President's Krausening

By Jim Gress

First, let me thank and congratulate our members who did a great job of brewing and entering great beers in the Wizard of SAAZ competition. The Cuyahoga Cup is back where it belongs – in SNOB territory! Great job everyone – and let's get started thinking about Son of Brewzilla so that the Cup stays with us.

For everything there is a season. As the weather changes, so do the things we homebrewers think about. Maybe it's the ordinary stuff we'll deal with – trading the snow shovel or snow blower for the lawn mower and hedge trimmers. More likely, we're thinking about brewing some different styles as the weather warms. We'll start to tuck away the Doppelbock and Wee Heavy, and think about brewing some APA, Kölsch, or Witbier.

These changes got me thinking about some other changes that are afoot in the BJCP Style Guidelines - so that will be our topic for this month's meeting. We'll take a quick overview of the draft 2014 style guidelines and talk about what they may mean for how we think about styles, how competitions will be affected, and even how we may brew.

Of course we'll also discuss s number of upcoming club events and activities. It's going to be a busy this Spring and Summer with lots to do. We have our traditional events like the Beer, No Sweat bus trip, Big Brew, and Brew and Canoe. And, this year, we also have our 25th anniversary collaborative brewing project. We'll have information about several of these events and activities at the meeting.

Get ready – It's going to be a good ride!



SNOB 2014 Calendar of Events

Click here for the SNOBs Gmail Calendar

April 2015

6: SNOBs meeting, 7:30pm, Sachsenheim Hall 11-12: Beer, No Sweat bus trip

May 2015

4: SNOBs meeting at Sachsenheim Hall, 7:30pm

June 2015

- 1: SNOBs meeting, 7:30pm, Sachsenheim hall
- 6: King of the Mountain contest

Little Mountain Homebrewers Association (LMHBA) needs judges for their King of the Mountain Competition on June 6, if you can help, sign up at www.lmhba.com

SNOBs night out none this month – come to Beer, No Sweat



Welcome New SNOBs

Please welcome the following new members to the SNOBs Cory Kramer Warren and Roger Rasch George Tassie

October 2014

Keith Joritz

November 2014

Chris Smith Lawrence Stepp Scott Hemrock

January 2015

Bill Boor Noah Erin Keith Kniola Steve Rapko

February 2015

Tom Beach Tom Carey & Kate Dortenzo Craig and Jessica Ihms Mike Mocarski & Heather Hiros Clive & Kim Morgan Eric Rupnow Christopher Gordon

March 2015

Randy Mocarski Piero & Marlene Capichioni Jerry Francis **Tony Rice** Jim & Audrey Kasper



April 2014

Patrick Porowski Michael & Annette Clark Carl Stumpf Anthony Trapp **David Cousino** Marc Leyrer

May 2014

Jonathan & Hanna Plessner Michael Williams

June 2014

Brian Rogel Peter Campen Liz Stout Jamie Hall

July 2014

Paul Klammer Tim LaSalvia **Rich Leskovec** Dave Watson Dan Mott Jerry Trudell

August 2014

Madison Cummings Erica and Rob Anton

September 2014

Blake Beharry Andrew Martahus

Quarterly Financial Report

Income		
Membership		\$2,790.00
BNS Bus Trip		\$750.00
Raffle		\$483.00
	Subtotal	\$4,023.00
Expenses	5	
Room Rental (Sach	s)	\$225.00
BYO Magazine	-	\$215.00
Web expenses		\$102.00
Club Supplies		\$306.00
	Subtotal	\$848.00

As many of us come out of hibernation to enjoy the great outdoors again, we are off to a furious start again in the SNOB Treasury office. Dues are coming in at a high clip. I have a feeling some of that is from the interest in participating in the 25th Anniversary collaboration brews, and perhaps also the \$5 discount I'm offering on 2015 dues. If you are new to the club or a current member paying up until the May meeting, you will get the discount. See the last page in this newsletter for details. Interest in the Cincinnati beer weekend next week is a bit slow but it still looks like the bus is ready to roll. Sign up now, slackers!

Also of note, we have finally honored the club Rib Burnoff champion from last summer, John Majetic. He was awarded 3 months of "Bacon of the Month" shipments, which he may share with some of you. OK, maybe he doesn't want help with it, but he is deserving of the prize.

I have not been promoting much SNOBwear of late mainly because of the 25th Anniversary design team coming up with a new logo for placement of your gear. You'll hear more about that from that sub-committee later.

Here's to a continued great 2015 as we enjoy brewing some exceptional beers to celebrate 25 years of homebrewing as a club.

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2015 Membership Dues

In celebration of our 25 years this year, **Single member dues are \$25. Dual memberships are \$40**. This rate applies to <u>new members for all of 2015</u> (no **pro-rated dues in 2015**), and to **all renewals made by May 4th!** Starting May 5th (day after May meeting), the dues revert back to \$30/\$45 for current members. **SO PAY UP YOU CHEAPSKATES**



Membership also comes with discounts (bring your membership card with you) at local craft beer places and homebrew shops:

- <u>Buckeye Beer Engine</u> \$1 off drafts on Mondays
- ✓ <u>Platform Beer Co.</u> \$1 off Platform drafts on Tuesdays
- <u>Butcher and the Brewer</u> \$1 off drafts on Wednesdays
- ✓ <u>JW Dover:</u> 5% off
- ✓ The Brew Mentor: 10% off
- ✓ Grape & Granary: 10% off
- ✓ Leeners: 10% off
- ✓ <u>Warehouse Beverage</u>: 10% off homebrew supplies
- Cleveland Brew Shop: 10% off homebrew supplies
- Tripps Bar and Grill (https://www.facebook.com/trippsinbroadview)10% off food and drink bill
- <u>Scoundrel's Bar & Grill:</u>10% off food and drink bill
- ✓ <u>Dive Bar:</u>20% off food and drink bill
- Arby's: \$1.00 for a 10lb bag of cubed ice; (Call ahead if you need more than 5 bags so they can get it ready for you.) 7687 Broadview Rd, Seven Hills, 216-901-1737 and 683 E Aurora Rd, Macedonia, 330-467-6022
- <u>ABC Fire Inc (http://abcfireinc.net/)</u> 20% off all CO₂ tank refills plus other CO₂ services. <u>Click here for price sheet</u>
- ✓ Cantine Bar and Bottle Shop \$1 off drafts
- ✓ Landmark Lawn and Garden Shop 35% off any size propane fill with your SNOB card
- <u>Cleveland Brew Bus</u> \$55 total per tour for SNOBs members

The Membership form can be found at the end of the newsletter. Dues can be paid to Mark at the next meeting, mailed to him at the address on the form or by using our PayPal link at **beersnobs.org**.

S.N.O.B.'s Meeting Location

Sachsenheim Hall, 7001 Denison Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44102 (216) 651-0888 Located on the south side of Denison Avenue one block east of Ridge Road



Web Links of Interest

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website: <u>http://www.beersnobs.org/</u> Facebook: <u>http://groups.to/snob/</u>

American Homebrewers Association http://www.homebrewersassociation.org/

National Homebrewers Conference http://www.ahaconference.org/

Pro Brewer (Brewing tools and calculators) http://www.probrewer.com/resources/tools/

Grape and Granary http://www.grapeandgranary.com/

The Brew Mentor http://www.thebrewmentor.com/

J.W. Dover http://www.jwdover.com/catalog/

Leener's http://www.leeners.com/

Cleveland Brew Shop http://clevelandbrewshop.com/

Brew Your Own (Magazine) http://byo.com/

Basic Brewing http://www.basicbrewing.com/

The Brewing Network http://www.thebrewingnetwork.com/

Brewing TV http://www.brewingtv.com/



Membership Form Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers (SNOB)

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Dues can be paid in cash, check to "SNOB", PayPal to Danish.ace (at) <u>sbcglobal.net</u>, and credit cards (only in person, fee applies) Checks may be sent to Ace at 2668 Hampton Rd Rocky River, OH 44116

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