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Hurricane Katrina Relief

On August 29th, the Gulf Coast of the United States was devastated by the worst natural disaster in a century. The city of New Orleans has been evacuated. We've all seen the stories on TV, but none of us can truly understand what it means to lose everything. Parrot Heads have proven themselves to be some of the most generous people around. As many of you have heard, we want to help you help the residents of the Gulf Coast. We have two options for you. Please consider taking advantage of one, or both.

Option A

CIPHC is organizing donations to **the Red Cross Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund**. But we also want you to donate your donation dollars to where they make the most sense. Many organizations (my employer, for one) are matching donations to the Red Cross. Please, if your employer is doing something this generous, please donate your money through that avenue where it can provide additional benefits to those in need. But let us know how much you gave and if it was matched by someone and we'll report it to PHiP

If not, you can still send checks in to the Club address made payable to **the American Red Cross Hurricane Katrina Relief** and we will get them to the right place.

Option B

PHiP and the Tampa Bay PHC with some help from Margaritaville Tequila and some other PHCs around the country are running a raffle benefiting Parrot Heads in need as a result of Hurricane Katrina.

The prize:

- 2 Tickets to the Jimmy Buffett Concert in Las Vegas on October 22, 2005
- 2 Tickets to the Band's Pre-Concert Party
- 2 Personalized Signed Items from Jimmy Buffett
- Hotel Room for 2 nights
- Airfare covered (up to \$1,000 reimbursed - must have receipts)
- Dinner for 2 at the Las Vegas Bahama Breeze Restaurant

The purpose of this raffle is to provide assistance to Parrot Heads who have been affected by Hurricane Katrina through the PHIN (Parrot Heads In Need) Fund which is being run by the Paradise Foundation, the charity arm of PHiP. People who are members of any recognized club will be eligible to receive funds from this raffle. Should all funds not be used for Parrot Heads, any remaining funds will be donated to the appropriate national hurricane disaster relief charity.

Tickets are just \$10 and Pete should have them in hand very soon. If not, he will still be able to hook you up. Please call him at the club hotline or email him at KRBNSoul@gmail.com.

The raffle ends on October 7th, so get your tickets now!

Sept. 7th
6:00 p.m.
Gill Street
Bloomington

Happy Hour!

Oct. 3
6:00 p.m.
Larry's Pizza
Driftwood (Rt. 29)
Creve Coeur

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Meetings of the Central Illinois Minds

This column is devoted to activity reports from each of our standing committees. It's their chance to tell you what they've been up to and your chance to see if they're doing what **YOU** expect! To join a committee, or just offer a suggestion, be sure to call the committee chairman listed below:

Charity	Jim & Kristi Bright	(309) 698-6619
Social	Monica Hamby	(309) 369-3308
Publicity	Sheila Watson	(309) 353-4829
Membership	Tammy Van Egtern	(309) 452-4584

Social Report

See you at Happy Hour, 6:00 pm—???

- Sept. 7: Gill St...Bloomington
- Oct. 5: Larry's Pizza at the Driftwood...Creve Coeur (Rt. 29)
- Nov. 2: back to Gill St.

Suggestions for social events? Contact Monica at cubfn2@cubsmvp.com or (309)369-3308.

Membership Report

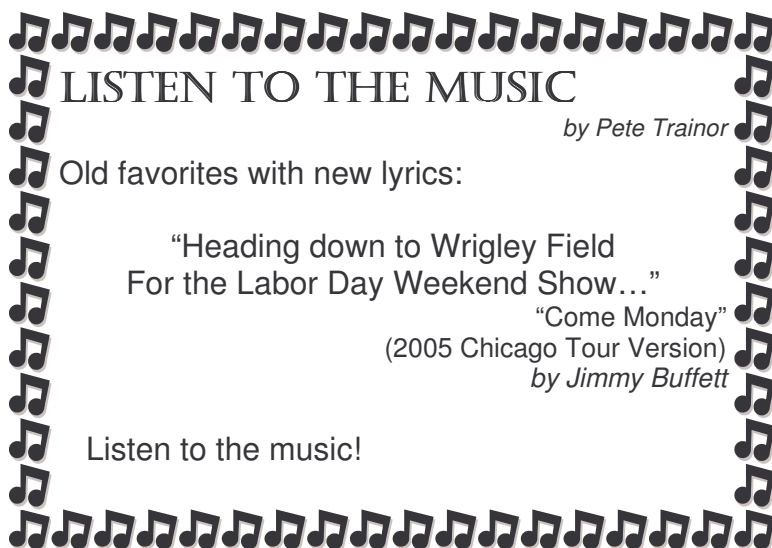
"Thanks for **renewing!**" to Susie and Ed Nnewby (Bloomington), and Jim and Kristi Bright (Creve Coeur).

"Welcome!" to **new members** Jeff and Joni Schenkel (Downs), David and Vicki Erickson (Normal), Ron and Linda Klawitter (Normal), and Julie Mickey (Rantoul).

"Happy September **membership anniversary!**" to Kim Johnson (Jasper, IN).

Rock the Phlock! If you have any ideas for making our membership even better, contact Tammy Van Egtern at tammyve@attglobal.net or (309) 452-4584.

If you meet anyone who you think may be interested in joining our club, direct them to our website at **www.CIPHC.org** where they can find an application as well as information about our organization.



LISTEN TO THE MUSIC

by Pete Trainor

Old favorites with new lyrics:

"Heading down to Wrigley Field
For the Labor Day Weekend Show..."

"Come Monday"
(2005 Chicago Tour Version)
by Jimmy Buffett

Listen to the music!

Charity Report

Since it's been summertime CIPHC hasn't done a lot of charity work, though some members do their own things to help others. This is good.

CIPHC's usual charity event for the fall is the Alzheimer's Memory Walk on the Peoria riverfront (Oct. 2 at 2 p.m. this year). Over the years very few CIPHC members are willing to get involved with this charity event, never more than a half dozen, and even less are willing to sponsor a "walker", though a few nice donations were given by club members. Last year we had only five "walkers" show up and raised only \$410, \$330 of which was raised by the Brights.

Judging by past Memory Walks in Peoria, \$410 was probably a record for CIPHC. It seems CIPHC doesn't help Alzheimers much. We've seemed to fail with that charity since after the first Cabin Fever party.

Unless suddenly a bunch of members want to get involved with Memory Walk, CIPHC may as well drop it as our fall charity and look for something else.

Truthfully, it is boring waiting around to start walking then we go to our cars or the nearest bar. It's, of course, a great cause but there are too many other great causes. I'm not being negative, just honest.

If anyone has an idea for a fall charity event please let the club know. CIPHC still kicks butt on charity compared to some larger clubs. *Those that get involved should be proud of what we do ,and, it is good to be us....*



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

by Pete Trainor



Recently, I sent a brief poll out to the members via our email list asking how much support we had to continue doing **Live By The Lake**. Because the response rate was as important as the response, I sent out no reminders.

The results were excellent. By my calculations, the CIPHC currently has 73 members. We received 42 responses to the poll for a 57% response rate. (of those not responding, 10 are brand new members and 3 additional live out of state and therefore may not feel comfortable voting.) That's far better than any participation rate I can recall in the past.

Of the 42 responses, there was only one that suggested not doing the party again next year. There were a few who pointed out they could not commit to volunteering this far in advance, but that is understandable considering we could not give a date for the party yet anyway.

Based on a good response rate and overwhelming support by those who responded, the CIPHC Board has voted to proceed with plans for LBTL 2006. Please look for more information to be coming out soon.

It's good to be us

Pete



Buffett Insights

by Jim Bright

WE WENT DOWN TO CINCINNATI

It took about 5 hours in our truck. But, unlike the gal Buffett sings about in Fins, the last thing we were looking for was peace and quiet. We were also looking for Sharks-that-live-on-the-land so we could party with them! Of course, I'm talkin' about the Buffett concert in "Cincy" on Sunday, August 21 at Riverbend.

My second trip to a Buffett concert at Riverbend convinced me it is my favorite venue. The tailgating is great and Riverbend itself is better. Every pavilion seat has a perfect view of the stage as well as the gently sloping lawn area. Plus, it's the only venue where you can choose what you want to drink. I went for Bacardi and coke at a low \$5.50 for a 12 oz. cup. Try to find that price at Tweeter for anything except a plain soda.

With the *Salty Piece of Land* tour Jimmy has changed his set-list somewhat. The oddest part was he did a medley of Dave Matthews songs. It was pretty good; just never expected that. Of course, he did all the "Songs You Know By Heart", which to the Buffett veterans mean "go get a drink or restroom break". Jimmy talks a lot but it was really cool when he announced Margaritaville is sponsoring the first ever BuffettFest in Baghdad. That announcement received the longest and loudest standing ovation of the entire night.

As always, Jimmy came out for his encore songs and the second one was Fins. The crowd went wild!! I love watching how Buffett can get thousands of people to do the same thing over and over and over. It was another great Buffett experience.

If you've never been to Riverbend in Cincinnati, I highly recommend the relatively short drive there. Unfortunately, after partying from Friday night 'till early Monday morning, the drive back felt like 10 hrs.

....the price we pay for phun!

PARROTHEAD

A Jimmy Buffet Tribute and Tailgate Party



(The following is an email received by Jim Bright from a PHIL officer.)

Hello from PHIL, Parrot Heads in Lincolnland!!!! We are getting onboard with the University of Illinois' Sangamon Auditorium and WYMG, a local radio station (very "Buffett-friendly") about their first ever tailgate event/concert, and we are extending an invitation to our neighboring "phriends" to join up for some pre-party "phun" and to offer an opportunity to get their "tailgate fix" that will be missed, since the Chicago venue is at Wrigley.

While all details are not finalized, the event is on **Saturday, October 1** here in **Springfield**. Our club would like to start the day with a just-for-phun golf outing. Tentative tee times would begin around 10:00 a.m., no shotgun start. We would limit the outing to the first 50 golfers to sign up to ensure that we can move on to the tailgate in time. Cost will be around \$35 which will include some beverages along with the cart.

Following the golf event, the tailgating will begin at 5:00 in one of the university parking lots. We know there will be alcohol for sale at the event, but no official decision has been made on whether tailgaters can bring their own as part of their tailgate event (meaning, you probably should wait for details before building a tiki bar as your club's entry!!!!). There will be judging of the tailgate entries and prizes awarded by the radio station. During the tailgate, clubs will be allowed to set up mini-marts and raise money for their designated charity, so this could be an opportunity for your members who attend to earn a little credit while having a great time!!!

At 8:00 pm, the concert begins. *PARROTHEAD*, from Ohio, is the performing band. Check this link for more information <http://www.sangamonauditorium.org/parrothead.htm>. The representative from Sangamon Auditorium has agreed to give a discounted ticket rate to all members of Parrot Head clubs. The tickets will probably be about \$20 each. I am making contact with hotels regarding getting a block of rooms at a discounted rate.

As I said, this is VERY initial planning and right now I am needing to get a "pheel" for how many clubs/members are interested in joining up for this activity. When all the details are worked out, we will get a flyer together with finalized costs per person in the next email. If possible, please have those interested email me within the next week so that we can reserve the golf course and know how many rooms to block. Since this is a university homecoming weekend, there may be limited accommodations.

Feel free to call if there is any other info that I can give or may have left out!!!! My number is 1-217-502-2280.



Review: A SALTY PIECE OF LAND

by Joe Kaywood

Jimmy Buffett's latest book, *A Salty Piece of Land*, is in my opinion his best to date. It's based in the Caribbean islands and is a story about the adventures of Tully Mars. You might remember Tully from a short story entitled "Take Another Road" that appeared in an earlier Buffett book, *Tales From Margaritaville*. *A Salty Piece of Land* picks up from where the short story ends. Tully goes on journeys that take him from being a fishing guide, to trips on old sailboats, to an excursion in Belize, to the restoration of an old light house. Throughout the book Buffett manages to work in the titles to almost every song he's written and probably some new ones that have yet to be recorded. I feel that this book shows how truly entertaining Jimmy Buffett is with words.

Jimmy Buffett is one of six authors to have books on both the New York Times Bestseller fiction list and the New York Times Bestseller non-fiction list. His fiction bestsellers are *Tales From Margaritaville* and *Where Is Joe Merchant?*. His non-fiction bestseller is *A Pirate Looks At Fifty*. The other five authors to accomplish that feat are: Ernest Hemingway, John Steinbeck, William Stryon, Irving Wallave, and Dr. Seuss. The hardback edition of *A Salty Piece of Land* has so far peaked at #3 on the New York Times Bestseller list.

I highly recommend this book to everyone who enjoys reading and likes a good story.

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11	12	13	14 HAPPY BIRTHDAY Teri Hagen	15	16	17
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And now, a word from our sponsor

The Central Illinois Parrot Head Club and Parrot Heads in Paradise are non-profit organizations whose purposes are to assist in community and environmental concerns and to provide a variety of social activities for people with similar tastes and interests.

Do you know anyone who would like to join the Central Illinois Parrot Head Club? Have them call or write the club at the address below or bring them to the next meeting!

What about ideas or suggestions for the club or the Quietly Making News? Call or write the club at the address below or e-mail us at:

officers@CIPHC.org

Visit the CIPHC Web Site at:
www.CIPHC.org

Parrot Head Store

Call the club hotline, 827-7836, for these items and anything else you think you want to buy.

T-shirts	\$12.00	CIPHC Pins	\$4.00
Tank Tops	\$10.00	Huggies / Koozies	\$3.00

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