

Partying With A Purpose For 25 Years!

December 2020

OC Parrot Heads Raise \$6,000 For ALS

In Support Of Long Time Club Member Debi Stephens

ORANGE COUNTY PARROT HEAD CLUB

DONATE TO TEAM MEMBER





In support of those with ALS as well as our own club member, Debi Stephens, OCPHC Parrot Heads got together and donated to the virtual ALS Orange County Walk on November 14th to raise awareness to help find a cure for ALS. With an original goal of \$3,500 our members surpassed our goal contributing \$5,000. OCPHC members also got together in August at Debi's house for a rummage sale and BBQ. Together with sale proceeds and cash donations our members raised an additional \$1,000, bringing our total donations to \$6,000.

Thank you to all OCPHC members for working to help find a cure ALS.



Sail On Debi Stephens...

Written by Michelle Pekko-Seymoure



I met Debi about 20 years ago. We became fast friends having so much in common. . . we were parrotheads, both had blue and gold macaws, loved collecting orchids and our husbands were fishermen (just to name a few). She and Jeff invited Todd and I to a phlocking and the rest is history.

Debi was fun and fun-loving. She loved the OCPHC and what it stands for. . ."Partying with a Purpose". She was proud to be a part of the club and had fun doing it. She loved music, dancing, singing



and having a cocktail with phriends. Debi had an ability to draw people in, she was gregarious and effervescent, embracing new members and welcoming them to the party.

Debi was generous and had a big heart. She was there to step-up and take charge when needed. She was always ready to lend a helping hand whether it was in a time of need, to raise money for a charity or just to help decorate for a party. She was diligent, giving everything she had. Sometimes she was so exhausted after working on an event to make sure everything was perfect and all in attendance had a fabulous time. She was always thinking of others before herself, always wanting to please those around her and do her very best.

Debi was genuine and always true to herself. She wasn't one to mince words or beat around the bush. She voiced her sentiment, whether you wanted it or not.

Debi was compassionate. When it came to animals she was a living angel sent by Saint Francis. She took care of animals whether they were visiting birds at her feeders or strays looking for their way back home. She loved her pets and made sure that they were pampered. She loved watching soaring birds-of-prey, butterflies gamboling and bees visiting flowers.

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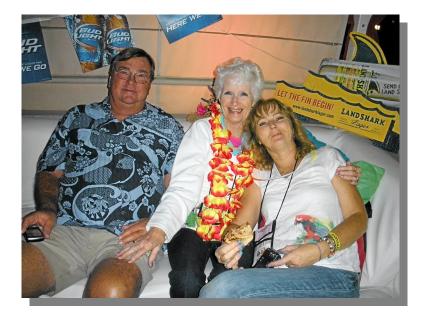
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Debi loved to give and to shop! She loved to find treasures wherever she roamed. . .a garage sale she was passing by that she had to stop and take a peek at, the Goodwill store where she could find the coolest stuff, Kohl's, a flea market or an arts and craft boutique. She not only found treasures for herself, but mostly for her friends and family. She was always looking for others. I'll never forget laying by the pool in Cabo, she was looking through catalogs and saying, "look at this. . .I'm going to get this for Camille, she would love it! And look at this. . .it's perfect for Julie!" She was delighted with her finds and elated by the act of giving. Her shopping cart was always full and she always found the perfect gift. I have never met anyone who enjoyed giving more than her.

Debi loved life and most of all she loved Jeff.

Debi, you were a gift with a beautiful soul. I love you and will miss you my dear friend. Michelle









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Parrot Head Resources - Read, Listen, Phlock





Walk To End Alzheimer's October 3rd, 2020

Team page of ORANGE COUNTY PARROT HEAD CLUB



DONATE TO THE TEAM

JOIN OUR TEAM

The Orange County Parrot Head Club has been participating in the fight against Alzheimer's since 1995.

In 1994, Jimmy Buffett's father, James Delaney Buffett, Jr. was stricken with Alzheimer's and suffered from this horrible disease until his death at the age of 83 in 2003. In 1995 Jimmy asked all of the PHIP chapter clubs to join their local Alzheimer's Associations in the Annual Walk to End Alzheimer's. That's when the OCPHC joined the fight.

This year is the 26th anniversary of the Orange County Parrot Head Club and we are proud to continue our support for the national Alzheimer's organization by participating in this year's walk in Huntington Beach.

Please join our team and I would like to challenge each of our participants to bring at least 2 additional walkers to join us. Let's represent not only our club as we celebrating our momentous achievement but, also continue Jimmy's request in memory of his father.

A.J., Founder OCPHC

\$1,600 WE HAVE RAISED



\$2,000 OUR GOAL

80% ACHIEVED







Vampires, Mummies & The Holy Ghost Phlocking October 13th at Hero's and Legends





















Drive Thru Donations for Boys & Girls Club of Anaheim And OC Ronald McDonald House



ORANGE COUNTY

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OC Parrot Heads rallied together December 12th to donate detergent and dryer sheets for the OC Ronald McDonald House as well as jackets, sweatshirts and blankets for the Boys & Girls Club of Anaheim. Volunteers created a drop off location to safely collect donations. OCPHC members also donated cash online collecting over \$500 for the charities.





OCPHC Wins 3rd place in the 2020 PHIP Website Contest!

The results are in for the annual PHIP website contest and here are the winners!

1st Place – The Villages Parrot Heads Club

2nd Place – Central Oklahoma PHA

3rd Place – Orange County PHC



Special congratulations go to *Mark Lokovic* for his tireless efforts for creating and maintaining the OC Parrotheads website!

Donations will be provided to a charity of each clubs choosing with \$300 going to 1st, \$200 going to 2nd and \$100 going to 3rd.

Check out our award winning website at ocphc.org.

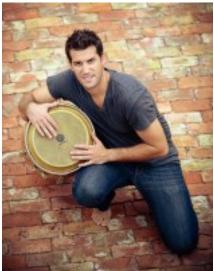
The complete list of The TRMA Awards Winners!

Musician of the Year-John Patti Duo Trio-Thom & Coley Radio station of the year-Radio Trop Rock Radio program live-Trop rockin the USA Radio Program recorded-4 at 4 Gina Babin Best Album art-Its Still Summer Somewhere Live music venue-Smokin Tuna Music Video-Erica Sunshine Lee Band of the year-The Dock Rockers Song of the Year-Somewhere in the Caribbean Horizon Artist-Erica Sunshine Lee House Concert Small- Isla Bella House concert Large-The Habitat Business Professional-John Burns Songwriter of the Year-Aaron Scherz Single of the Year-Beach Town Aaron Sherz Events of the Year Small-Lone Star Luau Event of the Year Large-Music on the Bay Lifetime Achievement-Jerry Diaz Female Vocalist-Erica Sunshine Lee Male Vocalist-Aaron Scherz Album of the year-Aaron Scherz Fan of the Year-Kristen McFadden Entertainer of the year-Donny Brewer





Meet John Patti... 2020 TRMA Awards Musician Of The Year



From Singapore to Key West, Manhattan to the Caribbean, crowds of all ages and nationalities have seen John Patti bring the steel pan to the forefront of musical entertainment. Whether in a solo performance or collaboration with bands, John's intriguing stories and skillful performance leaves long lasting and memorable impressions with any audience.

With a true artist like John tapping the mallets, the pans take on a new life of melodies and styles. His ability to blend Latin percussion and steel drums into various genres creates a refreshing twist on popular hit songs and an exhilarating performance guaranteed to get anyone dancing in their seat.

Originating from Baltimore, Patti 's musical journey started early on as he played his first set of drums at age three and continued to learn drums and percussion through elementary and middle school music programs. By ten, he came across his first set of steel pans and quickly started experimenting with the instrument and teaching himself by ear. By age 11, John was publicly performing across the state of Maryland and into the Mid-Atlantic region for special events.

John initially studied music at West Virginia University before pursuing business at the University of Maryland, where he graduated with two degrees in marketing and logistics. He continued to pursue his musical passion and after graduation, performed across the world on luxury cruise ships where he learned the art of production, entertainment and how to craft a captivating show.

In 2005, John entered the studio to start his first solo album Above the Fold, which was released in 2006 as his first take on island jazz. John's latest releases **Cabana Breeze (2010)** and A **Calyp-Soul Christmas (2012)** are classic examples of John's "Island infused jazz and blues" sound. Many songs from both albums can be heard daily on Sirius/XM Radio's "Radio Margaritaville".



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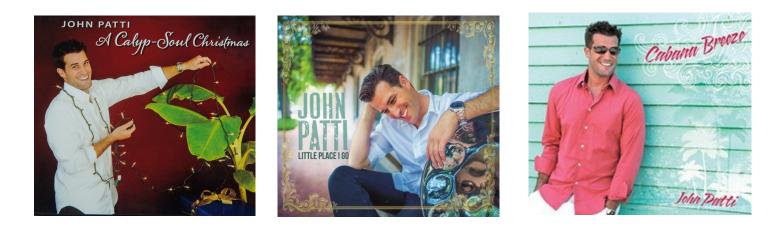


Over the years, John's popularity has grown across the nation for his unique take on the steel pan. John's expressively smooth sound elevates the steel pan from its perceived impression as just an island instrument to one of versatility across many musical genres. Rock, jazz, blues, country, funk and even classical are all rejuvenated when John combines them with the tropical sound.

Throughout his career, John has had the privilege to collaborate, record and share stages with artists such as steel drum masters Robert Greenidge, Ray Holman and Andy Narell, guitar innovator and legend Les Paul, country star Jerry Jeff Walker, Grammy nominated singer Nadirah Shakoor, Michael Utley and CMA finalist for "Instrumentalist of the Year" Doyle Grisham.

In the coming years, John looks to continue his success in expanding his "island infused jazz and blues" sound into theaters, festivals and concert venues across the country and eventually throughout the world.

You can listen to clips of John's music and purchase albums at http://www.johnpatti.com/ store/music/











MARCH BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Roxy Agredan Joe Chockrek Doug Green Gayle Murray Michele Napora Vic Peloquin Danni Repper Heide Thomas

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Karen Boisvert Dave Eastman Robin Fayette Bruce Frazier Cathy McGough Jeff Longe

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

James Mahfood Dianna Mahfood Dee Dee McNally Tammy Moorhouse Mette Rassmussen Ben Vasquez Amanda Arbiso Jim Barthelmess Pam Beard Ron Birek Keith Curry Gary Fayette Morgan Flynn Doris Fredriksen Kathy Knudsen Paul Kollar John Pollock

Boat Drink of The Month



Boozy Grinch Punch

Ingredients

- 1 Packet Lemon Lime Kool-Aid Mix
- 4 Cups water
- 4 cups ice
- 3 cups lemon-lime soda
- 2 cups pineapple juice
- 2 cups vodka
- 1 cup ginger ale Lime wedges

Directions

Combine Kool Aid/water in large pitcher

Combine remaining ingredients in a large punch bowl

Use lime wedge to rim glasses and dip sanding sugar to coat

CHEERS!





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THE OCPHC WANTS YOU

Join our Phlock by visiting ocphc.org

Annual Memberships

Single - \$35.00

Couple - \$45.00

Family - \$50.00 (up to 5 members)

If you have any Parrot Head information of interest and would like to submit for our Newsletter, send it to ocphc.newsletter@yahoo.com







Parrot Heads Helping Parrot Heads

The Lone Palm Foundation is the charitable arm of Parrot Heads in Paradise (PHIP), Inc.

The foundation exists to support Parrot Heads and the social and environmental needs and concerns within their communities.

By supporting our community and its environs on a local level, striving to preserve the world's ecosystem for generations to follow, exuding genuine concern for humanity by performing charitable actions and giving back to our fellow man in need through our beneficent aid, our philanthropic goals can be achieved. If you need help, and you are a member of a sanctioned PHIP Club, contact The Lone Palm Foundation, lonepalmfoundation.org

