

PARROTTALK

President's Corner

donations.

Greetings Parrot heads 2012 What A year For Your Club

You have done it again. Exceeded all expectations and surpassed all prior years in the giving of your time and

You have contributed over 5000 volunteer hours & have donated in cash and In-Kind donations over \$81,000. It is true we do have the largest Parrot Head club in the world, but what people in this community know, that we also have the biggest hearts and care about those less fortunate then ourselves.

I wish I could thank each of you individually, but I want you to know that I am touched by your generosity and loving hearts. As I have said in the past, I am honored to be your President.

I also want to thank my Board Of Directors (Excomm) for the countless hours they have contributed to make this club the best in the world. They are forever in my debt.

I wish you all a Happy, safe and blessed New Year.

Charlie Howlett -President TVPHC

New Club Logo

The new club logo (above) has started showing up on our 2013 badges and on shirts in the Phins Up Shop. The question of the hour is "Why are we changing our logo and where did the new logo come from?"

The logo we have been using for the last ten years was designed by Deanna Linsenbach Macdougall, our late founding President's wife. Deanna felt that it was time to retire the old logo for our tenth anniversary celebration.

Lee Caron and Glenny Kinder of the Phins Up Shop, through the efforts of Charles Holland, were able to attend a trade show in Orlando where they met and contracted with MBM of Baltimore to design the new logo.

The EXCOMM approved the logo which reflects our unique Villages golf cart lifestyle. The logo will be officially installed during the 10th Anniversary celebration in April.

EXCOMM ELECTION

Voting was conducted during December at the three Phlockings and by email

See Page #6 for results of the December EXCOMM election



MEMBER ADVOCATE

Any member who has an issue with the Club or another member may seek resolution by contacting our Member Advocate, Bob Alosi (shown at left) at 751-4877 or bob_alosi@hotmail.com. All conversations are confidential. Bob will work with the parties or the EXCOMM to resolve the issue.

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Charity Activities

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Construction Schedules

Address: 711 Pleasantdale Drive, Wildwood Owner: Curtis Walters *** Vietnam Veteran***

Site Supervisor: Mary Baden



Note: This home was started in November and the Truss Setting was November 10th.

Ongoing Build Days: 5-10 volunteers per day every Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday from 8AM-Noon Address: <u>113 Woodlane</u>
Avenue, Wildwood



Family: Otto & Jessie Williams

Site Supervisor: Ed Pick
Note: This home was
started in September and
the truss setting was
September 29th.
Ongoing Build Days: 5-10
Volunteers per day
Working every Wednesday,
Thursday and Saturday
from 8AM-Noon

Please note that volunteers need to call Mary Lou Mills at 352-552-2417 to register for the days they wish to work so the site supervisors know how many people to expect at the job site each day.

Dollars For Scholars

The EXCOMM has decided to support a scholarship program for needy local students who want to pursue higher education, whether a community college, trade school or a university. The consensus is that this is an investment in the future of the community. To assure the best use of the funds, it was decided, with input from the Charity Committee, that the Dollars For Scholars organization is best able to administer the selection and follow up of scholarship candidates.

CHRISTIAN FOOD PANTRY

Items always needed:

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

LAKE PARADISE CLEANUP

The last Tuesday of each month, Cori Purdom (352-643-0838) leads a cleanup of the area around Lake Paradise. Volunteers meet next to the Dog Park across the bridge from Spanish Springs at 10:00AM for the one-hour task. Bring covered shoes and gloves.



JANUARY 2013

5 O'CLOCK SOMEWHERE

Monday, January 7th @ Evans Prairie Country Club @ 4:00PM

Music by Joel

EXCOMM MEETING

Monday, January 21st @9:00AM @Panera Bread meeting room in Lake Sumter Landing. Members are welcome to attend.

Future Club Events

HABITAT FUND RAISER

Tuesday January 22 @Cody's @5:00PM Music by Dunning Shaw

CHILI COOKOFF

Saturday, February 2 @Noon @ Lake Sumter Landing. Persons wanting to enter a recipe, meet at Busker's@2:00PM Friday 1/25/13 for selection of chili for club entry on 2/2 Volunteers needed for setup and cooking Bill Busker, Chair @ 1-954-295-9510

VALENTINE/SPRING FLING DANCE

Saturday, February 16 @ Seabreeze Rec Ctr. Social hour @5:00PM; Dinner @6:00PM **Music by Dunning Shaw** Tickets \$12.50 on sale Phlockings in January Carol O'Neal 751-0035 & Jean Howlett 259-8134

POKER RUN

Saturday, March 23@Noon Tickets (\$5/card) on sale in January. No limit on number of cards. Non-members welcome. ****BASKETS NEEDED: please save and donate to the club. Call Carol O'Neal@751-0035 or Jean Howlett @259-8134 for details****

Poker stations will be at Palmer CC, Mallory Hill CC, Cody's, and Hacienda CC (eat lunch at one of these stops).

Final station at Lord Lyall's Farm by 3:00PM followed by prizes, raffle, auction and music. Bob&Michelle Wilhite Co-Chairs @259-3715

PHLOCKINGS

Wednesday January 2 @ Palmer Country Club ***Bring portable chairs in case we run out of seats at the Phlockings***

Tuesday January 15 @ Havana Country Club Wear your Parrothead shirts and name tags

Wednesday January 16

Club

@ Mallory Hill Country Please bring food items for the CHRISTIAN FOOD

4:00PM

All PHlockings begin at PANTRY (See Pg #2 for

suggested items)

10th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The celebration of our club's 10th Anniversary in 2013 will be a three day series of events:

Friday, April 19th **Polo Tailgate Party** Saturday, April 20th Scavenger Hunt

Saturday, April 20th Dinner Dance@Savannah Ctr

Pool Party @Seabreeze Sunday, April 21st

Assisting Jan Brooks, Chair, are: **Gypsy Ginchereu: Programs & Tickets**

Glenny Kinder: Polo Tailgate Bill Busker: Scavenger Hunt

Joyce VandeMaele: Anniversary Dinner Joyce Isaacson: Decorations, Dinner Carol O'Neal: Decorations, Dance **Bonnie Simpson: Entertainment**

Glenny Kinder: Pool Party

**Tickets on Sale in January (Havana & Mallory)

Polo Tailgate Party \$5.00

Dinner dance \$25.00 (Points in January;

open starting in February)

Pool Party \$5.00

ANNUAL POOL PARTY

Sunday, August 18, 2013 @ 3:30PM Seabreeze Rec Ctr Pool Music by "Just Mike"

Details to follow



Out Of Town Events

TAMPA BAY DOWNS

Saturday, January 12
Bus leaves Laurel Manor @9:00AM
\$45 Bus ticket Includes bus, admission to Tampa
Bay Downs, luncheon buffet in private Party Suite,
program, private cash bar and betting window.

Bus sold out; tickets (drive yourself) available at Palmer Phlocking 2/2 for \$23 per person

Debbie & Glenn Sobota, Chairs @633-2599

GASPARILLA PIRATE FESTIVAL

Saturday, January 26 Tampa Bay Parade Tickets for sale in January Bonnie Graham(459-1493) & Ruth Schaller(633-1750)

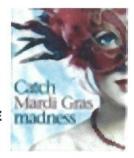
www.gasparillapiratefest.com

LEESBURG MARDI GRAS PARADE

Saturday February 9 @ 7:00PM ***Start lining up @ 5:30PM****

Walkers should be in costume

BEADS ARE NEEDED! PLEASE BRING BEADS YOU HAVE COLLECTED TO PHLOCKINGS IN JANUARY



BILOXI BUS TRIP

2/24-2/27/2013 Beau Rivage Casino Resort+side trip to New Orleans and stop at Lulu's for lunch Cost: \$400 per couple; \$305 Single; \$525 Triple Reservations on sale at January Phlockings Victoria Privott, Chair @757-869-8975 Barbara Greene, Co-Chair @352-399-5087

MUSIC ON THE BAY

Friday-Sunday, February 28-March 3, 2013 Whiskey Joe's Barefoot Beach on Tampa bay Many Trop Rock Musicians. See website flyer

Sue Kermis @753-7709, Joe & Susie Dobrowolski @751-2566, Barb Hopper, @750-8082

Registration at http://musiconthebay.org/

DINNER THEATER TRIP

April
Details to follow

CRUISE

Saturday, April 27-Saturday, May 4, 2013 Sail from Port Canaveral on Carnival Dream Larry & Judy Turner @753-4968

Reserve NOW for best rates.
See Travel Committee at any Phlocking
Currently, about 50 cabins are booked
See flver on Website

St. Augustine Day Trip

Wednesday May 8
Visit Old Town and Golf Hall of Fame
Details to follow

Travel Committee

The Travel Committee is continually seeking new and interesting trips to appeal to a wide variety of member interests. Surveys are conducted periodically and members may suggest potential trips by contacting:

Susie Dobrowolski (352-751-2566) or Skip Todd, Events Trustee (352-561-4923)



Membership News

Membership renewals for 2013 began in December and will continue at the discounted rate of \$15 through March. Starting April 1, the rate is \$20.

Current members do not need to fill out an application form; the forms are pre-printed and only need to be signed at the membership table.

New member registration also began in December at \$20.

All members, whether renewal or new, <u>must sign</u> an application form and membership badges must be picked up by the member (cannot be picked up by someone else). New badges will be issued to all members due to the new club logo which is effective in January.

New Members in December

LeVerne Armstrong
Tom & Suzette Baldwin
Steve & Nancy Barton
Tom & Ann Bourke

Bob & Veronica Cates

John Collier

Hank & Sandy Drewnowski

Bob & Joann Dunphy Jack & Patti Hladick Steve & Jean Hunt

Chuck & Marina Kalogeropoulos

Patricia Knott Roberta Lee

Bob & Barbara Malito

Jim & Marge Medwed

Nancy Oleson

Bill Perry

Tom Prior

Richard & Barbara Scheer
Pete & Lamar Schumacker

Richard Sirrs

Bob & Kathy Snyder

Donita Stanphill

Carole Taylor

Margaret Vann

Joel & Kim Voisine

Gary & Laura Zwayer

Volunteer Appreciation Gathering

The EXCOMM will host a Volunteer Appreciation Gathering January 21, 2013 at Mallory Hill Country Club @4:00PM to thank the members of our club who have volunteered for any of the numerous events held during the year. Members having volunteer points through September 30, 2012 will be invited to attend. 416 members received volunteer points for the fiscal year ending September 30th.

139 members were first time volunteers this year.

VHA HELPING HANDS PROGRAM

The VHA helping Hands Program provides a large selection of durable medical equipment, such as wheel chairs and walkers, for VHA members to use at no cost during the time of their need. A volunteer will deliver to the home and pick up when the equipment is no longer needed. Members may also donate equipment to the Helping Hands Program. The Program Chairman is Bill Dyer @751-1192. A full list, with addresses and phone numbers may be found at www.thevha.net/helping-hands

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EXCOMM NEWS

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COMMUNITY RELATIONS TRUSTEE Jan Brooks	751-1763 Brooksdjdj@ Hotmail.com	6/30/2013
EVENTS TRUSTEE Skip Todd	352-561-4923 Skip0358@gmail. com	12/31/2013
MEDIA TRUSTEE Bob O'Neal	751-0035 boneal1939@gmail. com	6/30/2013

December Election

Elections were held at the December Phlockings for the terms beginning January 1, 2013. Elected were:

1) Vice President: Lee Caron

2) Secretary: Lori Hollister *

3) Volunteer Trustee: Ren Titus4) Events Trustee: Skip Todd *

* New to the EXCOMM



Lori Hollister won the only contested seat and is the new EXCOMM Secretary.
Lori, who is a resident of the Village of Ashland, still works part time as an attorney and has been secretary of several volunteer organizations.



Skip Todd joins the EXCOMM as Events Trustee. Skip has been a member of the Travel Committee and is active in Habitat for Humanity home builds.