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Back Where We Came From How the OCPHC Was Born

By Allen Johncox—OCPHC Founder

Scott Nickerson was an valuable asset in helping me start the OCPHC. Scott was the founder of the first Parrot Head Club, the Atlanta Parrot Head Club. When I first contacted him in June of 1994, he walked me thru the ups and downs of being the founder of a club that was going to change my life. He cautioned me about the pitfalls that some club's founders faced when they tried to use their clubs as a personal marketing tool. He wanted to make sure that I took the right approach to forming a club that would be built to assist local charities and be a benefit to our local community.

Over the next few months, Scott and I would talk several times a week leading up to my scheduled recruitment debut of the Orange County Parrot Head Club at Jimmy's Fruitcake Tour concert on September 30, 1994. We started with the preparation of recruitment materials that would draw the interest of Southern California Parrot Heads. I explained to him that my plan was to design a club logo, have t-shirts printed up and have a first newsletter ready to hand out at the concert.

Well, among my biggest problems was that I had no artistic skills, no connections for graphic artists or t-shirts and no funds.

Not a problem as far as Scott was concerned. Scott was in Atlanta, GA and I was in Orange, CA. We had no access to the internet and just a thermal fax machine. During our numerous phone conversations, Scott put me in touch with the graphic artist that his club used. It took a couple of weeks of faxing my stick figure logo drawings back and forth to Atlanta before the OCPHC logo was born. Next step, t-shirts.

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My goal was to have some t-shirts available at the concert so that new members could join and walk away with something in their hands. Scott warned me that I couldn't sell t-shirts in the parking lot because Buffett's people would shut me down very quickly. So we came up with a plan to sell a HIGHER level of membership that would include a FREE t-shirt. That way I wasn't selling merchandise. It was \$5.00 to join the club and a "Founding Membership" was \$15.00 which included a free OCPHC Club t-shirt. (Yes Buffett's people did contact me in the parking lot at Irvine to see if I was selling shirts). I wanted to have 100 shirts available but I didn't have the money to get them printed.

Not a problem as far as Scott was concerned. Nope, he put me in touch with the woman that he used to print his club's shirts. That's Southern Hospitality! The shirts arrived about 2 weeks before the concert and I sold out in 2 days. Monday morning came and I not only had enough money to pay for the shirts, but had money to fill the additional orders.

Finally, Scott and I spend a lot of time talking about the charities that we could be involved with. He told me about the Dallas club that had a great relationship with their local Ronald McDonald House. The Dallas club would cook cheeseburgers for their families and help with fundraising. With that information, I contacted our local Ronald McDonald House and we had our flagship charity on board.

I didn't get to meet Scott in person until the 3rd Meeting of the Minds in New Orleans that year. He was so impressed with our club's quick start that he proudly introduced me to all of the other founders at the Founder's Breakfast. Although we lost touch with each other for several years we reconnected last year as we prepared for our 20th anniversary. Scott wanted to make sure that I shared his message to our members...

Hello friends! I wish I could be there for your 20th anniversary. It's amazing how many club chapters are celebrating the same thing. I can't believe it's been 25 years since this all got started. I'm very proud of everything you do. I consider you family and I miss you guys. I expect to be back on the road playing music again soon. Hope to see you soon. Have a wonderful time tonight. You guys deserve it.

**My Best Always,
Scott**

By the time the Fruitcakes concerts were over in Irvine, we had 125 members. We had members from not only Orange County but San Diego, Los Angeles, Riverside and San Bernardino, as well. None of it would have been possible without the support and guidance of Scott Nickerson.

Phins Up!



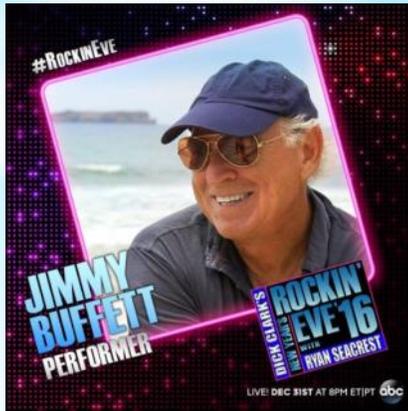


OCPHC Participates in Alzheimer's Walk @ Anaheim Stadium



Post Walk Phlocking at Lopez & Lefty's





Jimmy Buffett and The Coral Reefer Band

"I fly, I sail, I throw caution to the wind..."

Jimmy Buffett

Jimmy Buffett & The CRB Ring in The New Year with Ryan Seacrest

Jimmy Buffett and the Coral Reefer Band brought in the new year at the Barclays Center in Brooklyn NY. Buffett and the band played 25 songs including "My Head Hurts, My Feet Stink And I Don't Love Jesus", "Jolly Mon Sing", "Fruitcakes", and "Lovely Cruise". Jenny Lewis was a special guest and sang with Buffett on the song "Come Monday". To ring in the New Year Buffett and the Coral Reefers performed "Auld Lang Syne"



Buffett Wants To Trademark The Term Coral Reefer

Chief Parrothead Jimmy Buffett likes weed so much that, more than 40 years ago, he named his group the Coral Reefer Band. Now Buffett wants to trademark the name and sell marijuana-related products. In 2014, Buffett's company, Margaritaville Enterprises LLC, filed for the trademark.

Among the potential products listed in the application are electronic cigarettes, herbs for smoking, cigarette papers, cigarette rolling machines, smoking pipes, tobacco grinders and hookahs.

Not much has transpired since then, though Margaritaville Enterprises clearly has its eye on the same prize Snoop Dogg, Willie Nelson and the Bob Marley Estate are currently pursuing – products based around their celebrity with cannabis costumers in mind. I

n January, Buffett visited MiNDFUL's grow facility in Denver. According to an article and photos posted at Buffettnews.com, "There is speculation that Buffett may invest in the cannabis company."

Buffett may seem new to the pot party, but that's hardly be the case. He was the first musician ever interviewed ever in High Times, in 1976. His classic stoner song, "A Pirate at 40," is all about the marijuana smuggler's life.



Holiday Party @ Newport Harbor Elks Lodge



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Holiday Phlocking Photos
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Parrot Heads Donate \$550 to Purple Pig

On the afternoon of Saturday, December 12, the Parrot Heads from the Orange County Parrot Head Club (OCPHC) held their annual Christmas Party, called "Holiday Phlocking", at our Lodge. Parrot Heads is a commonly used nickname for fans of Jimmy Buffett. Jimmy is a singer, songwriter, author, businessman, and movie producer and performs a unique style of music that he calls Caribbean rock. The Orange County Parrot Heads has been partying with a purpose since 1994. Some of the charities they support are Alzheimer's Association, Door of Faith Orphanage, MS Walk, Boys and Girls Club of Anaheim, and now they have given our Lodge \$550 from their Holiday Phlocking party raffle and Christmas basket proceeds for the Purple Pig fund. This is a very generous contribution and deserves recognition. "Thank you" Parrot Heads. If you know a Parrot Head be sure to thank them too! To learn more about OCPHC go to www.ocphc.org. PR Chairman



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Parrot Head Phriends, Clubs, Music and Other Happenings

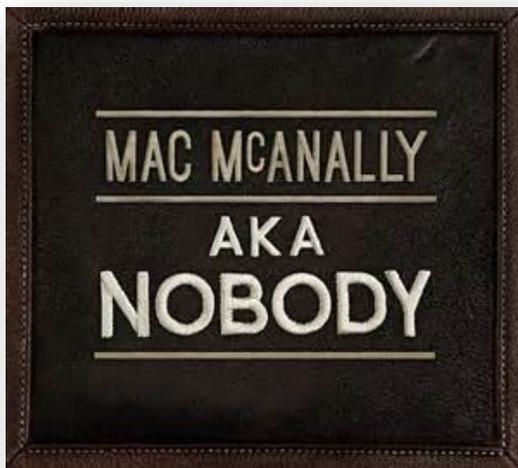
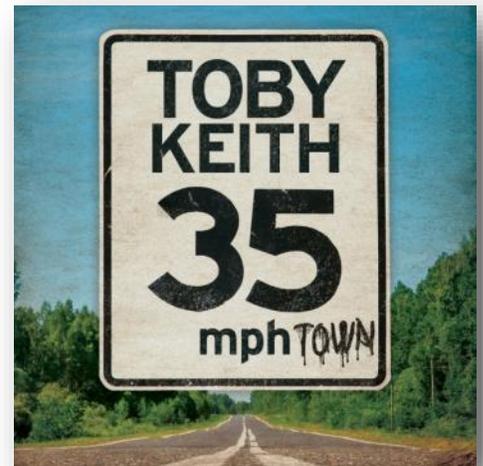
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"We are the people our parents warned us about."

Jimmy Buffett

Toby Keith Features Jimmy and The CRB on His Latest Album

Toby Keith recently released his 18th studio album entitled 35 MPH Town and it features some familiar voices. Jimmy Buffett assisted Toby on an appropriate song, Sailboats For Sale. The album also features a song called Rum Is The Reason which is backed up by The Coral Reefer Band. Toby, Jimmy and the Coral Reefer Band had previously collaborated on the 2013 hit Too Drunk To Karaoke where they introduced the world to the Theory of Drunketivity. Toby Keith is ranked #1 on Forbes Country Cash Kings list and has sold over 40 million records worldwide.



Mac McAnally Offers Free Album Download & Thanks to His Fans

Over the Christmas Holiday, Coral Reefer Band member and 8 Time CMA Musician of the Year, Mac McAnally released his latest studio album, AKA Nobody. The album features songs co-written by Jimmy Buffett, Kenny Chesney, Zac Brown, Sony Landreth, Chris Stapleton and others. To express his gratitude to his fans, Mac offered the album to be downloaded for free over the holidays. In an open letter to his fans on MacMcAnally.com, Mac wrote "I am not a man of great wealth but I can at least offer you something that I value and hope it brings something good to you and yours." Mac has been a member of the Coral Reefer Band since the early 1990's



OCPHC Santa Visits Ronald McDonald House & Santa Ana PAAL



On December 22nd, the Orange County Parrot Head Club Santa made his annual visit to the Orange County Ronald McDonald House Holiday Party. This is the 7th year that the OCPHC Santa has stopped by to have the families of the OCRMH have their picture taken with him and spread his good cheer. This year over 300 children received presents and gathered around Santa with their families to take their annual photo (even Darth Vader and Batman stopped by for a photo) Santa also paid a visit to the Santa Ana Police Athletic & Activity League to visit with children and show his support for local law enforcement. Any idea who this Jolly Old Elf may be?





What's Shakin' at Margaritaville?

Salt! Salt! Salt!

"Smell those shrimp they're beginin' to boil..."
Jimmy Buffett

Margaritaville The Musical to Debut in 2017

A production featuring the music and lifestyle of "Margaritaville" musician Jimmy Buffett is in the works, producers Frank Marshall, Mindy Rich, Anita Waxman and Beth Williams announced Thursday. Marshall featured his good friend Buffett in Jurassic World with a cameo as a Margaritaville restaurant bartender and included a new song by the musician on the film's soundtrack. Buffett also performed at the blockbuster's buzzy premiere party with the film's star, Chris Pratt.

The as-yet-untitled Buffett show will include an original story by co-book writers Greg Garcia (creator of My Name Is Earl, Raising Hope and Yes, Dear) and Mike O'Malley (Yes, Dear and Glee), with Tony Award nominee Christopher Ashley (Memphis, Xanadu) on board to direct.

The idea of turning 'Margaritaville' into a musical has been percolating for quite a while, but finding the right people to tell the right kind of story to go with the right songs from my catalog took some time," Buffett said in a statement. "Now we have found our crew and I am happy to sail with them to 'Margaritaville.'

It's going to be a fun voyage."

Garcia added: "Buffett's music means so much to so many people. It's a lifestyle. A way of looking at the world. We hope to tap into what Jimmy has created and help bring that fun to the stage." Added Ashley: "Not only is his song catalog a treasure trove, but we also have his unique spirit to draw upon for inspiration."

While no indication has been given whether the show is aiming for Broadway or a regional tryout, details are expected to be announced for a 2017 world premiere. Ashley serves as artistic director of La Jolla Playhouse,



What's In Your Blender?

DON'T STOP THE CARNIVAL

Ingredients:

- 4 oz. Margaritaville® Silver Rum
- 3 oz. Strawberry Mix
- 3 oz. Banana Mix
- 3 oz. Mango Mix

Ice

Directions:

Fill ice reservoir with ice. Pour ingredients in glass jar. Concoct until smooth. Pour into your favorite glass and enjoy.





Member News

Trips Around The Sun



January Birthdays

Cheryl Buchanan
Joe Chockrek
Doug Green
Cindy Jaros
Jolie Gutierrez
Scott Rogers
Joseph Spena
Julliet Pinedo
Heide Thomas

February Birthdays

David Munday
Mark Dinsdale
Robin Fayette
Cathy McGough
Mette Rasmussen
Linda Spena

March Birthdays

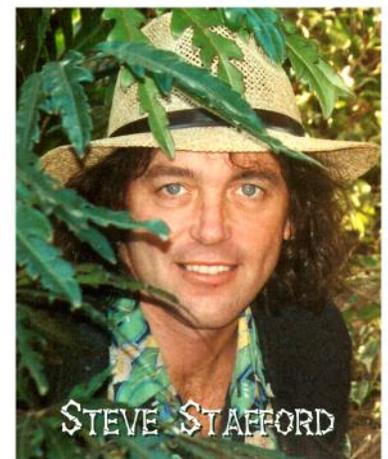
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STEVE STAFFORD & UNKLE MONKEY

Steve Stafford has been writing and performing music for 20 years. He has performed in the Caribbean, Hawaii, Australia, Mexico, New Orleans, and many other exotic places. Now based in Southern California, Steve is backed by all-star musicians whose previous credits include Boz Scaggs, Rita Coolidge, Lindsey Buckingham and others. Steve offers an amazing repertoire of over 400 songs in many different styles, including rock, blues, reggae, calypso, Hawaiian, zydeco, celtic and more.

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