

St. Somewhere Times

March-April 2017

MESSAGE FROM OUR PREZ

Hello PHriends,
 I hope everyone has enjoyed their winter as much as you possibly can enjoy winter in the mid-west, with cold, snow, ice and darkness, burr. Well, not every day during winter is like that when you belong to the Route 66 PHC. We can actually bring warmth, comfort, smiles and pun to people in need. We finished off the year with a bang hanging out with our friends at Happy Acres, and have already

brought in the new year with a bang with the clubs fifth birthday at Belmont, raising 800 dollars for the Totes for Tots and Teens.

"We like to party with a purpose as we perform community service projects and donate to charities."

Wow it's been five years since Richard & Pam Ray and Randy & Marion Laskowitz founded the club. Without them, this would not have been possible ... getting to know such a great group of people. Now, five

years later the number of members continues to grow and what also continues to grow is the amount of monies, goods and volunteer hours. There are a lot of events on the calendar already this year, so bring friends, family, help spread the word that the Route 66 PHC is five now and is always looking for good people that want to contribute to our cause.

Sincerely,
 Donnie Kerksieck

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ANOTHER TRIP AROUND THE SUN MARCH AND APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Steve Carey	3/2	Cheri Laurent	4/4
Terry Beck	3/2	Kelly Johnston	4/5
Diana Harness	3/2	Becky Elliott	4/5
Jordon Sieferheld	3/3	Mike Adkins	4/5
Steve Bowles	3/9	Jan Busch	4/12
Robin Adkins	3/16	Stephanie Hayes	4/13
Margaret Carey	3/17	Nicole Koppenhoefer	4/18
Christie Krueger	3/18	Mark Hewkins	4/20
Trudy Bowles	3/20	Elaine Rossy	4/24
George Reed	3/26	Linda Orrell	4/24
Daniel Caulley	3/27		
Judy Redman	3/28		
Emily Orrell	3/29		



OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

MARCH

3/9/17 [Monthly Happy Hour and Meeting](#)

APRIL

4/2/17 STLPHC Birthday Party
 4/13/17 [Monthly Happy Hour and Meeting](#)
 4/20-23/17 PCB Rendezvous
 4/29/17 [Baby Stella Benefit](#)

MAY

5/6/17 [Happy Acres Field Trip \(tentative\)](#)
 5/11/17 [Monthly Happy Hour and Meeting](#)
 5/13/17 STLPHC Night at the Races

JUNE

6/3/17 Clinton County PHC Golf Scramble
 6/8/17 [Monthly Happy Hour and Meeting](#)
 6/17/17 STLPHC Beach Party
 6/20/17 Meramec Community Fair Parade
 6/23/17 John Friday House Concert at the Fuchs
 6/23/17 STLPHC Margaritaville Night
 6/24/17 [Crawfish/Shrimp Boil](#)

JULY

7/1/17 [Palazzolo Racing PHlocking](#)
 7/8/17 [Luau at the Davis'](#)
 7/8/17 CIPHC Leather and Leis
 7/13/17 [Monthly Meeting](#) w/HOUSE Concert
 (Kitty Steadman/Melanie Howe)
 7/29-30/17 Trop Rockin River Fest

AUGUST

8/10/17 [Monthly Happy Hour and Meeting](#)

SEPTEMBER

9/23/17 [NOTE: Monthly Happy Hour and Meeting/Chili Cook off at Tim & Becky Elliotts](#)
 9/23/17 Donny Brewer at the Port of Indecision

OCTOBER

10/7/17 [Wine Party at the Davis'](#)
 10/12/17 [Monthly Happy Hour and Meeting](#)
 10/14/17 Clinton County PHC Birthday Party/Bus Trip
 10/21/17 CubaFest

NOVEMBER

11/1-5/17 Meeting of the Minds
 11/9/17 [Monthly Happy Hour and Meeting](#)
 11/25/17 Clinton County PHC Christmas Party & Parade

DECEMBER

12/2/17 STLPHC Holiday Party
 12/9/17 [Christmas Party](#)
 12/14/17 [Monthly Happy Hour and Meeting](#)
 12/17/17 [Happy Acres Christmas Party](#)

ITEMS IN BLUE ARE ROUTE 66 PHC CLUB EVENTS

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR FELLOW PARROT HEADS—BRENDA DACE

By Jeff Palazzolo

Welcome to our bi-monthly “Getting to Know Your Fellow Parrot Heads”, where we will take a peek inside our fellow members to get to know them just a little better.

Our 2nd installment will be with the Brenda Dace who is a charter member the Route 66 Parrothead Club.

Name

Brenda Dace

Hometown

Sullivan, MO.

Occupation

Greeter at People’s Bank in Cuba, before that Brenda managed an auto body shop in wright City Mo

Birth / grow up town / School

Born in Brentwood Mo. Brenda moved around as a youngster living in St. Louis, Jennings and Brentwood before finding her way to Sullivan in 1991

Children

2 Daughters-Stacey & Nichole and 2 grandchildren-Kaleb 13 and Remi 9

Pets

No more pets at Brenda’s house

How long Have you been in Route 66 PHC

Being a charter member, Brenda has been part of Route 66 PHC since 2012

How did you get involved in Route 66 PHC

Brenda was one of the 26 original people who met at Belmont on January 29, 2012 to sign a petition to present to PHiP (the mothership) asking to form the Route 66 Parrot Head Club and become a sanctioned charter. When the club was officially sanctioned on February 2, 2012, Brenda was all in and helped recruit members for the new found club.

Has your opinion of Parrot Heads changed once you became a Parrot Head

Brenda says she pretty well knew what to expect before she signed up.

Favorite Music Genre

New Country

Favorite Buffet Song

Margaritaville (without hesitation)

1st Concert

Seals & Croft in St. Louis

Last concert (major venue)

Cher

How you met significant other

At the Eagles Club in Sullivan playing darts and as they say, the rest is history

What are you driving?

Chevy Trailblazer

1 interesting thing nobody knows about you

Been married 3 times



MUSICIAN'S SPOTLIGHT

Eric Stone

Everything I do, revolves around sailing...

Sprinkled through the titles of Eric Stone's eleven CDs lie a string of island adventures that every salty sailor hopes to have. "Bomba's Shack," "Dominica Discovery," "Bequia Kind of Day," "One Night at Corsairs" and "Goodbye Trinidad" are all stories lived and memories made by this talented sailing, surfing, songwriting singer.

His music is a comfortable mix of rock, pop and country but since all that he writes is water related he likes to describe his art as Nautical Americana. "Everything I do," he explained, "Revolves around sailing."

To the casual listener he's a Jimmy Buffett wanna-be but his song titled "Everybody wants to be Jimmy Buffett" straightens out that myth in the opening line: "I don't want to be Jimmy Buffett, I just want to be me." Although he does sometimes play the Margarita man's music in his shows and acknowledges that it has had an influence in his style, he's been on his own convoluted, melodious journey that started in the unlikely state of Texas.

When he was ten, Stone's mother taught him how to play her guitar and when he took to it quickly and passionately, he never gave it back. His high school band, all rock and roll, played on until a ticket out of Texas came in the form of an airline job that landed him in Florida. That day job was counterbalanced by moonlighting in a rock band. Years later a job transfer to Hawaii brought the opportunity to learn the ukulele and that is where Eric's taste in music turned tropical.

After nearly a decade of job security, Stone's driving desire to become a serious songwriter prompted his move to the music industry's epicenter, Nashville. There within a week Stone landed a publishing deal with Be Cool

Records. "That's where I really learned to write," he explained. And write he did, every kind of music including his own until he realized, "I finally had enough songs to make my own CD." Titled "Songs for Sail," it caught the attention of the folks at Strictly Sail Boat Shows who hired him to perform at their Chicago event. There he met the infamous Bob Bitchin, publisher of *Latitudes and Attitudes*, who agreed to carry the CD in his magazine before Stone finished his second set. From that fortuitous performance, Eric became the official entertainer of all Strictly Sail Boat Shows and the musical voice of a magazine.



such names as G.M., Hewlett Packard, Bass Pro Shops, Carnival Cruise lines, Sunsail and Bahama Breeze. During summers, he tours the states in a big red bus and looks forward to winters at his new home in the US Virgin Islands. He zips around the VI waters performing at Latitude 18, Foxy's, Corsairs, Myett's, Sidney's Peace and Love and other boater-loving bars.

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The next meeting with Bob Bitchin at a St. Petersburg boat show launched Eric onto the stage of all the *Latitudes and Attitudes* cruisers parties and rallies held throughout the US and in exotic anchorages around the world. He's played some amazing venues with them but his favorite was a party in Tonga where he performed for one of the governors on an island with no power. A few years ago the magazine added a television component that opens each show with the Eric Stone theme song titled, of course, "Latitudes and Attitudes."

Stone has logged many musical miles singing in over 35 states and nine countries. The biggest crowd he captivated was 85,000 at a benefit concert in Australia. Behind him is a trail of venues including numerous yacht clubs, and corporate events for

When asked to name his favorite song he hesitated. "It changes. I've got a catalog of two hundred songs I've written." Coming up with all those ideas seems to be no problem. "Hang out with us for a couple weeks," he said. "We meet characters everywhere. I don't try to keep track of everything...I'd have to write songs every minute!" The lyrics for "Permanently Temporary," the title track from his third CD, are the autobiography of his life: "We're not here forever you know, we've got to live life." He seized it when he wrote those words on a plane on the only available paper, an unused airsick bag.

"Songs for Sail" has sold over 100,000 copies making it certified gold, no small feat, considering that it was an independent release. There are other Boat Songs Collections along with two Scuba Compilations and a Christmas collection. His latest release, "Songs from the Virgin Islands," is the first acoustic compilation and already there are plans for more. "Mostly," he said, "I'd like to write songs for movies, TV and other artists." Given Eric Stone's past accomplishments, listen for those sounds in his future.
www.ericstoneband.com.

JUSTICE IS SERVED ... CASA STYLE

Route 66 Parrot Heads Named Giving Donor of the Year

On Saturday, January 21, 2017, the Route 66 Parrot Head Club was honored to receive the Annual Giving Donor of the Year Award from Franklin County CASA at their annual fundraiser awards breakfast.

In continued support of this organization, 8 club members paid the \$30 per plate to attend the breakfast. They were served by judges from Franklin County Courts.

It was very interesting to hear the stories from speakers who are directly involved with CASA. Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) volunteers are trained to speak up for the best interest of abused and neglected children in the courts. They are appointed by a judge to review records, research information and talk to everyone involved in a child's case, making sure the child remains safe, until a permanent resolution is reached.

This year the club's donation to CASA was made possible from a benefit hosted by Tim and Mona Davis on July 31, 2016 at their river paradise home. They donated not only their property but river floats, auction items, fireworks and more.

Previous years donations had been made possible from the club activity of picking grapes for Belmont Winery and having the wages they would have earned donated to CASA. The club has also collected and donated much needed offices supplies to this organization.

Judge
David
Hoven
Serving
Coffee



ROUTE 66 PARROT HEAD BIRTHDAY PARTY *FIVE YEARS OF GIVING BACK ...*

On Saturday, February 4, 2017, the Route 66 Parrot Head Club celebrated their 5th Birthday at Belmont Winery in Leasburg, Missouri,

Birthday cake and music by Terry Beck and Brenda Clark was provided by the Club. This event was open to the public and new friendships were formed. Two new members, Kim Carollo and Robert Koppenhoefer, joined at this event.

As is our custom, the purpose for this event was Totes for Tots and Teens. Ms. Kathleen Boulay-Eaton of Totes was present and spoke to us about the organization.

It is safe to say, everyone enjoyed a great afternoon at Belmont celebrating 5 very fun filled years.



MORE BIRTHDAY PICTURES ...



TOTES FOR TEENS AND TOTES

On February 18, 2017, Laura Palazzolo and Lisa Kerksieck of the Route 66 Parrot Head Club presented a check in the amount of \$800 to Kathleen Boulay-Eaton of Totes for Tots and Teens. The monies were raised at the Club's fifth birthday party held at Belmont Winery in Leasburg.

Totes for Tots and Teens is a Non-Profit To Help Local Children in Foster Care

Our mission is to provide reusable duffel bags to every

foster child who enters the foster care system in Franklin and adjacent counties. These duffels support these kiddos by giving them an attractive, serviceable alternative to a black plastic trash bag for their belongings; to be used when entering foster care and at times of relocation within the system.

There are more than 300 children in foster care in Franklin County alone. When they enter the system, it is a very traumatic situation and they are afraid, helpless, and hopeless. They

are given a large plastic garbage bag in which to transport their meager belongings and clothing items. They go to a foster home where people are kind, but they are strangers. As one adult who had been in foster care as a child puts it: "It's like they are saying all your stuff, your whole life, what little you have, is garbage. You already feel like garbage, seeing your stuff in the bags reinforces the feeling. I cannot find words to express how very important this program is."



Hosted By:



BENEFIT FOR
BABY STELLA
SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2017
6:30 p.m. - 11 p.m.

BOURBON COMMUNITY CENTER, 575 Elm Street, Bourbon, MO
 Dinner 7:00 pm
 Music 8-11 pm

\$30 PER PERSON

ADVANCED PAYMENT REQ'D

(Payment due NO LATER than April 19th (No payment at door))

INCLUDES DINNER & LIVE MUSIC

BYOB (Bring your own Beverage) - Alcohol Allowed!

50/50 RAFFLE

SILENT AUCTION

**COME OUT & ENJOY TROP ROCK
MUSICIAN DON MIDDLEBROOK!**



**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE A BASKET OR ITEM
 FOR THE SILENT AUCTION OR FOR QUESTIONS
 PLEASE CONTACT COLLEEN FUCHS AT 309-275-2160**



Stella has been diagnosed with SCN8A, a rare genetic mutation with less than 150 known cases worldwide. Stella's specific mutation is 100% specific to her and neither of her parents are carriers. SCN8A causes Stella to have seizures (epilepsy), developmental delays, severe low muscle tone, and cortical vision impairment. Stella is 14 months old and is having eye surgery in February. They also found that she has some hearing loss and will need hearing aides. Because of her low muscle tone she will also need a wheelchair. Insurance will only cover one piece of equipment per lifetime. She receives PT, OT, speech & vision therapy. Emergency medication is given if the seizures last more than 5 minutes. Stella has had numerous helicopter & airplane transports already and has been hospitalized many times due to her seizures. She has been on numerous anti-seizure medications but they haven't found the right combination to control her seizures. Stella will never outgrow this genetic mutation, but with the right medications and care the family hopes that one day she will experience seizure-free periods.

Please join us to help raise money for Stella's medical expenses!

RETURN THIS FORM WITH YOUR CHECK TO: Route 66 Parrot Head Club, P.O. Box 426, Sullivan, MO 63080

Name(s): _____

Number of Tickets: _____ x \$30.00 = Check Amount \$ _____

Or you can pay online at www.route66parrotheads.com

RENDEZVOUS 2017 APRIL 20-23, 2017

Find out more at: WWW.panamacityphc.org

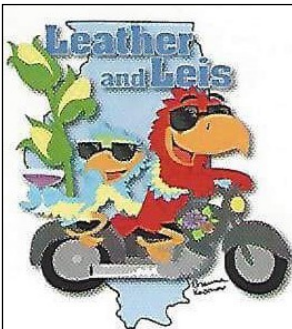
our charity: girls inc.

4 days of Trop Rock Music on the World's Most Beautiful Beach in Panama City, FL

Growing Older But Not **UP!**

SAVE THE DATE

Route 66 Parrot Head Club
 Annual Crawfish & Shrimp Boil
JUNE 24, 2017



Leather and Leis River Run 2017

Saturday July 8, 2017
10 AM - 8 PM

Motorcycle - Boat
Automobile - Bus

\$20 advance / \$25 day of (dinner included)
ciphc.org or 309-323-0017

- Kuchie's on the Water (10 -11:30am)
 - No Wake Zone
 - Bananas
 - Lacon Legion
 - East Peoria Boat Club (5-8pm)
- Music and dinner

Benefitting  **ILLINOIS CANCERCARE**
foundation



Registration for the 26th Annual Meeting of the Minds 2017 is Open!!

HAPPY NEW YEAR PARROT HEADS!!

Hello Everyone! Happy Holidays! It is time to let you know that Meeting of the Minds 2017 registration is open! The Casa Marina is also now ready to take your reservation for Meeting of the Minds 2017!! But hurry on the reservations as the hotel sold out in three weeks last year!

2017 MEETING OF THE MINDS REGISTRATION OPENS DECEMBER 27th!!

REGISTRATION FOR THE 26th ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MINDS 2017 OPENED AT 12:00 NOON EST on DECEMBER 27, 2016!! Here is the link: <https://www.php.com/meeting>. Choose the "REGISTRATION" button IN THE LOWER LEFT of the link above AND YOU ARE ON THE WAY TO REGISTERING! If you have ANY QUESTIONS about Meeting of the Minds registration questions are generally answered at this FAQ link: <https://www.php.com/meeting-faq>.

I want to take a moment to tell you that you will have opportunities to register for volunteer activities when you register. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THE GIFT BAG STUFFING EVENT please register early as that event is sold out when we reach 125 people. This will fill VERY QUICKLY. Do not delay if you want to participate as there are NO EXCEPTIONS after we reach the limit. That same rule applies to all the other volunteer positions but they tend to fill up more slowly than the gift bag party...

ROUTE 66 PARROT HEAD CLUB

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We are an inclusive social club whose purpose is to bring together like-minded folks infused with the tropical spirit of Jimmy Buffett as well as his kick-back lifestyle, music and writings. We desire to leave things a little better than we found them while having a BLAST doing it. We like to party with a purpose as we perform community service projects and donate to charities.

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