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Check out the Baron Website: WWW.BEERBARONS.ORG Hello Barons,

As I write this, snow is falling and while I will really miss summer weather, I know that this is one of my favorite times of year for beer. Big barrel aged stouts, monster barleywines, even some iced (eis) beer comes into play. Don't let the cold weather stop you from brewing your favorite beer if you boil in the garage like I do.

For a few months now, I have mentioned elections for our club for 2019 and we are still in need of people to step up to help run the club. Currently, we have nobody actively running for President, Treasurer, Sergeant at Arms, or the two Members at Large. Please check the <u>constitution</u> on our website for roles and responsibilities of all the roles. I can speak directly to President and let you know that the time required is not a huge drain and that if I can do it so can you. I, along with other former officers, will be there to support you and help with any questions along the way. I really encourage you to step up and take a chance, you won't regret the decision.

Please feel free to reach out to me in person or by email (<u>rohloffj@gmail.com</u>) if you have any questions if you are on the fence about any role on the Board. We need a fully functioning board to go into 2019. The official elections are during the December general meeting, December 19<sup>th</sup>.

Lastly, the Officers' meeting will be held on December 5 at <u>Component Brewing</u> in Milwaukee at 7:00. Check out their website for details; they are in the old Eagle Park location if you are familiar with that. Look forward to seeing you all during Belgian Night!

Slainte,

Jason

Vice President's Letter

Hey Barons,

This month's general meeting is our annual BELGIAN BEER NIGHT!

This month was coordinated by one of our members, Tom Nowalis. We are looking to compare several different Belgian beer styles to each other and, if the stars align, Tom is working to coordinate a special guest speaker.

We have a few sour examples as well to entice those that are looking for some funk/ bugs (Simon - bring your dump bucket... hint hint...)

We will also be continuing our pre-meeting beer evaluation. Starting at 7pm, if you have a beer you want to get real-time feedback, bring in a bottle or two and have several BJCP judges provide constructive criticism to help make you a better brewer.

For those of you who are new, our general meeting will be held on November 28th, begins at 7:30pm and will be in its usual location at Clifford's Supper Club located at 10418 W Forest Home Ave, Hales Corners, WI 53130.

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

# **Component Brewing**

(2018 S 1st St #207, Milwaukee, WI 53207)

Thanks for joining us.

7pm sharp for meeting.



### **Treasurer's Report**

I hope everyone enjoyed Barrel night as much as I did. I know a lot of work went into fermenting those beers. The club did pay for the barrels, and that is part of the benefits of belonging to a club like this. If you want to get involved with a project, or have ideas for a project, approach the board, attend a board meeting, let someone know. There was quite a variety of barrel aged beers

and I enjoyed every one. Had fun judging beer at the Schnapp's Hans competition. Jon G and Mike S, you did a great job, even if my beers did not win an award. Was also able to run out to Madison and judge the Badger Brew-off. Fun to see other clubs, and how they function. Going forward I can't

wait for Belgian Night. Looking at the numbers, we had 76 members for October's meeting along with 3 new guests. Our bank account stands at
\$7214 starting the month of November. That being said, a new treasurer will have to be nominated in November, and voting will take place in December; no one has come forth yet. If you are interested at all, the job entails about 6-8 hours a month. During the meeting, members must be logged in and checks can be written. After meetings, the money collected, must be counted and

taken to the bank for deposit. There is a 'to do' list that prompts certain checks to be written, those things the club does yearly, very easy to follow. At the beginning of the month, the checkbook must be reconciled, much like you would do at home. Then, before the meeting, the club's membership roster is updated and printed out, and it is useful to get to the meeting 30-60 minutes before the meeting, to set up. There is a monthly board meeting, which this year was run very smoothly by Jason R, and usually lasted about an hour. A small blurb communicating with the club, is written each month. The board communicates via email, and works to keep all members on the same page. If

this sounds daunting, I will be happy to work with you until you feel comfortable and tired of me looking over your shoulder. I would also be happy to fill in for you, given some notice, if you are unable to attend a meeting. I have enjoyed acting as treasurer for the club. The job is not a paying job, and everyone on the board this year understood that. If there are concerns during the year, the board has been happy to work with me. What I

wanted when I volunteered for this job, was to get involved with the beer scene in the Milwaukee area. I knew I was missing a lot, and I was right. I found out there are a lot of opportunities to pour beer and attend a ton of fun events, for free. You are able to get in on any Baron projects from the ground

up, you see everything coming across the books. Any of the trips or excursions you are involved with, you are writing the checks. All things beer are easy to get involved with, for as much time as you have. It took me a

couple of months to get in a groove, but once there, very easy job. At this time I am reluctant to give up this job, but the bylaws say it has to happen, and that is probably a good thing. I hope I have painted an honest job description, and hope your consideration is in the works. Any questions, please get a hold of me, Mike Borchert, <u>officers@beerbarons.org</u>. Another intangible plus with the position, is the ability to meet and get to know all the members in the club, which I have enjoyed. Thank you for the opportunity.

- Mike Borchert

### 2018 Membership Options

Individual Membership.....\$20

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# Calling All Officers!!!

*Hello, Officer! Yes, you!* Have you ever wanted to be more involved in the way the club is run? Are you interested in a free Gold Membership? Then consider volunteering for an open officer position in 2019. Nominations will be held during the November General Meeting, Belgian Beer Night, so consider throwing your name in the running. If you have no idea what I'm talking about, here are some descriptions for each of the roles opening up in 2019:

### DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT

- a) be Chairman of the Board of Directors
- b) Preside at membership meetings and Board meetings
- c) have the power to convene Board and special meetings
- d) appoint all committee chairmen except the Program Committee Chairman to serve during his term in office
- e) be an ex-officio member of all committees
- f) be responsible for the performance of all the officers of the association
- g) be responsible for a yearly audit of the Treasurer's records

### DUTIES OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

a) perform the duties and exercise the powers of the President during his absence or disability b) be Chairman of the Program Committee and as such, be responsible for the general program of the association

### DUTIES OF THE TREASURER

- a) be responsible for all receipts and disbursements of the association
- b) deposit all receipts in a checking account or savings accounts in the name of the association
- c) report all receipts and disbursements to the membership at membership meetings
- d) have all disbursements approved by the President or other authorized officers
- e) keep a listing of paid-up members, i.e., of members in good standing
- f) be bonded at the expense of the association

### DUTIES OF THE MEMBERS AT LARGE

a) such duties as they may be assigned by the Board

### DUTIES OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS

- a) keep order at membership and board meetings
- b) safeguard any equipment the club may possess
- c) safeguard club signage and display materials
- d) coordinate the allocation and delivery of equipment, signage and display materials

e) provide guidance and act a point of contact for members who wish club participation in an external event

f) monitor the club's potential participation in external events and can decline or withdraw club participation in events if club resources are not adequate

# Photos

Do you like taking pictures? Do you attend lots of Barons' events?

# We need you!!

We would like to feature more photos with the recaps of our events. Please keep this in mind as you attend the Belgian Night this month, or the Holiday Party in December, to take lots of pictures of the crew having fun. Send your pics to officers@beerbarons.org and feel free to add a little story about what's going on, or what a good time you had. Any questions, reach out to an officer. Thank you!

### **BEER BARONS SALE:**

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

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

# 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 bring 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> www.facebook.com/WorldOfBeerFestival

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

### **BOARD MEMBERS**

PresidentJason RohloffVice-PresidentMax LiptackTreasurerMike BorchertSecretaryErick JosephSergeant at ArmsMike SandeMember at LargeTerry McDonaldMember at LargeSteve Williams

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WEDNESDAY, November 28th: Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's, Belgian Night WEDNESDAY, December 5th: Officers' Meeting @ Component Brewing WEDNESDAY, December 19th: Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's, Christmas Party Check out The Barons Website For more info



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