

FEBRUARY 2008



Homebrewers of Peoria

(You are encouraged to print this newsletter out and bring it to the meeting, no copies at meeting.)

NEXT HOPS MEETING:

Tues. Feb. 12th, 6:30pm, Chef John's, Dunlap

(food and beer available...and you can also bring in your own home brewed beer or special commercial beers you'd like to share!)

Beer Education: Food & Beer Pairing: Cheddar Cheese...bring any aged goat or cow milk cheddars and/or contribute IPAs, sweet stouts or strong porters...some beer and cheese will be provided.

JAN. MEETING MINUTES:

(I missed the Jan. meeting...these are notes from John)

It was a large crowd this time, with 3 new guests... welcome James and Theresa Lansberry, Joshua Peiffer and Michael Bulkowski!!!

Various topics were discussed: we need to bring back the discussion on our by-laws, elections will be held in Feb. and the up-coming bus trip up to Milwaukee.

Kodie presented Winter Warmers.

Dues are due: In February...\$18 each. Guests are welcome for 1 year....from their first meeting date.

WHAT'S OLD ON TAP:

Treasurer's Report - The current total for the club is \$461.37...no change for 6 months...???

JayCees Beerfest: Beerfest will be held April 11th & 12th, at the Expo Gardens. Get your kettles brewing...we donate kegs to this event, as well as have a great time serving up the beers to the public. Starts at 1pm but we get in earlier for set-up...usually around 11am.

The **Black & Tan Beer Competition** will also be held on Fri. April 11th, at the Expo Gardens...this is an event that HOPS is in charge of so John M and Jim S will gladly take any of your participation.

Winter Bus Trip Wrap-Up: Kodie and Don did a fine job. We should discuss the good and not so good parts of the trip and see how we can fine tune these trips...better advertising to fill the bus being #1. Also, where do we want to go next year...suggestions??? It's never too soon to start thinking about it. Next bus trip is Sat. Jan. 24th, 2009.

HOPS

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John Martin

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EDITOR
Melanie Martin

WHAT'S NEW ON TAP:

HOPS Elections: To be held tonight...

HOPS By-Laws: Yeah, John M wants to bring up that subject again...

Beer Hoppers Social: This Beer Hoppers social event is decided upon at each meeting. Check our website for the location if you miss the meeting. Guests and significant others are encouraged to come along! The Jan. Beer Hoppers at the Hofbrau House was quite popular...and we had a big crowd attend.

MISCELLANEOUS STUFF:

Ask Dr. Langlappe*: *(Pass your brewing questions through the HOPS email. Q&As will be reprinted here in the newsletter.)*

REMEMBER: Your homebrews are always welcome, as well as anything else you have discovered...we love samples!!!

Some things
Brewn'

401 E. Main St
Galesburg, IL
61401

Proprietors:
Jim and Mary
Smith

Hours:
Mon.-Fri. 12-6pm
Sat. 10am-5pm
Closed Sun.
(309) 341 4118

HOPS Club Members Only: *(with a 10% HOPS membership discount!)*
Website: somethingsbrewn.com. Call Jim the day before the meeting if you'd like him to bring you anything...hint, he can't always make it to the

HOPs

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

All meetings will be held at **Chef John's**.
Beer Hopper locations vary each
month...check out our website for location:
<http://hop.bradley.edu/>



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February	Tues. 12th, 6:30	HOPs meeting
	Topic: Beer & Cheese Paring: Cheddar	
	Tues. 26th, 6:30	Beer Hoppers
March	Tues. 11th, 6:30	HOPs meeting
	Tues. 25th, 6:30	Beer Hoppers
April	Tues. 8th, 6:30	HOPs meeting
	Fri. 11th (time?) ...	Black & Tan Competition
	Fri & Sat. (11th & 12th) ...	JayCees Beerfest
	Tues. 22nd, 6:30	Beer Hoppers
May	Tues. 13th, 6:30	HOPs meeting
	Tues. 27th, 6:30	Beer Hoppers
June	Tues. 10th, 6:30	HOPs meeting
	Tues. 24th, 6:30	Beer Hoppers
	Sun. 29th, time???	HOPs Picnic
July	Tues. 8th, 6:30	HOPs meeting
	Tues. 22nd, 6:30	Beer Hoppers
August	Tues. 12th, 6:30	HOPs meeting
	Tues. 26th, 6:30	Beer Hoppers
September	Tues. 9th, 6:30	HOPs meeting
	Tues. 23rd, 6:30	Beer Hoppers
October	Sun. 5th, time???	HOPs Picnic
	Tues. 28th, 6:30	HOPs meeting
	Tues. 28th, 6:30	Beer Hoppers
November	Tues. 11th, 6:30	HOPs meeting
	Tues. 25th, 6:30	Beer Hoppers
December	Tues. 9th, 6:30	HOPs meeting
	TBD	Holiday Party
January	Tues. 13th, 6:30	HOPs meeting
	Tues. 27th, 6:30	Beer Hoppers
	Sat. 24th, 7:00am ...	Annual Winter Bus Trip

A Monthly Mind Exercise...

FOOD & BEER EDUCATION:

Since there was no beer style/group selected for the education, here's one on cheese and beer paring. Don't hesitate to contribute any cheddars or suggested beers below...the more the better.

CHEDDAR CHEESE AND BEER: Aged Cheddars: made from cow's milk and natural enzymes deliver a robust aged character in the front of the palate, with an after taste that is almost meaty and rich in autolyzed protein flavors. A sweet stout, with rich hops and chocolate malt flavors or a strong porter, will complement full flavors of cheddar made with cow's milk. Goat's milk cheddar pairs better with a hoppy India pale ale.

Recipes of the Month:

GARLIC CHEDDAR & IPA SOUP

Serves: 6-8

Ingredients:

- 1/3 c canola oil
- 1/3 c flour
- 1/2 c diced yellow onion
- 1/2 c minced garlic
- 3 c vegetable broth
- 10 oz. IPA, room temperature
- 1 c heavy cream
- 3 roasted and mashed garlic bulbs (see step 1 below)
- 2 t. salt
- 1-1/2 t. white pepper
- 1 t. paprika
- 2-1/2 lb grated white cheddar, room temperature



Directions:

1. Coat bulbs of garlic with oil, wrap in foil and bake at 325F for 30 minutes or longer until soft. (*make extras, it's great smeared on sourdough bread! or see salmon recipe on next page...*)
2. In large saucepan over med. heat, whisk flour and oil together. Cook and stir until a paste forms and mixture begins to bubble and turns golden. Add onions and minced garlic, cook until a golden roux is formed.
3. Slowly add broth, 1/2c at a time, followed by ale and cream. Whisk in roasted garlic, salt, pepper and paprika, reduce to low and bring to a simmer.
4. Remove from heat and add cheddar, 1/2c at a time, stirring until smooth between each addition. of cheese. If too thick, thin with warmed IPA.

(HOPs editor's comment: Invite me over when you make this...it sounds great!)

cuz we ol' dogs wanna know more!!!

SALMON WITH ROASTED GARLIC SAUCE

Yield: 4 Servings

Ingredients:

- 1 bulb garlic
- 2 tb extra-virgin olive oil
- 1/2 c salad dressing; (spoonable)
- 1 ts dijon mustard
- white pepper; to taste
- 1 ts salt
- 1 lb salmon filet; in four pieces

Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 325 F.
2. Slice thin layer off top of garlic bulb and place in an ovenproof baking dish. Drizzle with 1 tablespoon oil. Bake 40 minutes or until soft and golden.
3. Squeeze 5 garlic cloves from baked peel into mixing bowl. Add dressing, mustard, pepper; set aside.
4. Preheat broiler. Place salmon in broiling pan; salt and brush with remaining oil. Rub salmon with two additional cloves of roasted garlic. Broil salmon 10 minutes or until cooked through.
5. Serve with dollop of dressing-mustard sauce.

Beer Pairing Suggestion: Light IPA or Pilsner

CALENDAR OF BEER EVENTS/COMPETITIONS:

In bold are local HOPs events. + = Actual competition name & date. Dates you submit beers are earlier, check internet for more info...

- **HOPs Bus Trip (annual trip, permanent date) ..Jan. (last Sat.)**
- March Mashness (?) March
- + Iowa Brewers Union Open, IA March (2nd Sat.)
- + Drunk Monk Challenge, Aurora, IL March (2nd Sat.)
- **Jay-Cees Beerfest Peoria April (2nd Fri. & Sat.)**
- + **Black & Tan Competition, Peoria April (2nd Fri.)**
- + Knickerbocker Battle of the Brews (?) April
- + Bay Area Mashers World Cup of Beer (?) April
- American Beer month May
- + Great Taste of the Midwest, St. Louis May (2nd Sat.)
- + AHA National Homebrew Competition May (3rd wkend.)
- + Upper Mississippi Mash Out, Minneapolis, MN ... May (3rd Sat.)
- + BUZZ, Champaign, IL June (first Sat.)
- **HOPs Summer Picnic June (last Sun.)**
- Taste of the Midwest, Madison, WI Aug. (2nd Sat.)
- Sprecher's Fest, Milwaukee, WI Labor Day weekend
- Autumn Brew Review, Minneapolis, MN Sept. (1st Sat.)
- + Iowa City Brewfest, IA Sept.
- Bloomington Brewfest, IL Sept. (last weekend)
- **HOPs Fall Picnic Oct.(1st Sun.)**
- Quivey Grove Beer Festival, Madison, WI Oct. (1st Sat.)
- Great American Beerfest, Denver Colorado .. Oct. (2nd weekend)
- + Thirsty Homebrew Classic, Amana, IA Nov. (1st Sat.)
- + Land of the Muddy Waters, QC, IL Nov. (3rd Sat.)
- **HOPs Holiday party Dec. (date TBD)**
- + Happy Holiday HomeBrew, St. Louis Dec. (2nd Sat.)
- + Foam of the Range (date unknown)

Up-Coming Clubs Events & Meetings

This is your newsletter...want to contribute??? Please email me anytime at:
melaniehg@yahoo.com • fax: 309 249-4109 • ph: 309 249-4409

HOPs Beer Club meeting dates:

2nd Tuesday of each month • 6:30pm • Guests are more than welcome!
Chef John's • 1719 W. Woodside Dr. (*next to Wheels of Time Museum • 2 mi. N of Rte. 6*) • Dunlap
Website: <http://hop.bradley.edu/>

BEER HOPPERs

Monthly Dinner & Beer Social - Bring your family/friends

4th Tuesday of each month • 6:30pm

An email will be sent out for this month's location or consult the HOPs website

HOPs Beer Club Annual Picnics/Parties/etc.

HOPs Annual Picnics - usually the last Sunday in June and first Sunday in October

HOPs Holiday Party - December (flexible date)

Winter Bus Trip - last Saturday in January...in **2008 we're going to Milwaukee**

Other local Homebrew Club meetings:

ABNORMAL HOME BREWERS

2nd Mon. of each month • 7:30-9:30pm

Fat Jacks • 511 N. Main • Bloomington

(309) 829-2805

GALESBURG HOMEBREWERS ASSOCIATION

2nd Sat. of each month • 3:00-5:00pm

Somthings Brewin' • 401 E. Main St. • Galesburg

(309) 241-4118

Join "HOPs" Beer Club

(Homebrewers of Peoria)

Interested in joining a club of beer-making fools? Find yourself obsessing about beer and don't have anybody to talk to? Want to learn how to make beer in your own but don't know how to start? Or do you just want to get together once a month to drink and talk beer?

Dues are an obsessively cheap \$18 a year...with the first year FREE. Dues include this newsletter, a monthly place where you can do one or all of the above mentioned desires PLUS various parties, picnics, socials and a beer tasting bus trip thrown in.

Fill-out this form and bring to any of our meetings, every 2nd Tuesday of the month.
Guests are more than welcome to visit and check us out.

Yes! I want to join HOPs!

Name: _____

Street/Apt: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone #: _____

Email: _____