HOMEBREWERS OF PEORIA



FEB 2024

"Beer brewed well is bliss. Beer brewed bad is educational."

NEXT HOPs MEETING: Mar 13th, 2024 – W.E. Sullivan's Peoria Hts, IL 6:30 PM

Meeting Minutes (Feb 14th, 2024)

Attendees: Noelle, Mike, Priscilla, Gary, John, Eric, Dick, Will, Jane

Treasury Report: approx. \$3,200 +/- in HOPs account. Does not include various upcoming charges. HOPs made a donation to the Illinois Cancer Center in the name of Heidi Scuffham.

2024 annual HOPs dues: \$20 single, \$25 couple/family. **Business meeting location:** (2nd Wed of the month): 1.) stay at WE Sullivan's; 2.) return to the alternating month site location of WE Sullivan's & Obed & Isaac's. After more discussion at Feb meeting and lacking further response from O&I management on HOPs' concerns, WE Sullivan's will be the meeting location. Should HOPs receive an O&I response, topic will be revisited.

Hops Business cards: the new business cards were distributed at the meeting. Thanks Dave. (HomebrewersofPeoria309@gmail.com).

Peoria Heights St Patrick's day:

The plan - HOPs to setup 10am-ish / pour after parade (noon?) across from Sullivans in front of the 33 Room. Permits required & being reviewed for submittal. List for beer & "staff" generated – more at 3/13 mtg.

2024 HOPs OFFICERS

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Noelle Buonaccorsi

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BEER SHARE:

Noelle: Thiol IPA John: Premium American Lager Gary: Copper Ale Dick: Munich (Maibock) Lager Thanks all for sharing! Beer Ed for Feb mtg: Noelle presented "Thiolized[®] Yeast" (and was her beer share using Omega's Star Party yeast). Summary: Thiols are mercaptans that are sulfurcontaining organic compounds that yield aroma and flavor of passionfruit, grapefruit, and rhubarb.

Off flavor of the month: "caprylic acid" – flavor / aroma: goat cheese, soapy, candle wax. Sanitation issue. Thanks, Noelle.

Discussion cont'd:

Hoppers for Feb 28th: Last Chance B&G in Alta 6:30pm.

HOPs 2024 Winter Brewery Bus Tour – summary & general discussion about rider conduct / future participation, policy for cancellations, and potential '25 brewery sites. 2025 policy needs formalized. John to send a follow up email to 2024 attendees.

Big Brew Day – May 4th: Tentative brew at Bust'd Brewing Parking lot. Details TBD. **Summer HOPs trip:** a HOPs only Indianapolis trip ??? (re: Milwaukee '23) – details TBD.

Ride with Leinie - July 27, 2024 - Conover, WI <u>https://ghtrails.org/ridewithleinie/</u> discussion at mtg – Conover is North of Eagle River, WI – (7 +/- hrs from Peoria) not near Chippawa Falls.

March Beer ED – Gary on adjusting hop additions due to hop alpha acid environmental changes.

DecemBeer '24 competition: at Bust'd Brewing ??? – Great '23 Comp' Jason!

Peoria Parks On Tap: Looking forward to 2024 season. Eric reviewing event dates.

HOPs bike ride: 2024 event in planning.

Upcoming Beer challenges in 2024: June: Ice Cream!

For next meeting: discussion on another order window for HOPs swag from Grimms.

Gary & Dick to again present: "Beginning Home Brewing" at ICC March 20th. Beginning Home Brewing with Food Pairing at ICC has been cancelled.