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Check out the Baron Website: WWW.BEERBARONS.ORG

President's Letter

Even though it doesn't look like it outside, spring is here and summer is right around the corner. Our biggest event of the year, our World of Beer Fest (www.wobfest.com) is inching closer. If you are a newer member and haven't volunteered yet, this is the perfect opportunity! We need a lot of people to make this happen and getting involved couldn't be easier. Our website should be updated shortly to start accepting volunteers. Right now, just go to your calendar and mark June 2nd down so you are ready to volunteer. Seriously, this festival takes A LOT of people to make it run smoothly and we will need your help.

State Fair and the German Stein Fest Challenge are also quickly creeping up on us too. Time to get started on planning if you are entering beers and get thinking about judging for these too. If you are available, please contact Patrick McHugh for State Fair and Joel Taylor for Stein Fest Challenge.

Finally, I want to hand out a few thank you's. Thank you to my fellow board members for continuing your efforts in keeping the club and meetings running smoothly. Thank you to the WOB Committee for working through the struggles of last year and making the festival go once again. Of course, thank you to all of our members for your participation and feedback. We need to continue to get ideas from our membership and never take for granted the volunteer time that you put in at all the events we are part throughout the year.

Slainte, Jason

Vice President's Letter

Hello Barons,

This month we welcome Raised Grain to join the Barons. Raised Grain began when two full time doctors and avid homebrewers were discussing who made better beer Belgium or Scotland. The beer they brewed as a compromise to their argument became their flagship brew and subsequently the 2016 GABF gold winner, Paradocs Red. Raised Grain recently expanded their production into a 20,000 Sq Ft space with a state of the art brewing system and canning line. Please join me in welcoming Raised Grain!

On to a few general announcements:

- As I continue to plan our meeting revolving around water, I appreciate the few of you who have reached out to me regarding the meeting, I would certainly like to have a few more people ready to volunteer please contact me directly if you are interested
- If you were a part of the Barrel Aging meeting last year, we need your barrels back for our Sour Project! Please let me know when you empty your barrel.
- Pre-Meeting Evaluation is starting up again! Bring a bottle of your home brew to our own BJCP certified judges for live feedback. Starts roughly at 7pm.
- If you are interested in brewing an Oktoberfest (or anything from BJCP Category 4) for September's meeting (9/26) please let me know! You will get the normal reimbursement for ingredients.

That's all I have for this month!

Cheers, Max

Interested in attending the next

<u>Officer's Meeting?</u> The Board meeting is open to all members, and after the meeting stick around for a social time. Come out and try a new place to drink and see what's on Tap. Next Location is

Good City Brewing Company

(2108 N Farwell Ave Milwaukee, WI, 53202)

Thanks for joining us.

7pm Sharp for meeting.



Treasurer's Report

Not sure about you, but I cannot wait for warmer weather. Just received the tickets for the Chilton Wisconsin Micro-Brewers Beer Fest, taking place in May. Also, just sent the money for Madison's Great Taste of the Midwest, taking place in August. See Rich Binkowski to pick up/pay for your Chilton tickets, if you haven't already. And plan for the Great Taste, which will be announced soon. After purchasing the blocks of tickets, the General account fund stands at \$6488. Looking forward to the Wisconsin State Fair competition, as well as the, to be announced at our next meeting, Waukesha County Fair competition. Check the Beer Baron's Group IO page for a message concerning development of a promotional / informational bookmark / tab to be left at appropriate locations getting the Baron's meeting information out to the public. Asking for help designing that. Heading out to St. Paul to judge in the first round of the AHA competition. This year the final round as well as the National Convention will held in Portland, OR. A great excuse to vacation, as well as attend this year's event. Check out Good City Brewing as the next location of our Board's meeting place. Always a good chance to catch up on what is happening with the club, as well as check out the beer and brewing at Good City. Winding up club renewals for 2018. PLEASE, if you have not renewed yet, check in with me. Also, as a reminder, please check in with the desk at every meeting, even if you are a gold member, and get a wristband. The board uses your attendance at various times of the year, to plan future events, we do watch the numbers to see what is attended and what is not. Do not forget to tell Max and Jason, briefly what you liked at the various meetings throughout the year. Check in is also how Clifford's gets paid, per attendance. Looking forward to the next meeting in sunny, warm April. Hope to see you there.

Cheers, Mike Borchert

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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People hosting buses should pre-register by calling ahead. Buses must have their money in by April 8, 2018.

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BEER BARONS SALE:

We have glass and o-ring kits available for purchase:

- Howlers (32oz. w/cap) \$3
- Tasting Glasses **\$1 \$5**
- O-Ring Kits

All items can be purchased at the check-in table before every meeting

Beer Barons - Code of Conduct

Our goal is to improve our members' knowledge of home brewing and its enjoyment. Please show your respect and courtesy to the people you have elected to do the business of this club and the guest speakers that are graciously giving their time to come and put on a presentation for you by being QUIET during the meeting.

- Nothing is to be removed from this room that YOU did not bring in (That means the club beers stays). Please leave . all un-opened beer for others to enjoy at other events
- NO outside food is allowed to be brought into the meeting that was not purchased at Clifford's •
- Only exception is for snack items to enjoy with your beer
 - Pretzels, popcorn, nuts
 - Chips & dip
 - Cheese, sausage & crackers
 - Smoked or canned fish items

Please being your own glass and clean up after yourself

- Everyone must check-in with the treasurer, show your membership card, and pay your meeting fee to receive a wristband
 - Please put your wristband on your wrist (not on your glass/horn)

NO guns or weapons of any kind allowed in the meeting

NO SMOKING allowed in the building

Listen - Learn - Ask questions Someone will have the answer

Club Links

Website:beerbarons.orgTwitter:twitter.com/beerbaronsMKEFacebook:www.facebook.com/BeerBaronsBrewBlog:brewblog.beerbarons.org/

Midwinter Brewfest: <u>twitter.com/MidwinterHBC</u> World of Beer Fest: <u>twitter.com/WorldOfBeerFest</u> <u>www.facebook.com/WorldOfBeerFestival</u>

IO Group: https://beerbaronsofmilwaukee.groups.io/g/BeerBaronsOfMilwaukee

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Smokin' Brew

Brews Wine and Spirits, 1256 Capitol Drive offers a 5% discount to Members! Rock Bottom, 740 N. Plankinton offers a 10% discount on food to Members! Milwaukee Ale House, 233 N. Water offers a 10% discount to Members!

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For more info



WEDNESDAY, May 23rd: Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's, TBD

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