

HEART OF THE VALLEY HOMEBREWERS

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THIS MONTH'S MEETING

The Heart of the Valley Homebrew Club meets on the third Wednesday of each month, alternating between Corvallis and Albany. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, July 21, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Scott Leonard; 2430 NW Hayes in Corvallis ,752-0780. We'll be talking picnic details.

From Corvallis: Go North on Kings Blvd. (away from campus), past Fred Meyer to Hayes (between Grant & Garfield) and turn left. The address is 2430 NW Hayes; it is a yellow house on the left, 3 houses West of 23rd St.

From Albany: Take Hwy 20 to the Circle Blvd. (HP) intersection, turning right on Circle. Follow Circle Blvd. to the Kings (Albertson's) intersection, turning left onto Kings. Turn right on Hayes (between Grant & Garfield). The address is 2430 NW Hayes; it is a yellow house on the left, 3 houses West of 23rd St..

LAST MONTH'S MEETING

The June meeting was held at the home of Doug and Mare Goeger. Most of the left-over festival beers were either consumed there, or taken home from the gathering. Pinto beans, veggie chili and cornbread were provided to soak up all that brew. In the absence of our trusty leader, Scott Caul, who was enjoying a presidential retreat sailing on his private yacht to Alaska, VP Matt Arsenault brought the meeting to order. Highlights included wrap-up presentations for 22nd Annual Oregon Homebrew Festival such as a financial report and insights for next year.

ASSOCIATION OF BREWERS ANNUAL HOMEBREWERS CONFERENCE SHATTERS ATTENDANCE FOR 2ND YEAR

contributed by Scott Bruslind

The 2004 AHA National Homebrewers Conference and National Homebrew Competition were both record breakers this year. Excerpts from the official news release and with a link to the complete release are below.

"For the second year in a row, a record number of more than 770 homebrewers, professional craft brewers and beer enthusiasts gathered, this year, in Las Vegas June 17-19.

With a surge of grassroots participation, the 26th annual AHA National Homebrewers Conference gave a glimpse into the future of the brewing industry. It expanded and sharpened palates with 400 kegs filled with many brews unique to themselves and about 60 brew styles, ranging from American Pale Ale and Barley wine to Coffee Mead. http://www.beertown.org/pr/pdf_Word/HBC_2004_post.doc

Homebrewers Win Medals at World's Largest Beer Competition - American Homebrewers Association's National Homebrew Competition The 2004 National Homebrew Competition is the world's largest beer competition with 4,443 homemade brews from 1,058 homebrewers in 46 states and three countries. Six hundred forty-nine brews were evaluated by expert judges at the second round of the AHA National Homebrew Competition June 17 & 18 during the conference. This year saw a 33 percent growth from 2003 with a record number of brews in 29 style categories. http://www.beertown.org/pr/pdf_Word/NHC04_Winners.doc

LITTER PICK-UP RESULTS

by Mare Goeger

Thanks to Paul Jorgensen, Jim Cantey, Dave Benson, Jerry Malloy, Scott Bruslind and Doug & Mare Goeger, 23 bags of litter were collected at our quarterly pick-up in June. The 7 of us settled back under the shade of a tree afterward to enjoy some microbrew kindly provided by Gene Gregg at Oregon Trader Brewery in Albany.



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CALENDAR

Portland International Beer Festival, Northpark Blocks in the Pearl District, July 9-11, \$20 includes 10

beer tix or 15 beer tix at Happy Hour, additional tix \$1, for more info: www.portland-beerfest.com

Seattle Beerfest, Seattle Center Mural Ampitheater, July 30-Aug 1, more than 120 beers from 20 countries. \$20 includes 10 beer tix or 15 beer tix at Happy Hour, additional tix \$1, for more info: www.seattlebeerfest.com

Cascade Breweriana Association Annual Garage Sale, August 7, Oak Grove, Hundreds of brewery related items. Neons, lighted signs, tap handles, steins, glasses etc. Contact suzy723@teleport.com

9th Annual Bronze, Blues & Brews Festival, August 14, Joseph, OR, 5 bands, 24 microbrews, \$20 advance/\$25 door. Contact kenh541886@yahoo.com

Great Canadian Beer Festival, Victoria, BC, September 11, 40 breweries from Canada and the PNW. \$20 admission, 4oz samples \$1, for more info: www.gcbf.com

AHA CLUB-ONLY COMPETITIONS

Here is the latest list for AHA Club-only competitions. Dave Benson will be coordinating mailings of HOTV's top beer to these categories. Bring your entries to the club meeting indicated, and our top-notch judges will choose the best entry for sending in. We've done pretty well in the past, let's keep up the good work.

August '04Wheat beer Bring to July meeting
Sep/Oct '04Smoked beer No additional info yet
Nov/Dec '04IPA Bring to October meeting