

# HOMEBREWERS OF PEORIA



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

March 2023

## **NEXT HOPs MEETING:**

**April 12th, 2023 – W.E. Sullivan's Peoria Hts, IL 6:30pm**

## **Meeting Minutes (March 8, 2023)**

**Attendees:** Mike, Noelle, Priscilla, Gary, John, Dave, Jason, Paul, Eric, Dick, Randy & Jeff.

## **Treasury Report:**

\$ 2,516 in HOPs account – after bus expenses, reservations, & new dues received. Dave advised web expenses forthcoming.

**Annual HOPs dues being collected:** \$20 single, \$25 couple/family.

## **Beer "off-flavor" Education:**

Noelle and Mike prepared this month's "off flavor". The "what is it?" was diacetyl - the sensation of buttered popcorn. A "why" sheet was provided to explain it. This a continued monthly Beer Ed.

## **Spring Milwaukee brewery tour:**

Date is May 6<sup>th</sup> - John presented trip planning. Hotel discussion – Days Inn vs Knickerbocker. More planning at this month's Hoppers.

**Discussion:** upgrading business cards with a QR code, changing the AHA HOPs Club "location", adding a Gmail account, and making HOPs Club new member information flyers. Noelle has HOPs promo cards for posting at Friar Tuck, etc.

**HOPPERS March 22:** Donnelly's in Peoria, 6:30pm.

## **2023 HOPs OFFICERS**

### **PRESIDENT**

Noelle Buonaccorsi

### **VICE PRESIDENT**

Jason Clow

### **TREASURER**

Priscilla Gilles

### **TRUSTEE**

John Waldman

### **SECRETARY**

Dick Miller

## **BEER SHARE:**

Gary: Chocolate banana oatmeal milk stout.

Will & Jane: Moscow Mule cupcakes

Dave: Strisselspalt Hoppy New Year beer.

Eric: Hoppy New Year APA & strawberry/pear cider

John: Maibock & smoked rye whiskey

Dick: Munich Dunkel & Winter wheat lager  
Thanks for sharing.

**Discussion cont'd:** HOPs to plan on brewing at Bratfest Aug 6, '23 and pouring at O-fest Sept 16??, '23.

## **Discussion cont'd:**

### **Brewery Adventure 2024 (aka bus trip):**

John is reviewing locations for the '24 bus trip - either the Springfield area or North to the Rockford / New Glarus area.

### **North Peoria Library Brew demo:**

"Brew101" (basics of brewing) on Saturday, April 1 at 11am. Noelle and presenters to have a pre-event run through on May 26 noon at Noelle & Mike's.

**Peoria Parks On Tap:** the date for Cassidy Park (Friday July 14) was the best fit. If members are available, will try to do Summer Park on Friday June 2 also.

Gary reviewing 2024 fundraiser with the ABNormal brewers, and potential of an adult education beer class(es) at ICC.

**Monthly Beer Ed's:** April - Dave on "partial Mash". May - Dick on historical US hop use, June -Jason.

**HOPs Facebook:** Jason - after dealing with the amount of spam on the HOPs Facebook pages - HOPs FB status is now changed to "Private".

**HOPs SWAG (shirts):** Gary & Priscilla reviewed (3) suppliers: Academy Sports, Screen Graphics, and Grimm's in Morton & presented a comparison sheet. Grimm's seemed like the best option. Noelle mentioned possible web suppliers and will check there also.

**Suggestions for '23:** ride the Peoria Historical Trolley for the "Roll out the barrel tour" or "Naughty & Nice Tour" – tour schedule to be released in May. Another HOPs bike ride.