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## GROWING OLDER BUT NOT UP

Only in America ♪ can a kid without a cent ♪ get a break and maybe grow up to be ♪ President.

Oh, hi Metros! Sorry...that song has been running through my head ever since the Buffett concert at Jones Beach a few weeks ago. Probably due to the fact that President Dave Pohorylo chose that opportunity to pass the Metro Tiki Torch over to me and in so doing I became your new Metro Parrot Head Club President. An honor I was very happy to accept! I looked for Dave and Carol after the show but someone said they were seen driving away -- waving with horn-a-honking, "Uncle John's Band" was blasting from the radio (the *other* version), and leaving a trail of champagne corks.

Dave certainly has many reasons to celebrate his 4-year reign (and what was it Dave...5 days, 1 hour, 3 minutes, and 17 seconds?) as our Metro President. Among them is the amazing effort he and Carol put into organizing the "SWIM Across The Sound" event every year in Bridgeport. The CT troops rally and everyone does an incredible job soliciting silent auction items that are always great! Of course, no one but Lucky Lucano ever gets to claim any. Dave also juggles logistics and brings Jim Morris and the Big Bamboo Band into town so Bosco, Mitch, and Jim Muldoon can jump & jump & jump for joy! The end result is that this has always been a very well-attended Metro favorite. (John Hartnett, this is still one of your favorites, right?) The best part is that much money is raised for a contribution to SWIM, an organization that offers support services for cancer patients and their families. Dave is also currently working with a web designer to get our new Metro web site up and running...once a Metro President...always a Metro President...at heart. So, on behalf of everyone I would like to thank Dave very much for being a great President and keeping us on course! He's not going anywhere -- and we know where to find him. Well, *I* probably couldn't. That reminds me...I just installed a compass app on my iPhone...why didn't I think of this before??

You know those questions people ask about remembering where you were when some major event happened...no, not the police...I mean friends or co-workers, etc.? I've noticed that it is a very common conversation among Metros regarding their first club event or first friend in the club, etc.

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## **GROWING OLDER BUT NOT UP**

Even though it was about 15-16 years ago for me, I remember very well. I had extra tickets for JB @ JB but didn't know how to get them to any fellow fan. *Times were different back then kids, I hate to mention age, but I come from an era when we weren't consumed by technology and television.* I never would have done a parking lot deal, even for face value or less...had visions of being hauled off to jail, and worse, missing the show. I ended up with Tom Dalton's telephone #. So, there was Tom sitting around at home just counting T-shirts...15 white, 28 blue, 150...some-sort-of-color, and then ring ring. I mentioned the tickets but Tom spent most of the hour explaining what the Metro club was about and how great the members were and praised all the charity work. He had me sold and ready to join (I think he also sold me 2 T-shirts). Next step was the concert where I had been told to go to the front gate and look for someone who looked like his brother, wearing a tropical shirt, and give the tickets to him. Huh? My second Metro intro was Jimmy Martiello. He took the tickets, I didn't go to jail, concert was great, and I had a future Metro friend. Next step was a big one for me...an official club event. I was going to go to the "Somewhere Over China" Chinese Auction at a Chinese restaurant. The Metros are so clever ☺! Or easily forgetful. (The term now used of course is "silent auction" but remember I'm old and that's what they used to be called.) Hard to believe but I arrived early...just too chicken to go in. When I finally got courageous enough I walked into the back Metro room and everyone was already seated (oh no! oh no!). I hurried to the only available chair, slid in, and introduced myself to the folks at the table. Within minutes the waiter brought out a rather large smoking & flaming volcanic adult beverage and put it down in front of the lady next to me. She shared. How could you not end up as friends after sipping fiery booze together? Thank you for the extra straw Terri Amundsen☺. After lunch I met the Tom behind the phone ☺, everyone introduced themselves and welcomed me as a new Metro. I left with a wonderful feeling that I had found me a home.

Which brings me back full circle to the first thing I typed, "Growing Older But Not Up." As mentioned before I have been a Metro for about 16 years (Peter can verify...I think ☺). A lot of growing older has happened during those years for me and for all of us. But more important, so has a lot of growing. Growing as people, as parents, as sons & daughters, as friends. We have grown and developed into an "alternative family" of sorts. Very popular & hip these days by the way! We are...a Metro family. We've been together as club members have gotten married (ok, and divorced), had children, sent kids off to school, changed careers, paid for weddings, attended wakes, funerals, Shiva's, celebrated graduations, cheered for a special high school football team, endured hard times and health issues. We've supported each other, been there for each other, held fund raisers, attended benefits, heck even pay for someone's concert ticket if \$ times are tough! (I like that one.) Even though there may not be personal involvement in all and everything -- I know there is a care and concern for ourselves as Metros. So, in this case growing older isn't so bad if one of the benefits is to share life with so many special people we call friends. It's a fun benefit too! That's where the "But Not Up" piece comes in ☺.

Well, I better save the bidness part of what I have to say for a separate E-mail or Eric and Lorraine are going to edit me out. Quickly...we had a great September Happy Hour outside under the stars in Northport dancing to the music of Barometer Soup! Thanks to Ray and Ralph for putting that together. The information for the October HH will be sent out soon. Ralph is making a few changes and we'll let ya know. At the urging of Linda Masten and organized through her control central iPhone we held a city HH at the 79<sup>th</sup> Street Boat Basin. It was a great time and I think most folks who attended want to go back again. Terri said she will get that going as well as getting back on schedule with the regular city HH's. Congrats to her on her

graduation from massage-ya-and-make-ya-feel-better-Swedish-skool! (Don't yell at me I forget the real name.)

There are about 55 registered Metros in good standing heading down to Key West for MOTM (they will not remain that way). For the new folks that is an acronym for Meeting of the Minds. I know lol! Mitch Goldberg put together a Metro 2012 MOTM T-shirt. You can still order by October 6<sup>th</sup>. First link is for the Men's 2<sup>nd</sup> for Women's and the information for payment, etc. is on the site. Or in my prior E-mail. Or in Sue's Banana Winds.

<http://www.customink.com/signup/1flvealn> ; <http://www.customink.com/signup/1flzo0qs> ;

Speaking of new folks, we have acquired quite a few in the past 2 months. Their names are listed in the Press as usual. Welcome!! Happy to say one of them is my son Robert. It's about time...he's been a Keet forever. I say if you've made the move to the grownup table for the holidays then it's time to move up from Keet to Metro. I have 3 to go.

Last Friday the Sayville Margaritaville night was attended by about 15 Metros. We listened to the great music of the Ed Travers Band and I can confirm they sound just as great wet as dry! Us, not them. We had our road clean-up last Saturday --19 years of maintaining our adopted road NYS Route 114. About 15 Metros showed up in sensible shoes (Marianne Straaik maybe not but she looked the cutest) to receive their pointy sticks and directions from MetroJoe. Some did better than others. At the direction thing...the clean-up part was aced by all. The Sag Harbor Music Festival was in full swing and many stayed and some additions arrived to enjoy that as well. Don't forget that Larry and Denise DeGennaro host their Alzheimer's Walk, Team False Echoes on October 7<sup>th</sup>. Info was also in my News and Reminders E-mail. NYC Alzheimer's Walk on October 21<sup>st</sup>. Chris Greenfield's Team Go Green walks on October 14<sup>th</sup> at Jones Beach to raise awareness and funds for pancreatic cancer research and support.

That's it for now kids. I have to go start working on next month's article. I hope Al Straaik isn't going to grade me on this. Before I forget, which I actually did because I was going to include it way back there somewhere...

Please feel free to send me any ideas, thoughts, complaints (2 to a customer only), suggestions, etc. I really do want to hear what's going on in your Metro minds (well, not everything) so we can fix, change, add what club members want. I raised 4 kids so I'm not afraid. I'm going to be throwing out some ideas regarding committees. Fun stuff! I want a Metro lanyard! Who's with me?! I'm also going to ask Eric and Lorraine to make some room in the Newsletter for a Suggestion Box. Send your ideas. Maybe if a folks see what others have in mind you can get together and presto! something cool will happen. It will also make less work for me.

Be talking to ya...

Remember, there's no i in Metro! ☺

Lynne

# PARROT HEAD NEWS!!!!

## Long Island Happy Hour

### October Happy Hour

OCTOBER 13<sup>th</sup>

From Ray Leudesdorff and Ralph Wotruba, LI Coordinators:

Location: PUBLIC HOUSE 55

55 New Hyde Park Rd.

Garden City, NY 11530

Time: 8:00PM ☺

Entertainment: Ed Travers (and maybe Wild Bill)

Join us at Happy Hour for fun and great music provided by Ed! 50/50 for club/friendship contribution to The Lustgarten Foundation – working to find a cure for Pancreatic Cancer on behalf of Metro **Chris Awesome Greenfield** and her team "Go Green." (See below)

The Club will also be collecting clothing for Big Brothers & Big Sisters. They will have a truck available between 8-9

## November Happy Hour

### Wrapped With Love

Will be Saturday November 10th (SECOND SATURDAY of the month)...

Details to follow in November..

## The Metro North Happy Hour

Takes place on the second Tuesday of each month (with the exception of our summer months). 6:30 pm at the East Side Cafe in Norwalk, CT anyone planning on attending should RSVP to Carol a [carpoh@aol.com](mailto:carpoh@aol.com) so that table space can be reserved.

## NYC Happy Hour

Hi all,

Thanks to Lynne...'I have found me a home'. Well, it's actually us..the Metros. We're going to have at least one more Happy Hour in October at O'Neill's Boat Basin before they close for the season or throw us out. 🍻 When they re-open in the Spring, we will then continue our HH there. I absolutely LOVE this place...the view of the river is beautiful, the people are friendly, the beer is cold and the food is good! The NYC Happy Hour will remain as the 2nd Friday of every month. I will keep you all posted on the location for our winter HH. I have 3 places in mind to test out...I'm on a mission!

Thanks all!

Terri

*FROM OUR CUZINS IN KEY LARGO ...*

# Pirates on the Water

Hello Parrot Heads from all over!

As promised, here are the details of the 6th Annual PIT STOP PARTY in Key Largo, hosted by PIRATES ON THE WATER.

As you know, this event has grown quite large with so many of you stopping by for a break, to Meet and Greet so many other Parrot Heads, eat some great food and listen to many of the Trop Rockers that have so graciously given their time to stop by and play for us on their way to MOTM.

You all are invited once again to stop over in Key Largo on your way to Key West. The party will be 10/29 & 10/30 which is Monday and Tuesday. MOTM begins on Wednesday.

The location will be at the home of "Past Captain" John Singleton (19 LAKESHORE DR.) on the water at mm 101 Bayside. Look for the Tower of Pizza and the signs pointing you to the right direction. This is a BYOB event, so please feel free to bring a cooler filled with your fave

Also the KEY WEST INN located at mm 100 will be giving Parrot Heads a special discount on rooms again from Friday thru Tuesday - price will be \$69.00. Their number is 305-451-5081. Be sure to mention that you are a PARROT HEAD!

Also once again this year, the KEY LARGO CONCH HOUSE, which is located just in front of the KEY WEST INN will also be giving a buy one, get one free Mimosa with your Breakfast, and a free beer of your choice with each Lunch or Dinner.

John's new Pontoon Boat will once again be plying the waters bayside, weather permitting.

Should you know some Trop Rockers in your area that might want to stop by and play, we would welcome them - Have them contact me to sign up! Last year we were fortunate to have 28 different musicians stop by to visit. We are expecting many more this year, so please pass this information around to your members so that they can start making plans to join us on the way to Key West.

Should you have any questions, you can email me at: [videodave@comcast.net](mailto:videodave@comcast.net)

Thank you,

David Kay - Captain  
Pirates on the Water

*THE REASON I'M SMILING ... I'M LIVING ON AN ISLAND !*



[www.heathersfund.org](http://www.heathersfund.org)

September 6, 2012

Metro Parrot Head Club  
c/o Peter Bosshard  
6 Mountain View Ct.  
Northport, NY 11768

Dear Peter and Club Members,

On behalf of the Officers and Directors of The Heather Pendergast Fund a very sincere thank you for your generous donation from your beach party at Tanner Park last month. The beach party was such a great night, the music, food, weather and people-Awesome! You and your members have been very supportive of our mission. We all share a love of the music of Jimmy Buffett and Jimmy and the Parrots and the friendship that comes with it. I know Heather loved Jimmy Buffett's music and would have loved to hear Jimmy and the Parrots. Again, thank you all so much for your support.

Sincerely,

  
Tom Pendergast



# Growing Older But Not Up!

## NEW MEMBERS

Mark Evans  
 Annette Evens  
 Howard Silverstein  
 Andrea Silverstein  
 Steven Lashin  
 Betsy Lashin  
 Matt Smith  
 Karen Smith  
 Chip Herbst  
 Steve Jacoby  
 Janet Lum Jacoby  
 Anthony Lucano  
 Charlie Schwier  
 Linda Schwier  
 Phil Calabrese  
 Christine Lagalante  
 Robert Creamer  
 Debbie Ungaro  
 Barbara May



## Blood Punch

Ingredients:

- 1 750ml bottle of DonQ Cristal [rum](#)
- 1/2 bottle [red wine](#)
- 6 oz. fresh lime juice
- 6 oz. [triple sec liqueur](#)
- 6 oz. [simple syrup](#)
- 2 [limes sliced in thin wheels](#)
- 2 red oranges sliced in thin wheels

Preparation:

1. Add all ingredients into a large punch bowl and place in the refrigerator for at least two hours before serving.
2. Serve over ice in a punch glass.

Craig Beierlein	1	Migration
Jim Montgomery	2	He Went to Paris
Mark Evens	2	Son of a Salor
Rodney Olsen	7	Pascagoula Run
David Shapiro	7	Cheeseburger in Paradise
Allen Kantorowitz	7	A Pirate Looks at 40
Tammy Robert	8	Margaritaville
Jennifer Gruenheid	9	All
Denise De Gennaro	10	Happily Ever After
Cody Kleinman	10	Its My Job
Angela Shapiro	11	Margaritaville
Matthew Mayhew	14	5 O'clock Somewhere
Laura Bongiorno	15	Margaritaville
Lisa Farley	16	Here We Are
Liz Martiello	18	Banana Republic
Murray Rosenthal	18	Livingston Saturday Night
Robert Mackay	19	Come Monday
Ira Turner	19	Why Don't we get Drunk
Nancy Funt	22	Fins
Andrew Udalovas	22	Depends on my Mood
Greg Higgins	24	I love this Town
Lori Warnokowski	24	Back to the Island
Ron Sass	25	Margaritaville
Jim Martiello	26	Migration
Brian Willett	26	South America
Chris Greenfield	27	Delaney Looks at Statues
Tom Sullivan	27	One Particular Harbor
Meredith Liebold	28	Tin Cup Chalice
Mark Funt	29	Southern Cross
Susan Koenig	29	One Particular Harbor
Doug Smith	30	Fins
James Roman	30	One Particular Harbor
Kathleen Jacquette	31	It's 5 O'clock Somewhere

# Welcome Parrot Heads! The week of Oct 26<sup>th</sup>

## "YOU MUST TELL THEM YOU ARE A "PARROT HEAD" !

- 1) JIMMY JOHNSON'S BIG CHILL 104 mm bayside WILL GIVE A FREE DRAFT BEER WITH LUNCH ENTREE.
- 2) KEY LARGO CHOCOLATES IS OFFERING 10% OFF OF ALL PURCHASES OF 20.00 OR MORE. 101.5 MM BAYSIDE
- 3) "PADDLE" 94401 Overseas Hwy. Tavernier: Would love to extend an offer of 10% off all paddleboard and/or kayak tours and rentals to any Parrot Heads who would be interested in seeing the wilder side of Key Largo!
- 4) CATEGORY 3 BAR AND GRILL 99.5 mm Bayside Food and drink specials Caribbean shrimp W/onions and pineapple \$5.00 6 wings W/honey teriyaki sauce and pineapple \$5.00 Seagram's Caribbean wine coolers All flavors \$3.50 Happy Hour All day long
- 5) PAPA JOHNS IN KEY LARGO MM 99 IN THE MEDIAN will be offering PARROT HEADS a large one topping pizza for only \$8.00 each!! That is about 40% off regular price.
- 6) ISLAND TIME CRUISES LOCATED AT MM107 is offering a Sunset Cruise on Island Time on the 29th or 30th, they would be happy to do a \$10 special to all Parrot Heads. The boat would depart Steamer's at 6pm and return at 8pm. They don't normally sail on those days but would be happy to put together a special trip if you think you might be interested. [www.IslandTimeCruises.com](http://www.IslandTimeCruises.com) is the website for you to check it out! Please call them if you have any questions or interest in going. The number is 305 509 1177. This is a great cruise for Sunset and a Bar and snacks are available onboard. I recommend this cruise!
- 7) D-HOOKERS SPORTS BAR AND GRILL 102 mm Bayside will give "Parrot Head's" the first Free Bud Draft on us. One per person!
- 8) KEY WEST INN at 100 mm Oceanside is once again giving Parrot Heads a 69.00 a night rate per room. We have sold the Hotel out for the last two years, so make your reservations soon. The number to call is 305 451 5081. Be sure to tell them you are a Parrot Head.
- 9) The BAYSIDE INN at 99.75 mm Bayside is also offering Parrot Heads a great rate at 79.00 a night. They are located right on the bay with a beautiful Sunset every nite. [www.baysidekeylargo.com](http://www.baysidekeylargo.com) Check out their website to see what they have to offer. Call at 305 451 5911 to make reservations. Let them know that you are a Parrot Head for your discount!
- 10) FLORIDA BAY OUTFITTERS at 104 mm Bayside, next door to the Caribbean Club, would like to offer a 20% discount off all kayak and paddleboard rentals and a 10% discount off all store merchandise. 305 451 3018.
- 11) PIRATE ISLAND DIVERS would like to support the Parrotheads coming through the keys. Located at the Marriott Key Largo Bay Resort at MM103.8. They would consider a Parrothead Snorkel trip where they would be willing to do one trip for Parrotheads only for 50% off...that is IF they could fill the boat, because they would have to move other people off to other trips. The maximum number of snorkelers they can take on the boat is 49, but for comfort they are ok with any number less than that, but we will need 20 people to sign up before they can commit. Contact Capt. **Brian Napier** 305-453-9881 [www.pirateislanddivers.com](http://www.pirateislanddivers.com)
- 12) THE KEY LARGO CONCH HOUSE @ 100.5 OCEANSIDE WILL BE GIVING A FREE LANDSHARK BEER WITH EACH LUNCH OR DINNER ENTREE.
- 13) LARGO CARGO at 103.5 Oceanside will give a 10% discount to all visiting Parrot Heads.
- 14) BAY COVE MOTEL - MM 99 Bayside Parrot Head discount, rooms available at \$65.00 per night (305) 451-1686



**Rockland Co. Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk**  
**Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup> 2012 @ 10:00 am**  
Romano Student Center 125 Route 340  
St. Thomas Aquinas College, Sparkill, NY

Nine years ago we started **Team False Echoes** with a small group of family and friends. We are now a group of 50+ who walk to raise money for a cure and support the people affected by this cruel disease. **Thanks to your generosity, our team has raised over \$60,000!** This year we will again be walking at St. Thomas Aquinas College and hope we can count on your support once more

Although our team began as a personal tribute to loved ones, Alzheimer's touches all of us. If you do not know anyone who is affected, chances are that you will. Every 70 seconds, someone develops this disease and it affects everyone around them. In sharing our stories, we hope to honor the memories of loved ones who suffered from this disease and offer support to those living with it on a daily basis.

**Here's how you can help!** Have your friends and family sponsor you and walk with us on the 7<sup>th</sup>. Follow us home for our annual team thank you party; cheeseburgers and margaritas will be served. If you can't join us in person you can still be part of our team by making a donation. Sponsor us or any other member of our team. No amount is too small and the process is easy. Donations can be made by mail or through our team's home page @ [http://act.alz.org/goto/False\\_Echoes](http://act.alz.org/goto/False_Echoes)

**Please help us make this our most successful year yet!!!**

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have fun  
do Good  
end alzheimer's