

FAMOUS DAVES OF AMERICA INC
Form SC 13D
January 06, 2016

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D
(Rule 13d-101)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT
TO § 240.13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO
§ 240.13d-2(a)

(Amendment No.)1

(Name of Issuer)

Famous Dave's of America, Inc.

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value
(Title of Class of Securities)

307068 10 6
(CUSIP Number)

JEFFERSON GRAMM
BANDERA PARTNERS LLC
50 Broad Street, Suite 1820
New York, New York 10004
(212) 232-4583

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

January 5, 2016
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of §§ 240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box “.”

Note: Schedules filed in paper format shall include a signed original and five copies of the schedule, including all exhibits. See § 240.13d-7 for other parties to whom copies are to be sent.

1 The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be “filed” for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act

but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

BANDERA MASTER FUND L.P.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a)
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

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5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

CAYMAN ISLANDS

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
		450,000
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER
		- 0 -
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
		450,000
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		- 0 -

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

450,000

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

6.5%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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DELAWARE

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
		450,000
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		- 0 -
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GREGORY BYLINSKY

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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JEFFERSON GRAMM

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The following constitutes the Schedule 13D filed by the undersigned (the "Schedule 13D").

Item 1. Security and Issuer.

This statement relates to the Common Stock, \$0.01 par value (the "Shares"), of Famous Dave's of America, Inc. (the "Issuer"). The address of the principal executive offices of the Issuer is 12701 Whitewater Drive, Suite 200, Minnetonka, Minnesota 55343.

Item 2. Identity and Background.

(a) This statement is filed by:

- (i) Bandera Master Fund L.P., a Cayman Islands exempted limited partnership ("Bandera Master Fund");
- (ii) Bandera Partners LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Bandera Partners");
- (iii) Gregory Bylinsky; and
- (iv) Jefferson Gramm.

Each of the foregoing is referred to as a "Reporting Person" and collectively as the "Reporting Persons." Each of the Reporting Persons is party to that certain Joint Filing Agreement as further described in Item 6. Accordingly, the Reporting Persons are hereby filing a joint Schedule 13D.

Bandera Partners is the investment manager of Bandera Master Fund. Bandera Master Fund has granted to Bandera Partners the sole and exclusive authority to vote and dispose of the Shares held directly by Bandera Master Fund. Each of Messrs. Bylinsky and Gramm are Managing Partners, Managing Directors and Portfolio Managers of Bandera Partners. By virtue of these relationships, each of Bandera Partners and Messrs. Bylinsky and Gramm may be deemed to beneficially own the Shares owned directly by Bandera Master Fund.

(b) The address of the principal office of each of the Reporting Persons is 50 Broad Street, Suite 1820, New York, New York 10004.

(c) The principal business of Bandera Master Fund is investing in securities. The principal business of Bandera Partners is serving as the investment manager of Bandera Master Fund. Each of Messrs. Bylinsky and Gramm are Managing Partners, Managing Directors and Portfolio Managers of Bandera Partners.

(d) No Reporting Person has, during the last five years, been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors).

(e) No Reporting Person has, during the last five years, been party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

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(f) Bandera Master Fund is organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands. Bandera Partners is organized under the laws of the State of Delaware. Each of Messrs. Bylinsky and Gramm are citizens of the United States of America.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

The Shares purchased by Bandera Master Fund were purchased with working capital (which may, at any given time, include margin loans made by brokerage firms in the ordinary course of business) in open market purchases, except as otherwise noted, as set forth in Schedule A, which is incorporated by reference herein. The aggregate purchase price of the 450,000 Shares owned directly by Bandera Master Fund is approximately \$2,686,500, including brokerage commissions.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

The Reporting Persons purchased the Shares based on the Reporting Persons' belief that the Shares, when purchased, were undervalued and represented an attractive investment opportunity. Depending upon overall market conditions, other investment opportunities available to the Reporting Persons, and the availability of Shares at prices that would make the purchase or sale of Shares desirable, the Reporting Persons may endeavor to increase or decrease their position in the Issuer through, among other things, the purchase or sale of Shares on the open market or in private transactions or otherwise, on such terms and at such times as the Reporting Persons may deem advisable.

No Reporting Person has any present plan or proposal which would relate to or result in any of the matters set forth in subparagraphs (a) - (j) of Item 4 of Schedule 13D except as set forth herein or such as would occur upon or in connection with completion of, or following, any of the actions discussed herein. The Reporting Persons intend to review their investment in the Issuer on a continuing basis. Depending on various factors including, without limitation, the Issuer's financial position and investment strategy, the price levels of the Shares, conditions in the securities markets and general economic and industry conditions, the Reporting Persons may in the future take such actions with respect to their investment in the Issuer as they deem appropriate including, without limitation, engaging in communications with management and the Board of the Issuer, engaging in discussions with shareholders of the Issuer and others about the Issuer and the Reporting Persons' investment, making additional proposals to the Issuer concerning changes to the capitalization, ownership structure, board structure (including board composition) or operations of the Issuer, purchasing additional Shares, selling some or all of their Shares, engaging in short selling of or any hedging or similar transaction with respect to the Shares, or changing their intention with respect to any and all matters referred to in Item 4.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

(a) The aggregate percentage of Shares reported owned by each person named herein is based upon 6,957,628 Shares outstanding as of November 6, 2015, which is the total number of Shares outstanding as reported in the Issuer's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 6, 2015.

As of the close of business on the date hereof, Bandera Master Fund directly beneficially owned 450,000 Shares, constituting approximately 6.5% of the Shares outstanding. By virtue of their respective relationships with Bandera Master Fund discussed in further detail in Item 2, each of Bandera Partners, Mr. Bylinsky and Mr. Gramm may be deemed to beneficially own the Shares directly owned by Bandera Master Fund.

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(b) Bandera Partners may be deemed to have the sole power to vote and dispose of the Shares directly owned by Bandera Master Fund. As Managing Partners, Managing Directors and Portfolio Managers of Bandera Partners, each of Messrs Bylinsky and Gramm may be deemed to have the shared power to vote and dispose of the Shares directly owned by Bandera Master Fund.

(c) Schedule A annexed hereto lists all transactions in securities of the Issuer during the past sixty days by the Reporting Persons. All of such transactions were effected in the open market unless otherwise noted.

(d) No person other than the Reporting Persons is known to have the right to receive, or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or proceeds from the sale of, the Shares.

(e) Not applicable.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships With Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

On January 6, 2016, the Reporting Persons entered into a Joint Filing Agreement in which the Reporting Persons agreed to the joint filing on behalf of each of them of statements on Schedule 13D with respect to the securities of the Issuer (the "Joint Filing Agreement"). A copy of the Joint Filing Agreement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

99.1 Joint Filing Agreement by and among Bandera Master Fund L.P., Bandera Partners LLC, Gregory Bylinsky and Jefferson Gramm, dated January 6, 2016.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of his knowledge and belief, the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: January 6, 2016

Bandera Master Fund L.P.

By: Bandera Partners LLC
its Investment Manager

By: /s/ Jefferson Gramm
Name: Jefferson Gramm
Title: Managing Director

Bandera Partners LLC

By: /s/ Jefferson Gramm
Name: Jefferson Gramm
Title: Managing Director

/s/ Gregory Bylinsky
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/s/ Jefferson Gramm
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SCHEDULE A

Transactions in the Shares During the Past 60 Days

Shares of Common Stock Purchased / (Sold)	Price Per Share(\$)	Date of Transaction
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BANDERA MASTER FUND L.P.

450,000	5.9700	01/05/2016
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