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BARON MIND



GATHERING PLACE
B R E W I N G C O M P A N Y

**Join us at the May meeting as we welcome
Joe Yeado—Founder and President of the
Gathering Place Brewing Company**

Learn how the Gathering Place is building a stronger
community, one pint at a time

President's Letter

Greetings,

First I need to make a correction; in my April letter to you I only gave props to Brian and Bruce for 1st round NHC judging. In reality, Dan Schlosser and Julie Lawson provided a ton of support to Brian. Many thanks to Julie & Dan!!

Thanks to Patrick McHugh and his army of Volunteers that judged Wisconsin State Fair last weekend. Under Patrick's leadership and organization he and his team of volunteers evaluated & judged 216 entries because of their efficiency they were able to knock out BOS that weekend as well!! Nice job and thanks to all of YOU who volunteered - none of this would happen without these volunteers who gave of their precious time! THANKS again everyone!

As I write this I'm thinking about Sunday and the Chilton Micro Brewers Beer Fest, which I was told I NEEDED TO ATTEND!! So on Sunday, Stan and I along with a host of fellow Barons will board a bus to Chilton. Which leads me to ask...have you attended a Beer Festival before? If not, you might want to give one a try. My only suggestion and this is a **critical one** - GET A DRIVER!! Whether you call a friend, Taxi, Uber, Lift, hire a limo or get a hotel that you can walk to - JUST DO IT!! with hundreds of beers to try you will be in no condition to drive. Enough admonishment for one newsletter - just know I want you to be SAFE!! :)

Upcoming Wisconsin Beer Fests - Wisconsin Beer Lovers Festival - Milwaukee Firkin Beer Fest - Great Taste of the Midwest - BBC Beer, Bacon & Cheese - Border War Beer Fest - Northeast Wisconsin Craft Beer Festival - Milwaukee Food Truck & Craft Beer - Up North Beer fest & Premier Beer Night, Bacon & Brews and dripping in BASIS the best Beer Fest in Wisconsin.... World of Beer - our very own Beer Fest.

As for our May meeting, join me in Welcoming Joe Yeado - brewer and owner of Gathering Place Brewery in Milwaukee. Thanks Joe for taking time to attend our meeting!!

Cheers!
Rahshal



Beer Baron Members assist fellow member Patrick McHugh with the task of judging the State Fair Competition





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Vice President's Update



Hello Barons!

Happy May to everybody! My wife and I kicked off the summer season with a tour of the third ward via the Pedal Tavern. We stopped at Mobcraft and a few other choice establishments. If you haven't done the pedal tavern I highly recommend it, you can bring your own beers and snacks or buy them while on the tour. It's a pretty good time! This month we welcome Joe Yeado from "The Gathering Place." Joe will be talking about his brewery and discussing a few things that make his place unique. Joe recently partnered with Spike and co-hosted the Cream City homebrew competition. The Barons represented well as we had two club members in the finals and numerous other entries. Also, I am excited to announce that in June we are bringing in Indulgence Chocolatiers for a chocolate and beer pairing session.

Cheers,
Tom



Congratulations Rahshal Kowal and Tom Nowalis - Finalists at the Cream City Homebrew Competition at the Gathering Place

The Cream City Homebrew Competition



April 27th • 12-4 pm
Gathering Place Taproom



Treasurer Report

Happy Brewing Barons. As of 4/30/19, our Club bank balance was \$7,025. The club just paid for tickets for 2 larger expenses (Chilton & Taste of Midwest), and those debits are reflected in the \$7,025 balance. The Club bank balance one year ago (on 4/30/19) was \$6,686. Attendance for the April General meeting was 81 individuals, and we collected \$215 in meeting and membership fees that night.

I hope everyone enjoyed the April general meeting in which Lance Shaner, the owner and founder of Omega Yeast, spoke about one of the main ingredients in beer – yeast. Hopefully, you learned something, or at least were entertained with the presentation. Kudos to Tom Nowalis for organizing the educational content for general meetings thus far in 2019. This month, Gathering Place, a commercial brewery will be coming to our meeting to tell us more about themselves.

Please be aware that we had some faucets on our jockey box that were leaking and couldn't close correctly anymore, so we decided to replace them. We spent \$241 on new faucets and shanks.

- Upcoming Barons events include:
- 5/11/19 – Big Brew Day at Spike Brewing – We are brewing a NEIPA
 - 5/19/19 – Chilton Trip
 - 6/22/19 – World of Beer (WOB)
 - 8/10/19 – Taste of Midwest Trip

Live Life & Enjoy Beer!
PK



May Did You Know???



Two great things that go great together are beer and music. Just like Sonny & Cher, Jack & Jill, Laverne & Shirley, Starsky & Hutch, and chocolate & peanut butter. Can you imagine going to a concert and not having any beer? How about getting together with friends at a gathering, and not having music? I believe that having just one of these (beer or music) helps liven your mood, makes you happier, helps forget your worries, and overall makes having fun easier. However, when you put beer and music together at the same time (especially when it is your favorite beer and your favorite music) it is almost magical. So next time you have friends over and you are drinking your delicious home-brew (or any other brew for that matter), put some music on and see what happens. Perhaps it will be magical.


Match the song lyric that contains the word beer (or brew), with the artist who sang it. (Answers on page 8)

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| I'm pretty good at drinking beer | 1. George Thorogood |
| I've given up hope for the afternoon soaps and a bottle of cold brew | 2. Billy Joel |
| One bourbon, one scotch, one beer | 3. Styx |
| And the piano sounds like a carnival, and the microphone smells like a beer | 4. Billy Currington |

Membership Renewal Options and Fees


Type	Description	Annual Dues	Meeting Fee per Meeting
Single – Regular	Membership for 1 person	\$20	\$10
Single — Gold	Membership and Gold card for one person	\$20 + \$80 Gold card = \$100	\$0
Family — Regular	Membership for 2 people living in the same home	\$30	\$10 per person
Family — 1 Gold	Membership for 2 people living in the same home—1 member with gold card	\$30 + \$80 Gold card = \$110	\$0 for Gold card member \$10 for regular member
Family — 2 Gold	Membership for 2 people living in the same home, both members gold card	\$30 + \$140 2 Gold cards = \$170	\$0
Guest	Non-member meeting fee	N/A	\$15





Remember,
we have glasses, howlers and O-ring kits available for purchase:

- *Howlers (32oz. w/cap) \$5*
- *Tasting Glasses \$1*
- *O-Ring Kits - Limited quantity available \$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
Enjoy the meeting & guest speakers

Thank you Lance Shaner for his presentation and to the Beer Barons members that provided beers featuring Omega Yeast at the April meeting



Dan Schlosser, Jayme Nawrocki, Josh Strupp and David Hardeman represented the Beer Barons at Crafts and Drafts



Interested in attending the next Officer's Meeting?

The Board meeting is open to all members! It's a great place to find out what's happening with the club while trying a new place to drink.

Next Officer's Meeting: Wednesday, June 5, 2019 7:00pm

Erv's Mug
130 W. Ryan Rd, Oak Creek



Did you know that the Beer Barons has a groups.io discussion group where you can ask questions and participate in brewing discussions?

To join the group:

Go to: <https://groups.io/>

Click on Find or Create a Group

Search for Beer Barons of Milwaukee - on the main page select "Subgroups"

On the Subgroups page - select the discussion group, enter your email where prompted to request permission to join. You will receive an email confirming your request when it has been processed.

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188 Members, 5666 Topics, Archives Viewable By Parent Group, Restricted, Last Post: 12:19pm



For more info and events, check out the Barons Website:

WWW.BEERBARONS.ORG

Answers to this month's "Did you Know" : A=4, B=3, C=1, D=2



Beer Baron Big Brew Day



On Saturday, May 11th, the Beer Barons of Milwaukee were invited by Spike Brewing to try out their new Nano brewery RIMS system. The group made a NE IPA and will be dividing up the batch and experimenting with different dry hop profiles. Look for and try the variations at WOB.

Thanks again to Spike for hosting this event and to Josh Strupp for organizing!



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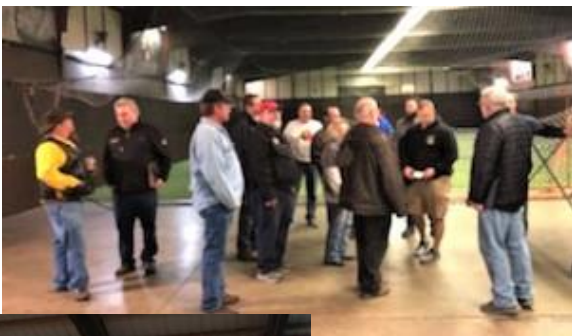


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Thanks to all of the Beer Barons members that attended the May officer's meeting at the Bavarian Bierhaus and to the staff that provided a tour of our new venue for our World of Beer Festival



Volunteers Needed!!

This year's World of Beer Festival is Saturday, June 22nd at the Bavarian Bierhaus in Glendale

While we are very excited about our new location, we need as many volunteers as possible to make our festival a success. Remember, this is OUR festival and the premier event to show case our club!

As a volunteer, you get free admission to the festival, a stylish tee shirt, a souvenir glass and admittance to the volunteer after-party and dinner. (There may also be some left over beer from the general admission area that may be distributed to volunteers!)

In addition to volunteering at the actual festival on Saturday, there is also a need for several people to help out on the Friday before the festival. There are many pre-festival activities that occur on Friday such as beer check in and inventory, tables need to be moved, signs hung up, etc. Friday is very informal and there are no set hours or times that people need be there. If you can help put, please indicate on the volunteer sign-up form that you can help and the times you are available.

You must complete the form online in order to be registered as a volunteer, so please take a couple of minutes to complete the form located at:

<http://beerbarons.org/world-of-beer-festival-volunteer-sign-up/>

More details will be sent as the festival gets closer. If you have any questions, problems or your availability changes , please contact Diana Kane via email at dkane1024@gmail.com.

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UPCOMING BEER BARONS MEETINGS, EVENTS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, May 19: Chilton Beer Festival

Wednesday, May 22: Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's, Commercial Guest: Gathering Place 7:30 pm

Wednesday, June 5: Officers' Meeting @ 7pm: Erv's Mug, Oak Creek, WI

Friday, June 21: Set Up for World of Beer Festival, Bavarian Bierhaus, Glendale

Saturday, June 22: World of Beer Festival, Bavarian Bierhaus, Glendale

Wednesday, June 26: Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's: Indulgence Chocolate Beer Pairing 7:30 pm

Wednesday, July 3: Officers' Meeting @ 7pm: Location TBD

Meeting Locations, Topics and Times Subject to Change

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