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December 2021

The Buford Pusser Incident

In 1974, Jimmy Buffett had a run-in with famed “Walking Tall” sheriff Buford Pusser. The story is referred to in “Presents To Send You” from the 1974 album A1A and also in “Semi-True Stories” from the 1999 album Beach House On The Moon.

In both songs, few details are mentioned. But at a show in 1974 at the Exit Inn in Nashville, just a few months after the incident, Buffett took some time to tell the crowd about the altercation:



“There were a lot of rumors circling around that I had an encounter with this young man. Which are true. We finished doing our recording over at Woodland Studio, real happy that the album had come out so well. All the lightweights had went out to get a few bottles of champagne and celebrate. Sammy Creason and Chuck Nease and I decided to go out and get a bottle of Cuervo Gold Tequilla and 3 straws. We went at it and in 15 minutes we were just knee-crawlin’ drunk. So we proceeded to the flashiest night spot in town, the roof of the King of the Road Hotel.

We’re there dining and dancing. Ronnie Milsap was on vacation. Sammy Creason was with me, so we provided just a gala of entertainment. Me on acoustic guitar so drunk I couldn’t hit the chords and him just pounding the drums out in 3-quarter time. Ran everybody out. We got the screaming munchies and we were going to Charlie Nickens to eat. And I couldn’t find my rent-a-car, which was parked somewhere amidst thousands of cars in the parking lot of the fabulous, plush King of the Road hotel.

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It was a little bitty car. It was hiding among many big ones there. And there was a Tennessee Prosecutors convention going on there. If they had made it to room 819 they would've had a closed door case.

So I stood on the hood of this car with a pair of... actually they were old Ra Ra's that I bought in Miami for 2 bucks. They were white and brown old Ra Ra's but they were golf shoes so I had to take the cleats out but they still had the posts in them so they clicked a lot. I was standing on the hood of this particular car and as fate would have it it belonged to a rather large man who came up behind me and threatened my life real quickly. And I hadn't been in a fight since junior high school on the city bus in Mobile. He came up and said "Son you stay right there, you're under arrest". So I politely turned around and said "You kiss my ass". He didn't. Instead he followed me over to the car which Sammy had found. I got in the driver's side and Sammy got in the passenger's side. My window was up, his was down and this fellow poked his head in and said "Would you like for me to turn this car over?".

I was not scared of this individual. I just thought he was some ex-football player turned counselor. And Sammy said "look whatever damage we did ABC will pay for everything" which was awfully generous of Sammy since he didn't have the authority to say so. Being a good company man I took up for my company and said "No they won't. I'm still gonna beat your ass if you don't leave us alone". With that he pulled up then stuck his big head and his hand in and grabbed me by my hair until it separated from my head. I had a big bald spot on the back of it and I looked like a monk for about 3 months. Then he punched Sammy right in the nose. We knew he wasn't kidding. So Sammy defended himself bravely with a big pen. He starts stabbing at this man's arm trying to get it out of the window because we couldn't start the car because with the new modern features of '74 automobiles you can not start your car unless your seat belt's buckled and we were too drunk to get ours hooked up.

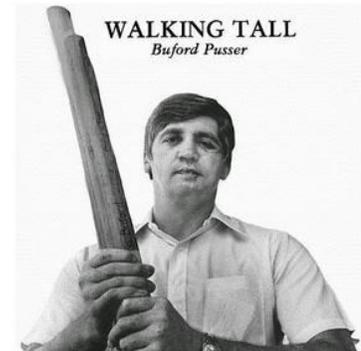
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So we sit there while this man pounded the hell out of both of us. I looked over at Creason and I said “Sammy I don’t wanna die in a Gremlin.” Eaten by a shark, killed in a plane crash, but what’s my mother gonna say? Smashed to death in a Gremlin in the parking lot of the plush King of the Road hotel. Nope. So I mustered all the courage and energy I had and all the coordination I had left in my poor body and got the seat belt buckled and went to Charlie Nickens.



We ordered our barbecue and on the way back we hit the Jefferson St. Bridge. Luckily there was no one around so we just backed up and headed for the hotel.

Got back, and we decided that this man may be lurking in the bushes or else may have been snorkeling around in the pool trying to scoop up coins that people threw in. So we decided to defend ourselves with a classic southern weapon: a tire tool. So we destroyed the back end of the Gremlin looking for the tire tool, found it. Walked through the lobby of these prosecutors, and we had caused a turmoil by this time. And got up to the 8th floor where we were staying and figured we were all safe. But I had forgotten my key.

So I had to go back downstairs and Sammy said well you take this I’m not going back down there. And he gave me the weapon, which I stuck in my back pocket. Walked down into the plush lobby of the plush King of the Road hotel, walked up to the desk and asked for the key to my room. This man snuck up behind me and took the tire tool out of my back pocket. I whipped around and I said “look you, that was for my protection and you started this whole thing. I didn’t mean to get on your car and I’m still gonna beat your ass if you don’t quit bothering me.” At this point, two detectives seized me, drug me into the elevator and said “son, we would call the police and have you arrested. You’ve caused quite a disturbance here tonight. But we figure your just lucky to be alive because that was Buford Pusser.” And I went “Oh. 8th floor please.”





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Check the OCPHC Website for Updated Details of Events

Parrot Head Resources - Read, Listen, Phlock





September Phlocking Featuring Bob Karwin at Rock & Brews Tustin

Parrot Heads received a special treat of music performed by Bob Karwin at our September phlocking at Tustin's Rock & Brews. Thank you Julie Zimmerman for securing this great musical performer! We had a large club turnout and the music was great! Altogether we raised \$455 for the Lone Palm Foundation.





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OCPHC Raises Over \$2,000 At The Alzheimer's Walk October 16th



\$2,119		\$2,000
WE HAVE RAISED		OUR GOAL
		106% ACHIEVED



Trop Rock Music Association Awards 2021

1. Male Vocalist: Mike Nash
2. Female Vocalist: Erica Sunshine Lee
3. Duo/Trio: Thom & Coley
4. Band: The Boat Drunks
5. Entertainer of the Year: Donny Brewer
6. Album: My Jukebox at the Beach - Brent Burns (Dave Francis)
Pretty Good, and You? - Ricky Lamb (David Smith and Ricky Lamb)
7. Song: "The Wave" Donny Brewer (Donny Brewer & Eric Erdman)
8. Single: "Low Key" Aaron Scherz feat. Mike Nash Aaron Sherz
9. Music Video of the Year: "Single for Summer" Erica Sunshine Lee (Erica Sunshine Lee & Joshua Mendez)
10. Best Album Art/Packaging: Gulf Coast happy Hour - Jonas Lorence Band
11. Horizon Award: Jonas Lorence
12. Musician: John Patti (steel pans)
13. Song Writer: Eric Erdman
14. Radio Station: Radio Trop Rock
15. Radio Program: Live - "Trop Rockin' The USA" Eric & Gina Babin
Recorded - "4&4" Gina Babin
16. Live Music Venue: Smokin' Tuna Saloon - Key West Florida
17. House Concert Venue: Small - The Hangout Colleen & Mark Fuchs
Large - Little Key West Nick Cartos
18. Event of the Year: Small - A1A Beach Bash St. Augustine Beach, Florida
Large - Pardi Gras Galveston, Texas
19. Music Business Professional of the Year: Jon Burns & Michelle Clegg Brewer (Tie)





Meet Mike Nash.... 2021 TRMA Awards Male Vocalist of the Year

I've been in vans and in bands, on and through stages...

Mike Nash has performed on the stages of many of the world's most popular artists. From legends such as Lynyrd Skynrd, Charlie Daniels Band and Jimmy Buffett- to classic country artists like Aaron Tippin, Neil McCoy, and Pure Prairie League-right up to modern day stars such as Brantley Gilbert, Blackberry Smoke, Eli Young Band and Justin Moore. Other notables include David Allen Coe, Eddie Money, Rory Feek.

One of his most exciting achievements came in 2012 when the University of Tennessee debuted the video for the Mike's rocked up, barn burning version of "Rockytop" on the jumbo-tron at Neyland Stadium to a sold out crowd of over 102,000. The song went on to smash radio charts and is one of the most popular versions in America being played on NBC's Sunday Night Football for millions of viewers in celebration of Peyton Manning's record breaking touchdown pass in October of 2014.

Mike Nash "The Life" just released:

Release Date: October 26, 2021. Order your copy or download at NashMike.com!



No matter where the road leads, I'll always have sand in my boots...

Southern Rockin' Country with a twist of lime, a splash of salt water, and distilled in the backwoods of Tennessee...yep, that about sums it up!

Mike has spent well over a decade on the road-touring the US, Caribbean, Mexico and Central America-and building a grass roots fan base for his original music. With story teller songs about life and love, lyrical tales from the unique people he's met along the way, and of course plenty of summertime "drinkin' at the lake tunes" with an island-inspired twist, there's something in a Mike Nash show for everyone to relate to.

Mike's music has been used in television programs on stations such as GAC and CMT and he is one of the featured performers in the 2016 Mailboat Records release of "Parrotheads the Movie". He also appears for a musical cameo in the Hollywood feature film "Chasing The Sun" -both available on Amazon Prime.





OC Parrot Heads Raise \$5,250 For ALS in Memory of Debbie Stephens



HELP US RAISE MONEY TO FIND A CURE FOR ALS!

UNLOCK ALS

\$5,250
Raised

\$3,500
Goal

150%
Of Goal

DONATE TO A TEAM MEMBER

Thank you all for helping us reach our fundraising goal! Together we can make a difference in the lives of those affected by ALS. This debilitating disease has had a direct impact on the Orange County Parrot Head Club. Our long time club member, Debi Stephens, suffered with ALS and last December lost her battle to the disease.

The Orange County Parrot Head Club now joins Debi's family and friends as we continue to support the battle against ALS, in her memory. Thank you all for helping us fight this terrible disease and join in our walk in memory of Debi.





Thank You Letter From Ronald McDonald House OC

October 21, 2021

Orange County Parrot Head Club
P. O. Box 1291
San Juan Capistrano, CA 92693



Ronald
McDonald
House[®]

ORANGE COUNTY

Dear Members of the Orange County Parrot Head Club,

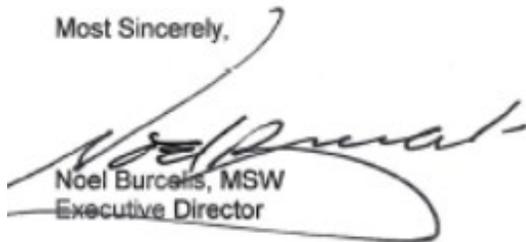
Your Club's commitment to help us care for families here at the Ronald McDonald House Orange County as well as at our Family Rooms at CHOC Children's in Orange and CHOC Children's at Mission Hospital means the world to us. Thank you so much for your generous gift of \$150.00, received on October 6, 2021.

Because of generous friends like you, critically ill children can experience the love and security of having their families close by as they receive a variety of medical treatments at local hospitals with the goal of recovery. We believe that keeping families close is crucial to the healing process – and your support plays a vital role in that.

As we continue to navigate the uncertainty surrounding COVID-19, we remain committed to the health and safety of our families, staff and volunteers. Our Ronald McDonald Houses across the region remain open at this time, and we're working closely with our hospital partners to give our families the best possible care when they need it most. Despite the temporary limitations of our on-site volunteer activities — including our Meals of Love program — we're also taking measures to supply nourishing food and meals for all of our guest families.

Please visit our website (www.rmhcsc.org/orangecounty) for additional information and updates about our programs. All of us at RMHOC are deeply grateful for your generosity and support. Thank you for being a champion for families during this difficult time so they can focus on what's most important: their children.

Most Sincerely,



Noel Burcells, MSW
Executive Director

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No goods or services were provided to you in consideration of this gift. Our federal tax identification number is 95-3167869.

Are you interested in hearing about our plans to "double the love, by doubling the House," then please check out rmhcsc.org/togetheroc to learn more about our **TOGETHER** Capital Campaign.



Boat Drink of The Month

Christmas Martini

I am so thrilled to be sharing a super simple holiday cocktail recipe with you! Whether you're hosting a holiday get together or oversee bringing beverages to Christmas dinner. I've got you covered!

When I say that this is a super simple recipe, I mean it. In total – including the festive garnishes – you'll only need 7 ingredients. The best part about it is that the completed drink is so festive and tasteful that your guests will never know it only took you 5 minutes to make.

Ingredients:

Cranberry Juice

Canada Dry Ginger Ale

Vodka

Sugar

Lime Juice

Cranberries

Rosemary

Instructions:

Rim your martini glass with lime juice and dip your glass evenly into a bowl or plate of sugar

Pour two parts Cranberry Juice into the glass

Next, add 1 part Vodka to your glass

Lastly, top the liquid with three parts Canada Dry for an added fizz

Garnish with a sprig of Rosemary and a stir-stick full of Cranberries

Enjoy!





Upcoming Events

Join The OCPHC for
**A Very Jerry
Happy
New Year!**
Featuring
Jerry Gontag!

Put on your party hat and join us for our January Phlocking! Bring liquid laundry detergent and dryer sheets for The Orange County Ronald McDonald House. Participate in our 50/50 Raffle! Enjoy amazing food and boat drinks at Lopez & Lefty's! Learn about all of the great events planned for 2022!

Saturday, January 15th 2022
1pm to 5pm

LOPEZ & LEFTY'S
SPORTS CANTINA
1759 Claudina Way Anaheim, CA

Orange County Parrot Head Club
Ronald McDonald House
ORANGE COUNTY

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Orange County Parrot Head Club

JOIN US FOR A TIKI BAR PUB CRAWL

Margaritaville
1600 N Indian Canyon Dr
Palm Springs, CA 92262

Parrot Head Party Weekend at Margaritaville in Palm Springs
January 28th - 30th 2022

Saturday, December 4th - 12pm-5pm, September Phlocking at Rock & Brews in Tustin 1222 Irvine Blvd Tustin, CA

A Parrot Head Holiday Party! Music by Alec Bauer! Bring blankets and jackets for the Boys & Girls Club of Anaheim. Bring a white elephant gift for the gift exchange. Pick up some great Parrot Head items at the Holiday Raffle.

Saturday, January 15th - 1pm - 5pm, A Very Jerry Happy New Year at Lopez & Lefty's 1759 Claudina Way Anaheim, CA

Put on your party hat and join us for our January Phlocking with music by Jerry Gontag. Bring laundry detergent and dryer sheets for the Orange County Ronald McDonald House.

January 28th - 30th, Parrot Head Party Weekend at Magaritaville in Palm Springs 1600 N Indian Canyon Dr. Palm Springs CA

For more Information go to the OCPHC Facebook page to click the link to get the room group rate or call direct at 866-724-0603.

May 9th to 13th - Baja Parrot Head Club PHunRaiser Cruise 2022

Go to www.bajaphc.org/Phunraiser Cruise for details.





**A-parrot-ly, it's
your birthday!**
Hope it's a great one!



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
James Mahfood
Dianna Mahfood
Dee Dee McNally
Tammy Moorhouse
Mette Rassmussen
Ben Vasquez

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Amanda Arbiso
Jim Barthelmess
Pam Beard
Ron Birek
Keith Curry
Gary Fayette
Morgan Flynn
Doris Fredriksen
Kathy Knudsen
Paul Kollar
John Pollock





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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



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in Paradise, inc

www.phip.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, lonelapmfoundation.org



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