

The Grain Mill

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The President's Corner

by Bonni Katona

Happy Fe-brew-ary!

This month I'm full of good tidbits of information. For starters, we're now The Scioto, Olentangy and Darby Zymurgists, Inc. Yup, the Articles of Incorporation were filed with the Secretary of State on Friday, February 5.

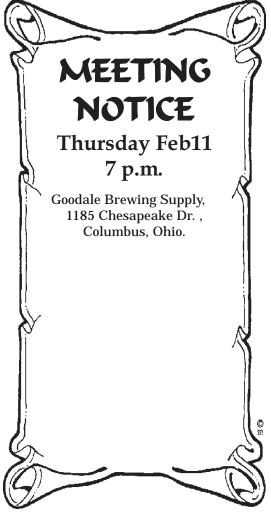
At our February 11 meeting, we'll be taking nominations for officers. The elections will be held at the March meeting. Already I can hear a chorus of "Vote for Larry!" (You had to be there last year to understand this one...)

Thanks to Herb Bresler for his informative presentation last month on calibrating your thermometer. Also, thanks go to John Bohn, who is assuming the role of Webmaster for the SODZ Web site. We're in the process of getting our own domain name. As soon as he's ready to release the Web address, you will be notified by e-mail.

Cameron Begg is organizing a gathering at Brazenhead, a new Irish-style pub in Old Dublin, on Saturday, February 13. It's located across the street from the Dublin Library near Oscar's. Details as to exact time will be announced at the meeting and by e-mail. See you there!

Cincinnati's annual Bockfest will be held at the end of the month. The parade is held on Friday evening, February 26. The festivities continue all day and evening on Saturday the 27th. See you there, too!

It's time to make reservations for the SNOBs' annual pub crawl, formerly known as Beer and No Sweat, on April 10 in Cleveland. More details are given elsewhere in this newsletter. Yup,



Visit the SODZ Web Site

www.iwaynet.net/~zaphod/sodz/ sodzhome.html

SODZ INFO

The Scioto, Olentangy and Darby Zymurgists (SODZ) meets on the second Thursday of the month at Goodale Brewing Supply, 1185 Chesapeake Dr., Columbus, Ohio.

Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Membership in SODZ costs \$20 and is renewed during the member's anniversary month of joining SODZ. Dues may be mailed to the Treasurer at 9477 Tramway Court, Cincinnati, OH 45242

Members receive *The Grain Mill*, the club's monthly newsletter. Articles for the newsletter are due by the end of the month. They may be emailed to the Editor or submitted on a 3.5" floppy disk in Word 6 or 5.1 format for either Macintosh or the PC.

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Victor Ecimovich once again invites SODZ to hold its May meeting after the Maibock has been released. The exact date (which may or may not be our regular night) will be announced once he's determined when they are holding their Maifest. And, we'll see you there!

Finally, some words about other brewpubs in Ohio. Coming very soon to Route 18 and I-71 (Exit 218 in Medina) is Wallaby's. They currently operate a brewpub in Bay Village, west of Cleveland. Also, Tim Rastetter is now back with Liberty Brewing Co. in Akron. Mark and I went there Saturday night and enjoyed some really good beer. We're bringing a growler of Black Silk to the meeting—if we don't drink it first!

See you Thursday!

SODZ

Income Statement For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

Income

Dues	660.00
Merchandise Sales Apparel Brewing Supplies	10.00 50.55
Total Merchandise Sales	60.55
Raffles	40.50
State Fair	200.00
Total Income	\$ 961.05
Expense	
Expense	
Bank Charges	15.00
-	15.00 75.51
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Beer and No Sweat

Bonni Katona

I just got the SNOBs newsletter with details about their annual pubcrawl formerly known as Beer & No Sweat. Happily, there are some changes from last year's format. It starts a little later, and there are two different breweries. Here's the itinerary:

Saturday, April 10, 1999

9:00 Leave Budget Inn, 14043 Brookpark Road (same place as last year).

9:30-10:30 Western Reserve Brewing

10:50-11:50 Great Lakes Brewing Co.

12:10-1:40 John Harvards Brewing Co. (Lunch stop—in The Flats)
2:00-3:00 Crooked River Brewing
3:40-5:20 Rocky River Brewing
(Dinner stop—Mark & I love this place!)

5:45-12:00 (Midnight) Back to Hotel and Homebrew Party

There are always terrific big beers and a fantastic raffle, so this one is not to be missed. Now for the other part—the cost:

Seat on the bus: TBA, but about

\$15-\$20

Hotel room: \$50/single; \$52/

double.

Call Cheryl Berry, the hotel reservationist, at 216-267-2350 and tell them you want the SNOBs rate. This rate is good until March 25. They are holding 25 rooms.

Let me know if you think you'll be going.

Who Dat Beer?

By Jim Leas

We are going to test our abilities to identify beer characteristics at the February meeting. We will be sampling a total of 4-6 beers (commercial and/or homebrew) without having any advanced knowledge of what the beers are. A panel of about 3 SODZ members who think they know their beers will take a shot at identifying the beers' styles and perhaps even the brand or whether they are homebrews. Then we will open the discussion to the membership at large who will taste right along with the "experts."

As many of you know, I have a dual beer citizenship – I belong to both SODZ and the Bloatarian Brewing League in Cincinnati. BBL has had a similar event twice in the last year or so. It has become quite popular. There's nothing like watching a certified beer judge identify a classic lager as an ale!

By the way, if any of you are bold enough to want to be one of our experts, just send me an e-mail – jimleas@aol.com.

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SODZ Homebrew Supplies

Mark Irwin

Here is the list of the remaining homebrew supplies that the club bought from McGee's. If you wish to purchase anything, contact Mark Irwin at irwin.49@osu.edu or 457-2487. I can either bring what you want to a meeting or we can make arrangements to meet elsewhere if you wish to get something before the next meeting.

Quantity	Description	Price
18 11 11 3 1	1 lb bag Vienna (US) 4-6 Lov 1 lb bag 6-row (US) 1.5-2.1 Lov 1 lb bag Klages (US) 2 Lov 1 lb bag Wheat Malt (Bel) 1.6-2 Lov 1 lb bag Wheat Malt (US) 2 Lov	\$0.75 \$0.75 \$1.00 \$1.25 \$1.25
5	1 lb bag Biscuit (Bel) 15.5 Lov	\$1.00
9	1 lb bag Caramalt (UK) 25-35 Lov	\$1.25
3	1 lb bag Chocolate (UK) 375-450 Lov	\$1.25
4	1 lb bag Black Barley (UK) 550-600 Lov	\$1.25
2	1 lb bag Black Patent (UK) 500-550 Lov	\$1.25
4	1 lb bag Caravienne (Bel) 19-23 Lov	\$1.25
4 2	3 lb bag Laaglander Plain DME (Dark) 3 lb bag Laaglander Plain DME (Amber)	\$7.50 \$7.50
2	1 lb bag Laaglander Plain DME (Dark)	\$3.00
2	1 lb bag Laaglander Plain DME (Amber)	\$3.00
3	3 lb bag M&F Plain DME (Dark)	\$7.00
4	3 lb bag M&F Hopped DME (Dark)	\$7.75
3	1 lb bag M&F Plain DME (Dark)	\$3.00
4	1 lb bag M&F Hopped DME (Dark)	\$3.00
1	1 lb bag M&F Plain DME (Amber)	\$3.00

AHA Club-Only Competitions 1999

Calendar of Events

Here are the club-only competitions
for the next year. Remember, the
styles are AHA not BJCP.

February 11 SODZ Meeting Nominations Goodale Brewing 7 P.M. Officers

March
Why don't we do it in the robe
Belgian
Category 2 - No lambics

February 13 Brazenhead Pub

February 26-27 Bockfest Cincinnati Afternoon Old Dublin

May

Bockanalia Category 12 March 11 SODZ Meeting Election Vote for Larry

7 P.M. Officers

August

It's a mead, mead, mead world Categories 25, 26, & 27

April 8 SODZ Meeting

7 P.M.

October
Porter!

Category 9

April 10 Beer & No Sweat SNOBs Pub Crawl All Day

Cleveland

December Winter Warmers Category 10

May 13 SODZ Meeting (Tentative)

7 P.M. Hoster's



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Meeting at Goodale Homebrewing

March 11 Officer Elections Goodale Homebrewing

April 8
Meeting at Goodale Homebrewing