

# What's Up Phlock?



# The Arizona Parrot Head Club Newsletter

Hola Peeps! Welcome to 2021!

Q4 2020

I saw a meme today that said "No one is going to mess up writing this year on their checks". Couldn't agree more although I don't know how many of us still write checks. Still, it's good to have 2020 in the rear view mirror.

2020 wasn't all bad, though. Thanks to everyone who planned, participated and donated - we ended the year with over \$14,000 and exactly (well, best guess) 458.5 hours to charity for our efforts.



- Our November Walk To End Alzheimer's total was \$2,323 which
  put us at 14th out of 54 Parrot Head Club teams. Fantastic! Thanks
  to Joanne Mangis for coordinating.
- We collected \$550 worth of items for Ronald McDonald House at our Holiday event. Thanks to Tammy Bauman for collecting and delivering and to Michael and Tammy for hosting our small gathering.
- We turned in a BUNCH of "pop" (seriously, that's what most of mine are) tops to Ronald McDonald House.

Looking forward to 2021 and hoping we can all start seeing each others' smiling faces in person very soon!



Our Prez: Kathy Pfister!!!





#### Our annual dues are due on January 1.

It's \$25 per person but you can sign up for two people in one fell swoop at <a href="https://www.parrotheads.org/membership-shop">https://www.parrotheads.org/membership-shop</a> Just be sure to up your quantity AND...you can request a 2021 badge for your favorite Keet or Peet. We still managed to do quite a bit in 2020 and are really looking forward to doing even more in 2021!!!

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# The Lyons Den has moved to Alabama...

The day after Christmas, a 20' U-Haul, the pickup, four drivers, two dogs and two cats pulled out of Phoenix and headed east. For all the craziness of 2020, the year allowed us to pull the trigger and make the move to Lower Alabama.

Why Lower Alabama? It started in Costa Rica with a bunch of Oklahoma Parrot Heads. We met folks from Destin, FL and Orange Beach, AL. Five years ago we visited those Parrot Head friends in Orange Beach and loved the area. We knew then and there where we would 'retire.'





My 50th birthday wish was a week-long vacation (timing it perfectly to meet up with Karavan to the Keys) in Orange Beach/Gulf Shores. While there we met up with a realtor and now friend, Brian, to start house hunting. We gave Brian a long list of demands thinking we would never find anything remotely close to what we wanted in our budget. Well, he found not one but two places. We put one under contract then and there.

A couple months of crazy downsizing, garage sales, packing, packing, packing...and then... moving day arrived! Two very good friends in AZ took time off and helped us drive out. Adam and Avery had the 20' U-Haul. Nicki and I had the pickup with the dogs and cats. Not really sure who had the better deal!

After some intense U-Haul Tetris (we had amazing loaders) and a few last minute "well, that won't fit" decisions, we pulled out of the driveway at 2:45pm PST December 26 and pulled into the hotel in Gulf Shores at 8:30pm CST December 27. **We made it!!!** 

Our boat slip...whoo-hoo!!!

We drove straight through 29 hours and 45 minutes!!!

### Whew!...Never again!

# More of The Lyons Den has moved to Alabama...



A few days in the hotel while we had the house cleaned... then on January 1st, we moved the dogs, the cats and us into the new **Lyons Den** in Foley, Alabama. We are loving the area - so much to do, delicious restaurants, friendly people, lots of live music and outdoor fun! Gulf Shores public beach is a quick 15 minute drive. We did find our local spot to bring the laptops and have a beverage while using their good wifi - The Sloop. Amazing food and staff - yes, we are already regulars.

Our property is about an acre giving us lots of room for house concerts! For our RV friends, we have room for you to pull in and we will have electric set up. We also have two boat slips (dock to be built) on the Bon Secour River. Adam is already working on his crab pot skills and Frankie (the puppy) is enjoying the mud and water. Roo gets neighborhood walks and both dogs love the Gulf Shores Dog Park. The kitties (Walter and Skipper) are adjusting well - Walter much quicker than Skipper (he **is** the skittish one).



AZPHC won't get rid of us very easily! Though Adam is no longer the Golf God (the BOD will be asking for volunteers...hint, hint)
I am still running Parrot Grande 2021 and 2022.

If anyone is out this way, be sure to call us - our door is always open and maybe the boat will be in place???



Walter and Skipper are adjusting...

We're looking forward to visits from our AZPHC peeps!

**Karen and Adam** 

...We're gonna miss you, but can't wait to visit!!!



#### **AZPHC Holiday Party – Corona Style!**

On December 5<sup>th</sup>, 14 Parrot Heads carried on the tradition of having a club Holiday/Christmas party. Since it was a small group we went ahead and the party. It couldn't have been a more beautiful day for an outside party. We could social distance, gel our hands and we had gloves to wear while going through the food line.

When the temps dropped we had a couple fires and gas heaters to take the chill off. It was so nice to see people we hadn't see in awhile!

We had 'How the Grinch Stole Christmas' and 'The Christmas Chronicles' playing on the TV.

Denise Karp won best holiday hat contest.

Debbie Andrews won most festive outfit contest.

And the Queen brought out the cowbell. When she rings it; everyone does a shot!





Thanks to Larry and Denise who helped prep food since the Goat was having back problems and needed a little help.

And thanks to the helpers who helped clean up at the end of the night.

And of course the Parrot Heads came through, even though we were small we were mighty – we collected about \$550 worth of toys, crafts, household items and gift cards for Ronald McDonald House...They were thrilled!

Hopefully next year we will be more back to normal! By Queen

#### Our new Foundation....AZPHF

The AZPHC (AZ Parrot Head Club) has created a foundation that now makes it easier to donate funds to the many charities that we support.

The AZPHF (AZ Parrot Head Foundation), a 501c3 organization, was developed as a charity to help charities. It will provide a more efficient means to collect and distribute our "party with a purpose" objectives and account for volunteer time as well.

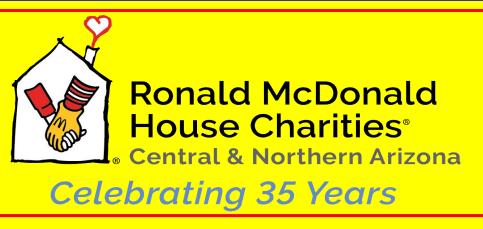
This new foundation will streamline our donation process and assist us in soliciting corporate funds to support our charity events and non-profit donations.

The Executive Committee is made up of five Club members and those volunteers are **Karen Lyons**, **Adam Lyons**, **Tammy Bauman**, **Sarah Edwards** and **Joanne Mangis**. The Executive Committee Chairperson is **Kathy Pfister** and Treasurer is **Lori Matteson**.

Meetings are held monthly with some of the current items of discussion being creation of a Facebook page, Social Media links, ways to promote the Foundation and the dissemination of donation letters to known supporters.

Look for more info coming your way soon!!!

By Joanne Mangis





Our AZPHC club and many of the Parrot Head clubs around the nation save our pop top/beer tabs to donate to the Ronald McDonald House.

#### "Why just the tab?", you ask...

Because they don't have room for cans and people don't always rinse the cans out so sticky cans can attract bugs...yuck!

We also have chosen them as our charity for our Christmas in July event and also supported them at our Holiday/Christmas party this past December.

Now you may ask, "What do they do?"...
RMHC gives a family with a sick child what they need most — each other.

For 35 years, Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Central and Northern Arizona has provided a "home-away-from-home" for families traveling to the Valley for medical care for their children. Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central and Northern Arizona is a welcoming "home-away-from-home" for families with children facing medical challenges, providing an atmosphere of comfort, hope and courage.



Besides collecting pop top/beer tabs for them (we collected 29.5 pounds in 2020) and collecting toys, household items, food, etc for the houses, we have also provided and prepared meals for the residents (pre-Covid) and we look forward to starting this up again just as soon as we allowed to do so!

If you want more info, check them out at **rmhccnaz.org** 

Submitted by Tammy "Queen" Bauman

Trips around the sun (some already celebrated) in Q1 2021: Happy Birthday Everyone!!!

#### **JAN**

Jan-4 Tina Metzger

Jan-15 Brian Boucher

Jan-16 Vicki Sykes

Jan-20 Claudia LaClair

Jan-21 Tom Gilluly

Jan-22 Jed Johnson

Jan-26 Toni Soderman

#### **FEBRUARY**

Feb-6 Deb Zinn

Feb-17 Pete Ferralli

Feb-18 Tom Tanton

Feb-23 Jim Poole

Feb-24 David Briant

Feb-26 Mette Rasmussen

Feb-26 Michael Williams

27 Karen Lyons

## **MARCH**

Mar-1 Louie Jandro

Mar-2 Kevin Andrews

Mar-7 Adam Lyons

Mar-8 Dianne Deimeke

Mar-9 Todd Dellatore

Mar-9 Carol Metivier

Mar-10 Denise Karp

Mar-10 Lori Matteson

Mar-10 Matt Zinn

# **MARCH** cont.

12 Norene Norris

1-13 Stephen Karba

Mar-15 Mary O'Malley

Mar-18 Sam Rainwater

Mar-19 Tommy Moss

Mar-24 Cindy Kelly

Mar-31 Jeff Brown

#### Arizona Parrot Head Club **Profit & Loss** December 2020 Jan - Dec 20 Dec 20 Income Club Income/Contributions 50/50 Raffles 146.00 01 January 0.00 0.00 02 February 03 March 0.00 268.00 07 July 4 59 150.00 0.00 Alzheimers Total 50/50 Raffles 0.00 666 59 Events Income Masters Golf 1.567.37 Golf 0.00 71.78 **Golf Signs** 0.00 484.96 Masters Golf Sponsor ship 2,124.11 0.00 **Total Masters Golf** Parrot Grande 4,944.45 PG Raffle Tickets 0.00 7 092 58 Reservations 12,037.03 0.00 Total Parrot Grande 0.00 Water Collection 0.00 14,181.14 **Total Events Income** 26 00 133.00 Mini-Mart **Private Contributions** 450.00 Sam Rainwater/Suntronics Private Contributions - Other 107.00 0.00 557.00 **Total Private Contributions** 15,537.73 26.00 Total Club Income/Contributions 2,158.25 852.84 Membership Dues 17,695.98 878.84 Total Income

Expense		
Club Operating Expenses		
Bank Charges	0.00	36.77
PHIP Dues	0.00	209.00
PO Box Rental	0.00	130.00
Postage, Printing & Copying	0.00	87.00
Professional Fees	0.00	325.00
Storage Unit	0.00	1,019.40
Website	13.03	380.24
Total Club Operating Expenses	13.03	2,187.41
Donations		
Alzheimers Association	0.00	150.00
Christophers Cure	0.00	745.00
DAV of Arizona	0.00	3,100.00
PHIP	0.00	100.00
Recreational Horizons	0.00	512.00
Total Donations	0.00	4,607.00
Events		
Buffett Tickets - Vegas	0.00	218.00
March Picnic	0.00	36.87
Mardi Gras Party	0.00	70.00
Master's Golf Tournament		
Masters Refund	0.00	1,401.86
Total Master's Golf Tournament	0.00	1,401.86

Parrot Grande		
50/50	0.00	2,000.00
Advertising	0.00	625.00
Crowne Plaza	0.00	500.00
Parrot Grande Refunds	0.00	7,078.76
Total Parrot Grande	0.00	10,203.76
Total Events	0.00	11,930.4
Total Expense	13.03	18,724.9
Net Income	865.81	-1,028.9

# **Financials**

As of December 31, 2020

#### Arizona Parrot Head Club **Balance Sheet**

As of December 31, 202	0
	Dec 31, 20
ASSETS Current Assets Checking/Savings BMO Harris Checking PayPal	345.86 639.96
Wells Fargo AZPHC Account	664.23
Total Checking/Savings	1,650.05
Total Current Assets	1,650.05
TOTAL ASSETS	1,650.05
LIABILITIES & EQUITY Equity Opening Balance Assets Opening Balance Equity Net Income	-4,425.03 7,104.00 -1,028.92
Total Equity	1,650.05
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	1,650.05



#### Phred's Further Adventures...

2020 continued to change the way we do things; but, I still managed to have loads of phun this past quarter...

In November, I participated in the **Alzheimer's Virtual Walk** followed by refreshments and queso at Ajo Al's. Also in November, the Goat and Queen took me to Puerto Vallarta!!!

That was a great place to relax and we all felt so safe!



In December, we (Goat, Queen and I) hosted the Annual AZPHC Holiday Party. We decided to go ahead with it since there was going to be a small group. It was great to see friends and catch up.

I rounded out the year with a very small gathering of friends for New Year's Eve. I was glad to see 2020 go!

# Here is to a better year and seeing all of you soon!

# Welcome to our new VP-Thom Strupp!!!

Give a big AZPHC welcome to our newest Veep, **Thom Strupp!!** Thom joins us this year with some big shoes to fill and we're excited to have him bring some new ideas to the table!!!

Thom has been an AZPHC member for 14 years and has held the position of member-at-large and has been part of the Parrot Grande planning committee for a number of events.

Thom's favorite Buffett song is "A Pirate Looks at Forty"!

Make sure to introduce yourself next time we get to meet in person!!!

# Your 2021 Board of Directors

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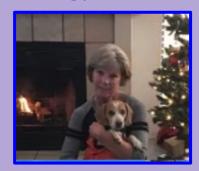
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Make sure to check out the weekly email updates from the Prez for anything PHUN going on with our Phlock! Stay safe all!!!