



# the Palm Reader

News from the Parrotheads of the Old Dominion

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## Club Kick-off Planned in Leesburg

The Parrotheads of the Old Dominion will host its first monthly happy hour

### **POD:** Something Old, Something New

The Parrotheads of the Old Dominion was formed in 1986 at the pool of the Jarrell's Truck Stop in Doswell, VA near Kings Dominion. Until now, the POD has been a loosely knit group of folks who gathered each year at Buffett shows at various arenas throughout the mid-Atlantic region.

Early this year, the founders became aware that a national, well-organized network of similar parrot head clubs existed. In May, the POD Board of Directors elected to affiliate with that network, Parrot Heads in Paradise. As a result the POD is actively soliciting new members and is developing a year-round program of charitable, environmental and social events that will allow local parrotheads to spread their feathers more frequently than the annual parking lot tailgate and to do some community service in the process.

We ask for your help and suggestions in building this club into an important part of the community as well as a heck of a lot of fun.

at the Branding Iron Restaurant in Leesburg on **Friday, June 30**. The event marks the kick off of a club expansion effort that is aimed at giving us something productive (and fun) to do during the 10 or 11 months when Jimmy Buffett and the band are not in the area.

In addition to meeting a lot of new friends with Caribbean souls, we'll be comparing notes on the first leg of the Dominos College tour and getting organized for the August 11 show just down the road at the new Nissan Pavilion. The POD was well represented at the two recent Merriweather shows and even had a contingent hit the road to Pittsburgh for an additional show.

The Branding Iron is located on the lower deck of the Market Station complex at the intersection of Loudoun and Harrison Streets in Leesburg. We plan to get started at 5 p.m (island time). The proprietor has offered group rate discounts for the club. As with any flocking of parrotheads, the more the merrier. Hope you can join us.





## *What's a Parrot Head Club?*

The POD is one of 69 clubs affiliated with Parrot Heads in Paradise, the national Jimmy Buffett Parrot Head Clubs Association based in Atlanta that was established a few years ago to help coordinate clubs that had been springing up around the country.

Parrot Head clubs are much more than traditional musician fan clubs, however. They are designed—indeed required—to be active participants in their communities. The POD is already gearing up several environmental projects and evaluating charity efforts to determine where the club can be most effective. We need to hear your ideas and settle on some priorities.

If the ability to meet regularly with fellow parrotheads is not enough reason to get involved in the POD, the Parrot Heads in Paradise affiliation entitles clubs to purchase a limited number of block tickets for concerts.

Every national association needs an annual convention and Parrot Heads in Paradise is no exception. This year the clubs will again be converging on the French Quarter in New Orleans. The fourth Annual Parrot Head Convention will be held Nov. 2-5. Blocks of hotel rooms have been set aside, but are filling up fast. If you're interested in the details, let us know.

## **Bring A Can**

The June 30 happy hour will feature plenty of fun, food and drink for club members, but we ask that participants bring along a donation of can goods that will be distributed to a local food bank.

The regular collection of non-perishable food items at club events is one way the club plans to help out needy residents of the community. The club has not yet established its formal dues structure to help support the charitable efforts, annual PHIP dues, mailing costs and T-shirts. We will be surveying the membership to see what their priorities are and hopefully develop a budget and dues system in July.



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## *Ticket Bank*

As part of making preparations for the Aug. 11 show in Gainesville, the POD will be maintaining a list of members who didn't get tickets in the hopes of matching them up with members who got too many.

Some 25,000 tickets have been sold, so there should be plenty of extras floating around as showtime nears. If you or anyone you know has an extra ticket or two and is willing to sell to a club member at face value, please check the list.





# ALBUM WATCH: THE SOUP IS COOKING

Keep an eye on the Buffett CD rack at local music stores for Jimmy's new album, *Barometer Soup*, that is due out Tuesday, Aug. 1. Also set your VCRs for Bubba's scheduled appearance on David Letterman's Late Show that same day.

Jimmy has already performed three songs from the new release on the current tour. Russ Kunkel, the producer of the *Fruitcakes* album, as well as Utley, Fingers, Greenidge and the PM Band are back for the new release.

Get ready to learn the words to these new tunes:

- Barometer Soup
- Barefoot Children In The Rain
- Bank Of Bad Habits
- Remittance Man
- Diamond As Big As The Ritz
- Blue Heaven Rendezvous
- Jimmy Dreams
- Lage nom ai (the man who gave uphis name)
- Don't Cha-Know
- Ballad Of Skip Wiley
- The Night I Painted The Sky
- James Taylor's Mexico

## New on the Menu

Jimmy's Margaritaville Records, which has moved from MCA to Island Records, in June released *Margaritaville Cafe New Orleans: Late Night Gumbo*. The CD includes 15 tracks, including two new covers for your Buffett collection.

Jimmy adds his unique versions of *Sea Cruise* and Leadbelly's *Goodnight Irene* to the collection of Cajun-influenced tunes by bands that you might find playing on the cafe stage. A highlight of the release is the Iguanuas' *Eatn' with Fingers* featuring some great riffs from Greg "Fingers" Taylor. Other offerings come from: the Rebirth Brass Band, Rockin' Dopsie Jr., Waylon Thibodeaux, and the Bluesrunners. The CD is usually found in the Buffett racks in the stores.

*Yes, I am interested in finding out more about Parrotheads of the Old Dominion. Please keep me informed about club events. Mail to: POD c/o 310B S. 11th St. Purcellville VA 22132*

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# Domino College Summer Session Tour '95

AUG. 5	COLMUBUS, OH
AUG. 7-8	ATLANTA, GA
<b>AUG. 11</b>	<b>NISSAN PAVILION GAINESVILLE VA</b>
AUG. 12	CLEvELAND, OH
AUG. 14 & 15	CLARKSTON, MI.
AUG. 17	TORONTO, Ontario
AUG. 19	CAMDEN, NJ
AUG. 20	HARTFORD, CT
AUG. 23, 25, 26	GREAT WOODS ,MANSFIELD, MA.

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