



Flip Flop Press

Southern Idaho Parrot Head Club Newsletter

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Monthly Socials~

Socials are generally held twice per month, check our website calendar for location and dates!

Fruitcake Fridays happen monthly, these are also posted on the website!

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## Upcoming Events~

Phins to the West  
May 13-15th  
Laughlin NV

Camp Parrot  
July 8-10

Join us for the 2nd annual summer party! Stars on the Water in concert July 23rd! Details to be announced soon!

Check out the club calendar!

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## New Members~

Bob Brown  
Wes Pascale

## You want me to do *WHAT?!*

How do you render a parrot head speechless? Send them into a whirlwind of panic and make them loose sleep night after night? Make them snippy and argumentative? Make them feel like a traitor? Turn them into inquisitive soul searching fowl that just can't make a decision? And all this with one little request:

“Name your 3 favorite Jimmy Buffett songs!”

I did just that recently and found it quite hilarious how difficult this was for most of us! With 23 different songs listed and several of those listed multiple times, here are the results of the most difficult task given to SIPHC yet!

As most parrot heads know, *Margaritaville* is the national anthem for the Conch Republic and the Parrot Head Nation as a whole. Furthermore, it was listed as the #1 favorite song in our club! Second Runner up is *Come Monday* with 5 votes, *Tin Cup Chalice* and *It's 5'oclock Somewhere* tied for 3rd place with 4 votes each. *One Particular Harbor* came in fourth with 3 votes while lots of unique choices received 2 votes each, and several more favorites made the list as well! I must admit, it is much easier to name the few not-so-fav's than to list the true fav's; there are just so many, each with their own unique ability to speak to differing facets of life.

This leaves me to ask, “Where on earth can you get such a wide variety of music? From one artist? With so many favorites that it wreaks havoc on the soul when asked to simply name 3 favorites?” The answer isn't blowing in the wind, its right here, where Margaritaville is nothing more than a state of mind, made better when shared with good friends, boat-drinks and the best music in the universe!

With many thanks to all who participated!

*“Wasted away again in Margaritaville...searchin' for my lost shaker of salt...some people claim that there's a woman to blame...but I know...it could be my fault...”*

*~Darlene*

*Randy's Corner*

Winter sucks, I am so tired of the cold,  
It's now or never, time to get bold.

With spring on the horizon,  
I am thinking about driving.

Down to Laughlin, Nevada for Phins to the West  
With my Parrot Heads Phriends, its going to be the best!

Can't wait to sit by the poolside with a Landshark in my hand  
Listening to Jerry and all the other cool bands.

Hope you can make it,  
Would love to see you there,  
Along with other Parrot Head die-hards,  
I would buy you a beer.



Boat Drinks!

Boys in the band ordered boat drinks  
Visitors scored on the home rink  
Everything seems to be wrong

Lately, newspapers mention cheap air fare  
I gotta to fly to Saint somewhere  
I'm close to bodily harm

Twenty degrees and the hockey games on  
Nobody cares they are way too far gone  
Screamin', "Boat Drinks," something to keep  
'em all warm

This mornin', I shot six holes in my freezer  
I think I got cabin fever  
Somebody sound the alarm

I'd like to go where the pace of life's slow  
Could you beam me somewhere Mr. Scott?  
Any ol' place here on earth or in space  
You pick the century and I'll pick the spot

Oh, I know  
I should be leaving this climate  
I got a verse but can't rhyme it  
I gotta go where it's warm

Boat drinks  
Waitress I need two more boat drinks  
Then I'm headin' south 'for my dream shrinks

I gotta go where it's warm  
I gotta go where it's warm  
I gotta go where it's WARM!

I gotta go where there ain't any snow  
Where there ain't any blow  
'Cause my fin sinks so slow  
I gotta go where it's warm ~ J. Buffett

## WHAT ARE BOAT DRINKS?

At one of our Parrot Head functions I was approached and asked what a boat drink is. My answer was “foo foo drinks with umbrellas.” Later I recalled the question; wondered about my answer and decided I needed to feel confident about my response. Thus began my search to define and refine my Parrot Head knowledge on “Boat Drinks.” According to Wikipedia the term “Boat Drinks” was not used until made popular by Jimmy Buffet’s song and this type of drink is a class of cocktail generally containing rum and one or more fruit juices usually garnished with Maraschino cherries and/or other fruit and ornamented with cocktail umbrellas. Wikipedia goes on to say that boat drinks usually have a higher fraction of alcoholic ingredients typically containing at least one “hard” liquor; one or more sweeter liquors with the balance being fruit juices and upon occasion Angostura bitters. Wikipedia also claims that outside of the JB culture “Boat Drinks” are referred to as “exotic” or “tiki” cocktails. The following may be referred to as “Boat Drinks”: Mai Tai, Pina Colada, Singapore Sling, Zombie cocktail, Margarita, Caipirinha, Gin Pahit, Blue Hawaii, Mojito and Planter’s Punch.



This little quest for knowledge has been phun and I hope accurate. Another thing I learned is that it’s nice when people are comfortable enough to ask about Parrot Heads and our “culture.” Now I am giving thought to what my future answer might be. One of my considerations is that a Boat Drink is Parrot Head term for a kick ass rum and fruit juice drink that should have fresh fruit; Maraschino cherry and an umbrella to be consumed with good friends and quantity at users’ discretion.” Did you notice I left out any reference to exotic, tiki and cocktail?

Hopefully you found this interesting, enlightening and possibly useful and I challenge you to come up with your own answer to “What is a Boat Drink?” As a matter of fact, I will give a 50/50 ticket to everyone who brings an answer to the next phlocking!

As for me, I am looking forward to the next question!

PHINS UP!

Peggy

### *Pina Colada Punch*

1-46 ounce can unsweetened pineapple juice, chilled (I found mine at Fred Myers)

1-33.8 ounce bottle of club soda, chilled

1-16-ounce can cream of coconut (do not chill-sets up solid and is hard to dissolve)

2-cups light rum (more or less)

Stir until blended; serve with ice ring or ice cubes.

### Do You Know?

Which song and which verse did Jimmy change to have fun with his Australian mis-hap of falling from the stage? Call or email me with your answer!

Fun prizes await you!

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March 8, 2011 brought the 2nd Annual Fat Tuesday Empty Bowls Fundraiser to Twin Falls. I am proud to say this was a successful venture on behalf of Southern Idaho PHC, and we could not enjoy success like this if not for a wonderful, giving and supportive community!

Although the books are not quite finalized for the event, we do know that the Twin Falls Senior Center & the Twin Falls Salvation Army will be most grateful for the support from the Magic Valley community while coming out to Party With a Purpose with the Southern Idaho Parrot Heads!

Be sure to check our next newsletter for the final tallies and donations that will be made to the two chosen causes!

**Thank you Magic Valley for supporting  
SIPHC at the  
2nd Annual Fat Tuesday Fundraiser!**

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