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Parrot Poop Scoop

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HELLO from the President's Perch

The Berks County Parrot Head Club is almost 1 year old. We are approximately 275 parrots strong and growing every month. I always knew there were many Parrot Heads in this town but I cannot believe how many came out of the cage to "party with a purpose." I thank you for flocking to the Club.

Over the past several months, I have watched the growing commitment from our membership to make our Club the best. Our committees and our volunteers have given so much time and effort to all of our Club functions. You should all be proud of your accomplishments. There are still committee members and volunteers needed if you feel like you have not yet spread your wings.

Our commitment to partying with a purpose has raised over \$10,000 for local charities to date. And we did it all with our own fruitcakes. Life is not just a tire swing to those less fortunate. They have got down on the knees of their heart to thank our BCPHC.

It is my pleasure to sit on the President's Perch with so many wonderful birds. We are the people our parents warned us about.

THANKS TO ALL,
Denny

p.s. Tina and I are looking forward to hosting the "Pirate Looks at One" party at our home in Mohnton.



Who's the Rastafarian Stranger?

A group of Parrot Head concert-goers gather before the July Jimmy Buffett concert in Camden, New Jersey.



1st Annual Summer Parrot Daze

Saturday, July 12, 2003

Fish Pond West

Make-A-Wish Benefit

The planning meetings were over, the sponsors were secured, the food and drink were delivered, and the wonderful silent auction items were on display. Our volunteers were in place, the Club photographer on location, the Fish Pond West was tropically decorated, and the Make-a-Wish (MAW) banners hung. Mallory Square was set-up with our merchandise for sale and the bands were on their way! On July 12th, 2003, the Berks County Parrot Head Club was ready to "Party with a Purpose!"

The event kicked off officially at 1:00 p.m. as the three-piece band from Lancaster, Tropical Soul, played to the arriving crowd, which included Joshua Grill, the benefactor of our event, and his entire family. Tropical Soul delighted the audience with a mix of Buffett classics, as well as many of their original songs. As I spoke with Joshua's grandmother explaining the meaning behind PHIP and the purpose of the event and of the BCPHC, tears welled in her eyes at what had been organized on her grandson's behalf. Later, as the MAW representative, Marsha Bentz, and both of Joshua's parents attempted to show their overwhelming gratitude, tears welled in my own eyes, as well.

After what seemed like an endless winter and 40 days and nights of the rainiest spring I can remember, we were blessed with the absolute best weather imaginable for our first annual summer event.

When Tropical Soul finished playing at 4:00 p.m., the BCPHC's house band, John Hair and Mango Summers, donated their time to the event, providing a P.A. system so we could acknowledge all of the generous sponsors secured by sponsorship chair, Norm Heilenman. John & Mango Summers held a limbo contest and continued to entertain the

growing crowd with more Buffett covers.

As guests basked in the summer sun and enjoyed the music, Club members worked diligently to sell raffle tickets, take pictures with member, Brenda Beissel's parrots, man the grills, bar and kitchen, attend to the silent auction and Mallory Square and continue to sell more raffle tickets.

The third band arrived from Baltimore and was ready to take the stage. Captain Quint, who opened this year for Jimmy Buffett at both Merriweather Post and Nissan Pavilions, was an unplanned but welcomed surprise for the BCPHC, replacing Second Wind of New Jersey who couldn't appear. Our Club will have an opportunity in the near future to experience a Second Wind concert, but as for July 12th, no one could possibly have been disappointed in Captain Quint's performance. Squeezing our event in between recording their new CD and a booking in Ocean City, MD, Captain Quint absolutely brought the Club to its feet, sharing their microphone with Club members, dancing with the audience and continuously remarking about the hospitality and "panache" of our newly charted chapter. I heard it said by more than one person, "If you closed your eyes, you could hear Jimmy singing."

Speaking of J.B., I believe we would have made him proud, as the true essence of our party was successfully realized by raising \$6,500 for the MAW Foundation and for making Josh's dream to "do Disney" come true.

Kudos to all of the board and committee members and volunteers for a truly remarkable effort and blast of a day!

- Holly



Parrot Daze Contributors

It took a lot of contributors, volunteers, and donations to make our 1st Annual Parrot Daze event a huge success. Our major sponsors were:

Jimmy Buffett Gold

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World Net Technologies

Parrot Head Silver

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Temple Dairy Queen

Thank
You!

In addition, we'd like to sing a special Parrot Head thanks to Jim Landrigan of LAND Displays, Inc. for the huge billboard (see photo in this issue) which gave our Club great exposure. You couldn't miss it if you were buzzing the northwest end of town.

Other contributors who helped make our day a success:

All Star Distributing	Jerry's Concessions
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Denny & Tina	Deb Thomas
Designing Women	Tina's Salon & Day Spa
Carol Draeger	Van Bennetts
Gary & Colette Gabriel	Wolfe's Ice House
Deb Goodman	
John Hain & the Marigo Summers Band	

A huge thank you to all the volunteers at the Parrot Daze event. We couldn't have done it without you! It took approximately 54 workers and close to 400 man-hours to put the day together.

Please show your appreciation by supporting these fine businesses. They helped us raise a lot of money to send Josh Grill and his family to DisneyWorld and we are very grateful.



This huge billboard helped direct new members to our Club and the Summer Parrot Daze event. We extend a large Parrot Head thank you to Jim Landrigan of LAND Displays for his contribution. Please support LAND for your billboard needs.

Jivia

Jivia is the *Parrot Poop* column where we feature Jimmy Buffett trivia questions. Answers to these questions – and previous Jivia – can be found on our Web site www.BerksCountyPHC.org.

#3A What was Jimmy Buffett's occupation before he became a singer/songwriter?

#3B – Where was JB born?

#3C – What year did Corona Beer begin to sponsor JB concerts?

- a) 1980
- b) 1984
- c) 1989
- d) 1992



You too can be a parrot!

You're the *Son of a Son of a Sailor*. You know the *Fruitcakes* on the bus. You've grown older but not up. You should join the Berks County Parrot Head Club. And if you've Got a *Cousin in Miami*, they should join too!

You can find a membership application on our Web site, www.BerksCountyPHC.org.

Current members – it's almost time to renew your annual membership. You will be receiving a reminder notice in the mail. Please pay your dues as soon as possible as we rely on this income to pay up front costs for events.

Tailgating with a Parrot Head

We asked the Club membership for tailgating ideas. Here are some of the recipes we received. You can find all the submitted tailgating recipes and previous concoctions on our Web site, www.BerksCountyPHC.org.

Black Bean & Corn Salsa

- from Sandi Keller

- 30 oz Black Beans, rinsed (2 cans)
- 1/2 Cup Onion, diced small
- 3/4 Cup Red Bell Pepper, diced small
- 4 Garlic Cloves minced (2 teas)
- 3 Plum Tomatoes, seeded & diced
- 10 oz Frozen Sweet Corn, thawed
- 3 TBS Pickled Jalapeno Slices, chopped
- 3 TBS Fresh Lime Juice
- 3 TBS Olive Oil
- 3 TBS Fresh Cilantro, minced
- 1 TBS Chili Powder
- 2 teas. Ground Cumin
- 1 teas. Season Salt (Goya Adobo w pepper)
- 2-3 Chipotle Peppers, canned in Adobo sauce; seeded and chopped (optional)

Combine all ingredients together and chill. Serve with a variety of tortilla chips. This is a new favorite!! We doctored up a Goya recipe and found the addition of the canned chipotle peppers really gave this an added zip. They can be found in the ethnic section of most stores. It's a lot of chopping, but very worth it!

In 25 Words or Less

Committee Updates:

Feeding Frenzy (merchandise committee)

- chairperson Tina Shenk

The merchandise committee has the following items for sale:

BCPHC t-shirts in lime, gray, white or purple....\$20

BCPHC visors in white.....\$10

BCPHC denim shirts with embroidered logo \$40

At all main events, our table is set with all types of fun Parrot Head items!

If the Phone Doesn't Ring (membership committee) - current chairperson Deb Boyer

There have been Changes in Latitudes and Changes in Attitudes in Berks County since the news about the BCPHC got out. The word is spreading and we currently have 254 adult members and 17 children. That's a lot of "Cheeseburgers"!

Stars on the Water (volunteers) - chairperson Diane Renninger
Thank you to all volunteers that helped the Make-A-Wish event a huge success! Setting up, burger flipping, beer tapping, table setting, face painting, merchandise selling and

Cold Loud Mouth Soup

- 1 Cooler

2 Bags of Ice

3 - 24 Packs of Beer

Open cooler, dump in 3 cases of beer, preferably your team's local brewed brand. Dump the bags of ice on top, frequently mixing with cans of beer. Close cooler.

To serve - pull out cold beer. Open top.

Serves 2 or 3 diehard fans over a 2-4 hour span. Repeat process as often as necessary or as the mood calls for.

Grilled Tri-Tip Roast with Tequila Marinade

- from Brenda Beissel

1/2 cup fresh lime juice

1/2 cup chopped fresh cilantro

1/2 cup olive oil

1/3 cup soy sauce

1/4 cup tequila

7 garlic cloves, finely chopped

2 teaspoons grated lime peel

2 teaspoons ground cumin

2 teaspoons dried oregano

1 teaspoon ground black pepper

2-2-pound beef loin tri-tip roasts, trimmed

Whisk first 10 ingredients in medium bowl. Using a small sharp knife, pierce meat all over. Place meat in a large resealable plastic bag; add marinade. Seal bag. Refrigerate at least 2 hours or overnight, turning plastic bag occasionally.

Prepare barbecue (medium-high heat).

Remove meat from marinade. Discard marinade. Grill meat to desired doneness, about 10 minutes per side for medium-rare. Transfer to cutting board. Tent with foil; let stand 10 minutes. Cut diagonally across grain.

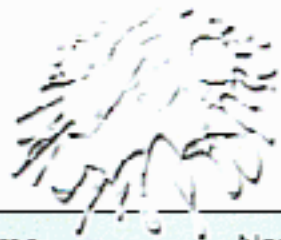
planning for this event took an estimated 400 hours. WOW! We certainly did "Party with a Purpose".

We Need More Junior Mints (sponsorships committee) - chairperson Norm Heilenman

Over 15 sponsors donated products, services, or cash for the Summer Parrot Daze event on July 12, 2003. Funds raised exceeded \$1,400 in cash plus additional goods and services. With that behind us, we are looking forward to the next "Party".

Changes in Attitude (charities committee) - current chairperson Alan Carrigan

Parrot Daze was a huge success. We donated \$6,500 to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. The next charity to receive the benefit of the Club will be Reading Chapter of the American Red Cross. Any suggestions related to charities for 2004 would be greatly appreciated.



New-Membership List

Here are our new members since the Summer issue of Parrot Poop.

Last Name	Name	Additional Family Members	Contact information - email (phone # if no email)
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Did you move to a new cage?

If you need to make changes to your mailing or email information, please contact the membership committee.



Fins and Twins

Lou McCoy, right, BCPHC member, adorned with pride, his Club t-shirt with his 7-minute younger (& less mature) identical twin, John. Lou and John spread the good news of our Club with over 3,000 sets of twins (triplets, quads and multiples) at the "Twins Days Festival" in Twinsburg, Ohio. Like the BCPHC, Twins Days supports a plethora of philanthropic causes.

The Swinging Perch



a.k.a. Upcoming Events:

General Monthly Membership Meetings

(paid membership dues are required to vote)

When: first Tuesday of the month

Where: California Bar and Grill

Time: 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Music by John Hain following the meetings

Monthly Happy Hours - Information below might change.

Please check our Web site for current information.

When: 3rd Friday of every month.

Time: 5-8 p.m.

October - see birthday party information below

November 21 - Blue Marsh Canteen

December - see information below

January 16 - place TBD

February - see Winter Jimmy Buffett event information below

A Pirate Looks at One

Instead of an October happy hour, we're going to celebrate the first year anniversary of the BCPHC. This is a member only event - no children, please. You'll be receiving an invitation with RSVP information in the mail.

When: Saturday, October 4th

Time: 2.00 - 10.00 p.m.

Where: Denny & Tina's Cabana Bar

Price: \$20 - includes food and beverage

RSVP with payment is necessary. Please contact Tina or Melissa.

December Holiday Party

When: Friday, December 19th

Where: California Bar and Grill

Time: 5 - 8:00 p.m.

This "happy hour with a purpose" will benefit Toys for Lots. Please bring an unwrapped present for a child. More information about this event will be discussed at the monthly membership meetings. You can also check out information about all our events on our Web site.

Winter Parrot Head Party

Where: California Bar and Grill

When: Sunday, February 8, 2004

Time: event starts at noon. Doors open at 11 a.m.

Music by John Hain and the Mango Summers Band

Raffle tickets, silent auction, best dressed contest, merchandise ...

And much more fun!

This "party with a purpose" will benefit the

Berks County Chapter of the American Red Cross.

2nd Annual Summer Parrot Daze

When: Saturday, July 17, 2004

Where: Fish Pond West

Music by: Captain Quint (they requested to return and play for us); and John Hain and the Mango Summers Band

Stay tuned for more information on this fun party. It's gonna be

bigger & better. Could it possibly be more fun?

For more information on these and other events scheduled after the publication of this issue of the Parrot Poop, go to www.BerksCountyPHC.org.

Bird-days



Please celebrate our September through December Parrot Head birthdays. And don't forget JB's birthday on December 25.

We would be remiss if we didn't mention the Berks County Parrot Head Club's 1st year anniversary in October.

Susan Pors	Sept 4	Jenny Meredith	Nov 2
Ryan Kehl	Sept 6	Mike Snyder	Nov 3
Chad Neiswender	Sept 7	Joseph Templin	Nov 4
Terry Reinert	Sept 8	Maida Koller	Nov 5
Rick Haring	Sept 9	Lori Carman	Nov 6
Dow Fox	Sept 11	Julie Santer	Nov 7
Gregory Prosseda	Sept 13	Sandi Keller	Nov 9
Mark Noonan	Sept 14	Eileen MuluZie	Nov 10
Karen Allen	Sept 17	Joanna Timtishin	Nov 11
Kerry Sweigart	Sept 19	Scott Holland	Nov 12
Nancy Anderson	Sept 20	Susan Mountz	Nov 13
Deb Landrigan	Sept 20	Deborah Mahan	Nov 17
Jennifer Sculastico	Sept 20	Brian Bagenstose	Nov 19
Steven Zaffary	Sept 21	Julie Noonan	Nov 19
Holly Zdravecki	Sept 26	Carl Gangaway	Nov 20
Patty Hoover	Sept 27	Bill Pors	Nov 20
Kris Johnson	Sept 27	Robert Rhode	Nov 22
Adriann Kehl	Sept 27	Lauri Kohler	Nov 23
Lance Lillis	Sept 27	Robert Trewella	Nov 25
Alan Hulsizer	Sept 28	Kendra Mountz	Nov 28
Richard Roeborg	Sept 28	Rachel Hulsizer	Dec 1
Irudy Behrle	Sept 30	Robbie Reinert	Dec 1
Nikki Buchter	Oct 1	Glenn Wolfe	Dec 1
Debbie Buyer	Oct 8	Donna Witmoyer	Dec 10
Jim Behrle	Oct 9	Terry Day	Dec 14
Mike Schoch	Oct 9	Bill Lutz	Dec 14
Jim Gierlich	Oct 13	Glenn Buchter	Dec 16
Kathleen Sauer	Oct 16	Jamie Lillis	Dec 16
Cindy Zaffary	Oct 17	Brian Dressler	Dec 17
Melissa McCoy	Oct 20	Mike Pyles	Dec 17
John Koller	Oct 21	Cary Shaner	Dec 17
Darby Wiekrykas	Oct 23	Gerald Barnott	Dec 20
Peggy Spinka	Oct 24	Arlene Meter	Dec 25
George Carter	Oct 28	Dennis Kintzer	Dec 28
Thomas Sjostrom	Oct 28	Keith "The Admiral"	
Ranas Borden	Oct 3	Imbody	Dec 29
John Gibo	Oct 30		
Laura Eckert	Oct 31		

If your birthday was missed or the date was wrong, please contact the membership committee to update or fix our Club records.



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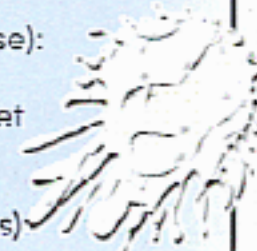
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The Swinging Perch

a.k.a.

Upcoming Events:

Monthly Membership Meetings -
first Tuesday of every month

Where's the Party?

Monthly happy hour, third Friday of
every month - benefits the Berks
Humane Society.

A Pirate Looks at One

First Year Anniversary Party
Saturday, October 4th

December Holiday Party

Friday, December 19th

Winter Parrot Head Party

Sunday, February 8th, 2004

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