

# BREWSLETTER



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**Beannachtai La Fheile Padraig**

**Happy Saint Pat's Day**

**Welcome to Jerry and Bobbi!**

## **BCHA ELECTIONS AND NEW OFFICERS**

The March Election Polling Place 2006 had central heating! Last year we voted in the parking lot of the Vo-Tech. This year in an attempt to refine our image, we voted indoors with food, beer and flushing toilets. Joe Balet was our kind host. After we ate his food and drank his beer, we talked him into running for office. So by the barest of margins the new officers are:

**Eric Svensen—President**

**Joe Balet—Vice President**

**Carle Hoover—Treasurer**

**Andrea Gray-Hoover-- Secretary**

The following beers were what was available for sampling: Joe's Stout (Possessive not contraction there), Eric's Red, Eric's E.S.B., Carle's Red Lager, Carle's I.P.A., Carle's Very Yummy Brown, Andrea's I.P.A, Phil's Possible Maibock. New folks even showed up to talk about the beer—thanks Jerry and Bobbi!

## **DEPARTMENT OF AGGRICULTURE**

Spring will come! But before that, there are hops to lift! Andrea has rhizomes you could adopt-- Cascade, Fuggles, Hallertau, Northern Brewer, Tettnager, and Willamette. Hops need water and somewhat nourishing soil. And then god almighty-- they grow! A great sunshade as well as production of god's greatest herb. Once again, we will be growing the barley and the wheat. If you are interested in these lovely grasses and want seed, you can contact Andrea at [andrea Hoover@montrose.net](mailto:andrea Hoover@montrose.net) before she orders seed . Barley grows like a weed in our semi-arid clime and your only competition will be those prairie dogs who attack the shoots like heroin. So if you own a ferret or a gun, you can grow barley. Malting class will be at the end of the season in September. If you need space for a beer garden—hops, barley, pumpkins, anise, hemp, peppers, etc. There is space at the Hillcrest Community Garden for only \$20.00 a year for water. Good deal but there are those prairie dogs! Overalls not required.

## **FROM THE CONTEST DEPARTMENT**

Lil' Ole Winemaker's homebrew competition is April 20th. The deadline if

you ship your own beer is the 15<sup>th</sup> (tax day). If you trust the ToyRunner or Andrea to deliver your precious beer, you need to get Andrea the descriptions of your entries by the 15<sup>th</sup> and the beer goes on the 20<sup>th</sup> with our judges. Scott Miller has opened up the chance to judge for the event to any interested members but you need to email or call in an RSVP so he can figure out which two other judges to pair you with. Also of course-- you can not judge in a category you entered or perhaps a category of another brewer you may be sleeping with either. But this is a great event for the chance to judge on 4:20 and a Thursday. The categories are:

1. **Pale Ale**
2. **Amber/Brown Ale**
3. **Black Ale/ Porter/ Stout**
4. **Pilsner/Light Lager**
5. **Dark Lager**
6. **Wheat Beer**
7. **Belgian Beer**
8. **Fruit/Specialty Beer**
9. **Mead**

All it takes is \$3.00 per entry and two plain 12 oz bottles to enter. Contact Andrea at 596-2625 or Scott Miller at 242-3754 if you have questions. Good Luck and the big winner gets to brew their recipe at Kannah Creek and of course BCHA will go for the drinking.

Also it is time for AHA Homebrew Regionals at [www.beertown.org](http://www.beertown.org) with 4/13 Due date and our region goes to California.

## ONE REASON TO BE A BOY

Ever wanted to calculate your B.A.C. while you are drinking? AHA has a little calculator that will do just that. It is at

<http://www.beertown.org/education/calc/bac/bac.aspx>

Try your real weight as a male and then as a female and the difference is shocking.

## FOR SALE

Nothing right now

## WEBSITE

[www.blackcanyonbrewers.com](http://www.blackcanyonbrewers.com)

If you haven't checked out our website lately, Go now! There are funny posters and photos under Photos link and nothing that would ruin any of our chances for Supreme Court Justice yet. Kennedy is still looking for more photos. If you have any shoot them to him @ [liquidsky@montrose.net](mailto:liquidsky@montrose.net)

## BCHA MEMBERSHIPS

Now is the time for our membership drive and the paying of the dues. Benefits of memberships include discounts at Lil Ole Winemaker, CB Liquors, La Cabana, Stoney Creek Winery, and soon to be Corks and Smugglers and Camp Robber Cafe. We will send out a full list of benefits and call for joining the end of March. Still \$36.00 per year for all the fun that is legal

