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Attention Beer Barons: March Meeting Cancelled!

In an effort to protect our members and help prevent the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19), the <u>general meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 25, 2020 has been cancelled</u>. For general information on COVID-19, please refer to the summary on the following page.

For additional information, please visit the CDC website:

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

Due to the uncertainty of upcoming club events, meeting schedules and topics, your regularly published Baron Mind will not be released this month. The officers will be monitoring the situation and communicating information as it becomes available.

Please check your email, the io discussion group, the Beer Barons of Milwaukee website and our Facebook page for changes and updates. We hope to resume the distribution of the Baron Mind next month.

Some events to note:

NHC Regional First Round Judging (scheduled for March 27th and 28th at Delafield Brewhaus) has been postponed. For more information visit:

https://www.homebrewersassociation.org/from-the-director/postponement-due-to-coronavirus-covid-19/

The next officer's meeting is scheduled for April 1, 2020 at 7 pm at Stock House Brewing Company - 7208 W North Ave, Wauwatosa, WI Members are welcome to attend!

Thank you for your understanding. We want you and your family to be safe and healthy! If anyone has questions, please contact the officers at: officers@beerbarons.org

Coronavirus – What You Need to Know

What is coronavirus (COVID-19)?

COVID-19 is a virus that causes mild cold-like symptoms in the majority of patients but could lead to more serious illness including pneumonia in elderly individuals and those who have chronic medical conditions. Thus, elderly individuals and patients with chronic medical conditions should take greater precautions to avoid exposure.

How can individuals best protect themselves and others from the novel coronavirus (COVID-19)?

According to the CDC, the immediate health risk from the novel coronavirus to the general American public is low. The best ways to prevent the spread of viruses are to follow normal daily precautions including:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed or unsanitized hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- If you develop cold-like symptoms, stay home, rest, and avoid exposing others until you feel better.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Reduce unnecessary travel and wear a mask when going out in public if you think you have a contagious respiratory infection.

What should people do if they think they may have symptoms or have been exposed to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19)?

Anyone who believes they may have had contact with someone who is confirmed to have, or is being evaluated for, the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), should **contact their physician**.

To help prevent the spread of disease, the CDC recommends that individuals call ahead before going to a doctor's office or emergency room and inform clinical staff about symptoms and any recent travel. Also, consider using 'Virtual Care' options in your community to avoid close contact with others. Healthcare professionals will work with your state's public health department and CDC to determine if you need to be tested for COVID-19.

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