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Summer 2021

TRPHC Newsletter serving central & western MA



State of the Trop Republic Phlock!

Welcome to the summer edition of *The Dingy Wall*! We are finally able to start gathering together and saying hello in person! Ahhhh.. feels great doesn't it? And man have we! From our monthly 'Wicked Wednesday' socials, live music and pool parties, to invading the NH club's camp out, our phlock has been out there!

As we are still starting things up and getting things going on our first year as well as dealing with this pandemic. There have been challenges but it's been great to see how resilient and eager parrot heads really are!

Did you make it to Great Woods? We'd love to see your pictures. Thanks to Ed McNeil cause I snagged a bunch of his for our site... our unofficial club photographer! How about the club's first official pool party hosted by Shawn & Tiffany Davis? Talk about creative ideas and yummy food! The weather was perfect and the rum was flowing!

Trop Republic made quite the splash up in NH at the Club Finz annual camping trip at Tamworth Campgrounds and took home the title of "Most Creative Story"... ask Shawn to tell it to you! He and Todd Helems took part in the annual river race with a custom boat design. The weekend was a blast and great to see so many TR's in attendance!

Think that's about it for now! Time to grab some Tonga Juice and do some serious pool floating... till next time!

~ Tonga Tam, Trop Republic Parrot Head Club President



Join us at Teddy G's!

Join us Wednesday Sept 15th at Teddy G's in Sturbridge! We'll have club biz from 6-7 then it's BINGO time! Great food and lots of PHUN!

179 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA

Get Directions

PHlock Spotlight



Pete & Kara!

In this edition of the club newsletter, we will be introducing you all to Pete Lukomski and Kara Theriaque. This couple from Holyoke are newly recruited Parrot Heads. They were introduced to this crazy world by Shawn and Tiffany Davis, whom they met in the parking lot at a Zac Brown concert a few years ago. As we all know, some of the best friendships are formed in parking lots!

With this club serving central and western Massachusetts, they were excited to finally get involved!

Pete works as the Director of Market Operations for New England South for Citizens Bank. He enjoys Music, Collecting Comics, Vintage Toys and is an avid Red Sox and Patriots fan who rarely misses an Opening Day at Fenway!

His past experience with some charities including The Clarke School for the Deaf, The Miracle League of Western Mass, and Autism Speaks made him a natural fit as our Club Director of Charity. The BOD has gladly welcomed him to that position.

Kara works in the Holyoke Public Schools as an ABA Autism Paraprofessional and as a Barista at Panera Bread. She enjoys karaoke, concerts and sporting events, especially local professional wrestling matches.

Their two boys Eric and Owen keep them busy with their school and extracurricular activities. Eric is an accomplished wrestler and football player and Owen enjoys collecting baseball cards! We are glad to also welcome them as Parakeets to our flock!.



Pete and Kara were happy to be amongst our group of "Buffett Virgins" at the Concert at Great Woods on August 14th and got to experience all the craziness first hand!

We look forward to you all meeting this wonderful couple at a future club events!

Written By: Shawn Davis, Vice President

Last Mango Salsa

1 ripe mango, peeled, pitted, and finely diced (1 1/2 cups) 2 tablespoons finely chopped red onion/2 jalapeño, minced



- 3 tablespoons fresh cilantro leaves, chopped
- 3 tablespoons fresh lime juice

Toss all ingredients with lime juice and serve with fish, chicken or as a dip on tortilla chips.

Thanks to Tiffany Davis for this yummy recipe! Got one you'd like to share? Send it in to us to be featured in the next newsletter! web@troprepublic.com

Drink Spotlight: Painkiller

- 2 Ounces Dark Rum
- 1 Ounce Cream of Coconut
- 4 Ounces Pineapple Juice
- 1 Ounce Orange Juice

Shake and garnish with nutmeg, pineapple and orange slice!

Bahama Mama and the Painkillers

played at the club's first annual pool party this summer! So ... in their honor we give you the Painkiller!



Happy Flocking Birthday!

Emily Foltz - 6/10

Scott Crittenden - 6/10

Pam Mascroft - 6/13

Lyn McKenna - 6/14

Linda Altieri - 7/2

Carrie McNeil - 7/6

Sandy Clendenny - 7/14

Yvette Prayor - 7/15

Gary Altieri - 7/29

Pete Lukomski - 8/4

Kara Theriaque - 8/6

Alan Buchanan - 8/22

Renne Simmons - 8/23



Want to join the BoD? We currently have two open positions and could use your help! Please contact the BoD if you're interested!

Upcoming Events

Check out the website events calendar for ongoing events and information! <u>www.TropRepublic.com</u>



BoD Meeting - Sept 8th
Wicked Wednesday - Sept 15th
Scavenger Hunt - Sept 25th
BoD Meeting - Oct 13th
Wicked Wednesday - Oct 20th
Meeting of the Minds - Nov 3-7



Summer Phun!







From the week of August 16, 2021 – the weekly top 5 of the Trop 40 are:

- 1. Back to the Beach Bull & The Heard
- 2. 7 Miles to Jesus Ranger Dan
- 3. Buffett on the Radio Tropix
- 4. Beach Vibes Aubrey Wollett
- 5. Castles of Sand Ranger Dan

Radio A1A Trop 40!



August 16th, 2020 'Tropical Americana' 1. Back to the Beach - Bull & the Heard

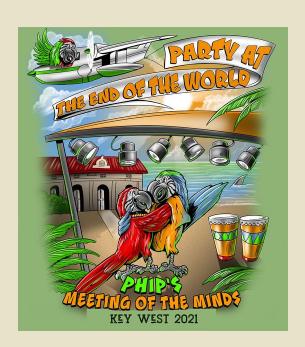
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- 5. Castles of Sand Ranger Dan
- 6. Raise the Colors Percy Abell
- 7. Back to the Beach Chas Evans
- 8. Beach Ball Paradise Joe Trapani 9. Loving Up A Storm – Juke Johnson
- 40 Mind of A Storm Juke Johnson
- 10. Livin' the Salt Life Ray Boone 11. Lost on a Beach - Juke Johnson
- 12. Highly Recreational Man Jerry Powell
- 13. Americaribbean Jesse Rice
- 14. Another Beach Song Donavon Lee Carpenter
- 15. Abajo Como Coconut Ray Boone
- 16. Lucky Me Jay Patten
- 17. Twenty-Six Thousand Days Mack Meadows
- 18. Myrtle Beach -- Tiki Tom Toms
- 19. Fishing Alone Ray Boone
- 20. Tacos, Tequila & Trop Rock Donny Brewer

- 1 Hanniness Comes in Waves Beth Travers
- 22. High on Island Time B-Man & Mi-Shell
- 23. Tequila Town The Chuck Freeman Band
- 24. Kokomo Joe Joe Trapani
- 25. Beachology Jay Patten
- 26. Beer on a Beach Jesse Rice
- 27. Get Lost Ray Boone
- 28. Hey Jimmy Luke RippinTide
- 29. The Island Saved Me Marissa Lyn
- 30. It's Summertime Joe Trapani
- 31. Beach Bums & Boats Luke RippinTide
- 32. Surfside Slummin' Jay Patten
- 33. Time in the Sand Todd Trusty
- 34. If I Drink Enough Tequila Anthony Maness
- 35. Rainy Sunshine State Day Wayne Sinclair
- 36. Buried Treasure Mike McEnery
- 37. Party, Party Darrell Clanton
- 38. You're a Few Wayne Sinclair
- 39. Get your drink on John Baldwin
- 40. Land on My Feet Again Alan Reed

Join your fellow club mates for the annual Meeting of the Minds, "Party at the End of the World".

Thursday, November 3, 2022 – Saturday, November 5, 2022 in Key West, Florida

We will be rolling out more of the details of the entertainment program in the coming days, but you can bet your bottom dollar the lineup will include some staples – Howard Livingston and Mile Marker 24, some exciting debuts – Opening Night with "Girls Just Wanna Have Rum!", Steel City's Corned Beef and Currymaking their first MOTM trip, and the addition of Kelly McGuire's Lighthouse Songwriter Showcase.



More Information & Registration >

The Dingy Wall...

It was somewhere past dark-thirty
And I went back to the head
I read upon the dingy wall
The words the old man said

I ate the last mango in Paris Took the last plane out of Saigon



Took the first fast boat to China And Jimmy there's *still so much to be done*

Till next time!









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