



Fair Photos

Here are some photos that were taken at the South Florida Fair. Every year the poultry club sponsors an entry into the Fair's parade. This year, our float was better than ever.

Pictured above is Katelin VanHeusen in her award winning Rhode Island Red Costume. Although it is difficult to tell in this photo, the feathers are real.

Above-right is Ashley Robinson who did a fine job driving her dad's Antique John Deere tractor.

Pictured on the middle right is Mr. Greggs with his coveralls, corncobb pipe and straw hat.

On the right is Catherine Laughlin riding on the float. She is our club's only lifetime member and always comes for our parade.



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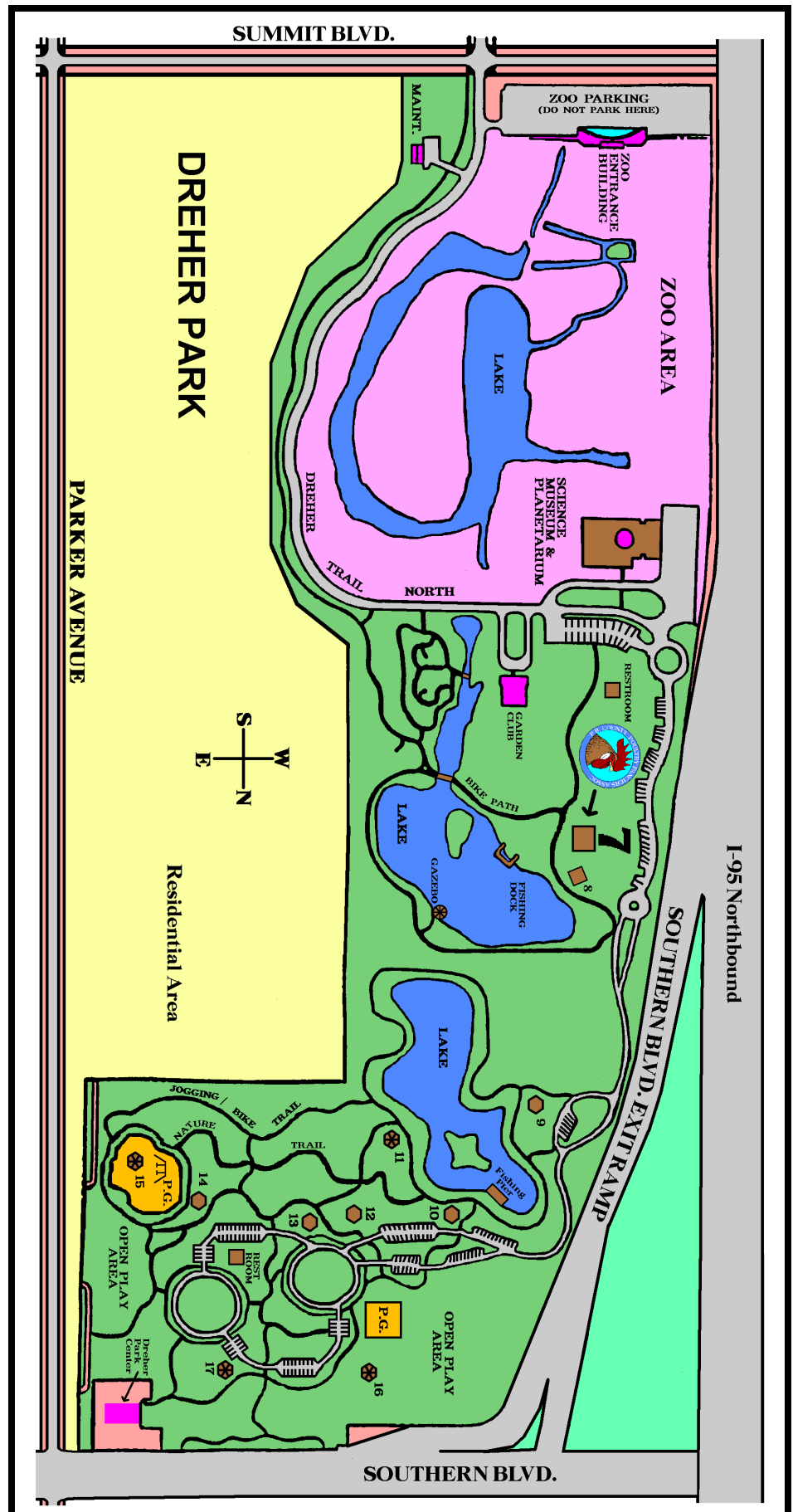
TIME: 1:00 pm

DATE: April 18
Saturday

PLACE:
Dreher Park

DIRECTIONS:

From I-95, exit at Southern Blvd. (exit number 50), go east 1/2 mile to Parker Ave. and turn right, go south 3/4 mile to Summit Blvd. and turn right again, go west 1/3 mile to Dreher Trail North and turn right again, then go 1/2 mile back north to the South Florida Science Museum and continue past there for approximately another 1/4 mile to pavilion #7.



A Letter From the President

by Lee Salmon

I would like to take this opportunity to explain to new members, and remind old members, exactly what the PBCPFA is all about. We are a club of poultry hobbyists. Our main purpose is to encourage and promote the raising and showing of pure bred poultry.

We support the youth of our community and their poultry endeavors, and we all enjoy the healthy competition with our fellow exhibitors at the fair. The South Florida Fair has been very good to us. They allow us free rein in running our show, they are building us new floor pens and have never turned down any reasonable request.

I would like to remind everyone that personal, monetary gains has never been a priority in our show.

Making friends, helping kids and having fun has always been, and should continue to be, our main goal and objective.

Recap of March Meeting

by Lee Salmon

At our March meeting, our secretary, Arvis Okerson, read the minutes of our last meeting. They were passed and we moved on to the Treasures report. Then we congratulated Dennis Hawkins, our editor, on the great, new, color newsletter.

In new business, the agenda was to rework the Fair premium book. Changes are as follows:

1. Stress the "No late registration" rule.
2. Add class G for pigeons and doves.
3. Suggest that birds be dusted for mites.
4. Continued the "Best decorated floor pen"

contest and change the sponsor to Troy VanHeusen Farrier Service.

5. Change the age groups in the poster contest to 5-7, 8-12, 13-17, 18 and over, and one poster per club.

6. A proposal was made to ask the Fair to raise the premiums.

We set Saturday April 18, 1998 for our annual club picnic in Dreher Park. We start around 1:00 p.m.. The club furnishes the meat, drinks, ice, condiments and paper goods. Members need to sign up for side dishes. Call Lee, 686-4774, to sign up for side dishes. There is a lake and it's OK for the kids to fish under adult supervision. The club will bring a volleyball net and horseshoe toss. Come on out for a nice day in the park. We are at pavillion #7 (see map).

The plant sale is April 25th and 26th. See if you can attend and let Arvis know at the picnic. We should try to support Arvis and Rick at this sale. It is a nice day sitting in the shade and telling people about your birds. Bring a live chicken and just have a good time.

Wakeeta Schwartz and Linda Wright agreed to go to the St. Claire school on April 24th from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.. They will talk to the kids about chickens and health.

We passed on the brag box and held over items on the auction table until the May meeting.

The delicious spaghetti dinner was provided by Arvis and Rick Okerson.

The First Parrot

Several years ago, president Clinton gave Chelsea a baby parrot. She raised it from a chick and was very fond of this bird. One day, after the bird had grown up, the Clintons went away for a few days and left the maid in charge of caring for the bird.

Well, sure enough, just a few hours after the Clintons left, the bird dropped dead. Fearing that this would severely upset Chelsea and her father, the maid went to several pet shops in the Washington, DC area to try to find another parrot that looked just like Chelsea's parrot. There were a lot of parrots for sale, but nobody had one that was *exactly* like Chelsea's.

Finally, the maid found one in a pawn shop of all places, that was an exact match for Chelsea's deceased pet.

"I'll sell him to you, but I have to warn you that this bird used to belong to a high priced call girl who worked in a whorehouse. His language may be a bit vulgar."

"I don't care," said the maid, "I must have him." With that, she paid the clerk and took the parrot back to the White House.

When the Clintons returned, Hillary walked into the room where the parrot was kept and the parrot said, "Too old."

A little while later, Chelsea walked in and the bird responded, "Too young."

Finally, President Clinton walked in and the parrot says, "HI BILL!"

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Rhode Island Red Pullets and Cockerels of various ages. Contact Richard Greggs at (561) 433-8157.

FREE ROOSTER. An interesting mix having a crest, a buttercup comb, and a straight comb all on the same white leghorn. Dennis Hawkins (561) 795-2067.

Chickens for sale. Various breeds, ages, and prices. We also have live meat birds. Call Richard or Linda Wright at Heavenly Acres: 561-793-5696.

FOR LOAN OR RENT:

Don't let your flock fall victim to predators! The poultry club owns a trap that members may use free of charge. To reserve your time to use the trap, contact our Property Manager, Richard Greggs, at (561) 433-8157.

WANTED:

Newsletter articles for the PBCPFA newsletter. The deadline is the fourth Friday of the previous month. Submit articles to the editor by mail, Email, or in person at the meeting.