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Coming up on September 20 is the PHlock's annual Pool Party at the Lake Miona Sports Pool. The big splash kicks off at 3pm when "Pool Party John" hits the water to the music of Jason and the Caribbean Chillers. The cost is \$5 per person, but that includes your meal and the entertainment. Please bring your liquid refreshment, chairs, and a snack to pass. Don't forget your pool toys!! NO GLASS ITEMS WILL BE PERMITTED!!!

This event will be held rain or shine and is limited to members only.



Tickets will be on sale at the September PHlockings until sold out. We are limited to the number of people allowed in the pool, so get yours now before it's too late.

CHRISTMAS PARTY
TICKETS WILL BE ON
SALE IN OCTOBER.

TO RESERVE A TABLE
FOR 8, YOU MUST
HAVE ALL NAMES
AND FULL PAYMENT.

THIS EVENT IS FOR
ACTIVE PARROT HEAD
MEMBERS ONLY.

MEN'S CLOTHING DRIVE

Clean out those closets guys! The PHlock will be collecting gently used men's clothing at both PHlockings in September. In addition, if you are unable to make it to a PHlocking, Rich & Will have graciously agreed to arrange for collection any time during the month.

All items donated will go to St. Theresa's Thrift Shop. The folks there say they have a real need for men's clothing, so contact your neighbors, friends, relatives and golf buddies and start collecting all of those items that never make it out of your closet anymore.

Look for the designated collection area at the entrance to each PHlocking or call for pick-up or drop off: Rich Bohrer 205-7621 or Will Stone 205-8846 .

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

September 9	Pub Crawl, Spanish Springs	October 11	Polo Party, The Villages Polo Club
September 13	Golf Scramble, Sandhill Executive	October 13-15	Fall Golf Outing, Satallite Beach, FL
September 14	Mini-Golf, Tree Tops	November 5-8	Meeting of the Minds, Key West, FL
September 16	Environmental Clean-up, Paradise Lake	November 14	Buffett Concert, Amway Arena
September 20	Pool Party, Lake Miona Rec Center	December 11	Christmas Party, La Hacienda Center
September 21	Football Game, Landshark Stadium	December 31	New Year's Eve Party, Bridgeport
September 24	Sanibel Island Trip	February 7	Super Bowl Party, TBA
October 8	Italian Parade, Both Squares		

SEPTEMBER PHLOCKINGS

The PHlockings in September are scheduled for:

September 2	El Santiago
September 17	Mallory Hill Country Club

Please be sure to wear your name tags.

Saving tables for your group "arriving later" is discouraged unless you are involved with a committee selling tickets, membership, or clothing. The whole idea here is to meet new people and welcome them into our group.

5 O'CLOCK SOMEWHERE

The PHlock is going on another pub crawl this month with several locations in Spanish Springs being featured.

The party will start at 3pm and restaurants include Cattle Baron, McCalls, and Ruby Tuesdays. Get your gang together and make the rounds!

Be sure to wear your name tag and club shirts to get in on the specials that will be offered at each location.

The EXCOMM Meeting is scheduled for September 16th at 9AM at Hacienda Hills CC. All members are invited to attend.

Anyone wishing to address the Board at this meeting must call Jan Brooks for a spot on the agenda.

GOLF SCRAMBLE The final golf scramble of the season will be held on September 13th at Sandhill Executive. Sign-ups will still be available at the first PHlocking in September, or call Bill Firmery at 753-3435.

MINI-GOLF PIZZA NIGHT The PHlock is having a combination pizza party and putting challenge under the lights on September 14th at the Tree Tops mini-golf range. Pizza will be at 5:30 and the golf starts at 6:30. The cost is \$11 per person, \$6 payable at the door. Bring chairs and your own beverage.

Contact Dave at 750-1389 or dmacdougall@thevillages.net.

GOING, GOING, GONE

LANDSHARK STADIUM OPENING DAY

This fun event on September 21st had an August 21st deadline for ticket purchase, however, there still may be an opportunity to sign on. The price is \$41 which includes your ticket to the game, t-shirt, tailgate party, and other stuff. Transportation & lodging is on your own.

Call Will at 205-8864 for information.

SANIBEL ISLAND FUN IN THE SUN

Rooms are still available for this weekend, or as long as you want to stay. Check out the hotel website at sanibelarmswest.com for reservations and information.

SATALLITE BEACH GOLF—OCTOBER 13

Due to cancellation, there is room for 2 more couples. Contact Dave MacDougall at 750-1389 for more information.

JIMMY BUFFETT CONCERT TICKETS

The concert is scheduled for November 14th at Amway Arena in Orlando. Reservations can be made by email to Paul & Connie Vanderwiere at vandy4iu@yahoo.com or by calling 259-0285.

The exact price of the tickets was not available at press time, so \$140 per ticket will be collected in advance in order to make your reservations. You need to send a check made payable to The Villages Parrot Heads Club in the amount of \$140.00 per ticket to Paul and Connie Vanderwiere, 756 Baisley Trail, The Villages, FL 32162. Once the actual price is received, adjustments will be made if necessary.

More information will be emailed as it is received.

CONCERT TAILGATE

There will be a pre-concert tailgate party at Amway Arena prior to the concert. Details and arrangements for our club are being handled by Gary Blanchard.

More information will be available soon.

MEETING OF THE MINDS, KEY WEST, NOVEMBER 5-8

Time is running out to make your arrangements to attend this annual event which looks to be full of some great entertainment and parties.

Our block of rooms at Southernmost will be released on September 4th. The block has 6 rooms left each with 2 Queens, partial ocean view and a private balcony for \$210.00 per night. If any members are interested, please call the hotel at 1-800-354-4455 and use group code VILLO9 to book. If you are at all interested, it is suggested you go ahead and book a room as soon as possible as the hotel has advised that they are sold out of all other rooms for MOTM.

The Club has also been advised that registration for MOTM will end on September 30th, so you still have some time there. Go to PHIP.com Meeting of the Minds to register online. Registration is \$75 per person, and you can use your credit card. While online, check out the list of entertainers and the other fun things scheduled.

BUFFETT TRIVIA

One of the coldest concerts Jimmy has ever played was in the 1970's. He wore 2 pairs of pants, a heavy Irish sweater and a white sport coat as the wind was blowing and the temperature dropped to 45 degrees. They played for over two hours without a break. He prepared himself for the cold with an over abundance of Chives Regal, but after the show, he was cold sober. This was the first time many of his island friends saw Jimmy and his full band, full tilt, stage performance. Location? Mallory Square, Key West, FL.

PARTY AT POLO (or we'll party anywhere)

Sunday, October 11 is the date for a fun-filled afternoon of Polo with a Caribbean flair. Jason & the Caribbean Chillers will be playing after the match. Food & drink specials will be available at the clubhouse bar.

Your EXCOMM is working to make this into a special weekend. Plans for the entire weekend are still in developmental stages, so watch your email for updates. This could develop into quite something!

ITALIAN PARADE

The PHlock will be participating in the parades at both town squares on October 8th.

We are allowed 8 decorated golf carts at each location, as well as numerous walkers.

If you are interested in participating, contact Dave Macdougall at 750-1389 or email dmacdougall@thevillages.net

ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP PROJECT

What happened to all the volunteers that came out that first week and got a free t-shirt? I guess they did not understand that this is a monthly obligation that was made to Lake County to keep this area free from human waste, because the same 4 or 5 people are the only ones that show up every month. It's been hot, it's been rainy, but that does not stop people from throwing beer bottles out of their truck windows!

Let's give these folks a break. The more people that show up, the less time it takes.

September's cleanup is scheduled for Wednesday, September 16. Meet at Paradise Lake at 10AM. If you have any questions, please call Cori at 750-4949.

ELECTION TIME IS COMING

The time is coming to elect your Board members. All positions are open for election however, President, Treasurer, Membership Director and Community Service Trustee will be six-month terms. Elections for those positions will be held again in June 2010 for a July 1-June 30th term. The remaining positions of Vice-President, Secretary and Human Resources Trustee will be for the usual January 1-December 31st calendar-year term. These changes are due to new language in the by-laws ratified by the membership August 20, 2009.

If you think you might be interested in running, further instructions will be available shortly.

ATTENDANCE

The August PHlockings had record attendance with 146 at El Santiago and 263 at Mallory for a total of 409. And it is not even "the season" yet!!!

MEMBERSHIP

The PHlock welcomed 41 new members during the month of August bringing our total membership to 814. This beats all records!!! If only 1/4 of our members would get involved, we would have no problem achieving our goal of "leaving this place a little better than we found it". While we all like to "party with a purpose", it takes a lot of hard work and dedication to do what needs to get done.

GET INVOLVED....VOLUNTEER

NEW PHLEDGELINGS IN OUR PHLOCK...

Tony Bianchi	Frank Basile	Judy Bonnett	Sarah Rose
JoAnn Bianchi	Robert DiBiase	Curt Wallace	Lee Bannister
Ed Donahue	Katherine DiBiase	Pam Lynch	Dick Roberts
Deb Donahue	Michael Holden	Ann Harding	Byron Porter, Jr.
Rich Veltre	Pam Holden	Phyllis Kaplan	Sherrie Porter, Jr.
Barbara Veltre	Mike Long	Sandy Solberg	Mike Ratajczak
Richard Shiveley	Delores Pattison	Bob Cranston	Mitzie Ratajczak
Mary Lou Shiveley	Jason Webb	Carole Cransto	John Benson
Mike Palma	Barbara Simon	Nancy Griffith	Nery Benson
Jody Palma	Carole Burke	Craig Griffith	
Teri Basile	MaryAnn Keiser	Joe Rose	

KUDOS...

A special thanks goes out to Tove Hughes and Sandi Houdeshell for volunteering to do the basket for the Charlotte Harbor Parrot Heads Club Birthday Bash. This Club needs more volunteers like you!

Note from the Editor...

I would like to take a moment to thank my PHlockmates for the support you have given me over the past few months as I continue my battle with cancer. Were it not for your constant emails, cards, flowers, and phone calls, I don't know what I would have done. I am so proud to be a Parrot Head!