our trop rock musicians will still be going to Key West during the Thursday, October 29 - Saturday, October 31 time period. As I might have mentioned previously, Amy and I checked in on a Tuesday and stayed through Sunday last year after discovering that all of the pre-parties began on Tuesday, and Sunday was a special day for local events. Not that MOTM wasn't great, but we had as much fun at the pre-parties and independent activities as we did at MOTM sponsored events. So we have now booked our rooms for Tuesday October 27 through Sunday November 1.

John

ITS OFFICIAL KARAVAN TO THE KEYS WILL BE STOPPING IN SEBRING!

October 23-24 will be the date for "Flip Flop Stock." 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. Click on the picture below for all the details, or go to <https://karavan.donnybrewer.com/>. See you in "Little Key West!"



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.

PHUN WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

A great video!

Don Middlebrook - "Live at L.A. Studios" recorded in May 2020. [CLICK HERE](#)

Don is planning a special CD release party at Nick and Tonyia's "Little Key West" in November. Stay tuned as more information becomes available!



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>

SEPTEMBER PARROT HEAD BIRTHDAYS

Floyd	Smith	Sep 4
Karl	Haselmire	Sep 7
Lisa	Allen	Sep 13
Ruth	Albert	Sep 13
Jean	Shergalis	Sep 15
Doug	Jolman	Sep 16
Amy	Howard	Sep 20
Jim	Tucker	Sep 27
Bruce	Ware	Sep 29
Tara	Cleinmark	Sep 30

LAKESHARK PREPARED AND TESTED RECIPES

FIREBALL WHISKEY CANDIED BACON BY LINDA BRESLICH

INGREDIENTS:

1 pound thick cut bacon
3/4 cup brown sugar
1/4 cup Fireball Whiskey
1/2 tsp ground cinnamon
Optional: 1/2 tsp ground red pepper for spice

INSTRUCTIONS:

Cut the thick cut bacon into thirds and place in a bowl.

Add the brown sugar, Fireball, cinnamon, and ground red pepper (if using.) Toss until evenly coated.

Place the bacon pieces on a wire baking rack over a lined baking sheet. Place in a 350 degree oven for 30-40 minutes.

Cook time will depend on how thick the bacon is cut.

Carefully transfer to a plate while still warm (to prevent sticking) and let cool. The bacon will harden as it comes to room temp.



GRILLED FIREBALL PINEAPPLE BY CLAY WAGNAAR

INGREDIENTS:

1 750 ML bottle Fireball whiskey
1 pineapple
1 cup turbinado sugar
1 cup brown sugar
1 tablespoon cinnamon

INSTRUCTIONS:

Cut pineapple into chunks. Soak overnight in Fireball.

Combine turbinado and brown sugar with cinnamon.

Drain pineapple. Save Fireball-juice mix to use in baked beans or for game glaze.

Roll pineapple chunks in sugar mixture. Place chunks in grilling basket or on skewers that have been soaked in water.

Preheat grill to medium high. Grill pineapple, turning occasionally, until a paring knife goes easily into the center of a piece, 8-10 minutes.



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.
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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

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	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
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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		

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

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	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.
		1	2	3	4	5	
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
27	28	29	30				

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	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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11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	NOV "Toy Drive" Need: Wrapped toys for child you sponsor. \$\$ to purchase toys for RCMA children. List to be sent out. Also unwrapped toys for siblings of RCMA kids over 4 yrs old. (please provide batteries if you bring toys needing them) PLEASE BRING TO DECEMBER PHLOCKING
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
29	30						

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	DEC "Heartland Food Bank" Need: Non perishable food items. (Peanut butter & jelly always needed) Heartland Food Bank supplies "36" food banks
		1	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	30	31			

Note: = Phlocking Date