

Parrot Talk

December 2020 Edition

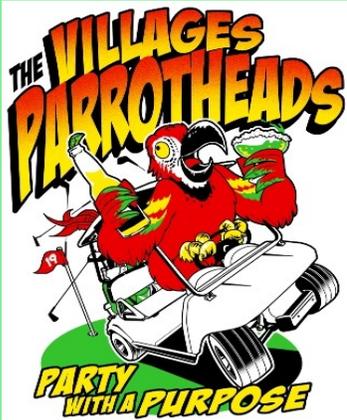


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As we close out the year of 2020 (Good Riddance) We must admit that we are very fortunate here in the Villages. This shows with your generosity, and your enthusiasm. You – the members of this club have made the year successful, even under pandemic conditions.

In November we had our “Almost Phlocking” at Havana CC with their generosity, we raised \$1000 for Lake Panasoffkee food pantry. We also had 3 carloads of food at our food drop off at Streetrod Golf Cars, and the Manager kicked in another \$250. This along with the help of your donations totaled almost \$3,000 to help the hungry.

Our Veterans Day blood drive had over 300 pints of blood collected, and our annual totals are close to normal. Thanks to Skip Todd and all the volunteers for all your hard work. Get ready as we are having 5 blood drives next year.

We ended the month with a very successful Phins up / Membership day and I want to thank Kim Ross, Annie Horn and Denise Woodland for all their hard work. And thank you to Mark Goldberg who has the patience to help those renewing using our online system.

In December, we have our Toys-4-Tots Candy Cane 500 on the first and our Chitty Chatty Bridge drive over/tail gate party on the 2nd. Our Fresh Air Christmas get together at Belle Glade is on the 17th and is almost sold out so go online and get your seats.

As the holidays approach, I want to wish all our members, family, and friends a joyous and healthy Holiday season. Bring on 2021 !!

So Keep Your Phins Up everyone, we are not out of the woods yet, but there is light at the end of the tunnel – finally  !!!

Club Events

Chitty Chatty Bridge Drive

Wednesday, Dec. 2nd was supposed to be our 1st phlocking in December. Well, with everything going on, we still can't do that. We all want to get together and have some fun so we're planning to drive our golf carts over the new Chitty Chatty Bridge and then have a safely distanced tail gate party. We will meet on December 2nd at 2:30 PM in the Rohan Rec Center parking lot closest to the bridge. At 3 PM sharp, we will depart for our short journey through the Village of Chitty Chatty and then the Village of Bradford (second entrance) and then return to the parking lot of the Soaring Eagle softball complex for a tailgate party until we get thrown out. Bring your chairs, refreshments, etc. and let's hope this goes without a hitch. Thanks to Mike Fitzgerald for the great idea.



Christmas Get Together

Our formal Christmas party at Wildwood Community center has been cancelled due to occupancy limitations but we still want to get together to celebrate the holidays.

On Thursday, December 17th, 2020, we will be having an informal Parrot Head holiday get together on the breezeway at Belle Glade CC from 5pm-8pm. There will be a limited menu from which to order an entree and appetizers and as usual, you must order refreshments from Belle Glade. No outside food or drink permitted. Retro Express, one of our favorite bands will be playing. Mitch & Diane will be playing your favorite tunes for us.

Tickets will be \$10 each and you must be a club member or significant other to attend. (2 tickets per household) Tickets are available through our website

and online ticket purchasing system. Any proceeds from this will be donated to Operation Shoebox. Please note: This is not like a rec center where we have table and seating layouts so there will be **NO table seating assignments and no saving seats allowed.** If you want to sit with your friends, you will have to come with your friends. So come celebrate the holiday season with your Parrot Head Club.

Toys for Tots Golf Cart Gift Drive

Toys for Tots was started in 1947 and is one of the most recognized Charities in the US with 97% of all donations going towards the purchase of toys. This year has changed the way that Toys for Tots collects and distributes toys. In the past we would collect donations at Phlockings. This year we will collect them with a **Parrot Head Candy Cane Golf Cart drop off at the home of Jack Maiz between 4 and 6 pm on December 1st.** Everyone who comes to donate a new, unwrapped toy(s) will receive a raffle ticket with a chance to win a \$100 gift certificate from Bone Fish Grill. **Jack lives at 1516 Rosedale Way** in the Rosedale Villas which are in the Village of Duval. Our donations will be collected and consolidated at a warehouse in Fruitland Park where they will be sorted by age and gender. Families have filled out applications and will pick up the presents before Christmas. There are lots of families that can't afford to buy presents for their children. We can make Christmas morning a little better for some children. Our Club goal is 500 presents. Please help us reach it.





Why should you join the Parrot Head Club?

The pandemic's end is within sight. Vaccines will start being distributed in December. Soon we will be back to normal. What does that look like?

- 36 Plockings a year with live music, happy hour drinks, 50/50 drawing and the Phins Shop.
- A Hootenanny Hoedown
- A Valentines Day Party
- Chili Cookoff Competition
- Day Trip to a Spring Training Baseball Game
- Tampa Bay Derby Day Trip
- Panama City Beach Weekend Concert
- Summer Golf Scrambles
- Casino Cruise
- Homosassa Getaway
- Two Pool Parties
- Daytona Beach Party Weekend
- Siesta Key Getaway
- Ybor City Trip
- Halloween Party
- Parrot Head Cruise
- Meeting Of The Minds at Key West
- Pop Up Parrot Head Parties
- Cody Fund Raisers
- Christmas Party
- New Year's Eve Party

The Club activities listed above are enough reason to join. There's more. Our Motto is to Party with a Purpose. Each year this Club donates 10s of thousands of dollars to local charities.

We give our blood and we donate our time in the service of people who need our help. The following list are some of the charities we help:

- Project SOS
- Operation Shoebox
- Honor Flight
- Wildwood Middle School
- ASPCA
- Patriot Dogs
- Food Banks
- Haven House
- Shepherd's Lighthouse
- Center Hill Children's Mission
- Camp SOZO
- Veterans Helping Veterans

In addition to the fun and the charity work, you also get our web site, our Facebook page and the monthly newsletter. You get the opportunity to participate in the decisions the Club makes and the trips the Club organizes. Best of all, you get to be a Parrot Head and that means you get to join a group of great people who live life to the fullest. You get to be one of the people your parents warned you about!

2021 Early Bird Membership Renewal Raffle

And now here's your chance to win millions and millions (well not really)

As we approach 2021, we decided to do something different and new to entice everyone to renew your membership using our new online payment system. We have come up with an Early Bird Membership Renewal Raffle. And it works like this:

If you renew your membership online for 2021 by December 31st, 2020, your name will be put in a raffle to win cash/gift card prizes. For everyone who has already renewed, your name has already been entered. The prizes are as follows:

1st prize - \$100 cash

2nd prize - \$75 cash

4 consolation prizes of a \$50 Cody's gift card each

Charity News

9/11 Blood Drive by SkipTodd

Well the Numbers are in! To all who were willing to Donate & Volunteer your time, a big THANK YOU.

There were 307 donors who showed up to donate. Of those One Blood was able to collect 276 pints of blood which tied us with our February Drive total. Bringing our yearly total to 837 pints or 104 Gallons. Our 21 Volunteers brought our Volunteer hours up to 440 hrs for the year. Now rest up because next year we're shooting for 5 drives and 1000 pints. We Can Do It. Thanks again to all!



The next blood drive and the first one for 2021 is on 2/1/2021 at the Polo Grounds from 8to 4 PM. Details will be provided as we get closer to that date.

Lake Panasoffkee Food Panty

The Lake Pan Food Pantry asked the Parrott Head Club for help and as usual, the members responded in a big way. We started at Havana Country Club with an afternoon of Trop Rock and a 20% of our tab donation which amounted to \$1,000. Then we held a food drive at the Streetrod store and that provided \$650 in food and \$1,025 in member donations. To top it off, Streetrod wrote a check for \$250.



When you add everything up, the Lake Pan Food Pantry get's \$2,925 which they will stretch out to provide food and personal products to people in need. A big thank you to everyone who participated.



12 Days of Christmas Buffet Style

On the twelfth day of Christmas, my true love gave to me:

Twelve Landshark Lagers

eleven Lulu cookbooks

ten tiki torches

nine pairs of flip flops

eight vintage eight tracks

seven Vegas tickets

six Mac guitar picks

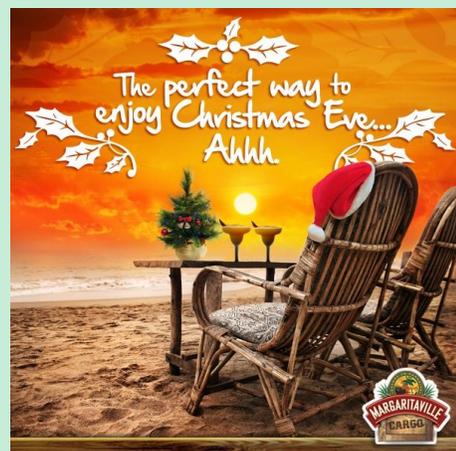
five cheeseburgers

four Hawaiian uke's

three fin hats

two tattoos

and a purple parrot in a palm tree





2021 Membership

ALL members can renew their club dues now. These dues will be good through December 31st , 2021, and we are keeping renewal cost the same at \$20 each. The dues not only cover entertainment costs (whenever the club is able to resume monthly functions), but all costs associated with the club operating expenses such as storage bins, postage, office supplies, mailchimp, and much more. All renewals must be done online through our website and online payment system. We have a new online system, and we will not be accepting checks or cash. Please note – we are asking for your Village-ID number now. If you do not live in the villages, please use your first name and street address number as your village-id. (Example shark1035). We will need to be a bit more restrictive on who can attend phlockings and functions due to the pandemic, so it is imperative that you renew your membership as soon as you can. Let’s aim to keep us the largest Parrot Head Club in the world. Please renew as soon as you can to keep us going.

Untangling The Web

Ever hear the phrase “We’ve always done it that way!”. I guess, when the first automobiles were made, people said “Well, I’ve always ridden to town in my horse drawn carriage!” But, as soon as they realized people could get there faster, carry more and be more comfortable in a car, the horse drawn carriage became a thing of the past. I’ve heard that there are some people (only a few), that feel that way about On-Line Membership. So, this month, we want to take the mystery out of it and make it simple. **Attached to this Newsletter are instructions on how to join or renew your membership on-line and the correct way to create your unique Villages Parrotheads ID.** Hopefully, this will answer your questions. But the most important part of these instructions is this paragraph.... **Your WEBMASTER IS ALWAYS here to help. Contact me with any questions. I am your webmaster, MARK GOLDBERG 714-873-5025 or MGOLDBERG1135@gmail.com** **NOTE:** Our Website has several links to both our HELP DESK and contact information. You can always just visit us at: Villagesparrotheads.com, it’s a great place to find out more



as well as to contact any of the board.” So, here’s the bottom line. If you can get e-mail, you’re all set. Use your cell phone, your tablet, or your computer. Are you not computer literate? Check out the instructions attached (Pages 9—14). Still not sure what to do? No problem! I promise we can walk you through them until you are. All you have to do is ask.

Parrot Head Poem

They ask us wherever we go,
Why do you wear those crazy clothes?
To answer this I will be kind,
It’s a Jimmy Buffet Music Frame of Mind.
It’s sitting in a traffic Jam
And picturing a Beach,
A far off Island in the Sea,
That’s just beyond your reach.
A flowered shirt, a crazy hat,
A cheeseburger in hand,
A beach chair at an awesome park
With a trop-rock music band.
By day we may be doctors and lawyers
And don a 3-piece suit,
By night the margaritas flow
And grass skirts sure look cute.
With Sailing sounds & steel drum beats,
The stress can melt away
And if you haven’t tried it,
“Don’t knock it” as they say.
We celebrate the Pirate life,
The hula girls and rum
A bunch of crazy drinking folk,
We’ve been called by many and some.
Dancing barefoot and squeezing limes,
It is a tropical citrus.
But hold the bashing and keep in mind,
We “Party With A Purpose”.
So welcome to this calling,
And we hope that you’ll be kind
Beyond the beaks, leis, and feathers,
You will certainly, no doubt find.
The greatest bunch of people,
That take charity to heart
That welcomes anyone,
Who has the urge to play a part.

Special Celebrity Interview with Kris Kringle



Kris and his wife Jessica have lived in the Villages for a few years now but have asked that the name of their Village not be mentioned here so as to protect their privacy. He did disclose that it is in the Northern section of the Villages though. They selected a beautiful courtyard villa with the idea the his reindeer could hang out there, but decided after going through about a million poopy bags to stable them at the polo fields instead. Rudolph has become a big favorite with some of the polo ponies as he really brightens up their stable at night.

Kris and Jessica enjoy golfing as do many Villagers and love dining out though Kris is trying to watch his weight, especially this time of year when he'll be sampling lots of Christmas cookies while making his deliveries. Kris and Jessica are originally from the North Pole and met when Jessica was a school teacher.

Kris is semi-retired now, working just one day a year so as not to jeopardize his Social Security benefits. After a long day in the sleigh, he enjoys kicking back with a frozen concoction. He says it helps him hang on.

Kris first became acquainted with the Parrot Head club when he kept seeing the members names showing up on his naughty list AND his nice list. He decided it needed looking into and went to a couple of Phlockings, incognito of course.

What he discovered was that the Parrot Heads love a good party, great music, and dressing outlandishly. As a guy used to going around in a red suit trimmed in white fur he felt right at home.

He also discovered the reason they were on his nice list too. They do a great job supporting local charities and he was particularly impressed with the ones that help children in need.

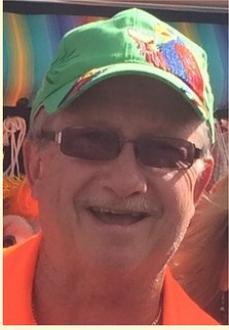
He looks forward to volunteering himself but is not sure yet what area he'd like to get involved in. Possibly the Toys for Tots campaign, though the golf cart poker run also holds appeal for him as he is planning to get a customized golf cart that looks like his sleigh.

His advice to new Parrot Heads is the same as he gives to all the children he has visited over the years. Be kind to others, get plenty of sleep, especially on Christmas Eve, and he adds for the benefit of new Parrot Heads, always Party with a Purpose. He's looking forward to seeing everyone at the Christmas Party and is relieved that it's on Dec. 17th because he and Jessica have lots of prep work to do before Christmas Eve. He's looking for some volunteer elves if anyone's interested.

Interview by Alma Scheer



Executive Committee



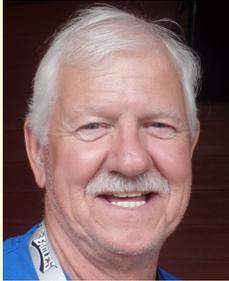
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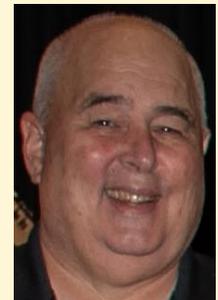
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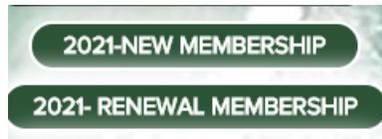


2021 VILLAGES PARROTHEADS MEMBERSHIPS

HERE'S HOW TO PAY YOUR MEMBERSHIP:

To pay your membership, go to our ON LINE Payment system. You access that through our VILLAGESPARROTHEADS website. (Villagesparrotheads.com).

You'll find these icons on the Home Page and the Membership page. Clicking on them will take you directly to the screen for Joining and paying your membership.



Here's the screen. On the left side, you will see instructions. The first step for NEW MEMBERS is to click on the ABOUT icon. (renewals simply skip to the next screen.)

EDIT VIEW EVENT DASHBOARD ADMIN MY ACCOUNT 2 CHECKOUT >>

2021-NEW MEMBERSHIP

By VillagesParrotheads (OTHER EVENTS)

VILLAGES PARROTHEADS
THE VILLAGES, FL 32162, THE VILLAGES, FL 32162

NOVEMBER 2020

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

SHARE EVENT
f t p r in e

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS TO THE VILLAGES PARROTHEADS. IMPORTANT APPLICATION INFORMATION

CLICK THE ABOUT ICON AND READ THE GUIDELINES THEN CLICK THE TICKETS ICON TO REGISTER

MEMBERSHIPS ARE CALLED TICKETS

TO JOIN

- 1- CLICK THE AVAILABLE TICKET DATE
- 2- ENTER THE NUMBER OF TICKETS YOU NEED
- 3- CLICK THE ADD TO THE CART ICON
- 4- IF CORRECT, CLICK THE CHECK OUT ICON
Until you click CHECK OUT, you won't see where to enter your name and payment information.
- 5- If correct, ENTER your personal information to pay. If you need to make changes, CLICK

HOME ABOUT GET THERE TICKETS

You'll then see Member Guidelines to read. Please read them. You will be asked to confirm that you have read them when you complete your registration.

2021-NEW MEMBERSHIP

By VillagesParrotheads | OTHER EVENTS

8 DATES THROUGH MAY 31, 2021

ABOUT

TO COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION YOU MUST READ THE NEW MEMBER GUIDELINES & CODE OF CONDUCT

THEN CLICK THE LINK BELOW TO REGISTER

NEW MEMBERS: New member dues are \$30 per person. If joining in the months of November or December, Membership with carry over to December 31st of the following year.

RENEWAL MEMBERS: Member Renewal dues are \$20.00 per person beginning November and December of the previous year for Online or Mail In Only. In person renewals accepted beginning January 1st of the current year.

MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES:

Click on the "TICKETS" icon to join. Follow the instructions on the left side of the page. The first step is to click on the ICON that says TICKETS.



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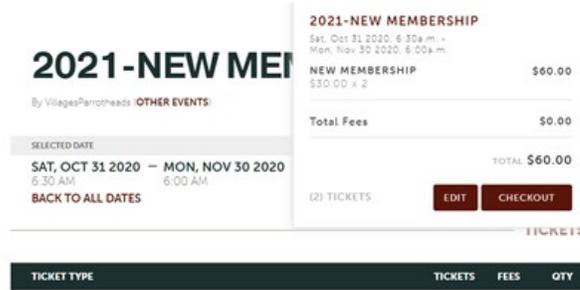
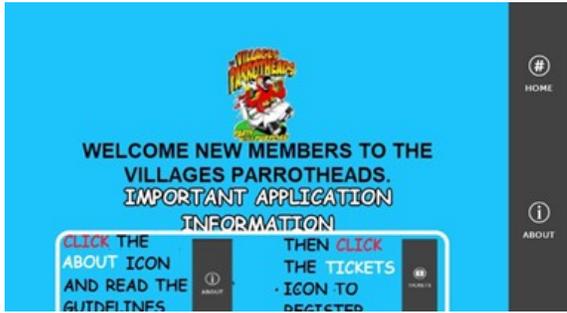
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MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES:

As an official "Villages Parrot Head" you will receive a newsletter and communication via

This screen is where you will select which tickets you want. NOTE: The tickets that are ON SALE have an arrow next to them. The other dates are FUTURE SALES.

Once you have selected how many tickets (remember, it says tickets, but it means memberships) you want, you can either edit the amount, or click on CHECKOUT



Enter in your information. Just follow the prompts.

Checkout

YOUR INFO

first name

last name

email

Not mgoldberg1135@gmail.com? [Log out](#)

CC INFO

cc number

MM YYYY CVV

ORDER INFO

2021- MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL
Sat, Oct 31 2020 1:30a.m. – Mon, Nov 30 2020 1:00a.m.

RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP

2 x \$20.00 **\$40.00**

Tickets (2) **\$40.00**

Total \$40.00

[Checkout](#)

By clicking 'Checkout' I am agreeing to the [TicketLeap Purchasing Agreement](#).

YOU WILL NEED TO ENTER YOUR UNIQUE ID.- This number will be used every time you purchase a ticket to any VILLAGES PARROTHEADS event. If you are a Villager, you already have your ID. It is on your Villager Card and is the SAME ONE you use every time you play golf, buy tickets to places like The Sharon or The Savannah Center.

If you are NOT a VILLAGER, we've made it easy. Just use your first name and your address number. NO SPACES. EXAMPLE: My name is Mark Goldberg and I live at 868 Wiechens Way. So, if I did not live in The Villages, my unique ID would be MARK868. It is easy to create and easy to remember.

NOTE: At the end of this document are more detailed instructions on creating your ID number.

For RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP, Ticket Holder 1

First Name

Last Name

Email Address

UNIQUE ID - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY:VILLAGERS - Enter the 6 digit ID from your Villages ID Card (example:311458)
NON-VILLAGERS- CREATE your unique ID by using your FIRST NAME+ADDRESS NO. (MARK868..... NO SPACES & NO STREET NAME).....THIS MUST BE UNIQUE TO THE MEMBER

HOME PHONE (optional)

CELL PHONE

Tickets (2) \$40.00

Total \$40.00

Checkout

By clicking 'Checkout' I am agreeing to the [Ticketlean Purchasing Agreement](#)

Once you complete your application, you will receive a confirmation email. CONGRATULATIONS, YOU ARE NOW A MEMBER OF THE LARGEST AND BEST PARROTHEAD CLUB IN THE WORLD and one of the BEST CLUBS IN THE VILLAGES.

And always remember.....

Your WEBMASTER IS ALWAYS here to help. Contact him with any questions.

Your WEBMASTER IS:

MARK GOLDBERG

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NOTE: On our Website are several links to both our HELP PAGE as well as my contact information. You can always just visit us at: Villagesparrotheads.com to find more information as well as to contact any of the board.



ENTER YOUR UNIQUE ID

We have several members that have similar or exact same names. This can create problems when you sign up for events.

To avoid that, we need your UNIQUE ID.

When you use our ON-LINE TICKETING SYSTEM, you will be asked for your ID. PLEASE, always use the same one.

HERE IS HOW TO CREATE IT:

VILLAGERS: Your **UNIQUE ID** is found on your **VILLAGE ID CARD**. Please use this each time you are asked for your **Village ID**. In the example below, your ID is **368145**.



NON-VILLAGERS: If you do not have a **Village ID**, Create your **UNIQUE ID** by using your **FIRST NAME+YOUR ADDRESS NUMBER**. **DO NOT INCLUDE YOUR STREET NAME, ONLY THE NUMBER**.

(note: if done correctly, this will be UNIQUE TO YOU). In the example below, your ID is FRED (first name)+1100 (address number)= **FRED1100**.



WHEN COMPLETING YOUR MEMBERSHIP ON LINE THIS IS WHAT THE FIELD TO NETER YOUR ID LOOKS LIKE.

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First Name

Last Name

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HOME PHONE (optional)

The most important thing on these instructions is that YOU can always contact me directly @ mgoldberg1135@gmail.com with any and all questions.