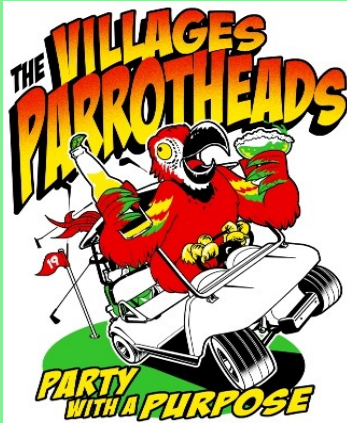


# Coco-Nutz Telegraph

January 2023 Edition



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## President's Corner



Happy New year – Welcome to 2023 !!

First let's look back on last month where we had 3 great phlockings with great music. We started with the Christmas parade around Spanish Springs Town square. Thanks to Sally Bottke for organizing. She always does a great job, and thanks to all the participants.

I hope you were able to get to the Waterfront Inn to see the tree auction, where we outbid everyone to donate \$600 to the Special Olympics. A team drink to Marty McKay and company who made the ParrotHead "Rum and Coke" tree as it was magnificent.

We also had, what I considered, the best Holiday/Christmas party we ever had. The Missing Links Band was outstanding and had the dancefloor full all night long. Thanks so much to Judy Turner and her entire crew for working so hard for us.

Our New Year's Eve party was another great extravaganza where Woody and the LongBoards rocked the Savannah Center. Thanks to Stephanie Caruana and her team for organizing a great event.

Bonnie Walls and our travel committee really came through with a great trip to see the Christmas lights and a show in Mt Dora. You want to get involved with Judy Koch and the travel committee. They put on some great trips and are always looking for new phun places to go to.

2023 brings in some new ideas. Our phlocking schedule has changed a bit so make sure you come on the right dates. Havana CC is now the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at 1pm and Belle Glade CC is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 330pm.

We also have some new ideas for new members which you will hear about, and we are starting up our 5 o'clock Somewhere parties again, this time scheduled, on the 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of months that have 5 Wednesdays in it. Watch your emails and our Facebook page for more info.

Our first Gasparilla Golf Cart Pirate Invasion will be held on January 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be 2 golf cart parades, one from the South side and one from the North. We will then head to Brownwood square, for some phun and phrolic, so get your pirate outfits ready and decorate your golfcarts.

There will be some new music at our phlockings in January so come check them out. And we will be taking names at each phlocking for volunteers for the Chili Cook-off which is February 4<sup>th</sup>.

On behalf of the entire board of Coconuts, and all our members, I would like to wish all of you a Happy, Healthy, and Safe 2023. Keep your Phins Up Parrot Heads. C U all soon !!

# Club Events

## Wednesday January 4th Phlocking

We start off 2023 with a Phlocking at Arnold Palmer Country Club. The party starts at 3:30 and ends at 6 PM. The

### Phins Up Shop is pick up only.

We have scheduled Dan Flok to provide the music. Dan is a first timer performer for the Club. He is driving down from Gainesville to play for us. If you'd like a preview, click on [Dan Flok](#). Make sure to attend.



## Wednesday January 11th Phlocking

Our 2nd Phlocking in 2023 will be at the Havana Country Club. **This is a change in the schedule from last year.** The lunch Phlocking is now the 2nd Wednesday of the month. The party starts at 1 PM and goes until 3:30. Phins Up Shop is pick up only. We have another first time performer for your enjoyment. Gary Philips will be playing for us. Gary comes from the Coastal Jersey Parrot Head Club so you can be sure that he will play plenty of songs we know the words to. Come on out and give Gary a big welcome. If you'd like a preview, click on [Gary Philips](#).



## Sunday January 15th Phlocking

The last Phlocking of the month will be at Belle Glade.

Phins UP Shop is open for business and Tim Hargis is back with his saxophone. He never fails to please the crowd.

Click on [Tim Hargis](#) for a sample of his music.



## Chili Cookoff

The always fantastic Chili Cookoff will be on February 4th, 2023 at Lake Sumter Landing. We have won the coveted People's Award for the last 9 years and look forward to our 10th victory. The People's Award winner is the organization that raises the most money for local charities.

We need lots of volunteers to guarantee a win: People stir and serve the chili, sell water and soda, bake cookies and brownies and work the crowd to attract them to our tent. It's a lot of fun. You can volunteer at the January Phlockings for 1 or more 2-hour blocks and the job(s) you want to do. If you can't make it to Phlocking and want to volunteer, please email Dail Ross (Chairperson) at [mrdross1957@gmail.com](mailto:mrdross1957@gmail.com)

The people who bake will need to pre package them in small bags of 3 or 4 cookies depending on the size and a single brownie (but substantial) brownie. They can be delivered to the tent before 10 AM on the day of the cookoff or to Dale's home (510 Amici Ave., The Villages) on February 3rd.



## Club Cruise

On February 25th, a large phlock of Parrot Heads will set sail from Port Canaveral on an 8-day Carnival Magic Cruise to the Southern Caribbean. Stops will include Aruba, Bonaire and Grand Turk.

Judy Turner has booked a meeting room at the Churchill Rec Center at 1:30 on February 3rd, for a pre-cruise meeting for everyone so she can explain what is planned and how we can maximize the phun.





## Homosassa Springs Getaway 2023

**SOLD OUT**

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### Poker Run

We have a date for this once a year mega fundraiser for local charities. It's going to be held on March 18th at Laurel Manor and it will be bigger and better than ever. You will be able to pick out your poker hand at Colony Cottage, Sea Breeze, Havana Country Club, and Palmer Country Club and then proceed to Laurel Manor for the last card. Then the real party starts.

We have one of the best Trop Rock Bands in the country playing for us. The Trop Rock Junkies are back!! We will have over 80 plus high value baskets to bid on. This is our annual fundraiser for local charities. Bring your neighbors, friends, anyone you can get to come and enjoy the afternoon. Mark your calendars and watch Facebook, the Newsletters and Mark the Sharks emails for information in the coming months. This event will require lots of volunteers.



## Day Trip to Tarpon Springs

No details are available yet but we have a date. On April 6th we are planning on a day bus trip to Tarpon Springs. Lots of shops to go through and the best Greek food in Florida. There are some short day cruises to show you how they dive for sponges and there are sunset cruises available. It would be an excellent one day adventure. Watch for details.

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## Panama Beach Rendezvous

Panama City Beach Parrot Head Club's Rendezvous is on for 2023! The only detail we have at this time is the dates are Thursday, April 20 through Sunday, April 23. Friday and Saturday are non-stop beach concerts held behind Sharky's. Most of us stay at the [Origin at Seahaven](#) condos across the street. Watch for updates in the Newsletter and emails from Mark. This is a big, fun event.



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## 2023 Changes to Phlocking Schedule

Due to holidays like Easter, Mother's Day and Super Bowl Sunday, we will be flip-flopping our Belle Glade and Havana Phlockings. The changes will go into effect January 1st. The new schedule will be:

**First Wednesday—Palmer's CC 3:30 to 6PM**

**2nd Wednesday—Havana CC 1:00 to 3:30 PM**

**3rd Sunday—Belle Glade CC 3:30 to 6PM**

Please mark your calendars so you won't miss out on any of the Phun!!

# Club Events

## Travel Committee

The location and the time is changing for the Travel Committee. **The next meeting will be from 1 to 3 PM at the Churchill Downs Recreation Center (2375 Churchill Downs), on Thursday, January 12th.** You need to be a Village Resident to attend. We hope this is more convenient for people and more members will decide to get involved. At this meeting we hope to select dates for several trips such as a visit to the Tampa Aquarium and then a bar crawl in Ybor City and a day trip to Disney Springs. We are a great club because we do phun things. We need people to step up and facilitate our great adventures. We need you!

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## 5 O'Clock Somewhere Parties 2023

This year we are going to have 4 additional parties! Every month with a 5th Wednesday will be an opportunity to get out with your Parrot Head friends and celebrate. Mark your calendars for March 29th, May 31, August 30, and November 29. We don't know the time, the place or the theme yet. We're working on it. We'll let you know in plenty of time to get ready for a 5 O'Clock Somewhere.

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## Music On The Bay

The Tampa Bay Parrot Head Club will host Music On The Bay (MOTB) on March 1st to 5th at Whisky Joes on Tampa Bay. This party has won the Trop Rock Music Association's "Event Of The Year" 9 times! It's a great party. For more information and to register for the event go to [musiconthebay.org](http://musiconthebay.org)

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## Mac MacAnally is Coming Back!

Mac is going to be playing at the Orange Blossom Opry on February 17th. There will be a ton of Parrot Heads there and a good time will be had by all. Better move quickly if you want good seats.



## Member Travel Classified

This section is devoted to members who have made travel plans and would like to share them with other members. They know it's more fun to travel with fellow Parrot Heads than by yourself. **These are not sanctioned Club trips.**

**LANDSHARK BAND CRUISE** aboard Norwegian Line leaves Miami on April 15, 2023 for a 7 port, 13 day trip. Dave Macaulay & Judy Christie are going and would like some fellow Parrot Heads to join them. If you are interested, contact Dave at 407 383 2530.

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## Gasparilla Pirate Festival

**On January 27th** we are going to invade Brownwood from the North (Lake Sumter Landing) and from the South (Ednas on the Green) with our own version of the Gasparilla Pirate Invasion of Tampa Bay. We know that the pirates used boats but we've got our golf carts which can be decorated to look like pirate vessels. Now's the time to buy, borrow or make a pirate outfit to wear. We don't care if your pirate garb is expensive or not. A t-shirt with a pirate on it is fine. The goal is to have phun. We will crawl from bar to bar and have a jolly time. We may be giving a prize for the best costume and decorated cart. Watch for Mark's emails and our Facebook page for specific times.





# Charity News

## December Food Drive

Club members donated \$125 in cash and \$621 in food at the Palmer Phlocking for a total of \$746. When you add up all the months and the Halloween Party donations, our Club donated \$6,411 to feed hungry people in 2022. Thanks to everyone who made the world a little better last year.

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## January Food Drive

The **Havana Phlocking** will be the site of the first food drive of 2023. The Food Pantry of Fruitland Park will receive our donation. People are usually generous with their donations in December as the Christmas Spirit moves them. People are just as hungry in January. Please be generous.

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## Club's 2022 Charity Review

You should be proud to be a member of a Club that does so much to help people in need. While the final numbers aren't in yet, **the Club donated close to \$450,000 in 2022.**

Our donations come from the volunteer hours worked which are calculated at a rate of \$23 per hour. The blood we donated is calculated at \$30 a pint. We also donated food, school supplies, toys, household goods and lots of cash which came from our 50/50 drawings, our Poker Run and the Cody's fund raisers. Below are listed the Charities that benefited from our Giving Program:

- ⇒ Fruitland Park Food Pantry
- ⇒ Lady Lake Food Pantry
- ⇒ Wildwood Food Pantry
- ⇒ St. Theresa Soup Kitchen & Food Pantry
- ⇒ Shepard's Light House
- ⇒ Combat Vets to Careers
- ⇒ Service Dogs for Vets
- ⇒ Center Hill Children's Mission
- ⇒ It Takes A Village
- ⇒ Wildwood Middle High School
- ⇒ Refuge at Jumper Creek
- ⇒ Project SOS

- ⇒ Operation Shoebox
- ⇒ Alzheimer Society
- ⇒ Help Agency/SOZO Kids
- ⇒ Special Olympics
- ⇒ Hurricane Relief
- ⇒ Veterans Helping Veterans
- ⇒ Toys for Tots
- ⇒ Ocala SPCA

Once again the Villages Parrot Head Club lived up to it's Motto: Party with a Purpose.

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## Special Olympics Christmas Tree

Marty McKay and her friends made this spectacular Christmas Tree that was auctioned off the Waterfront Inn in December. The Club bid and won the tree for \$600 which becomes a donation to support the Special Olympics. The tree was given away as a door prize at our Holiday Party.



## St. Theresa Soup Kitchen & Food Pantry

The Catholic Church Soup Kitchen in Bellview's motto is "Feed the hungry". No questions asked. They serve a midday meal from 11 to 1PM, 365 days a year.

St. Theresa also has a Food Pantry that is open Monday thru Friday from 9 AM until 12:30 PM.

Our Club donated \$2,000 in December to help them make sure that no one goes hungry who knocks on their door this holiday season.



# Charity News

## Blood Drive

Our first Parrot Head Blood Drive of 2023 will be held On Friday and Saturday, January 6th & 7th, at firehouse #44, on Moyer Loop and Morse Blvd. Friday is from 8:30am till last drop, and Saturday is from 8:30am-12noon.

PLEASE - our sign ups are way down for this one and we need your help. There is a major shortage of blood in Florida right now, and there has been for quite some time. 1 pint of blood can help save the lives of 3 people.

You can sign up at our Palmer's Phlocking, Wednesday, January 4th, 2023 3:30pm. Or contact Skip Todd at skip0358@gmail to make an appointment, or just stop on by. (appointments are preferred).

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## Lone Palm Foundation

Our Club donated \$7,500 to the Parrot Head In Paradise (PHIP) Lone Palm Foundation which provides help to fellow Parrot Heads. The following letter was sent to PHIPs expressing one person's appreciation for the help provided:

*After learning that Lone Palm Foundation helped several friends after Hurricane Ian, very quickly and with no red tape, no less, it's become my new favorite charity.*

*Very often, when you give money to a charity, you don't see where it goes. It just goes off somewhere and you have to just trust that it's going where it needs to go.*

*But imagine my surprise, after raising \$600 through Parrot Heads For The Palm Beaches, that the help landed right in our own backyard!*

*On behalf of my family members and friends who received help following Ian, thank you, Lone Palm Foundation, for all that you do and all of the hard work you do to bring relief to others.*

*Mike Dunkling  
President*

*Parrot Heads For The Palm Beaches*

## 10 Fun Facts about Jimmy Buffet

1. Jimmy Buffett has done more than 40 tours. The "Big 8" songs that are almost always played are Margaritaville, Come Monday, Fins, Volcano, A Pirate Looks at Forty, Cheeseburger in Paradise, Why Don't We Get Drunk, Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes
2. Jimmy has sold over 20 million albums world wide. His best selling one is Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes.
3. In addition to being a singer/song writer, he's a who has written 3 best selling books: Tales from Margaritaville, Where is Joe Merchant and his autobiography, A Pirate Looks at Fifty.
4. He calls his genre of music, Gulf and Western which combines elements of rock, pop, folk, and country with a Caribbean theme.
5. He has appeared on Hawaii Five-0. He plays a rugged pilot named Frank Bama which is a character he created in his Where is Joe Merchant book.
6. Jimmy has been in several TV shows and movies but none more iconic than Jurassic World where he played the role of Margarita Man. In the scene where the dinosaurs escape and everyone runs for their lives, Margarita Man takes the time to grab a Margarita in each hand before he makes his escape.
7. Jimmy Buffett's original Coral Reefer Band was entirely fictional. The players in his imaginary band were Marvin Gardens, Kay Pasa, Al Vacado and Kitty Litter.
8. Jimmy loves manatees and in 1981 founded the Save the Manatee Club. Today there are over 4,000 members.
9. "Margaritaville" was inducted into the Grammy Hall of Fame in 2016, 39 years after it was introduced.
10. "Margaritaville" is considered the most lucrative song ever written.

# Membership

## New Club Members

Barb Alajoki  
Patricia Anderson  
Bob "Boz" Bozovich  
Barbara Bunting  
Dan Bunting  
Arlene Elosch  
Bette Germain  
Dave Hedgecock  
Margie Hedgecock  
David Marbot  
Diane Marbot  
Polly McNeil  
Deb Perricelli  
Pam Sadler  
Ed Schlegel  
Kathy Schlegel  
Chris Snell  
Gloria Snell  
Joan Strowe  
Orin Strowe  
Donald Trawick  
Rachael Trawick

## Welcome

### New Head of Security

The Coco-Nutz have voted and the new Head of Security is David Walls. Dave's been in the Villages since 2013 and is at almost every phlocking and always ready to help. Next time you see him you might want to tell him you appreciate what he does for the Club



## New 50/50 Manager



The person who will be running our 50/50 drawings for this year is Gary Grahn. He's been the back up manager for years and when the opportunity came to step up, Gary volunteered. He comes from Indiana and has been a Parrot Head since 2016.

## Member Advocate

Jack Maiz is the Club's Member Advocate. He is available to any member who has an issue with the Board, the Club or another member. His job is to find a resolution while insuring member confidentiality. Jack's email is [jmaiz@aol.com](mailto:jmaiz@aol.com).



## Parrot Head Leadership Conference

Our Club is once again going to host the Florida Parrot Head Leadership Conference. Parrot Head Club leaders from all over Florida will be invited to the two day weekend event. The timing isn't finalized but it looks like early August and there is usually a great pool party on one of the nights that's open to all members (until the hotel says "Too Many People"). Watch future Newsletters and Mark's emails for more information.

## Member Discounts

Two of our Corporate Sponsors are now giving discounts to Club members. Lake Sumter Dryer Vent Cleaning LLC is giving a 10% discount to Club members and FertiGator is giving members \$25 dollars off.





## Volunteer Opportunities

**Attendance:** 3 volunteers are needed for Phlockings at Palmer and Havana. 2 volunteers are needed for Belle Glade.

The times are 2:30-5:30 for Palmer and Belle Glade and from noon to 3:00 PM for Havana. The dates for **Palmer** are Jan. 4th, Feb. 1st, March 1st, April 5th May 3rd and June 7th.

**Havana** is Jan 11th, Feb. 8th, March 8th, April 12th, May 10th and June 14th. **Belle Blade** is Jan 15th, Feb 19th, March 19th, April 16th, May 21st and June 18th. 2 people are also needed at Palmer to distribute Renewal Stickers on Dec. 7th, June 4th, Feb. 1st and March 1st. Please let Jaci Burdash know (jlb2500@gmail.com) if you can help with attendance taking and if you have a preferred location.

**50/50:** 2 volunteers are needed, starting at 2:30 for Palmer and Belle Glade and 1:00 for Havana. Please send an email to Gary Grahn at [ggrahnjr@yahoo.com](mailto:ggrahnjr@yahoo.com) if you can help selling 50/50 tickets.

**New Members:** These are great ways to meet your fellow PHs and earn points. For an explanation of the points system, go to the Club's web site, click on "Volunteers" and then the link to the explanation of the points system.

**Wildwood Soup Kitchen** If you are interested in making a difference in the lives of people, this might be the opportunity you've been waiting for. If you're interested, go to [wildwoodsoupkitchen.org](http://wildwoodsoupkitchen.org) and fill out an application and be sure and put on the form that you are a Parrot Head: For additional information contact: Barbara McManus: (352) 299 6494 Email: [barb.mcmanus@yahoo.com](mailto:barb.mcmanus@yahoo.com)

**The Villages Regional Hospital** Opportunities in various departments, some which interact with patients and some which do not. Application forms are available at the front desk or the Day Captain's Office near the front entrance or contact Gloria Counselman (352) 751-8176 Email: [tvrhvpo@centflhealth.org](mailto:tvrhvpo@centflhealth.org)

**Cornerstone Hospice** in The Villages needs help. Jobs include greeters and kitchen volunteers at the hospice, as well as volunteers to visit patients in their homes, assisted living facilities and nursing facilities. If interested, email Heidi Gamet at [hgaumet@cshospice.org](mailto:hgaumet@cshospice.org).

**SOZO After School Programs.** Volunteers are needed to help provide after school activities and a serve a meal for the children living in the Ocala National Forest. Many of these children live in abject poverty and Camp SOZO is their only safe haven. If you are interested in learning how you can help, email [contact@friendsofsozokids.com](mailto:contact@friendsofsozokids.com).

**Operation Homebound** is the Meals on Wheels program for The Villages and surrounding areas. They deliver hot-cooked meals to elderly shut-ins on weekday mornings. They are looking for delivery drivers who take meals to the recipients one morning per week. It's fun and fast, only taking a couple of hours. When you arrive at the Kitchen, your meals are already prepared and packaged, ready for you to grab and go. It's a great volunteer opportunity. For more information, please call 352-689-1023, or email [OHB@northlakepc.org](mailto:OHB@northlakepc.org).

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## Sunshine Committee

If you know of a member who has an illness, injury or surgery or someone who is suffering the loss of a spouse or child, please notify Patty Petretti, Chairperson of the Club's Sunshine Committee. Patti's email is: [patamus1747@gmail.com](mailto:patamus1747@gmail.com)





# Membership

## Help Wanted

We have the largest Parrot Head Club in the world. All of the work is done by people who volunteer their time, their creativity and their experience to make us what we are. We are going to add this new Help Wanted section to our Newsletter because we are always in need of new people with new ideas to move the Club forward.

**Assistant Club Photographer** We need a backup photographer to attend phlockings and Club events to take pictures to record all the fun we have. That person will become Lisa MacLeod's assistant. Please email Lisa if you are interested at [lisadphoto28@gmail.com](mailto:lisadphoto28@gmail.com)

**Trip Manager Disney Springs** We need someone to manage a day bus trip to Disney Springs in early 2023. The Club makes the arrangements for the bus and all ticket sales. The manager is responsible for the logistics on the day of the trip. The manager will have an assistant with bus trip experience to help make sure the trip is a total success. Interested parties should contact Judy Koch at [parteeepar11@aol.com](mailto:parteeepar11@aol.com)

**Assistant Web Master** Our Club needs a back up for our hard working and talented webmaster, Mark Goldberg. See the details on Page 11.

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## 2023 Membership Contest

### Barb's Trivia Question

Which two of the following songs did JB share writing credit with his soon to be wife Jane Slagsvol ?

- a) Tampico Trauma
- b) Kick it in second wind
- c) Something so feminine about a mandolin
- d) Cliches
- e) Presents to send you

Answer on Page 17

## Editors Pick: 2023's First Drink

### A Bloody Mary!

This month the editor of this newsletter is going to select a drink to start 2023. A French bartender by the name of Fernand Petiot claimed to have invented the Bloody Mary in 1921. According to his granddaughter, he was working at the New York Bar in Paris, which later became Harry's New York Bar and was a frequent Paris hangout for Ernest Hemingway and other American migrants. The original cocktail is said to have been created on the spur of the moment, according to the bar's own traditions, consisting only of vodka and tomato juice.

There are hundreds of recipes for the Bloody Mary cocktail. This is Emeril Lagasse's recipe for a pitcher.

### Ingredients

- 8 cups thick tomato juice
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon celery salt
- 2 teaspoons freshly ground black pepper
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- 2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
- 2 teaspoons Tabasco sauce
- 10 ounces vodka
- Crushed ice

### Directions

Pour the tomato juice into a large pitcher. Stir in the salt, celery salt, pepper, lemon juice, lime juice, Worcestershire, tabasco and vodka. Chill for at least 1 hour and then pour into tall glasses with crushed ice and mix. Garnish with whatever you like. I like bacon.



# Member Interview



Our Parrot Head Profile this month features Marty McKay. Marty and her Scottish husband Danny have lived in the Village of Liberty Park for nine years and have no intention of moving again. Congratulations are in order as Danny has recently become an American Citizen! They had originally planned to retire in Arizona, but on a trip to visit family and friends in Florida they stopped in to check out The Villages. It happened to be the day Brownwood Paddock Square had its opening celebration and they were duly impressed and ended up making their home here.

Marty belongs to the Decorator's Club, the Celtic Club, and the Asian American club because she loves the culture, and she is treasurer of the Brits and Us Club. Danny was delighted to find that there are men here who still love to play soccer and they are active with that group. Marty also enjoys thrift store shopping and knows every thrift store in the area.

Columbus, Ohio was Marty's home before they moved to Cleveland where she worked as a credit collection manager. She has also done a lot of volunteer work helping people with debt management so they could live within their means and she did volunteer work with AARP for ten years.

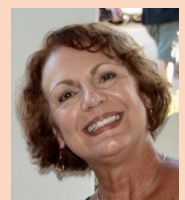
Marty and Danny have four children, three grandchildren, and a Yorkie named Ginger. The first Phlocking they attended was at Palmer Country Club and they remember how friendly everyone was so the Parrot Head Club was one of the very first clubs they joined. Most of the good friends they have now are Parrot Heads.

Marty never misses a chance to volunteer for our parades. In fact she took a class here in The Villages to learn balloon twisting and has been responsible for teaching people how to make the balloon parrots that are given out along the parade route. She has organized the group that twists 300-400 balloons for each parade and people must really love them because you never see them strewn on the ground after a parade! She was also responsible for the Christmas tree the club donated to raise money for a very worthy cause, the Special Olympics. And as you may know, the club put in the highest bid on the tree and then it was raffled off at our Christmas party. Marty would like to give a shout out to her team who helped make this possible. Many thanks to Denise Cosco, Jan Donegan, Ellen McLees, Sheila Hughes, and Judy Gima. Thanks to their efforts, the Parrot Heads will always have a slot to enter a tree if they want it.

What Marty likes most about our club is the camaraderie and the incredible generosity of its members.

Her advice to new members about getting involved in the club is to volunteer in any area that you think you'd like and would fit your skill set. She says everyone is so welcoming you're bound to have fun!

Interview by Alma-Rose Scheer







## JAN 2023 NEWSLETTER HAPPY NEW YEAR GETTING BETTER EVERY YEAR

| 2023 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE                                   | DEC | JAN |
|---|-----|-----|
| NEW MEMBERS   | 81  | 108 |
| RENEWING MEMBERS  | 537 | 771 |
| TOTAL EARLY 2023 MEMBERSHIPS                            | 618 | 879 |
| 2022 NOT RENEWED  | 915 | 654 |
| WOW! 261 ADDITIONAL MEMBERS HAVE THEIR 2023 MEMBERSHIPS |     |     |

**2023 MEMBERSHIP-** NICELY DONE! These are the totals as DEC. 24<sup>th</sup>. By the time you read this it will be even higher.

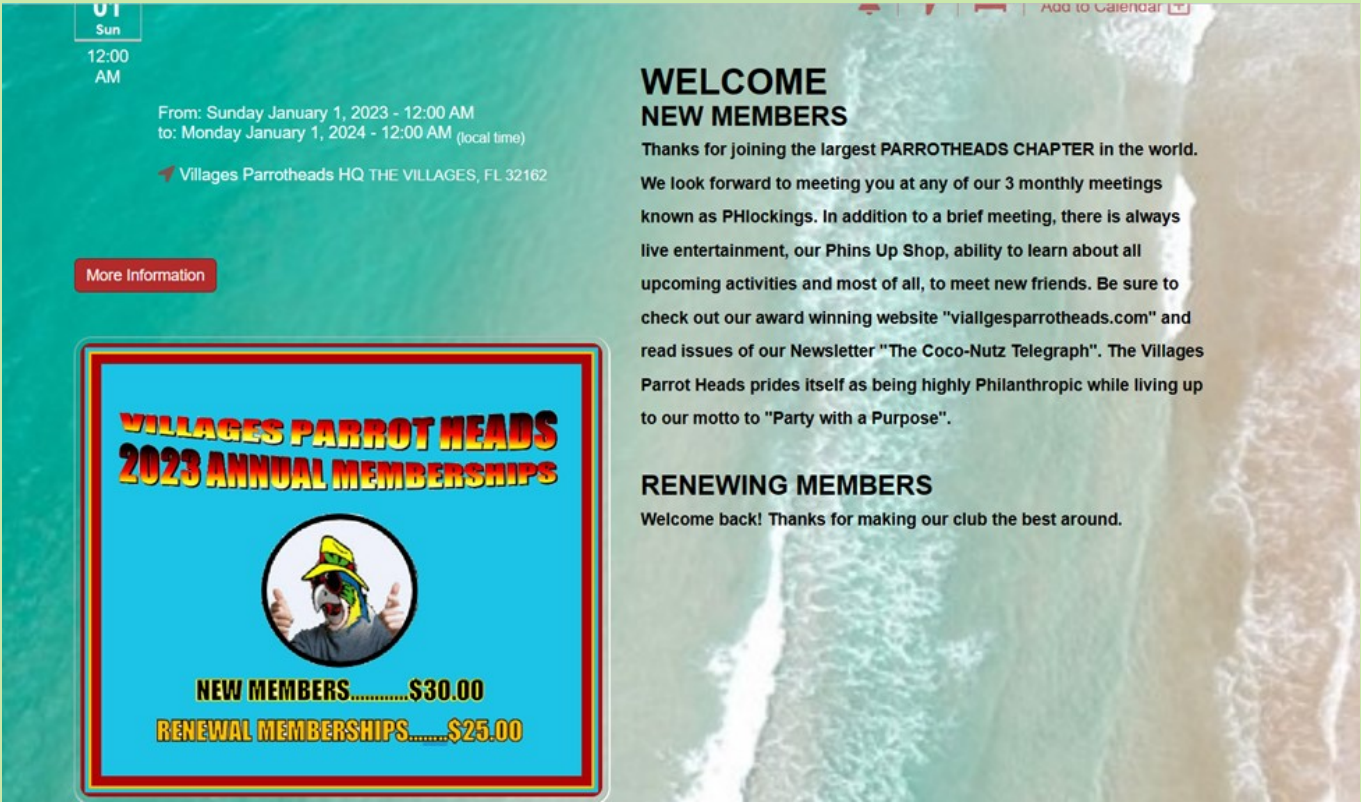
**ASST WEBMASTER STILL NEEDED-** Join a great team and be part of building our AWARD WINNING website. One of the most important things for any Organization to have in order to maintain excellence is a SUCCESSION PLAN. In a succession plan, every position has someone backing up or training to take over. For me, it is very important to have that person ready to maintain the WEBSITE. So, we are looking for that person. What do you need: A very good understanding of EXCEL and WORD. Basic PC working knowledge. The proper attitude to help members and Ex Com Board to resolve issues regarding use and functionality of the WEBSITE. I will continue to be the WEBMASTER and will teach you how to update and maintain all aspects of the WEBSITE. There is tremendous opportunity to learn and take over as much of the WEBMASTER responsibilities as you want. The goal is to be ready to take over as WEBMASTER when I decide to “retire”. Note that, at this time, I do not plan to “retire” soon but really am anxious to have a person to help NOW and take over at the right time.

PLEASE contact me directly with any questions. Thanks so much.

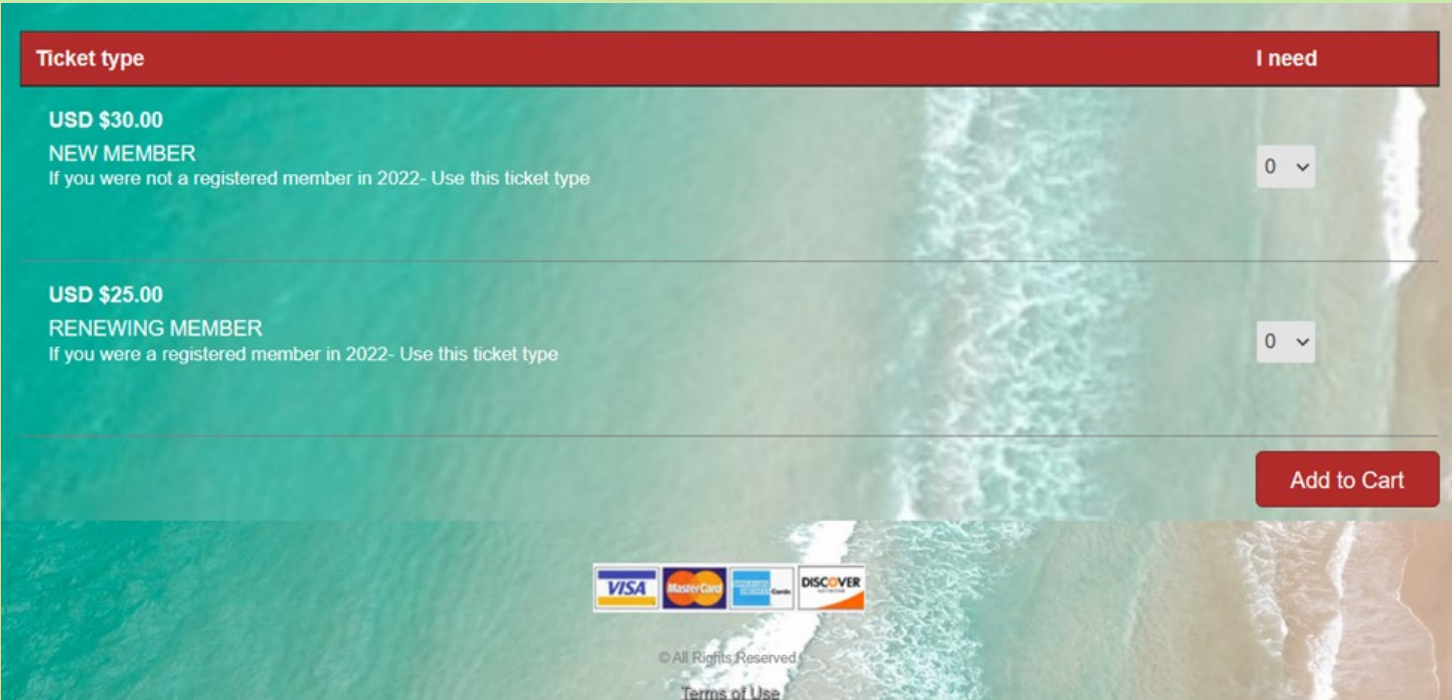


**NEW LOOK ON LINE PURCHASING-** After two and a half years of successful on line purchasing processing, 2023 brings us a brand new look and an even friendlier Parrothead experience.

Here is what 2023 will look like.



Brighter graphics and easier to read information on a background that looks like our website.



Simpler screens and ease of use.

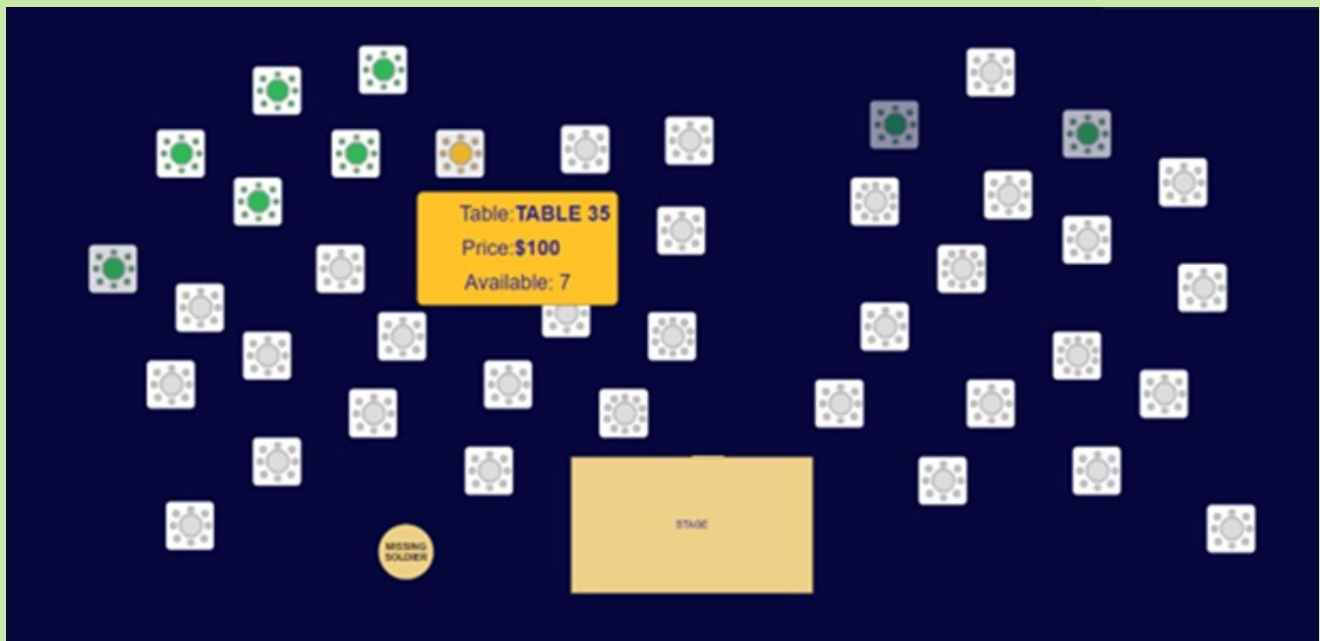


Easy to add to cart and get through your purchase.

The screenshot shows a checkout interface with the following sections:

- BUYER'S LAST NAME**: Input field
- BUYER'S EMAIL**: Input field
- BUYER'S PHONE NUMBER**: Input field
- BUYER'S STREET ADDRESS**: Input field
- BUYER'S CITY**: Input field
- BUYER'S STATE**: Input field
- Ticket #1:**
  - MEMBER'S FIRST NAME**: Input field
  - MEMBER'S LAST NAME**: Input field
  - MEMBER'S EMAIL**: Input field
  - MEMBER'S PHONE NUMBER**: Input field
  - MEMBER'S STREET ADDRESS**: Input field
- COMMENTS**: Input field
- BILLING INFORMATION** (with a help icon):
  - First Name**: Input field
  - Last Name**: Input field
  - Billing Country**: Dropdown menu (currently showing "United States")
  - Billing Address**: Input field with placeholder text "'888 Street name' Or PO Box"
  - Address Line 2**: Input field
  - City**: Input field
  - State**: Dropdown menu (currently showing "AK")
  - Zip Code**: Input field
  - Cell Phone**: Input field with placeholder "000-000-0000" and subtext "Including area code"
- CREDIT CARD INFORMATION** (with a help icon):
  - Name on Card**: Input field
  - Card information:**
    - Card number**: Input field
    - MM / YY CVC**: Input field

And if you want to buy tickets at a table, this is what you will see. And just by moving your cursor over the table, you can see how many seats are available.



And, just as importantly, we control changes much more than before so getting issues cleared up can be done without contacting anyone outside of the Parrothead Board.



**WHEN DOES ALL THIS HAPPEN-** That's the best part. You don't have to do anything. We'll be turning it on over the next couple of weeks. And when we do, you just click the same links on the website you have been doing for over 2 years.  
*As always, contact me with any questions.*

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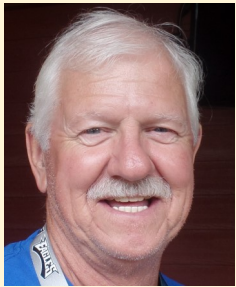
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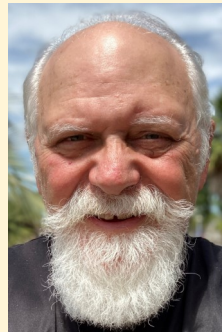
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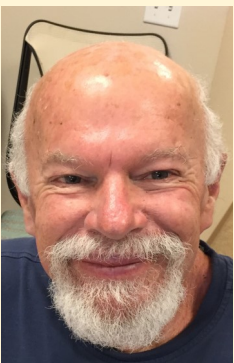
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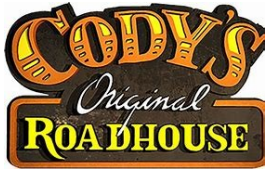
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Havana Country Club hosts our Lunch Phlocking each month. Havana is proud to offer one of the best dining experiences in the Villages. They specialize in fine steaks, fresh seafood and pasta.



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Answer to Barb's Trivia question: b and c. Both of the songs that were co-credited to Jane appear back to back on the second side of the 'Havana Daydreamin' album.