



BARON MIND



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PRESIDENTS LETTER

With Summer ending this month, we start to get to some very fun months for brewing and meetings. That reminds me that we will need new board members starting next year. If you are at all interested, please let any one of our current board members know.

The picnic was a very fun and relaxing event! As always, huge thanks to everyone who helped to make it possible. Since these are volunteers running the events, none of this would be possible without their help.

Finally, the Barons will be at PretzelFest on September 28th pouring homebrew with 10+ other clubs. If you have any Kegs or bottles available for the club to pour please let me know or bring them to the meeting this month.

Thanks!

Joe



VICE-PRESIDENTS UPDATE

Frohes Oktoberfest

I would like to once again thank Kristopher of Fermentorium for speaking last month, and glad I got to see so many of you at the picnic a few weeks ago.

This month I am excited to bring back Ethan of Cache Cider, and to make it more interesting we're also having our own cider pick up from Patterson Orchards! So, listen carefully to what he has to say because there is now a take home test.

Best of luck and cheers!

Kyle

TREASURERS REPORT

August Attendance:

Gold: 42

Members: 17

New Member Sign Ups: 4

Guests: 3

Total Attendees: 66

Total Members in club: 125 with 57 Gold Members

Picnic Attendees: 47 members and 27 guests over 18 - Thanks to all that put the picnic together!

Rand

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH: What Holiday are we supposed to decorate for???



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BARONS PICNIC

The picnic was held at Picnic Area #3 on the Root River Pkwy. again, and Mother Nature was on our side this year as it was a beautiful day for our picnic, sunny and comfortably warm with a slight breeze. All the food and beverages were tasty as usual. Great job Jared and thanks to all the members that helped make this event possible.

CONGRATULATIONS go out to the following Beer Barons Members for their contributions to the tastebuds of other attendees at the September Picnic. They are as follows:

WINNERS OF THE BEER COMPETITION ARE:

- #3 Roger Dunbar for his Munich Helles
- #2 Jason Rohloff for his Key Lime Mango
- #1 Terry McDonald for his Belgian Triple

WINNERS OF THE FOOD COMPETITION ARE:

- #3 Caitlin & Mike Sande for the Carmel Apple Whoopees
- #2 Joel for the Bourbon Brownies
- #1 Caitlin & Mike Sande for the S'mores Whoopees

MUSEUM OF BEER AND BREWING

I am a member. I also am president of the Museum of Beer and Brewing, a 501c3 organization. The Museum is holding a Hall of Fame Award Dinner at the Pabst Best Place on October 6th. The award, named after Karl Strauss is given each year to an individual or organization which has supported the art, science, and culture of brewing. This year's award will be presented to the Perlick Company, the producer of most tapping and refrigeration systems in the industry. The Company was founded in 1917 by Robert Perlick as a manufacturer of fittings for the brewing industry. Information is on our <https://museumofbeerandbrewing.org> website.

Gary Luther

BIG thanks to Andy and Cheryl Hemken for allowing us to store our club trailer on their land at:

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Cheryl came along for the ride.



CIDER SUNDAY AT THE WEHR NATURE CENTER

Come celebrate Cider Sunday On Sunday, October 6th at the Wehr Nature Center and bring the family. It will be at the Center from 11:30 am – 4:30 pm. Meet Johnny Appleseed, listen to music, join a scavenger hunt, hike the trails and much more, including apple treats and handmade apple cider beer provided by us, the Beer Barons. For more information on this, go to <https://www.friendsofwehr.org/cidersunday>. The cost is only \$7.00 per person which includes parking and a lot of fun for the family. Also, you will see at least one familiar face serving the beverages. Check this event out for a wonderful time.

Jared Sutliff

OCTOBER BOARD MEETING

The October Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 2nd at Third Space Brewing, 1505 W. St. Paul Avenue, Milwaukee. They have some great craft beers. All members are welcome to attend whether you are on the board or not. The meeting begins at 7 pm and usually only lasts an hour or less. Come on down and enjoy a beer with us.



PRETZEL CITY BREWFEEST

Pretzel City Brewfest will take place on Saturday, September 28th in downtown Freeport, IL. This is a 21 and older & rain or shine event. Tickets can be purchased with credit/debit cards online. VIP will open at noon with General Admission opening at 1 pm and will last until 5:00 p.m. Purchase your \$40 general admission ticket online which includes event entry, 20 tasting tickets, and a souvenir glass. There will be a (very) limited number of \$75 VIP passes also available, which include one-hour early entry, 30 tasting tickets, access to special releases, a Brewfest t-shirt, a special VIP souvenir glass, swag bag, VIP lounge, and an option to buy a discounted limited edition Pretzel City Brewfest hoodie (not available to the general public). Tickets will be available at the gate for \$40 for General Admission the day of the event, VIP will not be sold the day of. Designated driver tickets can be purchased on the day of the event for \$10. They plan on having 10-15 home brew clubs involved. **Including our Beer Barons club.** For more information, go the greaterfreeport.com/brewfest website.



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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 stay.) 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.

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