

# 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, March 17 (and we all know what day that is), at 7:00 p.m., at the Oregon Trader in Albany. Gene Gregg is having an extra special Wednesday evening honoring St. Patrick's Day. We'll slip a meeting in between the festivities.

Meeting preview: Festival update and tales from the Seattle pub crawl. If you would like to enter an extract brew for any BJCP category in AHA's Club-Only Competition, please bring it to this March meeting. Our discriminating judges will choose the best to send on.

## **LAST MONTH'S MEETING**

Paul Jensen hosted an elite group in February. Thanks, Paul! Our president presented plans for the March Seattle pub crawl. Derek gave an update on Oregon Homebrew Festival activities that have taken place so far. Fest discussions included type and location of music and outdoor tenting. Scott Leonard reported that the club's insurance premium has increased from \$500 to \$750, and has been paid for this year. Membership present agreed that it is necessary to have it. A number of meads were brought to the meeting to be judged for determining which would be sent on to the AHA Club-Only competition. Our esteemed panel of judges selected Matt Arsenault's plain still mead. Paul Long from Strange Brew came to our meeting to advertise his club's Slurp 'n Burp festival to be held this year on April 3rd in Estacada at Fearless Brewery. Since this location is pretty far away, some HOTV members who will attend as judges may band together and stay overnight or have a designated driver that can take a group.

## **ALL ABOARD for SEATTLE**

## **IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN**

It's March and that means it's time once again for us to scour the roadsides of Hwy 20, picking up every little piece of trash we find. How about volunteering for this thankless duty? Liquid refreshment for those who help will be graciously provided by Dave Wills and the Oregon Trail Brewery. Come find out on how fun this actually is on Saturday, March 20 at 11am. Our meeting place is Hyak Park, located on the East side of Hwy 20 between Albany and Corvallis.

To volunteer or for more details, please contact Mare Goeger.

## **IF YOU HAVEN'T PAID YOUR DUES**

HOTV membership dues are now only \$15. If you haven't paid up for the new year, please see Scott Leonard, and bring your checkbook. Cash also gladly accepted.

## **EVENTS CALENDAR**

### **UPCOMING LOCAL & NOT-SO-LOCAL COMPETITIONS**

Slurp 'n Burp, April 3. BJCP sanctioned event. Corvallis Brewing Supply is a drop-off location, deadline March 24. Entry forms are available at Joel's and also online. If you've entered before, you should have got one in the mail.

Oregon Homebrew Festival (HOTV sponsored), May 15, BJCP sanctioned event. Brew, brew and brew so that you have some good stuff to enter to support our club.

Edmonton Homebrewers Guild 2004 Aurora Brewing Challenge, Edmonton, Alberta, June 3-5. This event is sanctioned by the BJCP and is an MCAB qualifier. The 5 most popular and difficult to judge styles will be split: European Pale Lagers, Bitter and English Pale Ales, American Pale Ales, Brown Ales and Stouts. Expanding these classes from five to ten provides more recognition and more awards to the top placings. This will have no effect on MCAB qualifiers. More information will be available soon from Competition Chair Glen Hannah at [www.ehg.ca](http://www.ehg.ca).

### **AHA CLUB-ONLY COMPETITIONS**

Here is the latest list for AHA Club-only

Anyone bitten at the last minute by the Seattle Pub Crawl bug can still join in. The group is staying at the La Quinta Inn & Suites between downtown and the Seattle Center (2224 8th Avenue, Seattle). If you plan to arrive on the evening of Friday, March 12, meet Scott Leonard, Sam Holmes and Mare and Doug Goeger in the La Quinta Inn lobby between 6:30pm - 7:00pm to get together for dinner. If you take the early Amtrak train (6:28am) from Albany on Saturday, as many others are doing, the pub crawl group will meet in the La Quinta lobby between 1:00pm - 1:30pm to hear plans from our leaders (Beto Zuniga, Dave Benson and Scott Caul).

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO EUGENE GREGG**

HOTV member and proprietor/brewer of Oregon Trader, Gene Gregg, took home 2nd place honors for the People's Choice Award with his Green Chili Beer at the KLCC Festival last month in Eugene. This category is open to commercial brewers. Good job Gene!

competitions. Dave Benson will be coordinating mailings of HOTV's top beer to these categories. There is plenty of lead time for everything listed (except the mead but maybe you've got one or two stashed in your basement). Bring your entries to the club meeting indicated, and our top-notch judges will choose the best entry for sending in.

May '04 Extract brew for any BJCP category Bring to April meeting  
August '04 Wheat beer Bring to July meeting  
September Smoked beer  
Nov/Dec '04 IPA



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### **SOME SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR HOMEBREWERS**

contributed by Scott Bruslind

#### **THE GLEN HAY FALCONER FOUNDATION BREWING SCHOLARSHIP**

##### About the Brewing Scholarship

The Glen Hay Falconer Foundation Brewing Scholarship is a full-tuition scholarship for the Siebel Institute November 2004 Concise Course in Brewing Technology. The Siebel Institute of Technology and World Brewing Academy offer the only truly international educational programs available in professional brewing.

The Concise Course in Brewing Technology is a two-week intensive program that covers every topic critical to successful brewery operations. The program is designed for brewers pursuing a wider knowledge of professional brewing standards and techniques in order to advance their brewing careers as well as individuals planning to enter the brewing industry.

The Scholarship is open to professional brewers as well as home brewers from the Pacific Northwest (including Alaska) and Northern California regions (San Francisco Bay/Monterey Bay areas and north).

The long-term vision of the Brewing Scholarship is to grant multiple scholarships annually, to offer grants to senior-level brewers for specialty brewing courses, and to expand the geographic scope to embrace qualified candidates from all regions of the United States.

The selection committee is comprised of brewers and professionals related to the brewing industry. The full application must be received no later than April 20, 2004.

##### About the Glen Hay Falconer Foundation

The Glen Hay Falconer Foundation was created to commemorate and celebrate the life, interests, and good works of a well-loved and leading Northwest brewer.

Currently, the Foundation raises the majority of its funds from the annual Sasquatch Brew Fest. The 2004 Sasquatch Brew Fest will be held June 5 in Eugene, Oregon. For more

information, please visit [www.sasquatchbrewfest.org](http://www.sasquatchbrewfest.org).

The Foundation also encourages individual contributions and donations from businesses and organizations in order to expand the number and scope of grants awarded each year. Glen's family is currently matching 50% of the first \$10,000 in individual cash contributions. The Foundation is finalizing its non-profit status, which will allow contributions to be tax deductible.

While supporting the craft brewing industry is the cornerstone of the grants, the Foundation will continue to make contributions to organizations that represent Glen's broad interests. For more information on the Foundation or how to become involved in realizing its goals, please contact us at <mailto:glenbrew@yahoo.com>.

#### About Glen Hay Falconer

Passion, dedication, and creativity defined Glen Falconer's beers and his entire approach to life.

Glen began his brewing career as an avid home brewer and dedicated member of the Cascade Brewers Society, a clan of skilled home brewers based in the Eugene/Springfield, Oregon area. As a professional brewer, Glen continued to support the craft of home brewing by providing access to brewing ingredients, procedures and unique beer recipes.

Glen assisted many professional brewers that relocated from Eugene, Oregon to areas throughout the United States as they began their professional brewing careers by making himself available as a human database of brewing techniques.

In 1990, Glen followed his dream and pursued a professional brewing career, beginning at Steelhead Brewery in Eugene. Glen completed the Siebel Concise Course in Brewing Technology in 1994. Glen then refined his skills at the renowned Rogue Ales in Newport, Oregon, working side-by-side with his close friend and mentor John Maier, one of the most celebrated and respected professional brewers in the country.

In 1996, Glen became head brewer at the Wild Duck Brewery in Eugene, providing six regular beers on tap as well as a wide variety of specialty ales and lagers each season. Glen continued as head brewer at the Wild Duck until his untimely death in 2002.

The memorial service held at the Wild Duck to honor Glen attracted hundreds of brewers and friends from all over the country, amazing even his close friends and family at the amount of people his life touched and affected, all of whom were willing to travel vast distances at short notice to pay tribute to such a singular individual.

Enlarging on the tradition of brewing, laughing heartily and embracing adventure fully represented Glen's life. While Glen won numerous professional craft brewing prizes and accolades, perhaps his finest accomplishment was the back-to-back Gold Medals received posthumously for his Auld Gnarly Head Barley Wine at the 2002 and 2003 AOB Great American Beer Festival.

Glen was also a great soccer fan, coaching young people in the sport for many years. Glen could also be found each year at the annual Oregon Country Faire in Veneta, Oregon with a gleam in his eye, surrounded by old friends, family and new acquaintances during a festival created to celebrate the idiosyncratic nature of life.

Additional information and applications for the Glen Hay Falconer Foundation Brewing Scholarship are available on the Siebel Institute website at [www.siebelinstitute.com](http://www.siebelinstitute.com).

#### **FIFTH ANNUAL LALLEMAND SCHOLARSHIP**

Lallemand, the makers of Danstar dry yeast and Servomyces yeast nutrient, is once again proud to sponsor the Fifth Annual Lallemand Scholarship. This scholarship is for one lucky American Homebrewers Association member to attend the 2004 World Brewing Academy Concise Course in Brewing Technology (Nov. 1 - 12, 2004) in Chicago, Illinois. The famous two-week WBA Concise Course in Brewing Technology will provide students with a comprehensive knowledge of the brewing process, the dynamics of brewery operations, and socioeconomic issues affecting the industry. This two-week course (valued at \$ 2,900) is provided at the Siebel Institute of Technology campus in Chicago, America's oldest and

most recognized brewing school. The winner also receives \$1,000 towards any expenses while in Chicago, one of America's most exciting and vibrant cities.

### **REQUIREMENTS**

AHA members may enter the contest by filling out the online form linked to this page. You will need to know your AHA membership number, which appears on your AHA membership card. If you do not know your membership number or would like to join, e-mail <mailto:info@aob.org>, call 888-822-6273, or visit our membership page, <http://www.beertown.org/homebrewing/membership.html>.

### **HOW TO ENTER**

Online entry forms must be submitted by June 4, 2004. Entries will also be accepted from attendees at the AHA National Homebrewers Conference in Las Vegas, NV, June 17-19, 2004. Only one entry per AHA Member will be accepted, however, an additional entry may be obtained by submitting a ballot for the AHA Board of Advisors election or see the ballot in the March/ April Zymurgy for details. All ballots must be submitted by April 1, 2004.

### **WINNER ANNOUNCED**

The drawing for the Lallemand Scholarship will take place at the AHA National Homebrewers Conference in Las Vegas, NV during the Grand Banquet on June 19, 2004. The winner must have a current AHA membership at the time of the drawing to be eligible.

### **SCHOLARSHIP RULES**

Members of the AHA Board of Advisors, Association of Brewers Board of Directors, staff of the Association of Brewers, Siebel, Lallemand, and anyone who has previously been awarded any scholarship to the Siebel Institute are ineligible. Awarded courses must be completed within one year. Winners must provide a written report on their Siebel experiences to the AHA/AOB/Lallemand/ Siebel. Rights to publication of report and photographs of the winner are granted to the AHA/AOB, Siebel and Lallemand.

For more information, go to <http://www.beertown.org/homebrewing/scholarship.html>  
[http://www.siebelinstitute.com/registration/scholar\\_lallemand.html](http://www.siebelinstitute.com/registration/scholar_lallemand.html)  
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