

Berks County



parrot poop

Parrot Poop Scoop

Contents...

Club Trini's Back in Town p. 2

There was a Purpose for that Party p. 2

Jivia p. 3

Bird-days p. 3

Mission Statement p. 3

Things to do with Tequila p. 4

New Members List p. 5

Caribbean Daze at Berks Jazz Fest .. p. 6

Upcoming Events p. 6

Business Ads p. 7

Officers & Committees p. 8

The Berks County Parrot Head Club is now about 9 months old. It was started by a fun and charity-minded group of people with a common interest - in this case, a love of Jimmy Buffett songs & the life and places that JB takes us to in each song.

Besides those common interests, we hope the membership isn't just *(Havana) Daydreamin'* at the monthly meetings and events. Have you introduced yourself to the *Brown Eyed Girl*? Did you check out the Parrot Head with the *Pencil Thin Moustache*? Have you wondered *Who's the Blonde Stranger*?

In order to get to know our members better, the Newsletter Committee decided to put the scoop in the **Parrot Poop**. We need stories. We need insight. For starters, we want to know more about our Prez, Denny Lorah. What makes him tick? What cage does he hang in? So we sat Denny down on his favorite barstool and asked him to tell us the story of Denny. Here are the facts (and maybe some lies) about our Club President:



Full Name: Dennis Lorah

Nickname: Denny

Denny was born in Reading, Pa and currently resides in Mohnton

Denny has two children - Brandy & Dusty Lorah

It's my job: Electrical Contractor (Denny's too modest to say he's a successful business owner – Denny's Electric Service)

But I'd prefer my occupation to be: a bartender
Interests/hobbies (other than listening to JB): offshore fishing on my boat "Overboard"

Your favorite Particular Harbor: Lower Keys, Florida

Where will you go when the Volcano blows? Summerland Key, Florida

Favorite JB song?: I have one on every album

How long have you listened to JB?: I'm an over 50 victim of fate and it's hard to remember. But I'd have to answer with ... a lot of summers.

How many JB concerts have you been to? Too many to recall (see the last response) in many places including Margaritaville, Key West

Besides JB, what other bands/groups/singers do you like?: I don't have any other CDs. I'm a one-band man.



continued on page 2...

Club Trini's Back in Town

By ~ Bob and Leslie Helf

On March 29th the sold out Sheraton Ballroom was the setting for some Parrot Head fun and music. Club Trini brought their calypso show to Reading for the first time. Club Trini is comprised of Coral Reefer band members Peter Mayer, guitar, Jim Mayer, bass guitar, Michael Utley, keyboards, Roger Guth and Ralph MacDonald on drums, and Nadirah Shaker singing vocals.

The first ten songs performed were instrumental selections, allowing the individual band members an opportunity to showcase their remarkable talents. Nadirah then joined the group singing *Hot, Hot, Hot, Love is Made of This*, and joining Peter Mayer in a duet of *Where is the Love*, a song Ralph MacDonald wrote for Aretha Franklin. Peter also sang the Bob Marley classic, *No Woman No Cry*. The show closed with another Peter Mayer favorite, *Susannah*. The band's encore was *Chain of Love*, which encouraged members of the audience to dance through the aisles in a conga line.

Some people may have attended the performance expecting Buffett songs, but they probably weren't disappointed after hearing the incredible musical talent on display. People can understand how Jimmy Buffett stays so successful through the years, seeing the level of skilled musicians who surround him on stage. Club Trini's individual repertoire provides a first rate show, and was definitely a highlight of this year's Jazz Fest.

Parrot Poop Scoop continued...

What was the last book you read? Honestly, I'm too busy with my business, this Club, and enjoying life. I'll read when I get too old to party.

Favorite food? Seafood

What do you like on your **Cheeseburger In Paradise**? Listen to the song Favorite **frozen** (or unfrozen) **concoction that helps you hang on**?:

Anything with rum and more rum.

What was your most embarrassing moment? When someone doesn't know I'm a Parrot Head.

How did you get involved with starting the BCPHC? I saw how much fun the other Clubs I belong to were having. I wanted my Berks County friends to enjoy it also. And we all know some great local charities that could use our help.

What one thing would you like to do in life that you haven't already done?: Go on vacation & stay until I'm ready to come home and want to work again.

So Denny, where the heck is **Margaritaville**? Anywhere you want it to be. (I think I've heard that answer before.)

Do you have any insights or inspirations to pass on?: Work hard and play hard. Enjoy life and always party with a purpose.

There was a Purpose for that Party

On Sunday, February 2, 2003, the Berks County Parrot Head Club joined in the day of Jimmy Buffett fun started a few years ago at the California Bar & Grill. Along with having a shipload of fun, the real purpose for the Club being involved was to raise money for the ALS Association.



Better known as Lou Gehrig's disease, the Club raised \$3000 at this event by raffling donated items and holding a silent auction.



Dana Kintzer was voted the "Best Dressed" – check out the pictures for Dana's winning get-up.

The Club thanks all Parrot Heads who volunteered at this event, helped to collect raffle and auction items, and gave money to such a great cause. A HUGE thanks to the businesses that donated raffle and auction items – we couldn't do it without your generosity.

Thanks to Jeff & Jody Blatt for donating the neon parrot. Nikki Buchter, Jody McCann, Ted Kohl and Melissa MacNeill who donated and/or handcrafted merchandise for the silent auction.

Finally, thanks to John Hain and his band for playing those *Songs We Know by Heart* and Al Hulsizer and the California Bar & Grill for hosting the event.

Jivia

Jivia is the *Parrot Poop* column where we feature Jimmy Buffett trivia questions. The answer(s) can be found on our Web site www.BerksCountyPHC.org.

Did you know the answer in Issue #1 or did you have to look it up?

Q#2. How does Jimmy like his cheeseburgers cooked?

Q#2A: Jimmy made enough money to buy what? (Hint – everyone's got a cousin there.)

Q#2B: Who thought the Junior Mints were mushy?

Q#2C: How many times did Jimmy break his leg?

(Ed's note: these questions are too easy so I threw in a few bonus questions. Are you ready to get tougher in Issue #3?)

Even Jimmy has a sponsor

The BCPHC has formed a Sponsorship Committee. The Club thought there was a need for an organized effort to find local businesses to help with our fundraising efforts. The sponsoring business will benefit by receiving exposure at Berks County Parrot Head Club fundraising events in return for their contribution of cash, donated items or products, or in-kind donations.

The committee would like your assistance in getting the message to the businesses that may have an interest in helping our worthy cause. If you're interested in helping OR your company or business would like to get involved, please contact the committee Big Bird, Norm Heilenman, at nheilenman@bren.com.

Bird-days



Please celebrate our May through August Parrot Head birthdays. It's just another reason to party!

- Laura Dressler – May 2
- Jodi Blatt – May 5
- Kathy Clem – May 7
- James Radwanski – May 7
- Tina Shenk – May 7
- Kim Dietzel – May 8
- Madison Winchester – May 12
- MaryKay Sjostrom – May 13
- Michael Mountz – May 14
- Rick Gromis – May 17
- Butch Witmoyer – May 20
- Eli Rivera – May 24
- Bill Seibert – May 31
- Christy Fink – June 2
- John May – June 3
- Ginny Bush – June 4
- Sandy Grecu – June 5
- Melissa MacNeil – June 7
- Kathy Riegel – June 9
- Gene Blimline – June 13
- Michael Gaetani – June 16
- Mike Hill – June 17
- J.P. Stevenson – June 20
- Sam LaManna – June 24
- Donna Leisey – July 1
- Gary Kraft – July 6
- Amy Seibert – July 7
- Judi Blimline – July 10
- Barbara Prosseda – July 11
- Mark Wagner – July 12
- John W. Wojtowicz – July 14
- Brenda Beissel – July 18
- Janice Kraft – July 18
- Denny Lorah – July 19
- Brian Rodgers – July 19
- Kathleen Roeberg – July 20
- Trish Shermot – July 25
- Bill Lange – July 27
- Donna Lutz – July 29
- Pamela Wagner – July 31
- Dane Hallowell – Aug 6
- Cheryl Bagenstose – Aug 8
- Bob Helf – Aug 9
- Alice Buchman – Aug 11
- Jody Kelly – Aug 11
- Lou McCoy – Aug 12
- Stephanie LaManna – Aug 19
- Rod Riegel – Aug 21
- Paul SanTERS – Aug 22
- Gary Gabriel – Aug 24
- Glenn Buchman – Aug 28

Web site squawkings

We have started a free Business Directory on our Web site. We hope you'll use this directory to support the businesses of fellow Parrot Head Club members. As we get more listings, we'll break them out by category (e.g. printing, real estate, etc.), and we'll list your name, company name, address, phone/fax number, email address, and Web site address. No logos please.

If you're interested in having your company information included, please email Dot at kdsbody@aol.com. Please use the subject line: BCPHC business directory listing. The directory will be updated at least once per month.



Berks County Parrot Head Club

Our Mission:

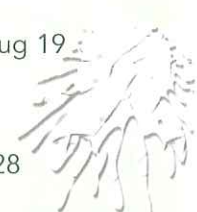
To promote friendship and organize social activities for people who share an affection for the tropical spirit of singer-songwriter "Jimmy Buffett" and a desire to contribute to the betterment of the community through a variety of volunteer efforts.



You too can be a parrot!

You're the *Son of a Son of a Sailor*. You know the *Fruitcakes* on the bus. You've *grown older but not up*. You should join the Berks County Parrot Head Club.

You can find a membership application on our Web site, www.BerksCountyPHC.org. You can also contact the membership committee chairperson, John Hain, via email – Hainsongs@aol.com or ask any current member to get you information.



If your birthday was missed or the date was wrong, please contact the membership committee to update or fix our Club records.

FUN THINGS TO DO WITH...

TEQUILA!

We asked our membership to submit ideas or recipes for "fun things to do with tequila." We found all the choices quite interesting. (Even yours John!) While we only have enough room to print a sampling of the submissions, we've posted all "ideas" on our Web site - www.BerksCountyPHC.org.

Okay... here's my recipe for something fun to do with Tequila. It's one of my favorites:
- from John Hain

1. Share 1/2 bottle of Jose Cuervo Especial (1 litre bottle size) with person described in step 3 below. (see step 3 below)
2. Pour remaining tequila onto every square inch of your body (external parts only); spreading tequila may be facilitated by massage (by person described in step 3 below).
3. Have someone who makes you hot make you hotter by removing ALL of the tequila from your body with his/her tongue.
4. Reverse the above-described process.
5. Repeat entire above process until both parties are thoroughly cooked.

Please note: Bacardi Select dark rum may be substituted for tequila, but ingredients may not rise as high during cooking.
(Ed's note: I think we just lost our status as a family-friendly newsletter.)

Adios, Boys! - from Chuck Dugan
from "The Essential Book of Best Drinks and Assorted Frozen Concoctions"

After one sip, you might be drinkin' double.
1 jigger Tequila
4 jiggers Tomato Juice
1/2 lime, squeezed and dropped into the glass
Dash Tabasco
Fill shaker with cracked ice.
Add first 2 ingredients.
Shake and strain into glass.
Add the lime and Tabasco

Key Lime Shooter

- from Tina Shenk
This is a popular drink in Key West!
Denny has perfected making them by the pitcher!

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 oz. Licor 43
- 1/2 oz. white rum (good quality)
- 1 oz. sweet and sour mix
- 1/4 oz. Rose's Lime Juice (or Nellie & Joe's)
- 1/2 oz. half-and-half

MIXING INSTRUCTIONS:

Shake with ice, strain into 2 shot glasses.

New-Membership List

In each issue of the "Parrot Poop", we will list new members.



Last Name	Name	Additional Family Members	Contact information - email (phone # if no email)
Anderson	Nancy		AJ7353@aol.com
Bagenstose	Brian & Cheryl		redknight67@comcast.net or hippiemere@aol.com
Borden	David & Ranas		thelawnrangers@aol.com
Borzellino	Brent		brb207@aol.com
Boyer	Thomas		boyertwogunkid@aol.com
Bukowski	Tracey		traceyb1970@aol.com
Bush	Jim & Ginny		610-777-2960
Carter	George		phoneman028@aol.com
Comtois	Ron & Joan		rjcomtois@comcast.net
DeChristopher	Tod		tod50@ptdprolog.net
Ernesto	John & Suzie		jernesto@readingeagle.com
Fink	Ed & Christy		emochaman11@aol.com
Gabriel	Gary & Colette		gccgabriel@aol.com
Gangaway	Carl & Caroline		610-929-1292
Greco	Anorei & Sandy		agrecu@aol.com
Groff	Tina		tgroff5@netzero.net
Gromis	Rick & Sue		r.c.gromis@att.net
Guevin	Shawn & Cheri Jones		fts.boxmonkey@aol.com
Hallowell	Dane & Sherri King		dhallow@enter.net or sherrie@familygrandprix.com
Haring	Rick		610-670-2472
Johnson	Kris & Kathy Clem		irez@aol.com
Keller	Sandi & Eric		sandi.keller@capbluecross.com or eric.keller@coats.com
Koller	John & Maida		john.koller@verizon.net or maida.koller@verizon.net
LaManna	Sam & Stephanie		scubadube360@aol.com
Lillis	Jaime & Lance		jaimeandlance@hotmail.com
May	John	Marissa-Johnathan	mmayjmay@msn.com
Meredith	Andy & Lori		610-670-0114
Moyer	Kyle		footer690@aol.com
Pyles	Mike & Sue		610-670-2878
Radwanski	James		jradwanske@ers.com
Rodgers	Brian		bkrod@comcast.net
Reeser	Randy		610-777-3788
Seibert	Bill & Amy		mistyharbor@aol.com or amseibert@aol.com
Sjostrom	Thomas & MaryKay		snwstorm20@aol.com
Waag	Will		will@margaritawill.com
Wertz	Al		waterking409@aol.com
Wirchester	Dale		jwinchest716@earthlink.net
Wolfe	Glenn & Robin		gdw133@aol.com rwolfe@goberkscounty.com



Moved to a different cage?

If you need to make changes to your information, please contact the membership committee. This information and updates will be placed on our Web site. If you do not want your name and contact information listed (as shown above), please contact the Web site administrators, Dot McGlenn Imbody or Deb Boyer.

Caribbean Daze at Berks Jazz Fest

By Holly Zdravecki

Berks County Parrot Heads were treated to a new genre of music at the 2003 Berks Jazz Fest. This year the festival added a "Caribbean Day." Aided by the marketing efforts of John Ernesto and the newly formed Berks County Parrot Head Club, hundreds of Parrot Heads, including some from neighboring PHC chapters, turned out for the events.

The afternoon show began with Berks County Club's own musician, John Hain and his band Mango Summers, warming up the crowd from the lobby balcony at the Lincoln Plaza Hotel.

The large crowd proceeded into the ballroom and was informed that the Catonsville, Maryland High School steel drum band was not allowed to make the out-of-state trip to the Jazz Fest due to the Iraq war. The band's instructor expressed the deep regret of his students and then introduced special guest, Robert Greenidge, Jimmy Buffett's steel drum player. Greenidge treated the crowd to a rare, solo performance along with a few tales of his childhood in Trinidad, the origination of the steel drum, also known as the "pan", as well as the incipency of Club Trini. Although Greenidge seemed slightly nervous performing alone, he dazzled the audience on two treble pans with *Caribbean Sunset*, *My African Friend*, a few additional original pieces and closed with his rendition of *Amazing Grace*.

The long awaited arrival of the phenomenally talented Peter Mayer followed Greenidge. Peter also took the stage alone, plugged-in, and began the show with *Spare Tire Orchestra*, the title track from his 5th CD. Check out www.petermayer.com for all of Peter's discography. After finishing his first song, it was indeed time for the 'orchestra' and Peter exclaimed, "Bring out the band!"

In addition to Peter, The Peter Mayer Group (PMG) consists of guitarist Vince Marvel; special percussionist, Scott Bryan; drummer, Roger Guth; and bass guitarist, Jim Mayer. The PMG wowed the audience non-stop for the next hour and a half. The song list was among the absolutely greatest hits of PMG, including the rarely-heard-live *Moon Over Paris*, written by Buffett's drummer Roger Guth, *Chain of Love*, for which a congo line ensued, a bossa-nova rendition of *India* (in recognition of the jazz theme) and encoring with their famous *Suzannah*, a song inspired by the awesome Key West sunsets.

The Peter Mayer Group typically plays at the annual MOTM convention and has recently included the Lancaster, PA area in their "Stars & Promises" Christmas tour (see *Parrot Poop* Issue No. 1). Peter and his brother, Jim, grew up in India, sons of missionaries. They attribute a great deal of their musical forte to their grass roots Indian mentors.

If you've never had the chance to see this group, don't miss the opportunity should it pass your way again. In addition to their unique melodic genius, it is worthwhile just to see the love and appreciation of music on the faces of the Mayer brothers in every performance.



Monthly Membership Meetings

First Tuesday of every month
6:30 p.m.
California Bar and Grill

Where's the Party?

New for the Club - join our monthly happy hour! Being held the 3rd Friday of every month, all of the Clubs monthly happy hours will benefit the Berks Humane Society. Please bring food, newspapers, detergent, or blankets for the animals. Bring your fruitcake friends. Check our Web site for locations of other monthly happy hours.

Come hear Jimmy Buffett and Band

Latitude: The Tweeter Center in Camden, New Jersey.
Date: July 1, 2003

If you're lucky, you might still be able to find some lawn tickets available - but good luck searching!

Summer Parrot Daze

Date: Saturday, July 12
Latitude: Fishpond West - for directions, visit our Web site www.BerksCountyPHC.org
Time: 12:00 p.m. until ?
Tickets: \$15 each - does not include food or drinks
Proceeds will benefit **Make a Wish Foundation**.

We will be helping a 7-year-old boy's wish, which is to go to Disney World.
Live entertainment:

Tropical Soul - 1-4:00 p.m.
John Hain - intermission
Second Wind - 6-9:00 p.m.



Mallory Square area - merchandise for sale, face and body painting, hair braiding and a margarita and rumrunner bar
Food will be sold - hamburgers in paradise & hot dogs
Activities, games, raffles, silent auction, and contests - during intermission. Some of the auction items are: tropical gold jewelry, 1 week vacation home in the Florida Keys (airfare not included), and a hand painted Adirondack chair.
Prizes will be awarded to the best Parrot Head outfit.
BRING your own lawn chair and your best attitude.

Play Beisbol

The Reading Phillies will be hosting a Corona Jimmy Buffett Parrot Head Night at the ballpark's Pool Pavilion.

Date: Thursday, July 31
Game time: 7:05. Check the newspaper for when gates open.
Wear you Hawaiian shirts and come prepared to relax and enjoy fireworks set to Buffet tunes. You can order tickets by contacting Melissa MacNeill at boatdrinks7@webtv.net.

For more information on these and other events scheduled after the publication of this issue of the Parrot Poop, go to www.BerksCountyPHC.org.

Thank You!

The Berks County Parrot Head Club wants to thank the following individuals and businesses for providing services and expertise to assist Club events:

Suzy Lyszczek

- newsletter (Parrot Poop) design and production

LithoTech, Inc.

- newsletter design, production and printing
- mailings

Jody McCann at The Paper Party, Kenhorst Shopping Center

- beads and party decorating items for Cinco de Mayo
- decorations for Summer Parrot Daze

John Hain and Mango Summers

- performing at our Cinco de Mayo party and happy hour at Knuckleheadz

California Bar & Grill

- hosting our monthly membership meetings

Please support these individuals and businesses.

U N I Q U E L Y



TINA'S
SALON
Day Spa

610-374-5991

D I F F E R E N T

J.P. Kohl Builder

Interior Custom Designs & Cabinetry
Renovations • Masonry • Decks
Additions • New Construction
Fully Insured

Ted P. Kohl



610-689-4008



JOHN HAIN

*...Songs you know
by heart*

MUSIC FOR
ANY OCCASION

Phone 610-777-0618
Email: Hainsongs@AOL.com



Quality Commercial Printing
Quick Digital Copying

610.929.8900
610.929.8902 fax

601 hiesters lane
reading, pa 19605
www.lithotechinc.com

Copy Systems
Digital Printing



DENNY'S

ELECTRIC SERVICE, INC.

Residential • Commercial • Industrial

PHONE: 610-775-9735 • FAX: 610-775-2583
100 Liberty Street • Shillington, PA 19607
www.dennyelectricservice.com

Kevin Johnson
General Manager
e-mail: kjohnson@bluetruck.net



bluetruck.net

www.bluetruck.net

826 E. Bellevue Ave.
Reading, PA 19605
Phone: 610.929.4281
Fax: 610.929.4283

Connect and Go with bluetruck.net
internet service provider
high speed and wireless internet solutions
web hosting and design services
network design and implementation

**Looking for the best in entertainment?
You've found it!**



DMK
Sound Productions
Mobile Entertainment Company

www.dmksound.com

dj ~ game show ~ karaoke
private ~ corporate ~ public
610.777.2747

The Big Birds

Berks County Parrot Head Club
www.BerksCountyPHC.org
5043 Pine View Drive
Mohnton, Pa 19540

Officers:

Denny Lorah, President
denny@dennyservice.com

Alan Carman, VP
acarman@reinsel.com

Nikki Buchter, VP
swinginmama43@comcast.net

Tina Shenk, Treasurer
tinashenk@aol.com

Debbie Boyer, Secretary
dboyer@lithotechinc.com

Committee chairpersons:

Membership

(If the Phone Doesn't Ring):
John Hain
hainsongs@aol.com

Newsletter (The Parrot Poop):

Dot McGlenn Imbody
dmimbody@natpennbank.com

Volunteers (Stars on the Water):

Diane Renninger
drenninger@reinsel.com

Merchandise (Pfeeding Pfrenzy):

Tina Shenk
tinashenk@aol.com

Charities (Changes in Attitude):

Holly Zdravecki
buffetville@aol.com

Events (Party with a Purpose):

Melissa MacNeill
boatdrinks7@webtv.net

Sponsorship

(We need more Junior Mints):
Norm Heilenman
nheilenman@bren.com

The Swinging Perch

a.k.a.

Upcoming Events:

Monthly Membership Meetings - first Tuesday of every month

Where's the Party?

Monthly happy hour, third Friday of every month – benefits the Berks Humane Society.

Come hear Jimmy Buffet and Band

July 1st – Tweeter Center, Camden
If your lucky, you might get a lawn seat – but, good luck.

Summer Parrot Daze

- Saturday, July 12th, – benefits the Make a Wish Foundation.

Play Beisbol

- Thursday, July 31

For more details on upcoming events see page 6 or visit our web site:
www.BerksCountyPHC.org

The next issue of Parrot Poop will be issued in September 2003.

FIRST CLASS
US POSTAGE
PAID
READING PA
PERMIT #146

Berks County Parrot Head Club
C/o Lithotech, Inc.
601 Heisters Lane
Reading, PA 19605

