



# Dust Off Those Bowling Shoes

## At The Helm

It has been an active month and the foundation has been laid for an exciting spring.

The Administration Committee continues to meet monthly and is working to establish formal by-laws, pursue incorporation and prepare for elections. It

has focused in recent weeks on building the 2001 event schedule. Things kicked off on Super Bowl Sunday when Greg and Dvora Sheremeta opened their house to the club. Jack Lamay has been pulling together the details of Sunday's bowling event. Before he began his license plate lobbying effort (See story,

Page 4), Raleigh Warner lined up group tickets for members to see the Capitals take on Pittsburgh Penguins and some guy named Mario in March. Mike Peery secured a group of seats for a Yankees-Orioles game in May. There are currently waiting lists for both games. Also we have revived monthly happy hours that will continue to rotate to different venues in hope of being convenient to our far-flung membership.

A key focus through the spring and culminating with Megan's Walk in May will be raising funds for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. We expect our April Fool's Day concert to be a fun way to help us exceed last year's contribution.

We also have spring road cleanups planned for both our Rt. 15 and Signal Hill Road locations. Last year, 34 club members (about one-third of our membership) participated in at least one cleanup.

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The POD will return to the Village Lanes in Leesburg on Sunday, Feb. 11 for our annual bowling outing.

Always one of the most popular family events, this year's trip to the bowling ally will kick off our fundraising effort for the 2001 Megan's Walk campaign. Last year the club donated more than \$1,800 to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and we hope to break that record this year.

The \$12 cost includes three games, shoes and three raffle tickets for the day's big prize. Additional raffle tickets will be awarded for each strike. We'll have a few children's lanes set up and the 'keets can bowl for \$2.25 per game including shoes.

We need a firm count of participants by Friday, Feb. 9 so that we have enough lanes reserved. Also, we will be assigning lanes in advance, so please let us know if you will be late arriving and need us to make special arrangements.

Contact Jack Lamay for details, directions and to RSVP. You can e-mail him at [parrothedsailor@aol.com](mailto:parrothedsailor@aol.com) or call him at home at 703-771-4063.

## Happy Hour

Our first happy hour of the year will be held Friday night at the Westfields Marriott Conference Center in Chantilly. We'll be in the main bar area, most likely very close to a billiards table. Westfields is located west of Rt. 28 at 14750 Conference Center Drive. We plan to be there from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.



# April Fool's Day Extravaganza

## Sunny Jim Coming To Middleburg CC

Sunny Jim is coming back to town!

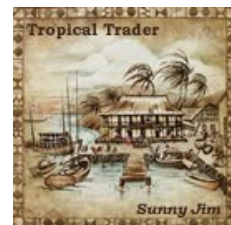
We learned last month that James White would be in the area and quickly worked to book the club favorite for a local performance. The result is a special April Fool's Day event at Middleburg Community Center.

This will replace our annual St. Buffett's Day party and we are going to open the show up to the public and invite members of surrounding Parrot Head Clubs to join us. We will also use the event to continue to raise funds for our Megan's Walk project in May. We're looking for a few good raffle or silent auction items; let us know if you have an item or service you can contribute.

The event will run from 2 p.m to 6 p.m. on Sunday, April 1. Tickets will be \$10 at the door and

\$8 in advance. We'll be providing food and allowing you to bring your favorite beverage. Details and order information will be available at: [www.parrothead.org/sunnyjim.html](http://www.parrothead.org/sunnyjim.html). We will also need volunteers to help with set-up, ticket sales and food preparation.

James will be bringing a special treat. The recording of his new CD "Tropical Trader" is complete and it is slated for a March 3 release. The new CD includes 12 original songs, including "So Far, So Fast" and "Amazon" which he performed for us last fall. If you can't wait for James to bring up fresh supplies, go to [www.sunnyjim.com](http://www.sunnyjim.com) or [migrationmusic.com](http://migrationmusic.com) to order a copy.



## Helm

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Participation in these cleanups will become even more important this year. It is still unknown if the Coral Reefer Circus will return to Nissan Pavilion this summer. What is known is that there are a growing number of Virginia Clubs competing for a limited number of reserved club seats at concerts. We have always used a point system to make sure the most active members got the best seats, but now we can expect even active members to get caught in a ticket shortage.

Under the system, helping with the litter cleanups is the fastest way to accumulate points. The points breakdown is:

- Highway Cleanup, 15 pts.
- Charity Events (ex. Megan's Walk, Memory Walk), 5 pt. for donation; 5 pt. for participation.
- Club Events (ex. Bingo, bowling, volleyball), 3 pt. for attending.
- Happy Hours, 1 pt.
- Event Coordinator, 3 pt.
- Event Volunteer, 1 pt.
- Misc. Events (ex. hockey, baseball, sailing), 1 pt.
- Donation of Goods or Services, 1 pt.

Points are recorded per membership (not per member) and are tallied on the club's fiscal year from July 1-June 30. Sally Hernley will be working to bring the points database up to date before we get the word on tickets (hopefully)

in March or April.

The Administration Committee is also looking for ideas and volunteers to help with welcoming new members and introducing them to the rest of the crew. We'll be discussing ideas again at our March 2 meeting.

We're also looking for ideas on a good location for a new candy vending machine. The one we have at Scoopers in Leesburg has generated hundreds of dollars for the Save the Manatee Club. If your business has a high traffic area where the machine can be placed and easily maintained, let us know.

## Welcome Aboard

*Please take time at the next club function to make these new club members feel welcome.*

**Heather Balkham**  
**Robert & Mary Harper**  
**Betsy Knapp**  
**Vincent & Susanne Miller**  
**Harold Schoepflin**

**Springfield**  
**Broad Run**  
**Oak Hill**  
**Manassas**  
**Woodbridge**



## ***A Kick For Charity:***

# **Feb. 10 Event Helps St. Jude's**

On Saturday, Feb. 10, artist J Douglas will don his Taekwondo gear to lead kick-a-thon to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Students from J's Tiger Claw Taekwondo studio will be working from noon to 4 p.m. To break last year's record of raising \$2,700. This year's goal is \$5,000 and if that threshold is met J will shave his head in honor of the incredible work that St. Jude Hospital does everyday.

Contact J (703-779-7831) to see if he still needs volunteers to help with the event. Of course, we may need some help holding J down to make sure he carries through with his pledge.

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital is supported primarily by public contributions and is the leading center for the study of diseases such as cancer, sickle cell anemia, thalassemia, and pediatric AIDS. It's research findings are freely shared worldwide. Admission for children is based on physician referral and determination that the

illness is under study at St. Jude. St. Jude covers all costs not covered by insurance. Families without insurance are never asked to pay.

The event kicks off at 12 noon. Leesburg Town Mayor, BJ Webb, will kick the first pad. If you haven't seen J break cinderblocks with his bare hands before, now is the time. Board breaking demonstrations (wood donated by Home Depot) will run from 12-1 p.m. Then starts "kick till you drop" until 4 p.m. When Dominoes will be donating several pizzas for refreshments. The event is open to the public and you're invited.

The Tiger Claw Taekwondo students are collecting donations through Feb. 10. **NO DONATION IS TOO SMALL** and all donations are tax deductible.

So if you would like to help by making a donation, you can mail a check (made out to St. Jude Children's Hospital) to: Jen Zawacki, c/o Just J Studios, 47-B Catocin Circle, Leesburg, VA 20175 Your help will be greatly appreciated. Hope to see you there.

## **Growing Older But Not Up: POD Birthdays**

Kevin Richter	Jan. 1	Jim Blersch	Feb. 13
Megan Munn	Jan. 11	Spike Mularz	Feb. 14
Jesse Harrison	Jan. 12	Bonnie Peery	Feb. 29
Dina Bessa	Jan. 13	Susanne Miller	March 5
Carol O'Connell	Jan. 15	Mike Peery	March 6
Melissa King	Jan. 17	Nathan Bagley	March 7
Norman Styer	Jan. 20	Marie Janow	March 10
Eddie Cole	Jan. 21	Lisa Creel	March 11
Betsy Knapp	Jan. 22	Greg Laws	March 11
Carly Luther	Jan. 25	Kenny Moreland	March 21
Don Hernley	Feb. 3	Kenny Moreland III	March 21
Josh Douglas	Feb. 11	William Earhart	March 29
Jennifer Zawacki	Feb. 11	Dvora Sheremeta	March 29
Dave Grzybowski	Feb. 12		



## **Parrot Head Club Plates Will Have To Wait**

Virginians have always been known as being conservatives. While this might be true in general Virginians are also vain. Just look at the number of vanity plates that are on the roads. In addition to these Virginia has a growing number of specialty plates available for members of certain groups.

Having one of those vanity tags, and knowing how difficult it can be to find the right message, and finding one that is available, I thought it would be a great idea to have a Parrot Head Specialty tag. Virginia has seven clubs recognized by Parrot Heads in Paradise. In addition are the fans who are unaware of our existence and those who don't have a local club. I thought getting the 350 prepaid applicants would be easy.

Armed with the idea, in December I contacted my local delegate's office. I explained our club's history and detailed some of our charitable causes to Robert Marshall's assistant. I was told that he would contact me to get more information. I didn't hear anything until January when I received a call telling me that Delegate Marshall had introduced the bill. Little did I know what was to follow.

After hearing confirmation that the bill was introduced I began thinking of a design. It made sense to use the PHIP logo since Virginia has multiple clubs. I asked Norman to contact them to try and obtain permission to use their logo. PHIP's response was that the term "Parrot Head" and their logo, are trademarks, owned by Jimmy Buffett. Parrot Head Clubs are licensed to use the terms in a very limited way. Elizabeth Teague, president of PHIP, suggested that we contact someone at Margaritaville or Buffett's assistant Mike Ramos, to try to get Jimmy's permission. This is where it got interesting.

I sent a note to Chris Wilson, webmaster of the Church of Buffett website, Margaritaville, and Mike Ramos. Chris posted my letter on his website which generated positive feedback from his readers. Margaritaville forwarded my note to HK Management. Mike Ramos forwarded my note to "the proper people." At this point PHIP decided that it might be better for them to handle the communications with Margaritaville, which was our feeling all along.

While trying to get the trademark issue resolved the bill was making its way through the Virginia General Assembly. It had been referred to the Transportation Committee. While in a subcommittee I drove to Richmond to testify and support the bill. This was interesting to say the least. I had visions of Ollie North during the Iran-Contra Hearings and had no idea what to expect. When I was called to support the bill two members (including Chairman Wardrup) gave me the "Fins Up" signal. The bill was quickly reported out to the full Transportation Committee. Before leaving I was told by Chairman Wardrup that he was very skeptical about this bill when he first read it. After hearing about our charitable causes he thought that our plate deserved to be passed more than some plates that were already issued.

Feeling that this was on its way to approval I returned to Northern Virginia only to find out that Margaritaville's response was negative. We were told by Margaritaville, Inc., through PHIP, that we should cease and desist any efforts to get our bill passed. Through subsequent conversations with PHIP we feel that there is a possibility that an agreement can be reached in the future, but not before this legislative session ends.

We could have used the term "Parrothead" which isn't a trademark and which our club has used since at least 1986, however we feel this might antagonize Margaritaville. The last thing we want to do is hurt Virginia's clubs, or any other club. We feel it's best to work with Margaritaville.

Rest assured we won't drop this. We've heard from countless people who support this effort. This would be a great model for other clubs across the country and will call attention to the great work done by PHIP clubs like ours. We've had some press interest as well. There were articles in the Potomac News (Manassas) and the Virginian-Pilot (Hampton Roads.) There were news items on BuffettNews.com and Church of Buffett, Orthodox. Overall I've been pleased with the experience. I know now that once these issues are resolved we will have a great plate for all Virginia Parrot Heads.





# **Annual Report of the Parrotheads of the Old Dominion**

*(aka Northern Virginia Parrot Head Club)*

## **Calendar Year 2000**

During 2000, the Parrotheads of the Old Dominion crossed several milestones in expanding its community service activities while enjoying a stable membership base.

The club membership was 100 at the close of the year, down slightly from a high of 110 mid-year. Membership continues to be drawn from a wide swath of Northern Virginia, other areas of the state and nearby communities in Maryland. Dues are \$25 per person/\$40 per household , with renewals set at \$20 and \$30.

The POD exceeded its charity goals for 2000, largely because of its involvement in regional events, including the organization and hosting of two successful fundraising concerts that allowed the club to donate more than \$2,500 to the Alzheimer's Association of Northern Virginia. That contribution allowed the POD to be a title sponsor of the Memory Walk in October.

In the spring, the club, through donations, a bowling event and a bingo night, raised more than \$1,800 to support the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation as part of Megan's Walk.

Contributions to the Interfaith Relief food bank collected throughout the year at each club function totaled \$209 in cash and 900 pounds of food.

The POD expanded its participation in the state's Adopt-A-Highway program, adding a second stretch to road to its litter patrol responsibilities. The club maintains a 2.5 mile stretch of Rt. 15, a state scenic byway south of Leesburg, and a section of Signal Hill Road in Manassas. During six cleanups, POD members spent in excess of 125 man-hours working to keep the roads litter free, collecting 73 bags of trash.

At year's end, POD made a \$625 contribution to the Save the Manatee Club, an amount raised from donations at club functions throughout the year and from special collections from a club-owned candy vending machine and a donation jar at Scooper's deli.

At our holiday party in December, 44 items were collected for the Toys for Tots program.

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10th Annual Meeting Of The Minds  
2001  
A Decade On Duval

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

\*\*ONLY ONE APPLICATION PER PERSON\*\*

PHIP Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ (must be listed\*)  
\*\*YOU MUST BE A MEMBER OF A PHIP, INC. CHARTERED PARROT HEAD CLUB TO BE ELIGIBLE TO REGISTER FOR THE CONVENTION. IF YOU ARE NOT A MEMBER AT THE TIME YOU REGISTER YOUR REGISTRATION FEE WILL BE RETURNED TO YOU\*\*

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

NickName \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ I am staying at \_\_\_\_\_ in Key West

T-Shirt Size: Small ☐ Medium ☐ Large ☐ Xtra Large ☐  
(Included in \$50.00 Registration Fee)  
XXL ☐ add \$3.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
XXXL ☐ add \$6.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Extra t-shirts: T-Shirt Size: Small ☐ Medium ☐ Large ☐ Xtra Large ☐  
XXL ☐ X \$15.00 ea \_\_\_\_\_  
XXXL ☐ X \$18.00 ea \_\_\_\_\_  
X \$21.00 ea \_\_\_\_\_

MOTM 2000 Registration Fee \$50.00

\*\*\*REGISTRATION FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE\*\*\*

Total check or Money Order Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: PHIP, INC

Mail To: MOTM Registration Chair  
Attn: Fenton Moore  
226 Reading Avenue  
Oaklyn, NJ 08107

\*\*\*Must Be Registered By September 15, 2001 To Guarantee Name Badge and T-Shirt Size\*\*\*

**REGISTRATION CLOSSES SEPTEMBER 30, 2001**

**YOU WILL RECEIVE A CONFIRMATION POSTCARD IN THE MAIL THIS POSTCARD MUST BE BROUGHT TO THE REGISTRATION ROOM TO RECEIVE YOUR PACKAGE**

I WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER FOR: GOODIE BAG STUFFING ☐ AUCTION ☐ SECURITY ☐

REGISTRATION ☐ Day/Time \_\_\_\_\_ PHIP MERCHANDISE TABLE ☐ Day/Time \_\_\_\_\_





Kathy Payne takes a look inside.

# HO, HO, HO Holiday Party Fun



Mike & Bonnie Peery



Linda Harrison makes a selection.

Thirty-seven club members attended the holiday party at Sully Station in December. We collected 44 toys that were collected by the Marine Corps for their Toys For Tots campaign. Jesse and Linda Harrison won the raffle of the CD player that was donated by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. The \$157 raised in the raffle will go back into the club's donations for Megan's Walk in the spring. Barbara Hernley won the 50/50 raffle.



Not the Coral Reefers



J Douglas, Jack LaMay & Dianne Munn



Debbie Styer takes a swing.



# Upcoming Events

Feb. 9	Happy Hour	Westfields Marriott	6-9 p.m.
Feb. 11	Bowling Day	Village Lanes	1 p.m.
March 3	Hockey Trip	Penguins v. Capitals	7 p.m.
March 11	Highway Cleanup	Signal Hill Road	noon
March 17	Happy Hour	Bungalow Billiards, Cascades	
April 1	Sunny Jim Concert	Middleburg CC	2-6 p.m.
April 20	Happy Hour	Lansdowne	6-9 p.m.
April 21	Highway Cleanup	Rt.. 15	9 a.m.
April 28	Bingo Dinner	Scoopers	6 p.m.
May 5	Baseball Trip	Yankees v. Orioles	
May 19	Megan's Walk	Loudoun County High School	

## Buffett On Tour

Feb. 8	Orlando, FL
Feb. 10	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Feb. 13	Dallas, TX
Feb. 15	Houston, TX
Feb. 17	Greensboro, NC
Feb. 20	Charlotte, NC
Feb. 22	Tampa, FL
Feb. 24	West Palm Beach, FL
March 15	Oakland, CA
March 17	San Jose, CA

**Parrotheads of the Old Dominion is a nonprofit charitable organization established to provide support and assistance to the community, to maintain and improve the environment, and to provide a variety of social activities for people who share an interest in Jimmy Buffett music. In the process of making new friends and having fun, we believe in leaving something positive behind. Our club is open to anyone with a tropical spirit and the desire to contribute to the betterment of our communities.**

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