

**APRIL 2017**

# Parrot Talk

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER



### HOSPITAL VOLUNTEERS

The Hospital expansion created a need for more volunteers.

Contact the Volunteer Placement Office @ 352-751-8176 or [TVRHVPO@centflhealth.org](mailto:TVRHVPO@centflhealth.org)

### ONLINE MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

See Page #8 for details

### JUNE EXCOMM ELECTION

Nomination Period 3/1-4/30

See Page #8 for details

### SUMMER GOLF SCRAMBLES

See Page #2 for details

### CLUB SPONSORS

Support our Sponsors who each donate at least \$600 annually in dollars or services to our Club:

- 1- Parady Life & Annuity
- 2-Bill Bryan Chrysler/Jeep/Kia
- 3-Cody's Roadhouse-LSL&Brownwood
- 4 Rescare Homecare in Pinellas Plaza
- 5- Villages Ear
- 6- Fresh Market
- 7- BB&T Bank
- 8-Juice Plus
- 9-Palmer Country Club
- 10- Mallory Hill Country Club
- 11- Fire Station #44

The month of March came in like a lion with some great fun events starting with another great Himalayan Golf and that continued until we had one of the best Poker Runs ever.

Thanks to Larry Ridgley and Don Kiernan and all the volunteers that made it all happen. The music was awesome with Mike and Terrie, who showed why we are the club we are as they continued to play until all the baskets were drawn.

The basket team did a fantastic job again, thanks to MaryAnn Nogay and Maureen O'Connor and your volunteers that worked so hard.

We ended with a great 5 O'clock Somewhere and thanks to Mike Peacock and Jerry Emery and a special thanks to Johnny Rockets for all the coupons.

So April is here and we start again with the clothing drive for men and women and we start all over doing what we do best:

**PARTY WITH A PURPOSE.**

Lee

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ClubWebsite: <http://villagesparrotheads.com>

Club Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/TheVillagesParrotHeadClub/>





### **PHLOCKINGS**

1) Wednesday April 5 @Palmer CC  
@4:00PM

Music: Highway 1 Duo

2) Monday April 10 @Mallory Hill  
CC @4:00PM

Music: Don Middlebrook

3) Wed April 19 @Mallory Hill CC  
@4:00PM

Music: Retro Express

### **5 O'CLOCK SOMEWHERE**

*The next event is being planned for  
May  
stay tuned for details*

Mike Peacock, Chair @ 352-484-4755

Jerry Emery Ass't Chair @ 352-750-8398

### **EXCOMM MTG**

Friday April 21st  
9AM-12P

@Rescare Home  
Care & Staffing  
2472 Burnsed Blvd

*All members in good  
standing are  
welcome to attend  
the meeting*

### **SUMMER GOLF SCRAMBLES**

Summer golf will start at Noon Sundays:

- |                 |             |
|-----------------|-------------|
| #1-May 21       | De La Vista |
| #2-June 25      | Bogart      |
| #3-July 23      | Pimlico     |
| #4-August 20    | Tarpon Boil |
| #5-September 17 | Truman      |

Players will meet at Mallory Hill CC following  
each scramble to announce winners and  
socialize

Signups @\$5 per person for each date start at  
April PHlockings; sign up for one, some, or all

Lil Roe, Chair (317) 508-6465

### **BLOOD DRIVE**

Thursday May 11 9:00AM-4:00PM

Fire Station #44 @Morse and Pinellas Blvds

Sign up at PHlockings or call the One Blood  
Office @352-750-4088 for an appointment time

Skip Todd, Chair 352-561-4923

### **CITYWALK BUS TRIP**

Tuesday June 27 Details to follow

Tickets on sale at Mallory #2 in April or at  
Palmer in May

Chair TBD

### **POOL PARTY**

Sunday August 29 @ 3:30PM

Seabreeze Recreation Center Sports Pool

tickets @\$5PP on sale at Palmer in June

Food provided. BYOB and snacks

Music: Joe Allen

Corrine Diaz, Chair 352-750-4363

Lisi Ortiz, Co-Chair 352-750-2787

### **HOSPICE GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Thursday September 14 at Mallory Hill CC

Details to follow

Rob Ainsley, Chair 757-362-2077

### **SIESTA KEY BEACH GETAWAY**

Sunday September 24-Thursday September 28

See flyer Page #9 or on website at [http://  
villagesparrotheads.com/flyers.htm](http://villagesparrotheads.com/flyers.htm)

for details about hotels and activities planned  
for this trip

Gypsy Ginchereau Chair 352-568-5354

Glenny Kinder Ass't Chair 248-568-2940



## OUT OF TOWN EVENTS

### ALL INCLUSIVE CANCUN TRIP

Sunday April 23-Saturday April 29, 2017

sign ups at all PHlockings

Flyer <http://villagesparrotheads.com/flyers.htm>

Jennifer Costello Chair (352) 895-1838

Skip Todd Ass't Chair (352) 561-4923

### HOMO SASSY BIRTHDAY BASHY

Friday 5/5 & Saturday 5/6 @ Homosassa  
Riverside Resort.

The resort rooms are sold out

<http://www.riversideresorts.com/>

Try MacRae's next door for reservations

5300 S. Cherokee Way, Homosassa

<http://www.macraesofhomosassa.com/>

[Contact.html](#) or (352)628-2602

\*Wristbands @\$20PP for weekend activities,  
entertainment and food on sale at March &  
April PHlockings

*Stay the weekend or come for the day*

Music: Friday: Just Mike & Gary Senator  
5-9PM Pool Party

Saturday: 12-3 PM Danny B  
3:30-6:30 Bill Cockrell  
7-10 PM Retro Express

Cookout: Saturday 2-2:30PM

Ann Blanchard Chair 352-750-6287

Glenny Kinder, Ass't Chair 352-259-3832

### TAVARES REGGAE CRAWL

Sunday May 21 Parking Lot Crawl at:

Puddle Jumpers w/Captain Josh 12:30-4:30PM

Food specials & famous Puddle Jumper Cocktail

Kahlua Hale Beach Bar w/Reggae Band 2:00-6:00PM

Signup-\$20PP will start at April PHlockings

Bus leaves @10:45AM from Walmart on 466

Bus will leave Tavares @6:15PM

Wear Parrot Head name tags to get specials

Judy Koch, Chair 352-350-6567

Bonnie Walls Asst Chair (904)505-1681

### MEETING OF THE MINDS

Wednesday 11/1-Sunday 11/5/2017 in Key West

Register at <http://www.php.com/meeting>

The Casa Marina (host resort) is sold out

**\*\*alternate** <http://www.reachresort.com/about-en.html>

For help finding a place to stay, contact Suzy  
Rodnon @1-305-295-6366. Her website is <http://www.keywestkey.com/>

Sue Kermis 352-753-7709 [skermis@yahoo.com](mailto:skermis@yahoo.com)  
will hold a meet and greet in October for members  
going to MOTM

### FUTURE EVENTS

1-Night Golf @Saddlebrook	10/3/17
2-Halloween Party@LaHacienda	10/21/17
3-Sand Castle Sculpting	11/10/17
4-Christmas Party@Paradise Rec Ctr	12/09/17
5-New Years Eve @La Hacienda	12/31/17
6-Cruise - Celebrity Silhouette	1/7-1/14/2018
7-New Orleans Bus Trip	3/11-16/2018

### CRUISE ON CELEBRITY SILHOUETTE

January 7-14, 2018 from Ft Lauderdale

See details listed in the flyer on the website:

<http://villagesparrotheads.com/flyers.htm>

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Skip Todd Ass't Chair (352) 561-4923



## CHARITY NEWS

### CLOTHING DRIVES

Our annual used clothing drive will be held at all three PHlockings in April.

Women's clothing will be collected by Jean Holland and Sue Bross for Haven House.

Men's clothing will be collected by Al Bross and Charles Holland for Habitat for Humanity.

Be part of the competition between the men and women to collect the most bags of clothing.



### HELPING HANDS

House #26 is under construction; located at 9682 CR235A. Volunteers are needed 9-2 each day in March. Directions: from 301 go West on 462; right on 235A for about one block; the build site is behind a pink house. The site supervisor is Jim. \*\*Sign in to the Parrot Head log book to get credit

Contact Suzanne Barry @630-251-2940 or [barry.suzanne.john@msn.com](mailto:barry.suzanne.john@msn.com) for more information.

Bargains and Blessings, the Helping Hands thrift store at 301 North Main Street in Wildwood, could use some volunteers who can work as many or few hours as they wish.

Stop at the store Tuesday-Saturday for an application or contact Susie Newland @352-445-1179

### FOOD PANTRY ITEMS ALWAYS NEEDED

Please remember to bring food to the PHlockings. The food pantry shelves are always in need.

Potato dishes, beef stew, canned meat, chili beans, crackers, dry pasta, french-fried onion rings, canned gravy, macaroni & cheese, dry soup mixes, pancake mix,

syrup, canned milk, stuffing mix, tuna helper, diced tomatoes, tomato sauce, carrots, canned chicken & dumplings, canned chili, cooking oil, pork & Beans, flour, canned

fruit, hamburger helper, muffin mix, peanut butter, rice, spaghetti sauce, sugar, paper towels, toilet paper, Kleenex, dog food, cat food

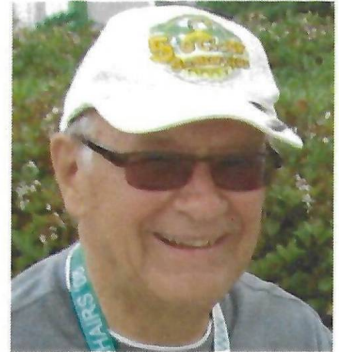


## **INTERVIEW WITH AL BROSS, 2ND CLUB PRESIDENT**

Our Parrot Head Profile this month features Al Bross. Al and Sue Bross have lived in The Villages for about 12 years; two years in Woodbury and ten years in El Santiago which was close to the center of all the activities at that time.

Al and Sue were familiar with the Parrot Heads from their time in Cincinnati where Jimmy Buffett would often come and perform for five days at a time. When they moved to the Villages there was not a Parrot Head Club here because there was a club in Ocala and the club statutes required permission to be given from any club within thirty miles before a new club could be started.

They joined the Ocala club and became very good friends with the president and vice-president of that club. Sue served as secretary of the Ocala club. They were able to get a release from the Ocala club to start a Parrot Head Club in The Villages. They started with the required thirty-three members and it has grown ever since. Al and Sue raised the money to start the club here by having a swim party for people in The Villages.



Dave McDougall was president for the first three years, with Al as vice-president. Al was the second president of The Villages Parrot Head Club and Sue served as vice-president for the first couple of years and later as secretary. The original monthly meetings which included fund raising for various charities were held at area restaurants where the club would pay for half of the entertainment and were very well received by the membership and the venues where the meetings were held. The Meetings at the original El Santiago Restaurant were so popular the membership of the club just grew by leaps and bounds. From the original thirty-three members up to about thirteen hundred today!

Al is not a golfer, but really enjoyed playing pickle ball. He and Sue joined the Cincinnati Club and several other clubs, but for them, there was just nothing like the Parrot Heads!

Al is originally from Cincinnati, Ohio. He graduated with a BA from the University of San Diego, CA, and a Masters from Xavier University and the University of Cincinnati. He worked for the Cincinnati school system for thirty-four years as a teacher, a counselor, and assistant principal. They retired in their early fifties and moved to Oviedo FL. Not being ready for a life of leisure yet, they went to work for the University of Central Florida. Al was Director of Testing and Evaluation and Sue worked for the Provost. After ten years there, they retired again and moved to the Villages.

Al and Sue are currently working as volunteers running the Parrot Head Clothing Drives. The clothing for women goes to Haven House in Leesburg where the items of clothing are greatly appreciated as often the women have to leave a dangerous situation with nothing but the clothes on their backs. The men's clothing goes to the Habitat for Humanity thrift shop.

Al's favorite things about the Parrot Heads are the friendships that he has formed that are almost like family and of course the music!

He would advise new members to work in the club, run for an office, or get involved in the fund raising activities where you will meet people who can become lifelong friends.

Interview by Alma Scheer



## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

42 new members joined the Club in March! Please make them feel welcome to the Club

Jessica Alger	Theresa Duggan	Ray Rodriguez
Tom Alger	Joy Hauther	Sandra Ross
Elsa Beale	Liane Kasson	Steve Scelfo
Bill Batsa	Guy Leach	Kathy Scelfo
Janet Batsa	Debra Leckron	Karen Severy
Ann Butterfield	Kathy Moraski	Bob Simons
Anna Cellura	Mary Ellen Morea	Barb Simons
Pat Chalk	Joe Morea	Mark Springer
Petra Colannino	Pat Murphy	Kathi Springer
John Colannino	Aimee Occhetti	Patricia VanHorn
Pam Davis	Debbie Odom	Jim Wales
Marion DeLuca	Greg Power	Edna Wales-Santana
Dick Dohler	Mar Ann Power	Frances Wiedeman
Bonna Dohler	Christina Rice	Ken Yonak

### CLIQUE CORNER

Note--the cliques are not official Club functions, just groups of people getting together to enjoy like interests outside the club.

**The Chic Clique** Ladies, come join your fellow Parrot Head PHemales for "ladies night out" every 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Email Gypsy Ginchereau at [gypsygewells@gmail.com](mailto:gypsygewells@gmail.com) to be added to the list

**Get Acquainted-** For new members and unattached members interested in making new friends and getting together to jointly attend Parrot Head parties, events or trips; meet every month@3:00PM at Palmer CC, way around in back, prior to the Parrot Head PHlocking. Show up or email Jaci Burdash [jlb2500@gmail.com](mailto:jlb2500@gmail.com)

**Ladies Shopping Trips-** Periodic day trips to interesting off-site destinations;

Contact Debbie Sobota at [debbie\\_sobota@comcast.net](mailto:debbie_sobota@comcast.net)

**Gathering of Friends--** Meets for a few drinks at various establishments; want to join in?

Contact Skip Todd at [skip0358@gmail.com](mailto:skip0358@gmail.com)

**The Sumter Landing Bin Bunch,** Almost every night, for the 5 to 6 happy hour, at the bar shack across from City Fire; just stop by, at Will Stone's Bin and join in.

**3 For The Road and Flipside fans** who enjoy the music of these two bands & want to find out their schedules should contact Len Stein at [lmsteinod@hotmail.com](mailto:lmsteinod@hotmail.com)

If you have a clique you want to share, contact Ren Titus, the Parrot Heads Volunteer Coordinator, at [rtitus@thevillages.net](mailto:rtitus@thevillages.net)

## EXCOMM NEWS

### EXCOMM ELECTION

The next election will be held in June for the following positions:

President, Treasurer, Membership Director, Community Relations Trustee, Media Trustee

Nominations will be accepted by Paul Kinder through April 30th at midnight.

Nominees must be members in good standing and must agree to have their name placed in nomination.

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ONLINE

Great news! Members can now renew their Club membership by going to the website <http://villagesparrotheads.com/> and completing the application and paying by PayPal or a major credit card.

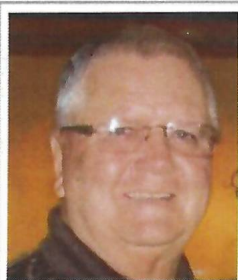
2017 stickers are available at all Phlockings . If you renew online, your sticker will normally be available at the next PHlocking. Members may also renew at PHlockings

### ELECTION CHAIR

Paul Kinder is the Election Chair.

Nominations are to be submitted to Paul @

352-259-3832 or by email [paulfkinder722@gmail.com](mailto:paulfkinder722@gmail.com)



OFFICE	PHONE # E-Mail	TERM EXPIRES
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VICE PRESIDENT Will Stone	352-461-3871 <a href="mailto:will1005sue@aim.com">will1005sue@aim.com</a>	12/31/2017
TREASURER Gerald Brown	352-561-4007 <a href="mailto:brown2338@CenturyLink.net">brown2338@CenturyLink.net</a>	6/30/2017
SECRETARY Lori Hollister	352-430-0500 <a href="mailto:lkhollystar@aol.com">lkhollystar@aol.com</a>	12/31/2017
MEMBERSHIP Julie Harris	352-205-8713 <a href="mailto:halldrama1@outlook.com">halldrama1@outlook.com</a>	6/30/2017
VOLUNTEER TRUSTEE Ren Titus	352-751-1282 <a href="mailto:Rtitus@thevillages.net">Rtitus@thevillages.net</a>	12/31/2017
COMMUNITY RELATIONS TRUSTEE Steve Larson	352-633-2934 <a href="mailto:sklarson01@gmail.com">sklarson01@gmail.com</a>	6/30/2017
EVENTS TRUSTEE Skip Todd	352-561-4923 <a href="mailto:skip0358@gmail.com">skip0358@gmail.com</a>	12/31/2017
MEDIA TRUSTEE Bob O'Neal	352-751-0035 <a href="mailto:boneal1939@gmail.com">boneal1939@gmail.com</a> Editor of the Newsletter	6/30/2017

### MEMBER ADVOCATE

Any member who has an issue with another member or with the Club should contact Paul Kinder@ (352)259-3832 or [paulfkinder722@gmail.com](mailto:paulfkinder722@gmail.com)



# Siesta Key Beach Get Away

September 24 - September 28 2017

## Four Night Siesta Key Get Away

Come join your fellow parrot heads for a great 4 night get away in Siesta Key!

Hotel Reservations will be made by individuals at the hotel of their choice.

### One of the main hotels members will stay at

Siesta Key Resorts & Suites - (941) 349-3211 is located at Public Beach Access #5 - This location will offer a discount of approx. \$20 off your rate if we have at least 10 rooms booked.

### A good choice for places to share

Tropical Breeze Resorts - (941) 349-1125 between Siesta Key Beach Access #2 and #3. They are not offering any discounts

Club activities will all take place in Siesta Village, along Ocean Blvd.

Club Tents will be set up daily at Siesta Beach Access #2

Group Activities are in the process of being planned. A small cover fee will be charged for some of these (sunset cruise/ Meet & Greet/ Bloody Mary Breakfast/Brunch). A wrist band will be required to attend these activities and will go on sale at a later date at Phlockings (after final prices are negotiated)

- ▶ Meet & Greet
- ▶ Pub Crawl
- ▶ Daily Club Tents on the Beach - at Siesta Key Beach Access #2
- ▶ Bloody Mary Breakfast/Brunch -
- ▶ Sunset Cruise

**This information is being provided to club members NOW because the hotels fill up quickly in Siesta Key.**

**Please understand some details (discounts) are still being negotiated and will be**

**PLEASE NOTE:** All of the hotels in this area **charge a fee** if you have to cancel your reservation. Be sure to get a clear understanding of the rental/cancellation policies of the place you reserve.

### Explore On Your Own - Additional Activities in Siesta Key

Ringling Brothers Museum - \$20.00  
Classic Car Museum - \$10.85  
Marie Selby Gardens - \$25.00

### For Information Contact

Chair: Gypsy Ginchereau 352-568-5354  
Assistant Chair Glenny Kinder 248-568-2940

