

# Tulsa PARROT HEAD Club



## October Phlocking ...and the chili cook-off

Sixty-two Parrot Heads traveled to the American Legion Lodge Tuesday night to enjoy some chili at our annual Tulsa Parrot Head chili cook-off meeting.

There was white chili, brown chili, chili made with beans, chili without beans. So many samples and so little time. The variety of chili recipes made judging very difficult.

We wanted to make sure we gave each chef a fair chance in the judging this year. Thank you to Vicky Courtney and Joann Call for organizing the chili cook off judging. We had a panel of five judges which tasted each chili and gave each one a ratings from 1 to 5. The chili with the highest total score was declared the winner.

After our judges turned in their ratings and the numbers were totaled, drum-roll please.....the chili cook-off winners



## November Phlocking November 12<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm

Margaritaville Restaurant



Go to the Bar Area and Head Upstairs

for 2019 were Vicki Eberle for 1<sup>st</sup> Place and Trina Dawson for 2<sup>nd</sup> Place. Congratulations to our winners!!!

We want to thank everyone who brought chili, sides, and desserts. They were absolutely wonderful. For those of you who missed it, you missed quite a spread.

Later in the evening, we presented two checks to our Trop Rock River Phlock charities which totaled \$12,000. We presented a \$6k check to A New Leaf, and a \$6k check to Junior Achievement. Each charity gave some very moving speeches about their organization. Both organizations were very grateful of our efforts. Great Job Parrot Heads!

After the raffle was over, the crowd thinned pretty quickly which ended another memorable chili cook-off phlocking.





# MOTM 2019

...a Parrot Head National Convention

By: Cathy Boley

Where else can you go and party with 3,500+ Parrot Heads for three days in a row but the MOTM? This year eight Parrot Heads from Tulsa attended the event. Cathy and David Boley, Kathy and Bob Jewell, Jim and Jan Wollenschlager, Vicky Courtney, and Janet Clarke.



We met Parrot Heads from all over including a few from the UK. We also had the opportunity to listen to some awesome music. Thirty-seven (37) bands played at the Casa Marina Hotel alone. That does not even include all the bands which were playing around town and throughout the various keys. In total, there were over 150 bands.

Jan Wollenschlager and Cathy Boley went to the leaders brunch on Saturday morning where they got some interesting information from the National PH Leaders. There are 214 parrot heads clubs around the globe. The largest club is from central Florida with over 1,300 members. The first Parrot Head Club was started in Atlanta, GA thirty (30) years ago. Tulsa was recognized for being one of the few clubs who had been around for more than 25 years.

Several of us attended the general meeting on Saturday morning. Awards for the best newsletter and the golden coconut were given out. Unfortunately, Tulsa did not win this year but there is always next year.



The weather was perfect. The temperature was in the 80's during the day, and the 70's in the evening. We got to listen to trop rock music all day long as we enjoyed

both the beach and the pool. If you have never attended, you should consider attending next year!



## Raffle News

We raised \$271 in the October raffle. The donation went to **Clarehouse**. *Clarehouse is the First Social Model Hospice Home in Oklahoma. Clarehouse pioneered the unique experience of person-centered, end-of-life family home environment. They continue to lead through stellar service and ongoing education to help our community navigate serious illness and elevate expectations of dying well.*

*Last month's raffle was a "Hoot!". Lots of scary prizes. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.*

**Thank You!** to all those who donated gifts: Don & Carol Jones, Larry & Vicki Eberle, Jim & Jan Wollenschlager, Richard & Debbie Burling, Cindy Kramer, Rebecca Land, Dave & Cathy Boley, Valerie Nation Stogner & Shane Stogner, George & Carla McMillen, Debbie & Roque Martinez, Jess & Mary Mitchell, Barry & Debbie Straabe, Mo & Pat Hogan, Dave & Neta Carrino, Tammi Evans, Pamela Jones, Susan Bowie, Robbie Thames & Jack Kelsey, Beth Dee, Bryan Ponder, Monte Moore, Amy Gray, Trina & Charley Dawson

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## Prayers for Parrot Heads

Jess Mitchell

Karen Hedge

Rebecca Land

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

# Peter Mayer's Stars and Promises Tour 2019

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 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Doors open at 6:00pm and the concert begins at 7:00pm. An offering will be taken to benefit the Goodland Academy. We will meet at Mexico Lindo at 71<sup>st</sup> and Garnett for dinner at 5:00pm for those who would like to eat beforehand. RSVP to Cathy if you plan to meet for dinner.

Introducing the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Stars and Promises, "Echoes of the Seasons" concert.

**Come out and celebrate the season!**



## School Supplies Drive

For years the TPHC's September Phlocking has been our "School Supplies Drive" month. With the TRRP in September, we decided to wait until November to do our annual drive so bring your supplies to the November meeting. We are very appreciative of those who take the time and effort to buy items for children in need in the past. We hope this year is just as successful.

It is important to note that all the donations we collect will be going to our TPHC Teachers. Here is a short list of needed items:

- Fine Tip Dry Erase Markers
- Small Cute Stickers
- Colorful 3 X 3 Post-It Notes
- Set of Dominoes
- Lightweight Card-stock White and Colored
- Flair Pens
- Pencils
- Individually Packaged Snacks
- Packing Tape
- Wooden Puzzles
- Duplo Lego's
- Double Sided Tape
- Kleenex
- Hand Sanitizer

Any and all donations are appreciated and will go to help out our under-funded school system. Thank You!

# CHRISTMAS SANTA CLAUSING

What is Christmas Santa Clausing you ask? It's a great time!

On Saturday December 14<sup>th</sup>, the Tulsa Parrot Heads are meeting at Roosters Sports Bar (Roosters is located at 7875 E 71<sup>st</sup> St, Tulsa, OK) to go Santa Clausing.

We need everyone to arrive between 5:00pm and 5:30pm because the bus is leaving at 6:00pm. Come early if you want to grab a bite to eat. The cost to ride the bus is \$30 which includes the driver's tip. Small coolers are allowed on the bus. RSVP President Cathy. There are a couple of rules for this phun event:

1. You must dress like Santa Claus – **NO ELVES ALLOWED!** However, you are encouraged to put your own spin on Mr. or Mrs. Claus. For example, last year we had a Scottish Santa – He wore a Santa top and a kilt.
2. Bring a stocking or bag with candy in it to hand out to people (candy canes, chocolate, etc.)

After seeing a few Christmas lights, we will head downtown to Winterfest (ice skating rink.) where we will all get off the bus and walk around spreading Christmas cheer. We



will hand out candy to kids and wish everyone a Merry Christmas. After this, we will hop back on the bus and visit a few pubs which might include:

- Fur Shop
- Dust Bowl
- McNellie's
- Fassler Hall
- Enso Bar
- The Max RetroPub
- Arnie's



At 10:30, we will hop back on the bus and it will take us back to our starting point. Those who want to stay out a little longer can of course Uber/Lyft your way home.

That is Santa Clausing in a nutshell. I think we should have beer/shots for the bus ride to help us get the Holiday Cheer flowing. We look forward to seeing all of you Santa's at this Parrot Head event.

Your Santa Clausing Hostess,

*Beth Dee*



# ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE

An interview with Richard Burling *Submitted by Don Jones*

**T**his month's interviewee is Richard Burling. Here's a few things I learned about this Parrot Head. Enjoy.



**Richard, tell us a little about yourself.** I was born in Ponca City. I have lived in Ponca City, Burbank, Pawhuska, Fairfax and Stillwater, OK. I have also lived in Portland, OR; Spokane, Camas and Vancouver, WA; Billings, MT; and Dallas, TX. I graduated from Fairfax High School in 1968 and Oklahoma State University in 1973. I am a self-employed remodeler and I do home repairs.

**How long have you been a Parrot Head?** I have been a Parrot Head since 2005 but officially in the club for about 6 years, or more. We are really not sure when we joined!

**How many Buffett concerts have you attended? What was your favorite concert?** I have attended fourteen (14) Buffett concerts. I really enjoyed seeing Buffett in Wrigley Field in 2005 and again in 2017.

**What is your favorite Buffett tune or tunes?** I like most all of the tunes Buffett sings in concert, but my favorite is "He Went to Paris." I also enjoy and laugh a lot at the "A\*\* Hole Song."

**If there was no more Buffett music or Trop Rock tunes, what would be on your playlist?** I listen to 60's and 70's rock and roll!

**Which of the TPHC activities do you enjoy the most?** I have enjoyed going to the Trop

Rock River Phlock and I enjoy going to the monthly meetings and events and interacting with everyone.

**What do you do to "chillax?"** I like to work in my yard, drink a beer (or two), and watch the birds in my backyard.

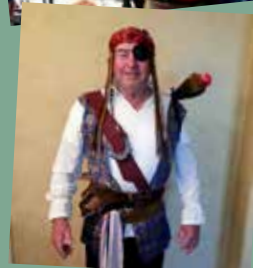
**What is one thing that most Parrot Heads don't know about you?** Most people don't know that I have a degree in Animal Science. I used to have about

1,000 hogs and 200 head of cattle. Also, I put stucco on the Golden Driller in 1979 and my name is etched on top of his hat! (*Editor's note: That is so cool.*)

**Now for the silly question. If you were newest color in the Crayola box, what color would you be?** I would be America's Brightest Orange, but I think you already knew that!

**Any closing remarks?** Debbie, my wife, and I met at OSU in 1970 and got married in 1972. We celebrated our 47<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 19<sup>th</sup>. We have three (3) daughters, Stacie (Kris) of Bixby, Amy of Tulsa, and Melissa (Cary) of Chicago. We have two (2) grandchildren, Blake a senior at Edison Prep and Ainsley a senior at Bixby High School. We attend Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church. Most people know that we are huge supporters of Oklahoma State and have season tickets to football and wrestling. We have attended many bowl games and every year go to the NCAA Wrestling Championships.

**The next time you see Richard, give him a big hug and a big thank you for his ongoing support of the Tulsa Parrot Heads Club. Phins Up!**



## REVERSE ADVENT BASKET

The reverse advent basket starts November 13<sup>th</sup> and ends on December 10<sup>th</sup>. Pick-up your advent baskets at the November meeting (one basket per couple) put one item in it each day and bring it back to the December meeting. Suggested items include toys, books, socks, gloves, hats, scarves, towels, dog and cat food, toiletries, canned, or packaged foods.



## CLUB MEETINGS

Do you have a place you would like to see us go for a Tulsa Parrot Head Club monthly meeting? Please let an officers know your suggestion(s). We are **ALWAYS** looking for somewhere different to go. Just remember it needs to be a place that can seat 50-60 people on a Tuesday evening. Non-smoking is preferred by most Parrot Heads and a place that serves food is of course a big bonus.

**We look forward to hearing your suggestions!!!!**

*This Month's*

## Birthdays!



Arlene Stutzman 3rd  
Greg Spears 4th  
Joe Vaughn 5th  
Devone Chezen 7th  
Donna Slawson 10th

Laurie Pettit 11th  
Danny Smith 11th  
Mike Oliver 12th  
Beth Brock 18th  
Debbie Burling 18th  
Katy Spetter 20th

Joann Call 22nd  
Greg Davis 26th  
Rick Turley 26th  
David Boley 29th  
Ken Adams 30th

## HEY FOLKS!!

Our Donation Box is nearly empty.

The box that holds the names of charities we donate **to** is running low. We draw names/charities from the box regularly for our monthly raffle and our other fundraising events.

If you know of a worthy cause or charity we should support please submit it to the donation box. It can be a charity you've submitted before because surely our one donation didn't take care of all their needs.

We just want to help. **Thanks!**



## ! TPHC Officer ! ! Nominations !

**Nominations for Club Officers are now open!**

We are accepting nominations for our 2020 club officers. All offices are open for anyone who would like to run. President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. All officers have agreed to continue on for another year if unopposed. Nominations are due to an existing officer by our **DECEMBER** meeting.

## What's going on...?

*Here are some events that are taking place in and around Oklahoma in the coming months.*

**Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5:00pm to 10:00pm - Central Oklahoma Parrot Head Association (COPA) is hosting a Tin Can Christmas Toy Drive. It will be held at the Garage Burgers, 209 Outlet Shops Drive. Come help us make this an enjoyable Christmas for some very special children. Bring an unwrapped toy or game for ages 8 to 16 year. We look forward to seeing you!**

If you have an event you would like listed (it doesn't have to be Parrot Head related) please contact Cathy or David.



# TPHC ESCAPE FROM MARGARITAVILLE



*By Don Jones*

On October 26, a Phlock of 40 Parrot Heads from COPA and TPHC descended on Fayetteville Arkansas, and the Hogs weren't even in town. What was in town was the Broadway musical, "Escape from Margaritaville." The musical is making a coast to coast tour which began in New York City. Our closest stop was at the Walton Arts Center in Fayetteville. On the Saturday in question, there was a pre-concert garden party complete with live Trop Rock music, cheeseburgers, and adult beverages.



The garden party was forced indoors due to the non tropical weather.

The play is based loosely on the life of Tully Mars excerpted from "A Salty Piece of Land" penned by Jimmy Buffett. Add



twenty-five of our favorite Buffett tunes intertwined through the story with some very colorful backdrops. The two-plus hour show left the viewers begging for more.

To insure the authenticity of the show, Buffett was the composer and lyricist of course. Mac Mcanally was the musical consultant and Michael Utley was the orchestrator. If you get the chance to see this one, treat yourself. It is well worth your time and money.



Thanks to the Northwest Arkansas Parrot Heads for getting the pre party together and our lady prez for arranging for the tickets. The day would have been perfect if we could have partied outdoors and OU had been victorious.





# Help the Tulsa Parrot Heads Lend a Helping Hand to the Community Food Bank!!!

The mission of the Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma is to feed the hungry of Eastern Oklahoma through a network of Partner Agencies and to engage our communities in ending hunger. Their vision is food security, with dignity, for all eastern Oklahomans. They are the largest private hunger-relief organization in eastern Oklahoma.



On Tuesday November 19<sup>th</sup>, the TPHC will be lending a helping hand from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at:

**1304 N. Kenosha Avenue  
Tulsa, OK**

If you arrive at 5:30pm you can enjoy free beer and wine before we get started.

Please follow these instructions to register online for our group's reserved event:

**STEP 1** - Visit the Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma event registration page using our group's personal registration link:

<http://cerv.is/m?0217rparrotheads>

**STEP 2** - Select our event and follow the on screen instructions to access their registration system. If this is your first time using their online registration system, you will have to create a new volunteer profile.



Hello Friends,

The Central Oklahoma Parrot Head Association (COPA) Travel Committee wants to invite you to join us in Roatan next April for a week of Trop Rock music and fun in the sun! Some of you joined us there in 2017 and many of you loved it so much you have asked us to go back. So, we listened and will return in April 2020.

Those of you that have never been to the beautiful island of Isla de Roatan, have certainly missed out. The West End Bay has some of the most pristine beaches and clearest water anywhere! If you love to snorkel or dive, this is one of the most sought out waters in the Caribbean for discovering sea life. This is your opportunity to experience this fantastic island.

We will be staying at the Mayan Princess Beach & Dive resort. A smaller boutique resort but offers all of the amenities of a larger resort. You are more than just a number there. You will receive service that you won't find at some of your 4 & 5 Star resorts. The bartenders will take your drink order and bring it back to you at the water's edge and sometimes will wade right in to meet you. You will find a large

gorgeous pool, hot tub, easy beach access with beach loungers, all the food and drinks you could ever want. The bars all serve beer, wine and premium liquors. The resort provides on-site entertainment & live performances, themed parties, aerobics & dance classes, cooking & bar tending classes, kayaking lessons, snorkeling gear, professional dive shop, free wifi, business center, concierge services and much more.

We will have Cory Young & Rick Lamb, two of the current, most popular Trop Rock artists, performing for us several times throughout our stay with an awesome beach party scheduled for mid-week.

You won't get more bang for your buck than you will on this COPA sponsored All-Inclusive event in Roatan. This is a beach getaway that you do not want to

**COPA All Inclusive 2020** **"Trop Rockin' Roatan"**

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There are so many excursions & sight-seeing opportunities while in Roatan that we don't have room to list them all here.

Hoping you will join us!

**Happy Gecko Travel**

**Dana Flowers  
Travel Specialist  
(405) 664-1131**



# Welcome Members!

For the first time in many months, there were no new members at our October meeting. So take this opportunity, at our next meeting, to strike up a conversation with a current member that you have not spoken with for a while. Or, just go up to an unsuspecting TPHC member and give them a great big hug!



## The Tulsa Parrot Head On-line Store is **OPEN!**

You can now go online 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](http://Tulsaparrotheads.com) and click on the "Shop" tab.



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 December meeting will be at the **Swamp House** located at *1529 East 3rd Street, Tulsa*. We are currently working on getting food and drink specials so more to come...

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

[www.tulsaparrotheads.com](http://www.tulsaparrotheads.com)

Thanks Loads to Kathleen Watts, our Webmaster.

*Past & Present 'Finelines' can be found on our website under the "Worth a Look" tab*

**Also for all you Facebookers, check out the TPHC Facebook page.**

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