



# BARON MIND

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## October Meeting 10/25/06

At the October meeting we will be sampling a wide range of Belgians. Plus we will have a discussion of the different Belgian varieties. A select list has been purchased and will be sampled at the next meeting. See what is in store.....

- \*Cuvee Renee: Gueuze
- \*Lindemann's: Framboise
- \*Abbaye D'Aulne: Belgian Ale
- \*Maudite: Golden Ale
- \*Corsendonk: Abbey Brune
- \*Moinette: Belgian Ale
- \*Chimay Premiere: Dubbel
- \*La Fin Du Monde: Trippel
- \*Allagash Four: Strong



## UPCOMING MEETINGS

\*\*\*Please note the dates of the upcoming meetings!\*\*\*

The holiday season is approaching quickly. This time of year is usually busy for most. Please mark the Beer Barons' meeting on your calendars!

In the past years, the meetings have been on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month and the November and December meetings have been on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of those months. However, we were unable to book our November and December meetings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays this year. The officer's apologize for the change of plan!



**November Meeting: Topic TBA**  
**Wednesday November 29 2006**  
(5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of November)



**December Meeting: Holiday Party**  
**Wednesday December 20 2006**  
(3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of December)

Also, please note that the November officer's meeting has been changed as well. The November's officer's meeting will actually be held in October. The date of that meeting is **Wednesday October 30 2006**. The meeting will be held at The Stone, which was a bar on the Bay View Pub Crawl. The officer's meeting will start at 7:30p as usual. Sorry for any conveniences.



**The Stone**  
**2422 S Howell Ave**  
**7:30pm**

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## **Some Thoughts from the President**

Though most of us are not ready for snow, its getting to be that time of year. I really like to steam up the house with my brew kettle in fall and winter. I recently brewed a thick, dark lager that I'm hoping to have ready for a New Year's celebration. Let's remember to share our good brewing times with each other. It has been suggested that we can learn a lot from each other by observing each other's brewing process. If you are so inclined, invite some of the other club members to brew with you, and return the favor by joining someone else next time. I often decide to brew on short notice, but I will put an email out on the listserv to let the club know when I brew next time. If you haven't signed up for the Beer Baron's listserv, you can sign up on Yahoo Groups at

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MilwBeerBarons/>

Its a great way to keep up with the club between meetings.

Auf Wiedersehen,

Jason



## **Treasury Report:**



### **September Treasury Report:**

Our club balance after the September meeting is at \$1,628.02, while our festival account is the same at \$5,470.26. There were 65 paid attendees at the September meeting. This included 7 guests, 2 of whom are new members. For the record, as of our September meeting, we have approximately 129 individual members in the beer barons' organization as well as the 21 breweries/restaurants/organizations on our mailing list. We are looking forward to seeing many of you at the next meeting.

Slainte!

Kelly

### **A note from the editor.....**

We'll fellow Beer Barons my time is quickly coming to an end. Hence, a new editor is needed soon. Wow!, time flies when you drink good beer with good people. After this month, I will only have 2 more newsletters to construct. I really hope everyone has enjoyed my writing and creativity. I won't lie. This position can be time consuming as well as frustrating, however, the end result is always so rewarding, especially when fellow Barons compliment on my excellent work. I hope the next editor enjoys the duties as much as I do. I really enjoy gathering the information and being informed about the beer world. Plus the officer meetings are a great time. I will really miss those officer meetings where I got to check out the different bars in the Milwaukee area and drink all those yummy beers!

## Beer drinkers beware: 4 percent of U.S. hops crop burns

-CNN News (posted October 03 2006)

**YAKIMA, Washington (AP)** -- Federal investigators were set Tuesday to begin an investigation into a fire that ruined about 4 percent of America's yield of hops, used as flavoring in the brewing of beer and ale.

The fire started shortly before noon Monday in a 40,000-square-foot (3,600-square-meter) warehouse operated by S.S. Steiner Inc., one of the four largest hop buyers in the Yakima Valley of central Washington. By mid-afternoon flames engulfed most of the building, sending up plumes of smoke and a pungent aroma.

Municipal fire crews, aided by regional firefighters, ripped away metal siding to shoot water directly onto the hops.

Based on an industry official's estimate of the quantity of hops in the warehouse, the loss could amount to \$3.5 million to \$4 million. The impact on brewers and beer prices was unclear early Tuesday.

Company President Paul Signorotti would not comment.

The United States produces 24 percent of the world's hops, and about three-fourths of the U.S. crop comes from the Yakima Valley. Hops were a \$77 million crop in Washington state in 2004. More than 40 families grow hops in the valley, which is dotted with orchards, vineyards and farms.

Fires have long been an expensive danger at hop warehouses, largely because of the potential for spontaneous combustion from heat buildup in bales of resin-loaded varieties.

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## BJCP

A handfull of Beer Barons took the BJCP exam last June. We began studying about this time of year last year. We were fortunate to have great teachers (Heller, Rice, Enders, and Schwartz) who had taken the exam the year prior. Presently, we are still waiting for our results. Usually the results take about 6 months. So I as well as my cohorts are eagerly waiting for our outcomes.

I encourage all Beer Barons to think about taking this exam. Yes, it is a tough exam, however, the beer knowledge that you obtain and/or learn is well worth it. Plus judging is so much fun! It would be great if our club could accrue more judges.

Another session of BJCP classes are being discussed at this present time. More information will be given when the details are worked out.

Check out the BJCP website and see how you can begin studying today!

[www.bjcp.org](http://www.bjcp.org)



**ELECTIONS!**

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Just a reminder that elections for the Beer Barons' board is not too far away. All positions are open. President Jason Kloss, Vice President Karen Grade, Treasurer Kelly Kramer, and Member at Large Phil Rozanski have the opportunity to run for a second term. Editor Nikki Passentino and Member at Large Kevin Moon cannot re-run for their current positions.

Nominations take place at the November meeting and the elections will be held in December at the Holiday Party. All members are encouraged to run for office. Dedication and love for beer is required.

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## WORLD OF BEER 2007

I know that May 2007 seems like a great distance away, however, it is never too early to start planning for the 2007 World of Beer festival. Last year a committee was organized but the committee members did not have too much help from others. This needs to change in order to make this event even more successful. So become more active and involved in the beer world and lend a helping hand to the World of Beer committee this year! Thanks!

As was discussed at last night's officers meeting, we need to go forward with planning next year's festival. The officers request that all committee heads come to the next officers meeting to discuss what was done for 2006. Even if you are not interested in heading a committee for 2007, we'd like to discuss the past state of things so there is something to pass along to the next committee heads. The next officers meeting will be on **MONDAY OCT. 30th** at The Stone in Bay View at 7:30 PM.

Anyone else interested in the WOB committee is welcome to attend the officer meeting at The Stone as well.

Thanks,  
Jason Kloss

Committee Meeting:  
**October 30 2006**  
@ The Stone  
2422 S Howell  
-7:30pm



**Upcoming Events:  
Meeting Dates and Styles**

October Meeting: Oct 25--7:30p  
@ Clifford's  
-Belgians

November Officer's Meeting: (In October)  
Oct 30--7:30p  
@ The Stone  
2422 S Howell



**Schooner 2007 Homebrew Results: Great Lakes Brewfest**

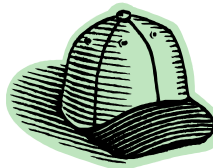
Congratulations **Dan Schlosser, Mike Rice, and Mike Chaltry** for your excellent homebrews that were entered in the Schooner Homebrew Competition. These three Beer Barons won numerous awards amongst them. Keep up the great work fellow homebrewers!

Name	Category	Sub-Category	Score
Dan Schlosser	Fruit Beer	Sour Cherry	32
Mike Chaltry	Fruit Beer	Cherry Cream	30.5
Mike Chaltry	Smoked Flavor/Wood Aged	Classic Rauchbier	26
Mike Chaltry	Other Mead	Open Mead	44
Dan Schlosser	Belgian Strong Ale	Belgian Tripel	36.5
Dan Schlosser	Belgian Strong Ale	Belgian Dark Strong	39
Dan Schlosser	Strong Ale	English Barleywine	41
Mike Chaltry	Strong Ale	English Barleywine	36
Dan Schlosser	Dark Lager/Bock	Maibock	38
Mike Chaltry	Dark Lager/Bock	Traditional Bock	40
Mike Rice	Light/Amber Kolsch/N. German Altbier	Northern German Altbier	42.5
Dan Schlosser	American Pale Ale	APA	38.5
Mike Chaltry	English Brown Ale	Southern English Brown	38.7

**\*Mike Chaltry also won Best of Show for his Maple Mead!\***

Check out all the results at [www.theschooner.org](http://www.theschooner.org).  
-sorry if I missed anyone or any results-

Limited supplies of baseball hats are available with the Beer Barons logo. You too can look cool in Beer Barons' gear! See Vice President Karen Grade.



**Beer Baron's  
Baseball hats  
\$15**

**American Homebrewers Association**

-Competition Schedule



MONTH(S)	STYLE	ENTRY DUE DATE
September/October	Stout	09/27/06
November/December	Light Hybrid Beer	10/26/06

[www.beertown.org](http://www.beertown.org)

**2007 Upper Mississippi Mash-Out**  
Jan 26-27 2007

Entries Due:  
Jan 01-13 2007



Fire up the brew kettles for this fabulous event!

Check out the details:

[www.mnbrewers.com/mashout/](http://www.mnbrewers.com/mashout/)

**Murray's Wine and Spirits**

Check out Murray's Wine & Spirits. This liquor store stocks phenomenal beers. A whole wall of single bottles is located in the rear of the store. Plus there is a great selection in the cooler as well. Whether you want strong/big beers, new releases or specialty beer this store supplies everyone's beer needs!

342 East Silver Spring Drive  
Milwaukee WI  
414.962.0621

CLEAN UP, CLEAN UP EVERYBODY!

Don't forget to help out at the meetings by gathering your bottles and placing them on the bar or taking them out to the recycling area outside. These Beer Barons meetings can get messy and usually the same bunch of Barons clean up the clutter at the end of the evening, which isn't fair to our fellow friends. So please be kind and help tidy up before you depart for the night. Thanks.

A big huge THANKS goes out to the business' that made donations for the Beer Barons' Annual Picnic which was held last month. Thank you for your support and kindness!!!

Purple  
Foot



3167 S 92<sup>nd</sup> Ave  
Milwaukee WI



Market  
Basket

14835 W Lisbon  
Brookfield, WI

Homebrew Depot

7125 W North Ave  
Milwaukee, WI

thank you!!!

**Great American Beer Festival 2006 Results**

The Great American Beer Festival celebrated their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. The festival took place September 28-30 2006 at the Convention Center in Denver, Colorado.

**-Top Three Medal Winning States**

1. California: 11 Gold, 15 Silver, 13 Bronze (Total 39)
2. Colorado: 10 Gold, 7 Silver, 11 Bronze (Total 28)
3. Wisconsin: 9 Gold, 5 Silver, 4 Bronze (Total 18)

**Wisconsin Results:**

BREWERY	BEER	MEDAL	CATEGORY
Capital	Autumnal Fire	Gold	German-Style Strong Bock
Capital	Eispyre	Silver	German-Style Strong Bock
Central Waters	Bourbon Cherry Stout	Gold	Wood-and-Barrel Aged Strong Beer
Leinenkugel	Sunset Wheat	Silver	Herb and Spice Beer
Leinenkugel	Creamy Dark	Gold	American Style Dark Lager
Lakefront Miller	New Grist	Gold	Experimental Beer
	Fred Miller's Classic Chocolate Lager	Bronze	Herb and Spice Beer
Miller	Henry Weinhard Private Reserve	Bronze	American Cream Ale or Lager
Miller	Milwaukee Best Light	Silver	American Style Light Lager
Miller	Icehouse	Silver	American Style Specialty Lager
Miller	Miller High Life	Silver	American Style Lager
Miller	HG 800	Bronze	American Style Specialty Lager
Miller	Southpaw Light	Bronze	American Style Light Lager
Miller	Mickey's Malt Liquor	Gold	American Style Specialty Lager
Miller	Red Dog	Gold	American Cream Ale or Lager
New Glarus	Cherry Stout	Gold	Wood and Barrel Aged Beer
New Glarus	Belgian Red	Gold	Fruit and Vegetable Beer
New Glarus	N/A	Mid-Size Brewing Co. of the year	N/A

**Way To Go WISCONSIN!!!**



## This Month's Meeting

The **Wednesday October 25** meeting will be held at Clifford's. The meeting will start **promptly at 7:30pm**. Admission to this meeting is \$5.00/person.

This month we will be sampling Belgians!

### Please Support Clifford's Supper Club With Your Patronage



Clifford's allows us to use their banquet room at a reduced price. Our support will help show our appreciation.

Famous For Their Friday Fish Fry

### Membership Information

The Beer Barons of Milwaukee is open to anyone 21 years of age or older. Annual dues, which cover the cost of producing this newsletter, are \$15.00. In addition, we normally charge a \$5.00 fee for each meeting attended to cover the cost of the featured beer style we taste that evening. However, additional fees may be required to cover the cost of special events such as the annual party in December. Annual dues may be paid at the monthly meeting, or a check may be sent to:

**Treasurer, Beer Barons of Milwaukee  
P.O. Box 270012  
Milwaukee, WI 53227**

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