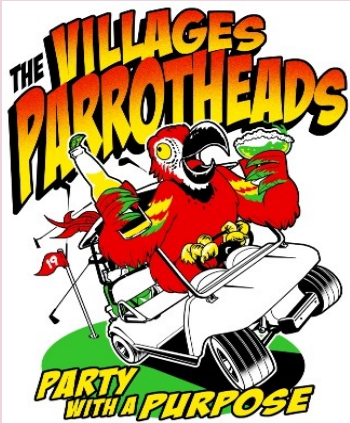




**January 2024      Year of the Pirate      Edited by Stephen Larson**



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## President's Corner



Happy New Year Parrot Heads. And what a great year it will be.

First I want to thank Mary Wallace, Gloria Veurink, and all who helped out with our Christmas party. It was one for the ages. A team drink to all !! And I hope everyone had a great Holiday season in 2023.

As 2024 is our 20<sup>th</sup> year as a Parrot Head club, we have dubbed it the "Year of the Pirate", and we want to celebrate. Tickets go on sale for our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party "a Pirate Ball" today at noon. Read on in this newsletter for how to purchase tickets.

We move our first phlocking of the month to Cane Garden Country Club starting Wednesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, and we have one of the best entertainers to start it off. Yes, Robert France will be playing for us so get there early. Our other phlockings remain the same at Havana CC and Belle Glade CC.

Once again, we are bringing back our Gasparilla Festival on Friday Afternoon, January 26<sup>th</sup>, at Brownwood square. There will be 3 golf cart parades, so decorate those carts, and get out those pirate outfits. It's time for us to cause havoc and mayhem again this year !! Read on or more info.

We also have some awesome bus trips and some great out of town events coming up. You will be hearing much more about these so watch your emails, our newsletter, website, and facebook page for more information.

We have so much planned for this special year, so I hope you plan on joining us. Get your phriends to join our club and join in on the celebration with the largest and friendliest Parrothead club in the world!!

Until then, keep your Phins Up Parrot Heads !! C U all soon !! \_/^\\_



## Wednesday, January 3 Phlocking

We are starting out the new year with a new Phlocking location. Our 1st Phlocking each month will be at the **Cane Carden Country Club**. The party starts at 3:30 and ends at 6:00. Since the snowbirds have returned, you should bring chairs just in case. Phins Up Shop is delivery only. Robert France will provide the music which always includes lots of Jimmy Buffett's songs.



## Wednesday, January 10 Phlocking

January's 2nd Phlocking will be at the Havana Country Club. This is our lunch phlocking which begins at 1:00 and lasts until 3:30. Havana is the smallest country club so bring some chairs and come by golf cart. Phins up Shop is delivery only. Music by Nate Leslie.



## Sunday, January 21 Phlocking

We will wrap up the month with our Belle Glade CC Phlocking. The Phins Up Shop is open!! The party starts at 3:30 until 6:00 pm. This is usually our biggest Phlocking so plan on getting there early, and just in case.... bring some chairs. Tim Hargis will be paying for us and he always manages to please the dancers. See you there.



## Gasparilla Parade

Last year the Parrot Head Pirates encircled the Brownwood Square with decorated golf carts in search of booze and booty. This year we plan to return bigger and better in 2024 because it is the Year of the Pirate.

The carts will gather at three sites: Lake Sumter Landing, Sawgrass and Everglades at **3PM on Friday, January 26th**. The Lake Sumter Landing carts will gather behind Sonny's BBQ and proceed to drive around the Lake Sumter Landing Square making Pirate sounds, blowing our horns and showing off our Pirate outfits.

Once the Lake Sumter Landing Square is sufficiently impressed, we will set our compass South to Brownwood and proceed 15 to 20 knots. All three fleets will meet in the parking lot behind the Cody's Roadhouse. We will circle the square numerous times making Pirate sounds and honking our horns before we dock our golf carts and search for an Ale House or other establishments serving Rum and other Pirate spirits.

Watch for final details in Mark the Shark's emails. Since 2024 is the "Year of the Pirates", our Gasparilla Parade is fine way to start this year's festivities. Arggggh!







## Kennedy Space Center Day Trip

This will be the very first time that our Club has done a day bus trip to the Kennedy Space Center. On January 29th you will board the bus at 8:45 AM at the Walmart on 466 near the Garden Center. **The bus will depart promptly at 9 AM.** The cost of the trip is \$100 per person, no refunds, and covers the bus trip and admission to the Space Center. Admission includes

- Gateway, The deep space launch experience
- Space shuttle Atlantis & the shuttle launch experience
- Apollo / Saturn V center
- Hero and Legends featuring Astronaut Hall of Fame
- Astronaut Encounter
- Journey to Mars
- Rocket Garden guided tour
- 3D Space films
- Character appearances
- Planet Play

The bus will depart the Kennedy Space Center at 5 PM, there will be a midway stop (Turkey Lake Plaza) and you should return to the Villages by 8 PM. Tickets go on sale at noon on January 5th. You must have renewed your membership to go on this trip.



## Rotary Club Chili Cookoff

Each year the Rotary Club hosts a Chili Cookoff at Lake Sumter Landing. Each year our Club wins the People Choice Award for the most money raised for charity. We plan to win again in 2024 but we're no longer satisfied with raising the most money. This year we want to win the prize for the best booth too. Since it is the Year of the Pirate, we plan to decorate our booths in a pirate theme and have as many of our volunteers wear their pirate outfits as possible. Mark your calendars for **Saturday, February 3rd, 2024** for the Rotary Club Chili Cook Off and Craft Beer Fair.

Dale Ross is the Club's Chili Chef with Ken McCreary helping out and Gary Steinback coordinating the volunteer effort. Following are the volunteer positions:

- Chili Servers (filling cups w/chili and handing them out)
- Donating Baked Goods (cookies and brownies in small bags)
- Selling Baked Goods
- Selling Water to the crowd
- Barkers to bring people to the booth
- Set Up and Tear Down

You will be able to sign up at the January Phlockings with Gary Steinbeck and pick the shift you are available to work. You get 1 Parrot Point for every two hours of volunteering.



# Club News

## Anniversary Party

Our 20th Anniversary Party entitled "A Pirate Ball" is scheduled for Friday, March 1st, 2024 at the La Hacienda Rec. Center from 5 till 9 PM. Music will be provided by the "Caribbean Chillers." A Family Styled Dinner will be provided by Cracker Barrel. Cost is \$35 per person, no refunds.

Tickets will go on sale on January 1st at 12 noon. You must have renewed your membership for 2024 to buy tickets and you must have an average of 5 Parrot Points per person to purchase tickets early (Jan. 1st and 2nd).

If you go to the Club's [home page](#) and then click on the Anniversary Party flyer (Club Events—March) you will find instructions on how to calculate the points required.

Tickets go on sale on January 3rd at noon for members without 5 Parrot Points.

Flyer is on page 19. Chairperson is Ann Blanchard (352) 750 6287. Assist. Chair is Lee Caron (813) 480 0833.

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## Panama City Beach Rendezvous 2024

This party will be the biggest and best yet. There will be some familiar faces, some local faces, and some Rendezvous virgins in the music lineup.

The Rendezvous preparty is on Wednesday, April 17th & 18th and the beach concert starts on Friday and goes until late Saturday night (April 21). You can bring your own coolers and beach chairs and park yourself under one of the Club's tents and listen to one of the world's best TropRock concerts. Renee Adams, straight from Radio Margaritaville and one of our members, will be the emcee --how about THAT!

There are 99 members signed up to attend this year. Most people stay at the condos directly across the street from Sharky's at the Origins at Seahaven <https://originatseahaven.com>. If you want to attend, don't put this one off. It will sell out early. All the great events do.

More information at [panamacityphc.org/rendezvous](https://panamacityphc.org/rendezvous)

## Travel Committee

The next meeting will be from 1 to 3 PM at the Churchill Downs Recreation Center (2375 Churchill Downs), on **Thursday, January 11th**. You need to be a Village resident to attend. We need you to help plan our great trips for the rest of 2023 and then start work on trips for 2024. You will also earn some Parrot Points for just attending the meeting. The reason we have the largest Parrot Head Club in the Universe is because we do things: Cruises, event day trips, all inclusive resorts, weekend getaways, beach outings, etc. This is the Committee where Phun Travel is created. We need people to get involved.



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## 20th Anniversary T-Shirts On Sale Now

We have many great things planned for our Anniversary year and we are going to start it off with our Anniversary T-shirt. It will be maroon with "Jimmy Buffett 1946-2023" on the front and Our Anniversary logo "A Pirate Looks At 20" on the back. This will be a collectors item !!

T-shirts are available online NOW at our website. Click on "[Purchase Event Tickets](#)" and scroll down to [20th anniversary T-shirts to order](#).

Prices are \$30 S-XL and \$33 XXL-4XL and there are 3 different types of T-shirts.

(T-shirts will be ordered a few times a month and will take a few weeks to come in so please be patient!)



# Charity News

## December Food Drive

The December Food Drive collected \$335 the Wildwood Food Pantry

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## January Food Drive

The food collection for January will be at the Havana Phlocking and will go to the Fruitland Park Food Panty.

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## 2023 Blood Drive Results

Our club set a new record for the most blood donated by any Florida site in 2023. We donated 1970 pints of blood which can help save the lives of over 5900 people. Special thank you and a team drink to Skip Todd, our blood drive coordinator, who works so hard and puts up with a lot of grief. Also - special thanks to Frannie Durr, our blood drive volunteer coordinator, and a special thank you to all our donors, and volunteers who continue to make us the "No.1 Blood donation site in the state of Florida." Let's keep the title in 2024. A team drink to all !!



## Donation to Shepard's Lighthouse

In December the Club made a donation of \$2,000 to the Shepard's Lighthouse in Belleview, FL. This charity helps homeless women, mothers and their children get back on their feet by providing temporary shelter and training. Accepting the Big Check from Marsha and Mark the Shark is Kathie Niesem who is the Chairperson of the Charities Board of Directors and also a Village Parrot Head.



## Corporate Sponsor Club Discounts

The way a business becomes a Corporate Sponsor is by writing out a check for \$600 each year which we use to promote our Charity Giving Program. In addition to the annual donation, three of our Corporate Sponsors are now giving discounts to Club members. **Lake Sumter Dryer Vent Cleaning LLC** is giving a 10% discount, **FertiGator** is giving members \$25 off and our newest sponsor, **Pedego Electric Bikes** is giving a 10% discount on all Pedego accessories when you show them your Parrot Head lanyard.



# Charity News

## 2024 Clothing Drive

What's in your closet that you no longer need? At all 3 phlockings in February we will be accepting donations of men's and women's clothing, as well as accessories, such as shoes, belts, hats, purses and jewelry. All items need to be clean and in saleable condition. Help us expedite our loading and delivering by putting items in plastic bags with ties. Any jewelry should be in a separate zip lock bag.

This drive will support Combat Veterans To Careers (CVC). Several months ago they opened The Restoring Hope Clothing Boutique in Wildwood, adjacent to City Hall. CVC's website is [www.combatveteranstocareers.org](http://www.combatveteranstocareers.org)

CVC helps post 9/11 combat veterans transition from military service to productive civilian careers. The charity helps veterans and their families in the tri-county area with employment, education, housing, mental/physical wellness and Veteran Administration help.

Chair: Bob Williams [bigsky2223@gmail.com](mailto:bigsky2223@gmail.com)  
(773) 480-7430. The Event flyer is on Page 20.



## Proud to be a Parrot Head

The Villages Parrot Head Club is a 501(c)(7) organization. The IRS defines us to be "A social club must be organized for pleasure, recreation, and other similar purposes." Our primary purpose is to have Phun. We are more than that.

This year the club donated money and food each month to the **food pantries in Lady Lake, Fruitland Park, Wildwood and Lake Panasoffkee.**

We made **cash donations to Project Save Our Soldiers, Operation Shoebox, Tri-County Women's Vets, Veterans Helping Veterans, Center Hill Children's Mission, It Takes a Village, Ocala SPCA, Help Agency/SOZO, Sons of American Legion, St. Theresa Soup Kitchen, Patriot Service Dogs, Wildwood Soup Kitchen, Combat Vets to Careers and Toys for Tots.**

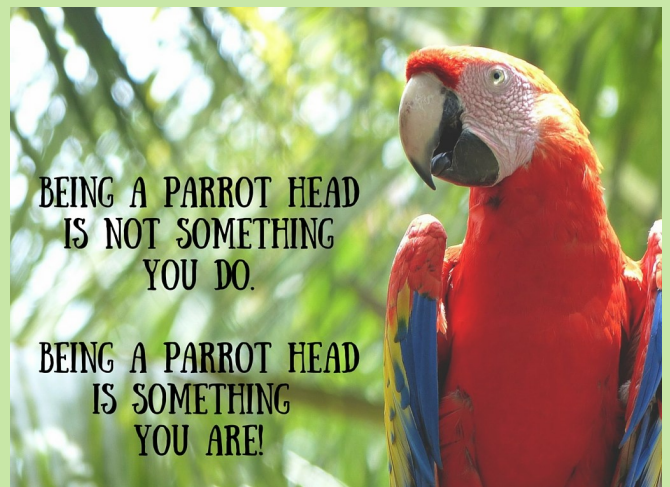
**Wildwood Middle High School teachers need school supplies** which the Club provides each year with a summer fundraiser.

When **Angel Wigs of Hope** asked for help putting on a fundraiser, we used our online ticket system to sell out their event and promoted it to our members.

We are the **largest Blood Drive donor organization** in the state of Florida.

Our Golf Tournament was the **largest single fundraiser for Alzheimer's in the Country.**

Our Club makes a difference in the lives of people. When people ask you what do you do with your time in the Villages, feel free to proudly them "I'm a Parrot Head. I have fun and I help people."







# Membership

## New Members

Mary Albracht  
William Albracht  
Patricia Boussie  
Lois burton  
Noreen Combs  
Linda Farmer  
Jackie Franks  
James Gerke  
David Gleim  
Bob Marion  
Deb Marion  
Cindy Richardson  
Anita Posen  
Myra Ruggiero  
Steve Ruggiero  
Denise Seaman  
Karl Waller  
Pam Waller  
Joseph West  
Cindy Whitmore  
Jay Whitmore  
Elizabeth Wolszon

## Renew for 2024

### 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 at [patamus1747@gmail.com](mailto:patamus1747@gmail.com)

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### Member Advocate

Jack Maiz is the Club's Member Advocate. Jack 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).

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### Club Historian

Did you know that we have a Club Historian? We do! Her name is Jean Howlett and she has been collecting Parrot Head articles, pictures and memorabilia for nearly a decade. For our newer members, it's a history of our Club's growth. For the members who have been with the Club for a longer time, it's a stroll down memory lane with many of our friends who are no longer with us. Her books are available at some of our phlockings and special occasions. If you're interested in looking at our Club's past, contact Jean at 352 571 4689 or email her at [a1944jean@gmail.com](mailto:a1944jean@gmail.com)

# Welcome

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## Renew for 2024

If you have not renewed for 2024, you have been removed from the Club's email list, will receive no further notices and are now unable to purchase tickets to Club Phun events. You will miss the opportunity to attend 36 Phlockings with live music, raise your glass in team drinks, and dance in the always popular conga line. It's not too late. You can go to our website and renew today,. Now is the time!



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## New Members Orientation Meeting

Based on the positive feedback from the new members who attended the last Orientation Meeting, we are setting up the next one for February 2024. It is an opportunity for new members to learn about where the Club has been, and where it's headed. There are lots of reasons to be optimistic about the Phun events coming in 2024 and the ways we improve the lives of those in need who live around us. Watch next months Newsletter for the date and time.



## Help Wanted

We are a club run by people who volunteer. We need people to step up and help. Listed below are the positions available:

**Attendance:** Volunteers are needed for Phlockings at Palmer, Havana and Belle Glade. Contact Jaci Burdash at [ilb2500@gmail.com](mailto:ilb2500@gmail.com) to volunteer.

**50/50:** Volunteers needed at all Phlockings. Contact Debra Warren at [Warrendeborah7@gmail.com](mailto:Warrendeborah7@gmail.com) if you can help selling 50/50 tickets.

**Membership Table:** Volunteers needed to staff the Membership Table at 1 Phlocking each month. Contact Johnny Ward at [johnnyward300@yahoo.com](mailto:johnnyward300@yahoo.com).

**Assistant Newsletter Editor:** If you can write creatively and have Microsoft Publisher, you can help put this award winning newsletter out each month. Please contact Steve Larson at [sklarson01@gmail.com](mailto:sklarson01@gmail.com)

**Trip Managers:** Each day trip the Club makes requires someone to make sure the people who purchased tickets get on the bus before we leave and back on the bus before we come back home. In return, you get to sit in the front of the bus and make a bunch of new friends. Go to a Travel Committee meeting (see page 4) and get involved. You will be glad you did!

**Security:** The Club has a small group of members who are available to assist members, maintain order and watch the cash and merchandise at our events. We have an opening for another person. If you are interested, please contact David Walls at [dmwalls2001@yahoo.com](mailto:dmwalls2001@yahoo.com)

## Barb's Trivia Question:

Who was given the credit for writing the song "Let's Get Drunk and Screw"?

- A) Jimmy Buffett
- B) Marvin Gardens
- C) Park Place

Answer in page 15

## Gypsy and Ren's Drink of the Month

It may be winter, but you can't keep Gypsy and Ren from thinking about the islands, the sun and the sea. We're all looking forward to a phun filled 2024 and what better way to start the party than to mix up a **Mango Delight!**



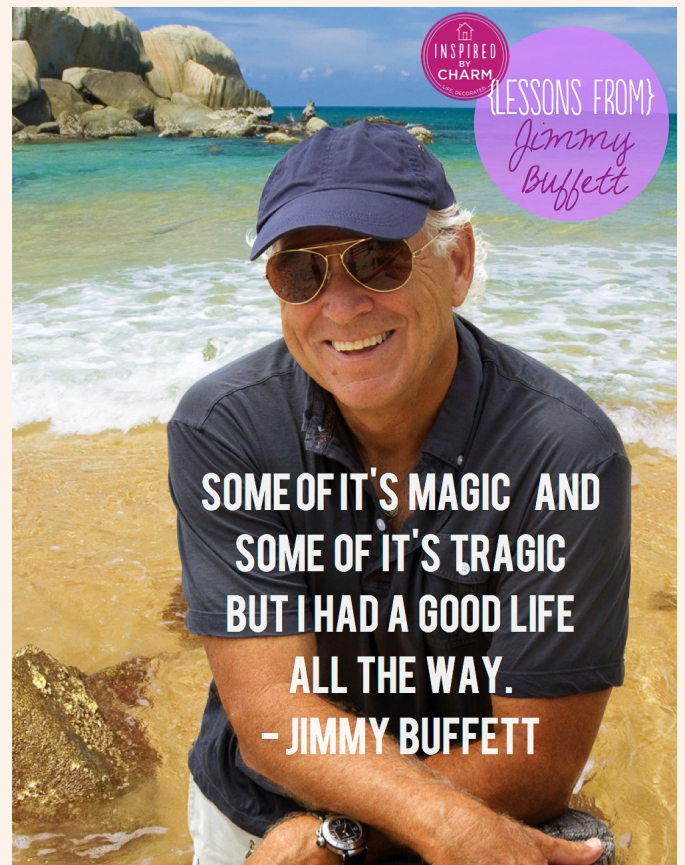
**2 Shots of Mango Vodka**

**2 Shots of Mango Cream Liqueur**

**Stir with ice, pour into your favorite glass and add a splash of Grenadine.**



I can almost hear the steel drum band playing a Jimmy Buffett song.





# Membership

## From our Web Master

December has proven to be a little more active than originally anticipated, even with the holidays. New activities are now planned for January with the Blood Drive, Gasparilla Parade, etc. and flyers added to the homepage. Check them out, January should be a fun time!

Members have also been renewing membership for 2024, and the process has been going very smoothly. One item of interest, we did an analysis of where members lived to understand our membership demographics. Turns out that roughly ½ of our membership live South of Rt 466A which was unexpected but understandable given all the new construction.

As an aside, I've been watching the email traffic to see where Mark's emails to membership isn't delivered. The number of cases where email isn't delivered is very small, and I'll be contacting members in 2024 to verify they want to receive emails. For information, it's on a case-by-case basis and we're currently having Wix (our email service provider) correct the status for 2 members who got dropped by mistake. We stand ready to do this for our membership, to keep everyone happy and informed.



## Volunteer Positions Outside the Club

**Approved Clubs:** Parrot Points are given to members who volunteer at approved charities. To be an "approved charity" the organization must be a not-for-profit registered with the State of Florida and be willing to track the hours worked each month and report them back to our club. Following are the charities that are approved at this time:

**Wildwood Soup Kitchen:** If you're interested in helping feed people, go to [wildwoodsoupkitchen.org](http://wildwoodsoupkitchen.org) and fill out an application and put on the form that you are a Parrot Head for more information contact: Barbara McManus: (352) 299 6494 and/or

Email: [barb.mcmanus@yahoo.com](mailto:barb.mcmanus@yahoo.com)

**The Villages Regional Hospital:** Contact Gloria Counselman (352) 751-8176 or email her at [tvrvhpo@centflhealth.org](mailto:tvrvhpo@centflhealth.org)

**Cornerstone Hospice:** If you are interested email Heidi Gamet at [hgaumet@cshospice.org](mailto:hgaumet@cshospice.org).

**Operation Homebound:** This is the Meals on Wheels program for The Villages and surrounding areas. For more information, please call 352-689-1023, or email [OHB@northlakepc.org](mailto:OHB@northlakepc.org).

**Best Buddies International:** This charity is dedicated to ending the social, physical and economic isolation of people with disabilities, such as Downs syndrome, autism, cerebral palsy and traumatic brain injury. If interested email [centralflorida@bestbuddies.org](mailto:centralflorida@bestbuddies.org) or call (407) 898 0787

**Shepard's Lighthouse:** This charity helps homeless women, mothers and their children get back on their feet by providing temporary shelter and training. They have 4 positions on their Board of Directors open. If you can spare a couple of hours a month, you will find this a rewarding way to help people in need. Contact Kathie Niesem (847-641 3287) or email at [katcarl@prodigy.net](mailto:katcarl@prodigy.net) for more information.

I miss  
Jimmy Buffett



# New Members



## Meet John Denosky

John relocated from Windermere Florida in October of 2017. He was a Systems Engineer and now, he's a Parrot Head because he enjoys People, Phun and our Club's activities. John's favorite Jimmy Buffett song is "It's 5 O'Clock Somewhere".

## Say Hello to Angie and Terry Burke.

They moved to The Villages from Chicago in 2022 and live in the Village of DeLuna. A retired solo practitioner real estate attorney, Terry also coached high school football and basketball for 25 years. Angie retired from the American Bar Association after 28 years as a program director. Missing the company of Cubs and Bears fans and the Chicago party scene, along with a love of music (and margaritas), they hope to find a new fun home with The Parrotheads. Favorite songs are Door Number Three, and of course, Margaritaville!



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In 2024 we are going to use this page to introduce some of our new members to our Club. The more people you know, the more Phun you will have and the more involved you will become. If you would like to appear on this page we need a picture of you, Where you are from, When did you move here, What did you do before you retired, or if you haven't, What do you do now, Why did you join the Parrot Head Club and What is your favorite Jimmy Buffett song. Sen the picture and answers to Stephen Larson (sklarson01@gmail.com). Thanks in advance.



# Trop Rock Events & Resources

## Musicians

Caribbean Chillers

[Caribbeanchillers.com](http://Caribbeanchillers.com)

Don Middlebrook

[Www.donmiddlebrook.net](http://www.donmiddlebrook.net)

Highway 1 Band

[Www.highway1band.com](http://www.highway1band.com)

Landshark Band

[Www.landsharkband.com](http://www.landsharkband.com)

Mac McAnally

[www.macmcanally.com](http://www.macmcanally.com)

Robert France

[Www.rfrance.us](http://www.rfrance.us)

Sunny Jim Music

[Www.sunnyjim.com](http://www.sunnyjim.com)

Trop Rock Junkies

[Troprockjunkies.com](http://Troprockjunkies.com)

## Jimmy Buffett

Home Page

[Www.jimmybuffett.com](http://www.jimmybuffett.com)

Margaritaville

[www.margaritaville.com](http://www.margaritaville.com)

Jimmy Buffett Lyrics

[azlyrics.com/j/jimmybuffett.html](http://azlyrics.com/j/jimmybuffett.html)

## TropRock Radio

Pirate Head Radio

[Www.pirateheadradio.com](http://www.pirateheadradio.com)

Shore Life Radio

[Www.shoreliferadio.com](http://www.shoreliferadio.com)

Oyster Radio

[Oysterradio.com](http://Oysterradio.com)

Radio Trop Rock

[Www.radiotroprock.com](http://www.radiotroprock.com)

## TropRock Festivals

Trop Rock Music Association  
Calendar of Events

[Troprock. Org/events/](http://Troprock.Org/events/)

Panama City Beach 2024 Rendezvous

[panamacityphc.org/rendezvous](http://panamacityphc.org/rendezvous)

## Parrot Head Clubs

On September 14th—17th the **Tampa Bay Parrot Heads Club** will celebrate their 29th birthday. The weekend party is at the Holiday Inn Express in Clearwater. Details and tickets are at [www.finsup.com](http://www.finsup.com).

# Coco-Nutz



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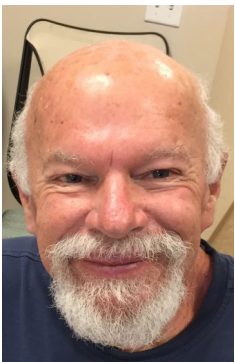


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# Appointed Positions



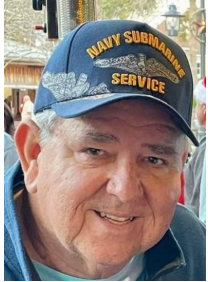
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## **Parade Coordinator**

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## **50/50 Coordinator**

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(919) 812 9597

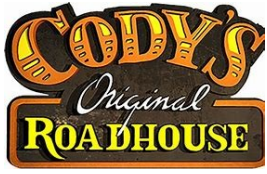




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# Please support our Corporate Sponsors



Cody's has been a Corporate Sponsor for over 10 years. Without their support, we could not hold the Charity Fund Raisers our Club is known for. Cody's Original Roadhouse is a fun, casual, family friendly Roadhouse that serves "Just plain Good Food". You won't go home hungry or broke.....You'll just go home happy!



The Palmer Legends Country Club has been making space available for Club Phlockings for over a decade. Their goal is to create a memorable experience for their guests. They believe "the taste of the roast is determined by the handshake of the host."



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.



When we decided to hold a Sunday Phlockings each month, Belle Glade invited us to use their space and we gladly accepted. They invite you to come in they promise to serve up what it takes to make you happy.



StreetRod has been a Club sponsor for several years. They support our annual Golf Outing, food drives and our annual Poker run. They sell one of America's highest quality golf carts. They would like to show you what the StreetRod experience is with a test drive driving is believing. Call (352) 751-3953 to get a test drive and see the difference between your cart and a Streetrod



Jack Maiz is a Club Member and the owner of Safe Harbor Financial & Insurance Services LLC. He specializes in Medicare Planning for Veterans on Tricare and Eligible Seniors, age 65 and over. He also specializes in Fixed Guaranteed Annuities. You can visit his website at at [www.jmaizsafeharborllc.com](http://www.jmaizsafeharborllc.com) or call him at (352) 205-6911



Owned by Club member Scott Larson, the Lake-Sumter Dryer Vent Cleaning LLC does just what the name says. Each year there are over 15,000 house fires caused by lint filled dryer vents. This local business can make sure your house isn't one of them. Call for an appointment at (352) 787 5202 or visit

Trivia answer is B. Marvin Gardens, one of the mythical players in the original Coral Reefer Band is the accredited writer.

# Please Support Our Corporate Sponsors



Our philosophy is based on our goal to empower you to live “your life, your way” via an information-rich culture. We are dedicated to maximizing the living benefits of life insurance and annuities to establish guaranteed income for life



Founded in 2007, they are locally owned and managed and serve thousands of residents not only in The Villages but surrounding active adult communities. FertiGator provides a full range of services including lawn, shrub, and pest maintenance services. They offer a \$25 discount to all Parrot Heads.



Diane Smallwood is a Realtor with the Keller Williams Cornerstone Agency capable and ready to help you buy or sell a home. She is also one of the Club's favorite entertainers in Retro Express and Caribbean Chillers. Diane can be reached at (352) 787-4325 or emailed at [DianeSmallwood@kw.com](mailto:DianeSmallwood@kw.com). Her website is [www.dianesmallwoodrealty.com](http://www.dianesmallwoodrealty.com)



Pedego Electric Bikes—Trailwinds Village is proud to be a Corporate Sponsor of the Villages Parrot Head Club. Owners Jeff and Sharon are villages and long-time Parrot Heads. They are passionate about bringing Pedego’s FUN colorful e-bike line-up to the recreational lifestyle of The Villages and look forward to many opportunities to partner with like-minded Parrot Heads to create FUN and serve our community. You are invited to stop by the store (off 466A—between Lowes and Publix) - most likely Buffett will be playing, Introduce yourself and take a bike for a spin. It’s guaranteed to put a smile on your face.



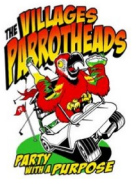
The First Responders of Station 44 host our Blood Drives. We appreciate the space and the support.





# Parrot Head Travel Committee

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the Month, 1pm - 3pm



✓ Nov 9, 2023  
Dec 14, 2023  
Jan 11, 2024  
Feb 8, 2024



Be creative, bring your festive ideas,  
and earn a volunteer point!

## Cruises



## Day Trips



## Overnight Destinations



Churchill Street Recreation  
Center, 2375 Churchill Downs  
*Note: Village ID is required to attend  
(Sorry - Village rules, not ours)*



## **Kennedy Space Center**

**Monday January 29, 2024**  
**Tickets go on sale January 5, 2024**



**\$100 Includes admission and bus \*No Refunds**












**Bus meets at Walmart on Rt 466 (near garden center)**

**We depart promptly at 9:00AM. Please arrive no later than 8:45AM**

**No glass is allowed on the bus, Tervis type tumblers are OK**

**Should return to The Villages 8:00PM, bus will stop at a rest area on the way back**

### **Admission Includes:**

-  Gateway, The deep space launch experience
-  Space Shuttle Atlantis & the Shuttle launch experience
-  Apollo/Saturn V center
-  Kennedy Space Center bus tour
-  Hero & Legends featuring U.S. Astronaut hall of fame
-  Astronaut Encounter
-  Journey to Mars
-  Rocket Garden guided tours 3D space films
-  Character appearances
-  Planet play
-  Other scheduled presentations and films



**Limited dining options on your own available**

**Chair: Geri Carapazza [Ligeri2@aol.com](mailto:Ligeri2@aol.com) 352-630-9853**

**Assistant Chair: Sue Merz [Seasmerz22@gmail.com](mailto:Seasmerz22@gmail.com) 585-730-0140**



# AHOY MATES - YOU ARE INVITED TO A PIRATE LOOKS AT 20

Friday March 1, 2024

La Hacienda Rec Center

Door open at 5 PM

Pieces of 8 (ticket) \$35.00 per person



Special Guest:

**PIRATES ON BOARD**

"What you going to do with a  
Drunken Sailor"

Music By:

**CARIBBEAN CHILLERS BEST  
TRIBUTE BAND IN THE LAND**

**GALLEY (HARDTACK) 5:30 PM**

**COMPLETE MEAL: Catered by Cracker Barrel  
BYOB**

**Shanty Dance: 6:30 PM**

**Sail off: 9:30 PM**

For Additional Information Contact:  
Chair: Ann Blanchard 352-750-6287  
Assistant Chair: Lee Caron 813-480-0833

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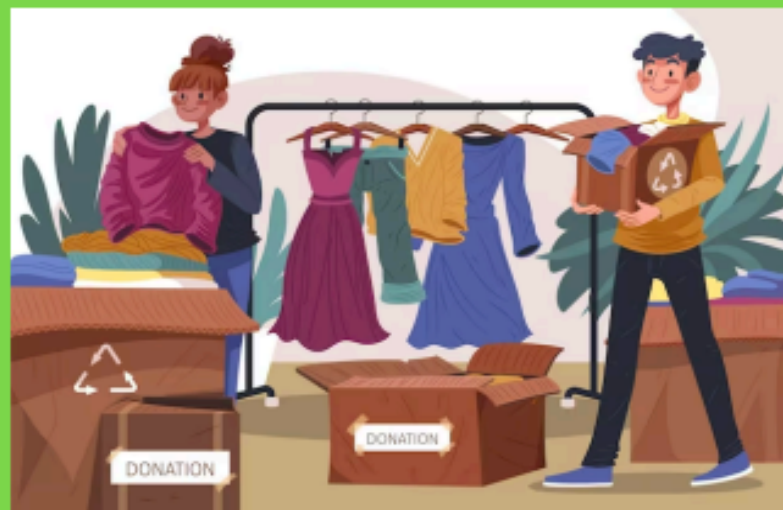
Visit

[www.villagesparrotheads.com](http://www.villagesparrotheads.com)

to purchase your tickets and  
20th year anniversary tee-  
shirts. Under "Quick Links" go  
to "Purchase Event Tickets"



## *The Villages Parrot Heads 2024 Clothing Drive*



# CLOTHING DONATION

Thanks!



### **What's in your closet that you no longer need?**

At all 3 Phlockings in February we will be collecting men's, women's and children's clothing to support a local charity.

Accessories are also welcome, such as shoes, belts, hats, jewelry, and purses. Items donated need to be clean and in saleable condition.

Help us expedite our loading and delivering efforts by putting items in plastic bags with ties. Please put all jewelry donations in a zip lock plastic bag.

Donations will be delivered to Restoring Hope Clothing Boutique, a thrift shop supporting Combat Veterans To Careers(CVC). It is located adjacent to City Hall in Wildwood.



CVC helps post 911 combat veterans transition from military service to productive civilian careers. In the tri-county area, CVC helps veterans and their families with employment, education, housing, physical/mental wellness, Veterans Administration help and more.

[www.combatveteranstocareers.org](http://www.combatveteranstocareers.org) for more

information

Cash donations will also be accepted

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