

Greetings Parrot Heads: This is my first newsletter to the members as your President. First, I would like to thank Paul Kinder and the out going board members who have devoted countless hours to the club. Without dedicated people such as these, the club would not be able to accomplish the things that we do. As your President, I look forward to providing to the members new and exciting things to do. As a new member, just a few short years ago, I knew no one. I got involved in club activities, assisted on the election committee, and co-chaired the Poker Run. I served as a trustee on the board, assisted on numerous committees, and helped out wherever and whenever it was asked of me. The more I got involved the more fun I had knowing I was helping the club move forward.

I challenge each of you to come forward and get involved. All of the great activities that the club provides for you don't happen by accident. They are put together by a group of dedicated individuals who love the people and love this club as I do. I will be faced with many challenges this coming year, and I will count on the board members to guide me in the right direction that will be to the benefit of all members. I will also count on you to meet the challenges that I have put forth for you.

I also want to thank all of the committee chair people, who work to put on the various activities that you as members enjoy. These people spend countless hours working on these activities. I am excited to be the President of the largest Parrot Head Club in the world. I look forward to meeting those who may be new to the club and getting to know the other members better. I am always open to new ideas and please feel free to let me know your thoughts about how together we can make The Villages Parrot Heads known as a fun, social, and caring club with the goal of helping those in need, while "Partying With A Purpose"

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President 2011-2012**