

# What's Up Phlock

## The Arizona Parrot Head Club Newsletter

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### Dis & Dat

**2003 Financials:** The year-end report will be published in the Q2 newsletter along with the results of our annual financial review.

**PHiP Yahoo Group:** This is a great tool to keep up with the PHiP phamily of clubs. The new PHiP secretary, Pat Kaley, is encouraging everyone to sign up and join in on the discussions. You can sign up at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/PHIP/>. Also, don't forget our own Yahoo group, <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/arizonaparrotheadclub/>.

**Calendar Raffle Results:** Winning prizes in our December raffle were: Jeremiah Smith, Kathy Pfister, Pete & Kathy Ferralli, Roger Shive and Sandi Murray (twice!) and Paula Masiulewicz.

**Phootball Results:** Despite leading the league for the most weeks, Jeff Brown Choked (yes, that's with a capital C) at the end and put the championship up for grabs. It came down to the wire and Chris Roth pulled out the win in the last week. Much phun was had by all.

### Welcome to our newest members – we're so glad you joined us!

Niki Abraham  
Woody Joyner  
Parri Longworth  
Shelly Long  
Betty Lowry  
Roger Bueae

Greg Altmeyer  
JoAnne Kaufman  
Steve Verzak  
Jim Phelps  
Bob Lowry

Tripp Biggers  
Sherwin Kaufman  
Ed Ward  
Melanie Turrell  
Kathleen Carter

Patti Hartnack  
Pat Klein  
Oliver Baumann  
Karen Eagley  
Mary Rogers

Alexis Joyner  
Jerry Longworth  
Jack Chandler  
Lou Eagley  
D.J. Flanders

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## Ready for 2004!!!

Happy New Year Parrotheads!!! With 2003 behind us, 2004 will be a good year for the Arizona Parrothead club. Your newly elected Board of Directors is working on some exciting activities and events that will provide all of the members opportunities to meet and socialize. The 2004 calendar includes some of the annual events such as the McBuffett Party, Southwestern Salsa Fest, Special Olympics, Alzheimer's walk, and of course our premier event of the year, PARROT GRANDE. These activities provide an excellent chance to meet others of the Phlock and enjoy the friendship that your membership affords.

The major goal of the new board is to plan activities that will encourage you, the membership, to participate. Through participation in club activities, you cannot only find personal enjoyment, but will meet some really great people. If you have not come to some of our past activities I encourage you to stop in and get to meet some of your fellow Parrotheads.

As the board commences their duties in January, we will be organizing and firming up the 2004 calendar. We are in the process of updating the new website. Early indications that it will be very easy to navigate and is well organized. We have links to some of the more popular sites and a link to our Yahoo calendar. This calendar provides an excellent way to print the events for the month. Along with the website, last year, we set-up our AZPHC Hot Line. This number is your gateway to the latest information on club activities. The number is 480-895-3709. Next time you see one of your board members ask them for a magnetic reminder that can be attached to your refrigerator.

We have not heard any rumors of a concert this year, but if he comes we will be there. As the next few weeks unfold and we all get down to work following this Holiday season, we will be sending you more information on the event calendar. Our goal is participation and whatever we can do to make this a fun club, we will consider. Our activities have been very diverse from bowling nights to cruises.

This year a new event has been added. You will see on the website a link to an event called PHINS to the West. The AZPHC in partnership with the LA clubs, are creating a new event in Laughlin, Nevada that we hope will become a major West Coast Regional Party. The goal is to bring National talent to a weekend event, while minimizing the costs to attend a function of this type. You will see more on this in the coming newsletters and on the website. The website for the event is now up and running, [www.phinstothewest.com](http://www.phinstothewest.com). Information and registrations for the event can be accomplished on that site.

Over the next few months I will be sending out additional information and updates to our schedule. If you have anything that you feel is appropriate for the membership please email those to me for inclusion in the Newsletter or in our emails. Also, I would like to remind all that we also have the Yahoo Club page, which is an excellent forum to get messages to the club.

Though we know you will not be able to make all of these events, we do hope you can make a few. If you have any question or comments on the club in general please give me a call or send an email. Our goal is to increase participation, and your inputs are important to making this a better club.

Pete Ferralli  
President

## Jello Shot Contest Review

Kathy Pfister

It wouldn't be a bus trip to Vegas without the traditional Jello Shot contest. Since the Jello Shot Queen could not preside over the festivities for our September trip, it fell to the young and charming Princess to take over (OK, can you at least give me the charming part?). My trusty sidekicks, Norene Norris and Paula Masiulewicz, and I bravely tried all of the concoctions. We may have even tried some of them more than once. After a toast to the Queen's (and the Goat's) health, the winners were announced.

Results:

Deadliest - Doug Murray, Fins in the Dessert

Most Creative - Todd "Quench Wench" Dellatore, Palm Trees

Best Overall - The Martins, Beer Jello, Tahitian Ecstasy and an autographed Jimmie Johnson 12 pack of Miller Lite (for those not in "The Know", JJ came in second place in the final Winston Cup Standings)

Best Bribe - Terry "Captain" Blood, a rose, chocolate and peanuts with an IOU for \$1,000,000 (still waiting on that last one)

Most Colorful - Kathy Ferralli for several colorful entries

People's Choice - Quench Wench, Palm Trees

Most Authentic - Mike "The Salt Guy", Salt Guy Margaritas

Most Non-Jello Entry - Sam Rainwater, Hurricanes

Best Bribe from a Non-Contestant - Sandi Murray, tiaras and scepters for the lovely judges (and I think this is where I got my pink, feather boa, too. Regardless, it looked great on Captain Blood.)

## We Really Walked This Time!\*

Kathy Pfister

Saturday, October 18, found a group of about 20 Parrot Heads in downtown Phoenix for the 2003 Alzheimers Association's Memory Walk. As usual, we moved through the crowd hearing "Who are those people?" and "Look, the Parrot Heads are here." Shortie led the charge through the booths and made sure we collected all of the good freebies while Sandi tracked down Dan Davis of Channel 3. Dan asked us to meet him at 9:20 for a live shot. We made our way to the meeting spot and cheered on the walkers who started at the official 9 AM kickoff. After our TV spot, we headed down the walk route, the last group to go. Some of the gang thought we were going to peel off early and head to Chuy's but we actually went around a few blocks before going through the finish line. The best part of the day: we raised over \$2,500 for the fight against Alzheimers. Running a close second to being the best part: partying at Chuy's afterwards. Chuy's was kind enough to open an hour early for us and we had a blast. We made new prhields, played tunes through the Cheeseburger radio, danced (you need to see Shortie when the Monkees are playing) and sang our hearts out. Who knew we had so many Grease fans? Hope to see more pholks out there next year as this was an absolute great day!

\*Well, only part way, but it was still walking!

## Calling all Social Butterflies!

Tina Davis is heading up the newly formed Social Committee. If you would like to help in picking out Happy Hour locations and planning events like Parrot Head Bowling and our trip to the dog track, please contact Tina, [margarita@parrotheads.org](mailto:margarita@parrotheads.org) or 623.584.3590.

## *Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you...!*

	January		February		March
Tina Metzger	4	Margaret Bellfv	2	Louie Jandro	1
Doua Murrav	6	Joel Brookstein	5	Janet Crance	3
John Larson	8	Don Simmons	6	Debbie Blood	6
Steve Verzak	8	Connie Cantwell	9	John Marek	7
Oscar Petrassi	13	Eddie Dillon	11	Rose Rudnick	7
Jim Phelps	15	Heather Morel	11	Dianne Diemeke	8
Vicki Svkes	16	Karen Haves	12	Todd Dellatore	9
Terve VanSanford	19	Bettv Lowrv	14	Carol Metvier	9
Tom Gillulv	21	Janet Brown	16	Marck Sawver	10
Janice Berger	22	Pete Ferralli	17	Norene Norris	12
Bill Burick	22	Gisele Breese	19	Kathleen Shepler	13
Steve Cantwell	23	Karen Wilburn	23	Marv O'Malley	15
Kellv Martin	24	Shellv Lona	24	Rachel Baderman	16
Mike Friedrich	26	Daniel Jones	25	Pat Klein	17
Bob Buffa	27	Tom Berger	29	Phyllis Miller	18
Alexis Jovner	28			Sam Rainwater	18
Karla O'Conner	29			Judv Martin	27
Bob Martin	31			Jeff Brown	31

### **PHINS to the WEST**

**Pete Ferralli**

Mark down the weekend of April 30<sup>th</sup> on your calendars. It has been talked about for the past 3 to 4 years, and now it is a reality.

The Parrothead Club leadership from the West Coast Clubs has talked about creating a regional Parrothead Party. We have discussed the potential of creating a new regional event that could be supported by any club willing to participate. Our goals were to bring together Parrotheads from a wide area and be able to attract nationally known entertainment. For the past 4 months representatives from the AZPHC and the LAPHC have been meeting to plan this event. We formed some committees and are starting to work the details. The result of our effort is an agreement with the AVI Hotel and Casino in Laughlin, Nevada to host this event. It will be called PHINS to the West and be held on the weekend of 30 April 2004.

Patterned after our AZPHC Parrot Grande, it will be a 2-day weekend event, with music, food, and entertainment and as an added bonus, a slot tournament. We are working on the entertainment, but it will be commiserate with an event of this size. Discussion with a few of the Coral Reefers is on going and depending on Jimmy's Concert schedule, some of them may be in attendance. The best deal is the cost. We have been able to keep the price at \$ 150 per person, double occupancy, same as Parrot Grande. Plus with the price will be 5 meals. The Hotel has agreed to keep the cost of Coronas and Margaritas at .99 for the weekend. A few dollars will go a long way.

As we continue to finalize this event we will be getting you more information and details. The event website [www.phinstothewest.com](http://www.phinstothewest.com) will be operational in a few weeks. You will be able to register on line at that time. The Casino has a website at [www.avicasino.com](http://www.avicasino.com), where you can see some pictures and amenities of the venue.

So mark your calendars and get ready to PARTY.

## **A Night at the Races**

Kathy Pfister

Almost 50 Parrot Heads descended upon Phoenix Greyhound Park in November for an evening of gambling, socializing and fund raising (and celebrating Pete Ferralli, Sr.'s birthday!). We had a race dedicated to us and had our picture taken on the track with the winning dog. There were a lot of winners in the group as we gave away a LOT of raffle prizes. The big winner, however, was the Adopt A Greyhound Association. Due entirely to the masterful solicitation technique of Nancy Ferring and Janet "Shortie" Dufresne, we collected \$295 for the group. Paula Masiulewicz' pooches, Dana and Marcus, matched the donation out of their kibble money so a total of \$590 was raised. Way to go Parrot Heads!

## **Tucson Holiday Party**

Tamyra Althof

Approximately 40 parrotheads from Tucson and Phoenix celebrated the holiday season with lots of great phood, phriends, phantastic leis and a very phriendly game of musical chairs. A special welcome to those new pholks who joined us for the very first time.

Verne Cottingim was the last man sitting in Musical Chairs. Steve "Wastnawa" Davis was crowd favorite with his Corona Bucket O'Beer lei, complete with lights and lots of other shiny things. Pete also brought his best lei with him...Kathy! (Editor's note – that's Kathy Ferralli, not Pfister she's referring to.) Thanks to everyone who participated in the Best Decorated Lei contest.

Of course the gift exchange had the usual mayhem and stealing of the "best" gift. One partygoer had her gift stolen about 4 times. This gift exchange seems to bring out the best in creative Parrothead gifting, everything from parrothead jewelry to bobblehead flamingoes with lots of other stuff in between.

Thanks to everyone for making the holiday party such a fun event and we look forward to next year.

## **Phoenix Holiday Party**

Tammy Bauman

On Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> about 55-60 Parrotheads descended upon the Bauman Party Palace. This year we had 2 fire barrels going; and even though we didn't have a float in the yard, we had a 5 foot blow up palm tree (we had to have something!)

The Goat led some of the phlock down the street to a house that is decorated inside and out. Later on we had a joke contest by the fire, emceed by our own lovely Kathy Pfister. There were many participants and many good jokes, but when all was said and done- Sam Rainwater was the joke king!

A good time was had by all. The Goat and the Queen would like to thank everyone who came. We would also like to thank all who brought gifts, it wasn't necessary, but we appreciate it!

For those of you who left early, there was a small group (about 7 of us) that carried on till 2:30am! The pictures aren't pretty, but it was phun!!

Looking forward to next year!!

## **Parrot Head New Years Eve 2003**

Kathy Ferralli

New Years Eve 2003 started off with a phone call from The Goat requesting me to go stand out on the sidewalk because he was walking up and down the street and couldn't find our house! I debated on whether I should do that, but he had the Jello Shot Queen with him so I couldn't let her walk up and down the street all nite looking for a party!

It was a relatively "quiet" party for the Parrotheads. The HOT topic of conversation was the upcoming cruise and "Pardi Gras" party in New Orleans. The Flamingo Queen aka Sandi Murray was looking for paper so she could make some lists on what to take. That mission accomplished, we broke out the KAROKE MACHINE! Who knew we had SO many celebrities among us! Grease is the Word! Beer for my Horses! New York New York! Who's your Daddy! No Shirt No Shoes No Problem, STOP in the name of Love! Greased Lightening! Dianne, Roger and Margaret were the singing stars with the rest of us as "back up" singers! My what a time we had! I go to get a drink (diet coke), I come back and the living room furniture is rearranged! In between all this, there was a pool tournament going on! And yes, we did have way too much food to eat! Sauerkraut & pork, heavenly pineapple upside down cake, fudge, cookies, scrumptious sticky buns made by Doug's mom, and other stuff that I can't even remember! But it was GOOD!

The midnight hour arrives and we are still awake! We watch the ball drop and ring in the New Year with our Parrot Head Phamily! See you all next year at the Annual New Years Eve Party at the Ferralli's!

# Calendar

- January 9, 2004** **Happy Hour, Greasewood Flat, 5:00PM till ?** Dress warmly because it's going to be chilly but that's OK because they let us play with fire. Take Pima Rd North to Happy Valley then go East. Turn North at the 4 way stop which is Alma School. Greasewood is on the right, across from the Four Seasons.
- January 11, 2004** **P.F. Chang's Rock'N'Roll Marathon** We'll be working a water station and cheering the runners on. It's too late for registration to get a volunteer goodie bag but you can still come out and be an athletic supporter (he, he). Contact Steve "Wastnawa" Davis at [wastnawa@cox.net](mailto:wastnawa@cox.net) or 623.584.3590 if you're interested. For more information on the race, go to [www.rnrz.com](http://www.rnrz.com).
- January 31, 2004** **BOD and Club Meeting, The Monastery** Meet your 2004 AZPHC officers and hear the latest updates on our plans for the new year. The Monastery is at 4114 N 28 St in Phoenix. BOD meeting is open to anyone who wants to attend and starts at 12. The club meeting will start at 2. Bonus hint: there may be some prizes handed out...must be present to win!
- February 13, 2004** **Happy Hour, Bahama Breeze in Chandler, 5:00PM till ?** Come phlock with us at the Bahama Breeze at 7200 W Ray Rd in Chandler. It's just East of the I-10.
- February 21, 2004** **Mardi Gras.** Steve and Tina Davis are opening their home at 16611 W Ironwood St, Surprise for the celebration. Starting time is 7PM and RSVPs are due to Steve by Feb. 1 ([wastnawa@cox.net](mailto:wastnawa@cox.net)). The event is BYOB and BYOF – Bring Your Own Float. The float theme is "Door # 3, a Parrot Head Phantasy". You can enter as many shoebox floats as you wish; building directions can be found at [www.mardigrasday.com](http://www.mardigrasday.com). The winning float will awarded a special trophy, a King & Queen will be crowned and other games to be had (a test has been mentioned).
- February 28, 2004** **Special Olympics** Details TBA.
- March 13, 2004** **McBuffett, the Ferrallis' home**
- March 20, 2004** **BOD and Club Meeting, The Monastery** The Monastery is at 4114 N 28 St in Phoenix. BOD meeting is open to anyone who wants to attend and starts at 12. The club meeting will start at 2.
- April 23 – 25, 2004** **San Diego Club Anniversary Party, Campland by the Bay.** See [www.sdpch.org](http://www.sdpch.org) for details.
- April 24, 2004** **Salsa Festival, Scottsdale Stadium.** Details TBA.
- April 30 – May 2, 2004** **Phins to the West at the AVI in Laughlin, NV.** A weekend of phun and music, hosted by the Arizona and LA Parrot Head Clubs. See Pete's article in this issue and go to [www.phinstothewest.com](http://www.phinstothewest.com) for more details.
- May 14 – 17, 2004** **Parrots in Paradiso, San Carlos, Mexico.** Mark Mulligan Gary Seiler, Ray Cody and others host a weekend in San Carlos. See <http://www.markmulligan.net> for details.
- July 9 – 11, 2004** **Parrots in the Pines, Landmark Restaurant, Christopher Creek, AZ.** We had a great time at this last year. Mark Mulligan and Ray Cody will be performing. Details TBA but should become available at <http://www.markmulligan.net>.
- November 4 – 7, 2004** **MOTM – Off to See the Keys.** Key West, FL. Registration is now open. Go to [www.phip.com](http://www.phip.com) for details and registration info.

There are Phoenix area Happy Hours on the second Friday of almost every month. The locations will rotate around the Valley. All Arizona Parrot Heads are welcome! For more information on any event or to officially volunteer for one, email [info@parrotheads.org](mailto:info@parrotheads.org).

For information on some of our favorite musicians:

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Ray Cody: <http://members.cox.net/vegemite/theraycodywebpage.htm>

Jimmy Buffett: <http://www.margaritaville.com>

**Events are always being added!**  
**To get up-to-date information**  
**check the online calendar at [www.parrotheads.org](http://www.parrotheads.org)**  
**or call the Squawkings Hotline at 480.895.3709.**

## Rogue's Gallery - We are the people!



The group at the Alzheimer's Memory Walk.



The phabulous singers (Alexis, John, Woody, Dianne, Roger, Sandi & Kathleen) perform at Chuy's.  
Grease is the word!



Kathleen shows that some white people can dance!



Kathy gives Roger 'The Talk'. "See, this is what happens when a mature frog and parrot really love each other..."



Hey, hey, we're the Monkees...



Paula and Doug cut a rug - shades of Fred and Ginger. Well, not really but they weren't bad!



Carey Pena of Channel 3 poses with Bob, Sandi, Roger Buege from West Valley Child Crisis Center, Judy and Doug after filming our Channel 3 TV appearance.

12 Step Program, my ....!



Last men (and women) standing after the Phoenix Holiday Party.  
The picture isn't out of focus, we were!

Photos courtesy of Doug & Sandi Murray and Tammy Bauman.

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