

# The Pirate Times

"Always Two Hundred Pears Too Late"

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# Captain's Log

!A'hoy Parrot heads and Shipmates,

Captain Log: January 2019 A new Captain (President) and First mates (VP, Treasurer, Secretary) have been chosen by the lively crew at our last meeting in December 2018!

I, <u>Richard Hernandez</u>, <u>President</u>, as my first duty of my two year term is to say **Thank You**, to our **Past President - Jesse Evans** for his devoted tenure of the past couple of years. Jesse boldy led this crazy group of Buffett loving Parrotheads and Pirates through all the monthly gatherings (meetings), our PHUN social events and successfully led us through our club membership commitments of "community service" waters, with enthusiasm and heart.

hard to turn over the compass and Pirate ship to a new Captain. As Jesse faces toward the sunsetting horizon.... "I'm moving on" brings him to a perfect place of looking forward to new exciting adventures and travels. Thank you Jesse Evans!

January 2019 bring us to our **FIRST meeting of the New Year on Saturday, January 12th**, 2019 at <u>Pirates Restaurants</u> at 200pm. Bring your check book, debit card or some gold to secure your yearly membership dues. Annual Dues by January 31, 2019 please. The cost is \$20 per person or \$40 per family group, (this includes the parrot kid-ettes.)

Our upcoming monthly meetings, community service participations and social events, as such, can also be found under Events on our <u>Left Coast Parrot Heads</u> Facebook page.

Invite your friends, family and that fun loving neighbor, or even that someone wearing a Hawaiian shirt to join us in celebrating and being part of our 25th Anniversary year! Great year Ahead!

#### 25th Anniversary of the LCPH Club!

The upcoming new year 2019 excitingly presents us with a major milestone! Our 25th anniversary!

Our humble beginnings, so long ago has brought many Parrot Heads into our family fold with so so many tales, concerts and memories to be told. Many of these stories will be remastered to be presented in our 25th Anniversary year of newsletters.

If any of our Charter, past or present members would like to share their story, big or small, with our newsletter editor - <u>Steve Torres</u>, please send them on...either by email, snail mail or by carrier seagull.

Those pictures you took, on the sly....send or email them to <u>Steve Torres</u>, too! What a great year ahead! Consider celebrating with us in Key West, Florida, <u>Meeting of the Minds</u>, in October 2019.

Flip flops are secure, full speed ahead, Richard Hernandez, President



Next Meeting Jan 12, 2019 <u>Pirates Bar & Grill</u> <u>at 2pm</u> 450 S. Victoria Ave Oxnard

#### Left Coast Parrothead Annual Christmas Party



our annual Christmas party was held in early December . Mikey hosted the gathering again this year at her house in Santa Rosa Valley. There was a good turn out of Parrotheads and enough food and beverages to feed more than a phlocking. We held our December meeting and elected a new president for 2019. Congratulations to Richard Hernandez, our new "Head Parrot"! After filling the remaining board positions and taking care of the general business we proceeded with the infamous parrothead gift exchange. Presents were picked and opened; presents were stolen and re-stolen. It was a fun go-around with presents changing hands at a furious pace until everyone pretty much got what they wanted with very little bloodshed. Everyone who attended had a great time and we are all looking forward to an exciting "2019" celebrating our 25th year as a parrothead club.

#### Christmas in the Keyes



For many years Island Packers in the Ventura Harbor has been providing harbor Caroling cruises through the Ventura Keys. This year was no different. In December One of the cruise ships found a phlock of parrotheads among its passengers. Those Of us who were on board cruised through the Keyes on a near perfect night, singing traditional Christmas songs and enjoying some warm hot chocolate with a

A shot of cinnamon rum imported directly from Key West. Many of the boats in both

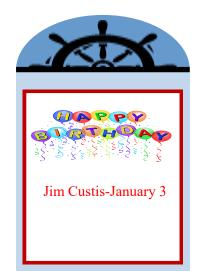
the Harbor and the Keys were decorated at their docks while the houses in the Keyes were decorated with lights and a variety of Christmas displays. Many of the inhabitants of the came out to their porches to wave at us as we cruised by singing our holiday tunes.

The cruise lasted a little more than an hour. At the end of the cruise we all disembarked and headed up the harbor for dinner at the Copa Cabana Cuban restaurant. The owner, Andres Fernandez, greeted us and sat us down at a long table in the restaurant. There he personally served us drinks and cooked up some great Cuban favorites like the Cubano Sandwich, Garlic Chicken, Cuban Grilled Cheese and other great dishes.

At the end of the evening we all headed home with full stomachs and some great memories of another classic Christmas cruise.



Officers President— Richard Hernandez Vice President—Mitch Zahnow Secretary—Terri Zahnow Treasurer—George Graham Membership—Mickey Wilk Editors - Steve & Mary Torres Gulf Coast Correspondents— George & Eileen Mayo



# The Ronald Reagan Library Festival Of Lights

This was the first year for the Festival of Lights at the Ronald Reagan Library. The



festival included light and lazar displays, food and beverages both soft and hard and gift stores strategically placed throughout the grounds. The festival is a walking tour outside the library with a variety of light and lazar distpays, food booths and bars, and a few souvenir shops throughout the tour. A small phlock of parrotheads took the tour to check it out. We began our tour in the front patio where the fountain, trees and landscape was adorned with an array of colorful lights. It was here where we found the great combination of hot chocolate and Jim Beam to help us fend off the cold. It was a great way to keep warm on a cool night. We went from there and walked the lighted trail to where Santa was posing for pictures. He agreed to take a few pictures with the group. After our photo op with Santa we continued our tour through the grounds and enjoyed the displays.

After the tour we met at Vival La Pasta for some Italian food and some fine wines to close out the evening

# **Important Note:**

2018 Dues are now due. Annual dues are \$20 for individual and \$40 for Family. Bring your check to the meeting or if you can not attend please send to George Graham as soon as possible

## New Years Eve at the Ventura Harbor Comedy Club



Club members ended the year with dinner and a show at the Ventura Harbor Comedy Club. We had three long tables center stage for the "New York New Years Eve Celebration". A buffet dinner was served prior to the beginning of show that included salads, pasta, chicken and salmon. After dinner was finished the first of four co-medians took the stage for a short performance to open the show followed and was followed by a second comedian with an equally short but funny performance. The third act and main headliner, Fritz Coleman followed. Coleman who is better known for his weather reports on NBC, channel 2 locally, is also a polished stand up comedian. His performance was absolutely hilarious with non-stop jokes and stories about weather reporting, growing old and a variety of other real life subjects. It was well worth the price of admission, Fritz was followed by second headliner Lenny Schmidt, who was wound a little tighter than the relaxed Coleman but still very funny. The show ended with a toast to the New Year as the ball dropped in New York to welcome in 2019. It was a great show and great way to usher in the New Year.

#### Save the date: February 3, 2019

Will the Rams play the Chargers in this years Superbowl?

Only time will tell. But whatever teams are represented in this years classic we will be throwing a party. Teams and location of the annual Parrothead Superbowl Party will be revealed in the next few weeks. Besides the game holding center stage, there will be quarterly score pools, a chili contest, more food than your can eat, and our monthly meeting to coincide with the main event. So, save the date and look for more information to follow and join your fellow parrothead in an afternoon of fun and games...and of course the Big Game.



### **History Lesson**

This year the Left Coast Parrothead Club will celebrate it's 25th Anniversary. As one of the oldest Parrothead clubs in the country we have a lot of history behind us and a phun philled year ahead of us. In the upcoming issues of the Parrothead Times I plan to feature articles commemorating our 25 years of existence in the Parrothead world. I hope to interview some of our founding members to get a unique perspective of how this whole thing started, recognized some of the great members who have passed through club at various times, relive some of the great and memorable events we have participated in, concerts and past newsletters and pictures

I am asking anyone who has old pictures, newsletters, stories and history lessons they can provide to enhance this journey through the past and to reacquaint us with past parrothead friends to please send them to me, your editor, at sbt201544@yahoo.com.

Fins Up ^

## LCPH Camping 14-17 MARCH 2019

Ventura KOA Alder Group site, sites 21-30

I have a tentative reservation locked in for LCPH at the above location for 3 nights beginning Thursday 14 March 2019. (St. Patrick's day is 17 Mar 19.)

The non-discounted rates quoted are:			
	Th	F	Sa
Spot #21	\$65.	\$75.	\$75.
Spots 22-30	55.	65.	65.
With a 10% group discount* the rates are:			
	Th	F	Sa
Spot #2158.50 Spots 22-30	67.50 49.50	67.50 58.50	Thurs-Sat=\$193.50 / Fri & Sat only=\$135. 58.50 Thurs-Sat=\$166.50 / Fri & Sat only=\$117.

. This assumes that we get the discount with less than 10 spots being filled. They have given it to us in the past, but I was not able to confirm this as of today. When you indicate your interest in a spot and whether you want 2 or 3 nights and pay up, I can slot you in your spot. Please pay your total camp fees by **31 JAN 19 or sooner.** A 50% deposit and the compliance fee (\$829) has already been paid by me Checks can be made out to Mitch Zahnow, and mailed to 2255 McDonald St., Simi Valley, CA. 93065. I have most of your reservation details. Additional fees for extra cars, people, or pets may apply. The current camping rules will be emailed out to the regular LCPH campers.

Interested parties not affiliated with LCPH wanting to take an open spot, can confirm a reservation and pay directly with me starting 1 FEB 19. Their fees must be paid by 15 FEB 19.

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# **December Christmas Party**

















# Christmas Caroling Cruise

















## **Reagan Library Festival of Lights**









