

PARROT TALK

May 2010

YOUR EXCOMM



Parrot Heads Play Golf

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The Parrot Heads Golf Scrambles are off and running. The first scramble is May 9th at Heron. This scramble is sold out, but you can still get in on the Phun.

Future dates for scrambles:

June 27th Bogart

July 25th Truman

August 29th Bacall

September 19th Roosevelt

You can sign up at May PHlockings for the June scramble or contact Bill Firmery at firmery@comcast.net for additional information.

Last years golf season was a big success and many new friendships were formed. Don't miss out this year. Even if you are new to golf, come join in the Phun.

A Few Reminders

- You must be at the golf course at least 30 min before your tee time.
- We are not allowed to refund your entry fee if you are unable to play.
- Scramble fees are \$5.00. This is \$3.00 for prizes and \$2.00 for the club. In addition to this if you have not paid for an annual trail

fee you will be charged \$3.50 at the starter shack.

Prizes at each scramble:

1st PLACE \$80.00

2nd PLACE \$60.00

3rd PLACE \$40.00

WORST SCORE \$ 20.00

After your round of golf join the other teams at Mallory for a cold one and distribution of prizes.

In Addition, 64 of our club members had a wonderful day of golf during our April Golf Outing at Lake Diamond in Ocala.

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Environmental Project Update

The Villages Parrot Heads Club now has a State of Florida sign posted at Lake Paradise in recognition of our volunteer efforts of monthly cleanings at the lake.

Kudos to Cori Purdham for her hard work at organizing and chairing this project for our club. And, to all the members who volunteer their time each month to

cleaning the lake and keeping this project going.



Attention Travelers — Don't forget to check out the club's travel website for your travel needs. The prices are comparative to all the others: Travelocity, Orbitz, Expedia etc. When a member books through YTB our club is paid a commission. In fact, you can find a photo on The Villages Parrot Heads web site showing where YTB recently paid a \$3,376.16 commission to the club. We all travel, we all rent cars, we all go on cruises. Why pay a commission to an outside travel agent. This is a great way to give back to the club.

Sanibel Island—PHun in the Sun

The Villages Parrot Heads are headed to Sanibel Island again this year!

Last year club members had a wonderful time on the Sanibel Island Trip. So, the club is organizing another trip.

September 29, 2010

Sanibel Arms West

Rooms are all 2-bedroom, 2 bath Condos.

For Reservations call Steven Snyder at 1-800-950-1138

Unit Photos are available at the resorts web site, which also provides a lot of information about attractions in the area. Be sure to check it out.

Rental Rates are

3 nights starting @ 149 per night

5 nights starting @ \$99 per night

7 nights starting @ \$89 per night

Plus 11% Tax

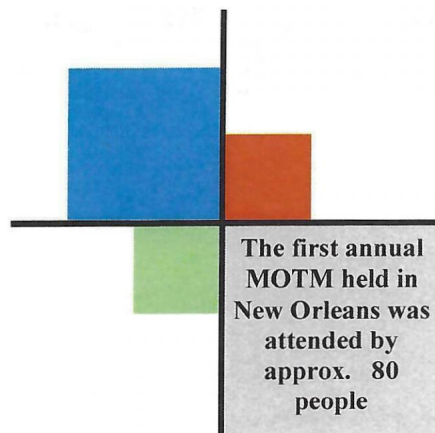


Village Parrot Heads relaxing on the beach at Sanibel Island, 2009

History Lesson

Do you know the history of the Parrot Heads Club? We have signed up so many new members in the last several months that I thought it would be a good idea to provide a little history of the Parrot Heads.

On April 1, 1989 approximately 15 Parrot Heads met at Chastain Park in Atlanta for the first ever PHlocking. This was the site of previous Buffet concerts. After they gathered they headed to a local bar for margaritas.



2009 membership is recorded at approximately 27,000 Parrot Heads from the United States, Canada, and Australia.

Just in 2009 alone, these chapters (Collectively) donated approximately \$2.8 million dollars to charitable organizations and volunteered an estimated 180,000 man-hours.

What a great organization we belong to. GO Parrot Heads!

Meeting of the Minds—Nov 4—Nov 7 — Key West

Don't forget to book your rooms for the 2010 Meeting of the Minds.

Call Southernmost Hotel and Resort @ 1-800-354-4455 and refer to Room Block VILL10.

Online registration for the 19th Annual Meeting Of Minds "Gypsies In The Palace" opens May 1st with a registration deadline of Sept 30th.

Mail-in registrations must be postmarked by September 15th.

Go to http://phip.com/MOTM_Reg.asp.

When you are filling out your registration please take a few minutes to review the volunteer opportunities available to members at MOTM. Be sure to sign up to help.

Here is a sneak peek of some of the bands/entertainers that will be on the entertainment lineup.

Sunny Jim Band, Bob Karwin, Eric Stone, Leo Dean, Latitude, Kelly McGuire, Jmi Pappas & John Patti, 12 Volt Band, Jerry Diaz, Jim Hoehn, Howard Livingston & Mile Marker 24, Jim Lainer, and Jimmy & The Parrots.

Mark Your Calendars

- May 9 Golf Scramble—Heron
- May 11 5 O'clock Somewhere at Havana CC 4PM
- May 26 Lake Paradise Clean up 09:30 AM *Please note this is a new start time due to heat factor during summer months.*

- May—Sept. MOTM Online Registration
- June 1 Mid-Year Elections—Voting Begins
- July 1 New EXCOMM Members take office

MAY PHLOCKINGS

- May 5 Hacienda Hills Country Club
- May 19 Mallory Country Club
- Both PHlockings start at 4PM. Please remember to wear your club shirt/badge and bring your donation for the Christian Food Pantry.

EXCOMM MEETING

- The EXCOMM Meeting will be held on Wednesday May 12th starting at 9am at Hacienda Hills CC.
- If any member would like to address the EXCOMM at a monthly EXCOMM Meeting, they are always welcome to do so with a 30 day written notice.

A Word of Thanks To All Who Volunteer

We have recently had several very successful events within our Club. First, our Annual Poker Run. The club sold 952 tickets to this event. 518 to members and another 434 to non-Parrot Heads. This is our largest crowd to-date. Although we do not have our total profit report from this event, we were able to raise a large amount for our Charitable donations. Thanks to all our members, and especially to those who donated their time and volunteered to help with the event.

We also had a very nice time at our Annual Anniversary Party. Even though the original entertainment had to cancel at the last minute due to a family emergency, we were able to get Rocky and the Rollers to come in and provide entertainment. Everyone had a great time. Thanks to all the folks who helped organize this great party for our members.

*We make a living by what we do, but
we make a life by what we give*
Winston Churchill

Last month we also had our Annual Clothing Drive for Haven House. Our members came out in full force to donate clothing and other articles that Haven House can use in their efforts to help victims of domestic violence.

Between these three recent events we had over 150 folks who volunteered their time. Way too many to mention all of them here. But, we thank everyone their help and support.

Charitable Donations

In April, your EXCOMM voted to make the following Charitable Donations to local organizations.

Central Florida Make-a-Wish Foundations for Sumter, Lake and Marion Counties: \$500.00 Each (\$1,500 total)

The Make-A-Wish Foundation is a non-profit organization that fulfills wishes for children and young people ages 2 to 18 who have been diagnosed with life-threatening illnesses

Operation Homebound: \$500.00

Operation Homebound is a Meals on Wheels organization funded by donations that provides hot, nutritious meals as well as companionship to those in need.

Wildwood Soup Kitchen: \$500.00

The Wildwood Soup Kitchen serves the poor, the hungry, and the lonely by providing healthy, nutritious and appetizing meals to those in need.

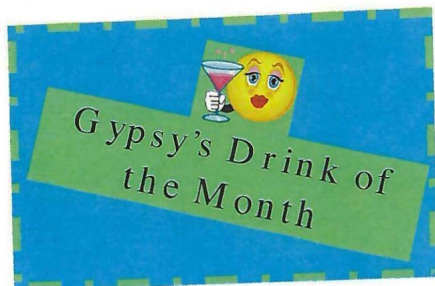
Love, Inc.: \$500.00 helps those in need by meeting immediate needs such as food and clothing.

Lazarus House: \$500.00 -Lazarus Free Medical Clinic in Wildwood, FL provides free medical care to Lake, Sumter Counties uninsured working poor.

For a total of \$3,500.00

In addition, \$500.00 was donated to **Cornerstone Hospice** in

February.



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Party with a Purpose

We are on the Web

thevillagesparrotheads

Our web site contains a calendar of events, photos of club activities, online point system, EXCOMM minutes, and Newsletter archive. Be sure to check it out.

T-Shirt Design Contest

It's going to be summer soon which means the Phins Up Shop will be printing tee-shirts for the club. We want to do something different, something that has not been done on a tee-shirt before. Therefore, we are asking you to come up with a new design. Using the front and back of a tee-shirt, design something that says we are The Village Parrot Heads Club in a "Jimmy Buffet World".

Please keep designs to maximum of THREE colors. The more colors the more cost. The winner will receive two free shirts as well as assigned points in the Club's point system program.

Here is a chance for all you artists to show off your talent and help the Club as well. You can give your design to Glenn or Paul Kinder at a PHlocking or e-mail it to the same.

California Lemonade

- .75 oz. Smirnoff No. 21 Vodka (25 oz. per bottle)
- .25 oz. Tanqueray London Dry Gin (25 oz. per bottle)
- .25 oz. cognac
- .25 oz. grenadine
- 2 oz. orange juice
- 1 splash lime juice
- 1 splash sugar syrup
- 1 lemon wedge

In a shaker add Smirnoff No.21 Vodka, Tanqueray London Dry Gin, cognac, grenadine, orange juice, lime juice, sugar syrup, and shake well. Serve over ice

Parrot Heads Point System

The Villages Parrot Heads Club uses the point system occasionally in the sale of tickets for special events, including purchasing Buffet Tickets. The point system is now available on our web site. This provides members with the ability to check their points each month to ensure they have been added. It is the responsibility of the Chairperson to report all earned points to Molly Boatman @ mollyb2313@embarqmail.com. However, members should also check the web site monthly in order to catch any accidental omissions.

PHLOCKING ATTENDANCE AND NEW MEMBERS

In April, we had ~ 400 members attending PHlockings. April was also a very active month for The Villages Parrot Heads. Between parties, golf outings, clothing drives, the Relay for Life walk, PHlockings and 5 O'clock Somewhere Phlocking we all had a busy month. And, we even welcomed 35 new members into our PHlock. We welcome them all!

Ben & Shirley Akers
Bonnie Brus
Jim & Jane Bullen
Ken & Sheila Connors
Tom Cropf & Linda Kates-Cropf
Sue Drudy
Barbara Elza
Larry & Pauline Fischer
Karen Fisher
Kitty Gardner
Donna Giffin
Dick & Darlene Guilbert
Anita Johnson

Duane & Sarah Johnson
Trudy LaBonte
Bob Melton
Robert Mercer
Jan Morison
Kenneth Mosher
Michael & Gloria Mowbray
Gerry & Jann Parenteau
Donna Rankin
Rebecca Selfe
Lee Silvera
Donita Stanphill
Keith Wells