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December 2010

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Christmas Lights by Golf Cart

Whether you are new to The Villages or not you will probably want to take a golf cart ride to see all the beautiful Christmas light displays. Why not do it with a group of Parrot Heads?

Join your fellow Parrot Heads for an evening of Christmas Lights by golf cart on December 7th. PH members North of 466 will meet at Nancy Lopez and members South of 466 will meet at Havana at 5:00 PM.

Gypsy Ginchereau will be your guide on the South side and Bill Firmery will be your guide on the North side. After the tour of Christmas Lights both groups will meet at R. J. Gators in Lake Sumter Landing for a GRAND 5 O'clock Somewhere.

If you do not plan to participate in the Christmas light tour you can still meet your Parrot Head PHriends at R.J. Gators for a little holiday cheer.

New Year's Eve Party

Want to know where the best Party is going to be this New Year's Eve?

Colony Recreation Center
8:30 PM—12:30 AM



Where else can you go to a New Year's Eve party in your golf cart? Last year's party was a blast, so be sure to put this one on your calendar.

Tickets, \$10.00 per person, are still on sale for this event. Contact Shalda Nelson @ 259-2869. This is a BYOB and Appetizer party.

Please bring appetizer's to share with other folks at your table.

Entertainment will be provided by **Jason and The Caribbean Chillers**.

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Membership Renewals

Membership renewals will begin at the December 14th PHlocking at Havana Country Club. To ensure accuracy and provide each member with proof of payment the Membership Director is requesting all 2010 active members come to the membership table with their 2010 badge and a completed application (TVPH web site www.thevillagesparrotheads.com)

Renewal fees are discounted to \$15.00 per member from January through March 31st. Beginning April 1st, 2011, renewal fees are \$20.00 per person.

Members who have not renewed their membership in 2010 will be required to pay the undiscounted \$20.00 annual membership fee.

Moffitt Center Initiative

The PH's are proud to say we will be supporting both the ACS's Relay for Life and The Mofitt Center here in The Villages. Perhaps you read the newspaper where the decision has been made to not have a Relay for Life here in The Villages. It was a very difficult decision by the Villages Relay Committee; however, it is felt at this time the emphasis needs to be on supporting the efforts that will directly impact our community. There are many other local Relay for Life events that Villages residents can participate in if they choose to do so. There's nothing to say you can't do both. Many PH members will be doing just that.

There will be a celebration event for Mofitt in the future. However, details have not been finalized yet. Judy Turner will continue to lead our Parrot Head team to raise money for cancer. She will reach out after the holidays and keep all members updated on the details.

The Parrot Heads plan to donate all funds raised by the Club, through November 21st, to ACS. The amount of our fund raising efforts for ACS has not been finalized yet, but is very substantial. We can be very proud of the efforts achieved by TVPH Club to raise funds for ACS.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email Judy Turner @ jturner2833@yahoo.com)

Gasparilla Pirate Parade Day Trip

Captain of Ye Mystic Krewe of Gasparilla and his band of marauding buccaneer, having captured the city of Tampa, share their wealth of beads, treasures and doubloons with the enthusiastic crowd along a 3.8 mile parade route.

The Gasparilla Parade of the Pirates consists of over 130 units, including over 90 colorful floats, 14 marching bands, 50 participating Krewes and, of course, those infamous YMKG pirates.

Date: January 29, 2011 from 2PM—approx. 5:30PM

Cost: \$55.00 per person includes transportation and entrance to reserved bleacher seating

Schedule:

9:00AM BUS LEAVES FROM THE VILLAGES

5:00PM BUS TO SPAGETTI FACTORY YBOR CITY

6:00PM DINNER AT OWN EXPENSE

7:30PM BUS RETURNS TO VILLAGES

Contact Larry Turner @ 753-4968 - Tickets are also on sale at PHlockings.

Chili Cook-off

It is almost time for The Villages annual Chili cook-off. This year the event will be held in February 5, 2011 and TVPH Club is going to participate. Do you want to see if your chili can make the cut? Here's how:

- Invite some friends over
- Make one gallon of batch chili and be sure to write down the recipe
- Save a small container for judging.

On January 8th we will have a panel of judges taste all the chili recipes and decide which recipe we will use at the Big Chili Cook-off in February. If you are interested in submitting your recipe please contact Molly Boatman at 352-430-3163. No prizes, just fun.



Mark Your Calendars

- Dec 7 Golf Cart Christmas Lights Tour
- Dec 7 GRAND 5 O'clock Somewhere— R.J. Gators
- Dec 9 Gaylord Palms Day Trip
- Dec 11 The Villages Christmas Parade (Parrot Heads participating)
12:00 Noon at the Polo Field
- December—Tickets go on sale for Super Bowl Party (Feb.) and Anniversary Party
- Jan 29 Gasparilla Parade—Day Trip

EXCOMM MEETING

Meeting will be held Monday, Dec 20th starting at 9am at Havana Country Club. If any member would like to address the EXCOMM at a monthly meeting please call Paul Kinder at 259-3832

DECEMBER PHLOCKINGS

- Dec 1 Hacienda Hills Country Club
 - Dec 14 Havana County Club
 - Dec 15 Mallory Hill Country Club
- All PHlockings start at 4PM. Please remember to wear your club shirt/badge and bring your donation for the Christian Food Pantry.

Gaylord Palms Day Trip

PARROT HEADS FLOCK TO GAYLORD PALMS ICE FEATURING 'Twas The Night Before Christmas

ICE! is Florida's favorite frigid Christmas tradition, with over 18,000-square-feet of frosty 9-degree bliss played out in a winter wonderland of exciting hand-carved sculptures. And this year it's really all that it's cracked up to be, featuring duel 30-foot slides and an all-new, awe inspiring tribute to the unforgettable classic 'Twas the Night Before Christmas. **IMPORTANT:** ICE! is kept at a frigid 9° Fahrenheit (-13° Celsius). Be sure to dress appropriately: closed-toe shoes and long pants are required. Hooded winter coats are provided for your warmth and comfort inside the attraction and are available in a variety of sizes, including sizes for children. Hats and gloves are strongly recommended and may be purchased on site at the ICE! house gift shop.

Date: December 9TH, 2010

Bus: Leaves Sumter Landing Transportation Station at 4:00 PM and then leaves Gaylord Palms at 9:00 PM for return to Transportation Station.

Cost: \$30.00 per person includes bus transportation and entrance to ICE!

CONTACT: Larry Turner @ 753-4968 - Sign-up sheets available at PHlockings

Coming Soon

Super Bowl Party and Anniversary Party tickets will be going on sale at the December PHlockings. More information about these events will be in the January issue of your Newsletter.!





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We are on the web

Party with a Purpose

www.thevillagesparrotheads.com

For new members, our club newsletter, along with our web site, is your source of information. With both, you will find information about upcoming events, ticket prices and interesting information about the Parrot Heads. In addition, on the web site you will find web versions of the EXCOMM's meeting minutes, club photos, calendar and links to more Parrot Head information.

PHOTO of the Month

In each Monthly newsletter I will include a photo from one of TVPH events. I am starting this new column with a photo of my husband, Dick Ginchereau and Will Stone which was taken during our trip to MOTM.

Maybe your photo will appear here next month!

Sugar Plum - Pitcher Drink

If you use Goldschlager (which is colorless), this drink will be a shimmering golden color; using red cinnamon schnapps turns it pink.

Makes 12 6-ounce servings

- 1 750 ml bottle (25.4 ounces) spiced rum
- 2 cups (16 ounces) Calvados or other apple brandy
- 1 1/2 cups (12 ounces) Tuaca
- 1 1/2 cups (12 ounces) Galliano
- 3/4 cup (6 ounces) Goldschlager or other cinnamon schnapps

Garnish: 36 brightly colored gumdrops

Combine all ingredients in a pitcher that holds at least 80 ounces; stir well. Can be served immediately or covered and refrigerated until ready to serve. Fill 10-ounce wineglasses almost full with crushed ice; add six ounces of drink mixture. Garnish each drink with 3 gumdrops speared on a cocktail pick; serve with a straw.

PHLOCKING ATTENDANCE AND NEW MEMBERS

In November, we had ~ 428 members attending PHlockings. In addition, we welcomed 11 new members into our PHlock. Welcome all new Parrot Heads!

- Kent & Roseann Campbell
- Glenn & Sue DeForge
- Barbara Gall
- Bill Horvath
- Lynda Moore
- John & Delie Nichols
- Charles & Lee Ann Reed

Christmas Parade

The Villages Christmas Parade will be held on December 11th at the Polo Fields. Beginning at 1 PM. TVPH Club will be participating again this year. We have enough decorated golf carts, but if you would like to walk in the parade contact David MacDougall at dmacdougall@thevillages.net or just come out and enjoy the parade and support your fellow PHs.



2009 Christmas Parade

Parrot Head Trivia

HELLOOOOOOOOOOOOOO PARROTHEADS !!!!

Hats off to our ex " first stud " David Brooks with the correct answer to last months trivia question. The song Jimmy wrote about the evening he choose to " borrow " a cab instead of freezing was " Boat Drinks"

This months trivia question is a two-part question. Jimmy writes many of his songs about people he has met during his years. This song is about an experience he had with a person he refers to as his " Best worst influence " I need the name of the song and the person in question. If you think you know both answers, be the first to email me at shopper126@gmail.com . Trivia Contribution by Steve Hopper

PHOTO of the Month

MOTM was a great time for all who attended. (Left to right) Will Stone and Dick Ginchereau take their turn at the Shot Stick at TVPH beach party held beachside at Southernmost Resort in Key West, Vanilla Rum and Cranberry flavored vodka shots. Yum! Looks like they both emptied their glasses without spilling a drop.



PARROT HEAD ACRONYM LIST

For you new Parrot Heads (and some of you OLD ones), there are many acronyms that you will hear when you are among other Parrot Heads. So to get you all up to speed I have included an acronym list. Cut it out, paste it to your fridge and learn the lingo.

The Villages Parrot Heads Acronym List	
EXCOMM	The Executive Committee – Often referred to as the Board
MOTM	Meeting of the Minds – Annual PH Convention in Key West
PH	Parrot Head
PHip	Parrot Head in Paradise – The International Organization of PH's
PHlock	The entire membership of TVPH Club – You belong to a PHlock
PHlocking	Gathering of PHs – TVPH Club has 2 – 3 PHlockings a month
PH replacing F for words	e.g., PHun, PHriends, PHeast, PHestival, Phin, PHood
The Club	The Villages Parrot Head Club
TVPH	The Villages Parrot Heads

Christian Food Pantry Wish List

Use this list when shopping for your food donation for the monthly PHlockings.

The Christian Food Pantry is always in need of the following items: Potato Dishes (Boxed), Beef Stew, Cereal, Canned Meat, Chili Beans, Crackers, Dry Pasta, French Fried Onion Rings, Gravy (Canned), Macaroni and Cheese, Dry Soup Mixes, Pancake Mix (Complete), and Syrup, Shelf Milk, Stuffing Mix, Tuna Helper, Diced Tomatoes/Tomato Sauce, Carrots, Chicken n Dumplings (Canned), Chili (Canned), Cooking Oil, Pork and Beans, Flour, Fruit (Canned), Hamburger Helper, Muffin Mix, Peanut Butter, Rice, Spaghetti Sauce, Sugar, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Kleenex, and Cat/Dog Food.

DON'T FORGET TO BUY YOUR "CANCER SUCKS" BUTTON AT MONTHLY PHLOCKINGS.



The Villages Parrot Heads Travel Site

Don't forget to check out The Villages Parrot Heads travel site www.ytbtravel.com/villagesphc for cruises, car rental, hotel rooms, flowers, etc.

Since January 2010 The Villages Parrot Heads Travel Site has generated approximately \$3,500 in funds for this club. The cruise shown on the next page will generate approximately \$7,000.00 for the club. This is money we can use for charities and for continuing the Parrot Head activities we all enjoy.

PHloating PHlocking!

So far there are 98 of your fellow PHs booked on this cruise. Just think, what a blast you will have cruising the Caribbean with such a large group of Parrot Heads



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VILLAGES PARROT HEADS MIGRATION

SATURDAY, APRIL 09, 2011

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Cruise rates are capacity controlled in U.S. dollars, per guest and based on double occupancy. Government taxes/fees are included. Air transportation is additional for all guests. Rates are available on select sailings only. Some restrictions (including stateroom category availability) apply. Rates are subject to change without prior notice. Ships' Registry: The Bahamas and Panama.



8 Day Western Caribbean Itinerary

DAY	PORT	ARRIVE	DEPART
Sat.	Ft. Lauderdale		4:00 P.M.
Sun.	"Fun Day" at Sea		
Mon.	Cozumel, Mexico	8:00 A.M.	5:00 P.M.
Tues.	"Fun Day" at Sea		
Wed.	Limon, Costa Rica	10:00 A.M.	6:00 P.M.
Thurs.	Colon, Panama*	7:00 A.M.	4:00 P.M.
Fri-Sat.	"Fun Days" at Sea		
Sun.	Ft. Lauderdale	8:00 A.M.	