

# Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers

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### President's Krausening

By Mark Rames

Greetings SNOBs!

Our July meeting included an in-club competition on the Belgian Strong category. 3rd place was Dave Watson, 2nd place was Mark Dabney and 1st place, (drumroll) Dave Watson. Congrats to both and to Dave on taking 1st AND 3rd! Dave chose paid membership as his prize. We also got the opportunity to hear from Paul Benner on the business model of The Platform Beer Company. It's an interesting concept and I wish Paul and company great success. Paul also told us he is relocating the Cleveland Brew Shop from the present location on W 14th Street in Tremont to a much larger storefront on Lorain and W 41st across from the Platform, this move will take place around the first of September. Before our massive raffle, we also heard one of our original SNOB members, John Majetic, present his Home Brewing 101 talk that he presented to the Westlake Public Library.



Figure 1-Andrew Mitchell and Mike Ontolchik

Registration is now open! Son of Brewzilla, to be held on September 27th is now open for registration. Get your brew on and let's retain the Cuyahoga Cup! Visit <http://beersnobs.org/contest/> to register. All entries must be received by September 19 and cannot be brought the day of. Many thanks to all of you who are organizing the competition, this is a LOT of work, especially given how many entries we receive, well over 500 last year. Think about volunteering for our most important fund raiser of the year. Sign-up sheets will be at upcoming meetings.

And speaking of Son of Brewzilla, last year Best of Show winners, Mike Ontolchik and Andrew Mitchell, brewed their Pro-Am beer with Matt Cole at the Fat Head Brewpub. Good luck guys!

Cleveland Edible Magazine is doing a spread on the home brew community, particularly brew clubs. On Wednesday July 23, the interviewer and photographer convened at my house, along with Tim and Nathan during a brew session and we all talked home brew



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and the club. I think it will be in their September issue. We also put them in contact with LMHBC.

We have another beer event coming to Cleveland called Beer at the Pier, coming up August 9, 3-7PM at Edgewater Park. This is a totally local event put on by the Cleveland Metro Parks and proceeds from the event will help support [Cleveland Metroparks Trails Fund](#). They are asking for volunteers for check-in. **I understand they DO NOT allow volunteer sampling.** *If you think you may be interested in working this event, send an email to [president@beersnobs.org](mailto:president@beersnobs.org) and I will track possible volunteers.* Tickets available at <http://www.clevelandmetroparks.com/Main/Beer-at-the-Pier.aspx>

The August 4 meeting will be all about yeast. SNOB member Zech Laughbaum who now works for Fat Head's as the man in charge of yeast health and recent attendee at Siebel Institute will lead the discussion. We will also, time allowing, talk about dry vs liquid yeast and yeast starters. It should be interesting, be ready to see those yeast cells up-close.

We have two SNOB meetings this month – August 4 and August 25 due to Labor Day on Monday September 1.

This month's SNOBs night out is a special sneak preview of the Butcher and Brewer, featuring brewmaster and SNOB Eric Anderson. It will be August 27, at the Butcher and the Brewer on E 4<sup>th</sup> St downtown.

### SNOB 2014 Calendar of Events

[Click here for the SNOBs Gmail Calendar](#)

#### August 2014

4: SNOBs meeting at Sachsenheim, 7:30pm

25: SNOBs meeting at Sachsenheim, 7:30pm

27: SNOBs night out at The Butcher and the Brewer, 6:00pm



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### Competition Corner

#### August 2014

16: [Bottle my Brew](#) entries due (Akron)

#### September 2014

5-19: Entry window for [Son of Brewzilla](#) (hosted by SNOBs!)

### Welcome New SNOBs

*Please welcome the following new members to the SNOBs*

#### October 2013

Ralph Sgro & Drew Lang

#### November 2013

Mike Merritt  
Brian Fane

#### December 2013

Jason Schultz  
Dan & Deb Lescarbeau  
Mark Dabney  
Matt Sparks  
Jeff McNeill  
Derek Giachetti  
Tom Palmer  
John Makohon

#### January 2014

Anthony Cowley  
Kristin Keyes & Joe Cennamo  
Benjamin Kowalczyk and Julia Szabo  
Dane Brigadier and Erin Whiting

#### February 2014

Scott Eckroate  
Scott Brosius  
Matthew Nycz  
Jeffrey Fabien  
Albert Rudowicz

#### March 2014

Joseph Kneale  
Mike O'Donnell  
John Lattea  
Bruce Waddell  
Matt Shearn  
John Primozic  
Christine Forster  
Aaron Morford

#### April 2014

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

#### May 2014

Jonathan & Hanna Plessner



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Michael Williams

### **June 2014**

Brian Rogel  
Peter Campen  
Liz Stout  
Jamie Hall

Paul Klammer  
Tim LaSalvia  
Rich Leskovec  
Dave Watson  
Dan Mott

### **July 2014**

**SNOBs Night Out**  
**Wednesday, August 27, 6pm – Preview at [Butcher and the Brewer](#)**



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### Treasury Report July 2014

Thanks to all of you who have paid up for your 2014 dues, but there are still many of you on my Cheapskate list. Your dues are an important part of what makes this club run as well as it does, including fun trips, cool events, good eats, and, of course, beer. When you don't pay, you don't play.

Which reminds me; there are 2 of you on my Super-Naughty list: Mike McDonald and Tom Hayes. Pay up, boys!

Here are numbers for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2014:

#### Quarterly Financial Statement (Apr-Jun 2014)

<b>Income</b>	
Membership	\$1,230.00
BNS Bus Trip	\$610.00
SNOBwear	\$212.00
Raffle	\$327.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$2,379.00</b>

<b>Expenses</b>	
Room Rental (Sachs)	\$150.00
Brew & Canoe	\$73.00
BNS Bus Trip	\$3,810.00
Big Brew	\$380.00
Club Supplies	\$230.00
SNOBwear	\$260.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$4,033.00</b>

Of note is the bus trip to Indy. In all, the club lost nearly \$400 in total as the participation was rather low on that trip. We count this as one of the "big 4 events" (others being Brew & Canoe, Oktoberfest, and Holiday Dinner) which your Membership pays for, so this is still quite manageable.

So come see me to pay dues or to order cool SNOBwear.

Cheers!

**Ace**



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### 2014 Membership Dues

Membership dues for 2014 are now being collected by Mark Knapp, treasurer. The price of a SNOBs membership remains the same, still a bargain at only \$30 for an Individual membership, \$45 for a Dual membership, so **pay up you cheapskates!!**

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

- ✓ [Buckeye Beer Engine](#) \$1 off drafts on Mondays
- ✓ [JW Dover](#): 5% off
- ✓ [The Brew Mentor](#): 10% off
- ✓ [Grape & Granary](#): 10% off
- ✓ [Leeners](#): 10% off
- ✓ [Warehouse Beverage](#): 10% off homebrew supplies
- ✓ [Rozi's Wine House](#): 10% off homebrew supplies
- ✓ [Cleveland Brew Shop](#): 10% off homebrew supplies
- ✓ [Tripps Bar and Grill \(https://www.facebook.com/trippsinbroadview\)](https://www.facebook.com/trippsinbroadview) 10% off food and drink bill
- ✓ [Scoundrel's Bar & Grill](#): 10% off food and drink bill
- ✓ [Dive Bar](#): 20% off food and drink bill
- ✓ Arby's: \$1.00 for a 10# 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
- ✓ [ABC Fire Inc \(http://abcfireinc.net/\)](http://abcfireinc.net/) 20% off all co2 tank refills plus other co2 services. [Click here for price sheet](#)
- ✓ Cantine Bar and Bottle Shop - \$1 off drafts
- ✓ **New – thanks Scott Brosius - [Landmark Lawn and Garden Supply](#) - SNOB Propane Discount-35% Off any size fill with SNOBs card**

*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](http://beersnobs.org).*



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### Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers 2014 Officers and Chairpersons

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### 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



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### Links of Interest

#### **SNOB**

website: <http://www.beersnobs.org/>

Facebook: <http://groups.to/snob/>

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/>





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**Membership Form**  
**Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers (SNOB)**  
c/o Mark Knapp  
2668 Hampton Rd.  
Rocky River, OH 44116

**Individual Membership (\$30)**  
**Dual Membership (\$45)**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Street \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Your name and address may be released to beer related business or groups **unless** you initial here \_\_\_\_\_.

Today's date \_\_\_\_\_

