

Tulsa PARROT HEAD Club



Party with a Purpose!

FUN LINES

December 2017



November's Meeting:

MARGARITAVILLE Restaurant



This month the Tulsa Parrot Head club phlocked into the Margaritaville Restaurant at the River Spirit Casino. We got to enjoy live music while we socialized.

Once again, we had the upstairs of the restaurant all to ourselves. It was a good thing since we had great turnout. Around forty-seven parrot heads attended our meeting this month.



We collected Christmas decorations this meeting for Pelican Point. We delivered the decorations and Pelican Point wanted us to let you know how much they appreciated all we did. Nice job Parrot Heads!!!

Our meeting happened to fall on Veteran's Day this year. We asked all our veterans to stand while we honored them with a huge round of applause.



Our Tulsa Parrot Head Veteran's

December Phlocking



Dec. 12th
6:30 pm

Hope to see everyone at Stillhouse
Located at 91st and Memorial

Toy Drive for Christmas

We are collecting new or gently used unwrapped toys at our December meeting. Your gift, however large or small, will be given to a child in need this Christmas.

Bring your Toys to the Stillhouse!

Brewery Poker Run 2017

Saturday, Dec 2 from 12pm-6pm

Our Christmas Event this year is Saturday, December 2nd from 12:00-6:00pm. We have one bus which only holds 56 passengers so don't miss out. The cost is \$15 per person to ride the bus. For an additional \$20 per poker hand, you can play in the poker game.

We will be meeting at Growlers which is located in the Tulsa Hills Shopping Center. Be at Growlers at 12:00pm as we will leave from Growlers (8115 S. Olympia Ave. West, Ste B-180) **promptly at 12:30pm**. Ice chests with adult beverages and snacks *are* allowed on the bus. The Growlers has some great American craft beer and food at their microbrewery pub.

Contact Cathy Boley if you have any questions or want to be added to this fun trip. We still have four (4) seats left on the bus and you **DO NOT** need to be a club member to participate.

A Very Special Christmas

By Cathy Boley

In case you missed it, Pelican Point at Fort Gibson Lake is going to decorate five motel rooms for five needy families this Christmas. These families



will get to spend the weekend together with free meals served and presents given to each family member.

To help them accomplish this tasks, many Tulsa Parrot Heads donated various decorations and several Christmas Trees to the cause.

We dropped-off the decorations we collected at our November meeting and the owners were in awe by our generosity.

Great job Parrot Heads!!!



Prayers for Parrot Heads

Karen Hedge

Judy Striegel

Kathleen Watts

Linda Bryant

Let an officer know if there are others we need to add to our list.

Welcome New Members!



Be sure to seek out these new members at our next meeting and welcome them personally...

David Bjorkman and Mike and Billie Knowles

A LOOK AT THE PAST

Thanksgiving in November and Christmas in December are months to connect with family and friends, so lets reflect:



ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE

An interview with our Prez
Submitted by Don Jones

I recently sat down (actually electronically) with the President of the Tulsa Parrot Head Club, Cathy Boley. I hope you enjoy my interview.

How long have you been a Parrot Head? How many years have you been president of TPHC? I joined the Parrot head club in 1996.

I was secretary for 4 years from 2006 to 2009 and I have been President for 6 years from 2011 to the present.

What other clubs or organizations do you serve in leadership roles? I am President of the East Central High Alumni Foundation, and Secretary of the Tulsa Cerebral Palsy Association. I am also in charge of planning my family get togethers. We recently had our early Thanksgiving Celebration with a meal for over 60 family with a few friends. Notice I said planning, not cooking.

Tell us a little bit about your career. I graduated from the OU School of Nursing in 1982 and went to work at St. Francis Hospital in cardiac care. I also worked at the Alice Texas hospital and Midland Michigan hospital in cardiac care. Dave and I moved back to Tulsa from Michigan in 1985 and I went back to work at St. Francis and worked there until 1990. I began working for Tulsa Public Schools in 1990 as a school nurse. I served, at numerous schools before ending up at East Central, my alma mater, for the last 8 years. I worked a total of 26 years for Tulsa Public Schools.

Where were you "born and raised?" Where did you go to high school and college? I was born and raised in Tulsa. I graduated from East Central High School and the University of Oklahoma where Dave and I met.

How long have you and Dave been married? Children? Dave and I have been married for 34 years. We have 2 children. Dennis is 32 and is married to his wife Lyndsey. They live here in Tulsa. Melissa is 28 and lives in Tucson, AZ where she is working towards a PHD.

How many Buffett concerts have you attended? Where and when was the first? What is your favorite concert? I have attended 42 Buffett concerts.



My first Buffett concert was a free concert on Galveston Island. My friend and I left six kids under the age of seven with her husband to make our way to the front of the stage. I have seen him in Las Vegas 19 times. My favorite concert was probably the Tulsa concert at Margaritaville. Paradise Cove is a small venue and we were on the FRONT ROW and it was FREE. Notice a trend?

Besides "Parrot Heading" do you have any hobbies? What do you do to chillax? I love boating and spending time at our lake place. I also love swimming and spending time with friends. I love Sooner football and tailgating. Dave and I have had OU season tickets for 36 years. BOOMER! I love to travel and I hope to travel more now that I am retired.

What is your favorite food? Buffett song(s)? I love steak and Mexican food. My favorite Buffett song changes. But currently I am loving Tin Cup Chalice, Come Monday, A Pirate Looks at 40, and Peanut Butter Conspiracy.

You seem to be a person who likes everyone. What trait in people do you dislike? Whining and complaining. (Insert laughter here) There is always someone that is worse off than you. We should try to look at the bright side and count our blessings.

If there was no more Buffett or Trop Rock music, what would be on your playlist? Classic rock -- Doobie Brothers, Journey, Eagles, Aerosmith, REO, Eric Clapton

What improvements or changes would you like to see for TPHC in the next five years? I would like to see more people become involved. Every member of the club has a talent or something they can contribute to our club.

All good interviews must end with a goofy question. If you were the new color in the Crayola Crayon box, which color would you be and why? Tropical blue. I think the "why" answer is obvious.

The next time you see Cathy, give her a hug and big thank you. She has contributed countless hours to our club. Her leadership often goes unnoticed and unrewarded. If you look up Parrot Head in your Funk and Wagnalls Dictionary her picture will surely be there. Thanks to our president Cathy for all she does. Phins Up!



TPHC

Trop Rock River Phlock 2018



Mark your calendars. September 13th - 16th will be the TPHC Trop Rock River Phlock at the River Spirit Casino.

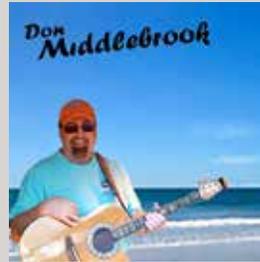
The committee has been formed and the charities have been chosen:

1. **Coffee Bunkers** - Their mission is to offer support opportunities which support our service members and veterans towards a successful reintegration with their families and communities.

2. **Joy in the Cause** - They are a 501C3 Charity whose mission is to provide care, compassion, and joy through one personal act of kindness at a time while helping those with life altering illness and special needs.



DON MIDDLEBROOK



Don Middlebrook is a Trop Rock Singer and Song Writer from Michigan. He will be playing at the 5 O'Clock Somewhere Bar in the River Spirit Tulsa on January 25th from 7:00pm to 10:00pm.

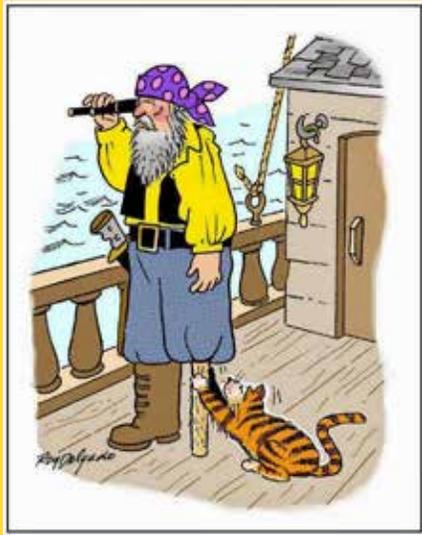
Admission is FREE

Listen to some of his music on his website, <http://www.donmiddlebrook.net/>. I think you will like him.



Remember your Tabs!

**We are still collecting tabs for
The Ronald McDonald House
So KEEP SAVING THOSE TABS!!**





Merry Christmas!!

With that in mind - enjoy:

This went around a few years ago, and it's worth the repeat -

Twas the night before Christmas, and all through Key West, Not a creature was stirring, not even the house-guest. No stockings were hung by chimneys this time, No need for a chimney in the Southernmost clime.

Tourists were nestled all snug in their beds, While tunes from the Conch Train danced in their heads. Mama in her Kino's and I in bare feet, Settled down with mojitos for a sweet Christmas treat.

When out in the harbor there arose such a clatter, I sprang from my hammock to see what was the matter! Out to the porch I stumbled through clutter, Cranked open the jalousie and threw up the shutter.

The moon through the palm trees beamed galore, And gave a luster of midday to the cruise boats offshore. When what to my wondering eyes should appear, But a miniature sleigh with eight tiny Key deer.

With a little old driver, so quick to honk, I knew in a moment it must be St. Conch. More rapid than powerboats, his Key deer flew, And he whistled, and shouted, and called to them, too.

Now, Mira! Now Lewis! Now Bethel and Curry! On Wardlow! On McCoy, On Spotswood.... HURRY! From the end of North Roosevelt, to the foot of Duval, Now, dash away! Dash away! Dash away all!"

Like banana leaves that before the wild hurricane fly, When they meet with a sunset, there up in the sky. Up to my widow's walk the Key deer



they flew, With a sleigh full of mangoes, and ole St. Conch too.

And then in a twinkling, I heard on the roof, The disco-like beat of each tiny hoof. As I drew in my head and was turning around, Down the gumbo limbo, the ole conch came with a bound.

On his shoulder he carried an iguana with warts; Wore a souvenir T-shirt and little red

shorts. He wore flip-flops and sported a palm frond chapeau, Carried a Pina Colada with an umbrella to go.

He was puffing away on a Cuban cigar, Blowing rings toward Havana, over the bar. Even though his get-up made me think, "Yikes!" His snowy white beard said "Hemingway Look-Alikes".

A bundle of coconuts he held with great care, So he looked like a vendor from Mallory Square. His eyes how they twinkled! His slow Southern drawl, Revealed he'd been bar-hopping down on Duval.

He worked fast and furious, without a flub-a, Leaving little presents, for each and every Bubba. Then laying a finger aside his sunburned nose, Giving a big nod, up the gumbo limbo he rose.

He sprang to his sleigh and his Key deer they fled Right up U.S.1 toward Homestead. And I heard him exclaim as he soared past Key West Bight, Merry Christmas to all, have a happy Conch night.

(Authored by a member of the Central Texas PHC)

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!

"With a little love and luck, you will get by." JB



Peter Mayer's Stars and Promises Tour 2017



Peter Mayer is once again bringing his FREE Christmas Music with a message tour to Tulsa's **Venue 68** (6910 South 101 Street, East) on December 19th. Doors open at 6:00 pm and the concert begins at 7:00 pm. An offering will be taken to benefit Goodland Academy

Introducing the 18th Annual "Stars and Promises" When You Come Home."

"Christmas is celebrated around the world in song. From concert halls and shopping malls, street corner choirs and carols 'round the fire, we hear the songs old and new that have made our yuletide tradition. We are excited to bring back 'Stars and Promises' for the 18th year and a new holiday season of music dedicated to the angels among us." - Peter Mayer

So come out and celebrate the season with some great music with some good phriends. Some of us will be meeting at Agaves at 5:00 pm for dinner and drinks if you are interested. We hope to have a large Parrot Head showing this year. Hope to see you there!

TPHC Officer Nominations

● **Nominations are still open!** ●

If you have someone in mind that you would like to nominate or if you would like to nominate yourself. Please contact Cathy Boley BEFORE the Dec. meeting.

Raffle News

We raised \$212 in the November raffle.

This months donation went to the **John 3:16 Mission**. John 3:16 Mission offers a wide range of ministry programs that make a significant impact in the lives of the hungry, homeless and at-risk of our Tulsa community. They help accommodate all those who come seeking assistance. This includes providing meals, a place to sleep, and spiritual guidance through evening chapels and on-site counselors.

Thank You! To all those who donated gifts: Robbie Thames, Jack Kelsey, Mike Casillas, Carla and George McMillen, Rebecca Land, Amy Gray, Jim and Jan Wollenschlager, David and Cathy Boley, Barry and Debbie Straabe, Doug and Debbie McKisick, Don and Carol Jones, Debbie and Roque Martinez, Moe and Pat Hogan, Kathy and Bob Jewell, Mary and Jess Mitchell, Janet and Gary Orton, Chris Anderson, Dave and Neta Carrino, Kris and John Cunnane.

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PARROT HEAD HALLOWEEN BASH 2017



By Vicky Cortney

Halloween 2017 TPHC party was a frightful success! 25 parrot peeps attended - with some fabulous costumes!

We screamed watching OU, shared great dishes and gathered around the fire pit. Best Male Costume to Jim Wolleschlager as a clown - chosen because he was unrecognizable-without Jan by his side. Doug McKisick was very original and well

done as a beach chair and Mike Penny was Caitlin Jenner.



Best Female costume went to Rebecca Land as a "lady of the evening" aka street walker - definitely stepped out of her comfort zone on attire. Kellie Heflin was a Jeopardy contestant and had a super cool costume she made herself.



The Jones had many guessing (incorrectly although one guess had us rolling in the floor).



Big big thank you to Mike Casillas for the lighting and spectral images in the window. And Kelli Heflin for the incredible decorating. If you're having ANY type of theme party, she's your gal.



DECEMBER

Birthdays!



Lynn Scott	1st	George McMillen	5th	Barry Straabe	14th
Dave Carrino	3rd	Cathy Boley	6th	Karen Chambers	16th
Brian Cozad	3rd	Christy Cozad	6th	George Salley	16th
Camille Koster	3rd	Mike Penny	6th	Jeff Norman	18th
Deanna Tirrell	3rd	Cindi Parks	7th	Cindy Truby	22nd
Becky Eagan	5th	Kris Cunnane	11th	Scotty Morgan	28th

The Tulsa Parrot Head On-line Store is

OPEN!

You can now go on-line and shop for T-Shirts, Hats and Koozies in a variety of colors and sizes.

You can purchase tickets to Parrot Head events, pay dues, or make donations all from the comfort of your home

Go online and take a look around.



Go to Tulsaparrotheads.com and click on the "Shop" tab.

Remember to check our website regularly for club news and updates.

www.tulsaparrotheads.com

Thanks Loads to our Webmaster Kathleen Watts

Also for all you Facebookers', check out [TPHC Facebook page](#).

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Shirts/hats/koozies in stock! We have lots of shirts, hats and koozies in stock. Check website for sizes, styles and colors.

New members get \$5 off any club shirt or hat.

Heads Up! The January *Phlocking* will be Jan. 9th at the *River Spirit Margaritaville*. Hope to see you there...