



Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers

Established in 1990, 25 Years and Going Strong

December 2016 Newsletter

President's Krausening

By Andrew Mitchell



Happy Thanksgiving and for that matter, Merry Christmas to all SNOBs. I'll see you at the SNOB Christmas Party when I get back!

Cheers, Andrew

SNOBs Night Out

Your Choice

[We're on Christmas Break](#)

Excerpt from past Newsletter

Sorry, no time

The SNOB Christmas Party is right around the corner and your chance to sign up to attend is about to expire. November 25th is the cutoff date after which we will turn over the number of attendees to Grumpy so he can get busy. We are sorry, but if you do not sign up, you can no go as the club pays per plate. If you have not already signed up, go to <https://goo.gl/ZV13zN> and do it BY the 25th.

There will be a bottle gift exchange this year but I've got no details so I am going to assume it will work the same. Only commercial beers, no homebrew, wrapped. If you bring 2 big bottles,



you will be given 2 tickets that you can exchange for 2 big bottles, if you bring 1 small bottle, you will be given 1 ticket you can exchange for 1 small bottle.

The party will be held in the 2nd floor ballroom of the Sachs and catered by Grumpy. BRING your appetite! You can also bring beer to share whether in bottles or kegs. There should be enough jockey box capacity for 25-30 kegs, corney or sanke.

We nominated, we voted and the new officers for 2017 are, well, the same as 2016. Thanks to all whom took on those jobs for one more year!



- **President**
 - Andrew Mitchell
- **Vice-President**
 - Jim Jadwisiak
- **Treasurer**
 - Mark "Ace" Knapp
- **Librarian**
 - Peter Campen
- **Secretary**
 - Mark Rames
- **Web Master**
 - Dan Kromke

So what are the officers responsibilities? Great question. I've left the SNOB By-Laws at the end of the newsletter for your reading pleasure.

The Buckeye Beer Engine has started a Beer Trivia Night, every Tuesday at 9 PM. Check out the details at <http://buckeyebeerengine.com/>, test your knowledge, win prizes and of course, eat and drink!

The Grafton-Midview Public Library is looking for some SNOB expertise. Pam does the adult programs at the Grafton-Midview Public Library. I am interested in having someone come out and talk about how to get started brewing, possibly making it a series, as in, what's next?

I am trying to up the number of men coming into the library, and feel this is one subject that men wouldn't have to be dragged to by their wives! (Don't tell them I said that).

Would you know anyone willing to do something like this from your group? If so, what would be the cost for something like this? I wouldn't be able to schedule until spring, as our Jan-March calendar is already going to the printer, but possibly April or May? (We told here we don't normally receive compensation but she said that there still could be, especially if it were a series)

If you feel that this may be of interest to you, contact Pam Myers, Adult Programs, Grafton-Midview Public Library, 983 Main St. Grafton, OH 44044, [440-926-3317](tel:440-926-3317) ext.36.

Brew Boot Camp, there will be another in Santa Rosa February 24th-25th.and will include 16 in-depth, full-day sessions over 2 days. Learn hands-on from experts including Ashton Lewis, Steve Parks, Dr. Chris Whire, Gordon Strong, Sean Lawson, Brad Smith, Michael Tonsmeire, Aaron Hyde and more. Costs range from \$250-\$450 depending on your choices. They have sent me detailed brochures for signing up or you can visit www.byobootcamp.com.

The SNOB Bulk Cider buy was completed last weekend and we collectively purchased 330 gallons of cider. The cider was pressed two hours before we picked it up, measured in at

1.056 OG and was at 6% acid, VERY tasty. If one does the math, there should be around 66 different ciders and cysers floating around over the next year. It should be real interesting to see what folks have done with different yeasts, sugars and fruits. Everything worked out just dandy and the cider was distributed over a 3-day period. Next time, if available,



we may need a 1-ton pickup as mine got a bad case of the squats with that 275-gallon, 2200 pound tote of cider. Thanks to Andy Tveekrem for letting us use the tote.

And a big thank you to all who busted a hump, 8 months in advance to cut, carry and stack enough fire wood behind my yard for the next TWO campouts. The weather was cold, snowy and all around miserable but we made great headway while dishing out cider at the same time.

SNOB Web Page Changes. We are currently looking for help modernizing the beersnobs.org website. If you are a web engineer with Joomla experience, please consider volunteering some time to help rebuild the website. Please contact Mike Ontolchik (montolchik@gmail.com) if interested.

SNOB 2016 Calendar of Events [Click here for the SNOBs Gmail Calendar](#)

Dec 2016

2: SNOB Christmas Party

Jan 2017

9: SNOB Meeting

Feb 2017

6: SNOB Meeting

24-25: Brew Boot Camp, Santa Rosa

Welcome New SNOBs

Please welcome the following new members to the SNOBs and invite them over for a beer or brew session.

January 2016

Bill Schmidt
Anthony Fazio
Chris & Sandy Bender
Jan & Janine Jurgensen

April 2016

Rodger Brane
Ryan Zubal & Jennifer Ray

July 2016

Andy Morales

October 2016

Spencer Weeks
Chris Mrugacz
Martin Mrugacz
Martin Mrugacz Jr
Mike Silla
Keith Skok
Michelle & Franz Atschreiter

February 2016

Kate Eckroate
Mark & Rachel Haborak
Todd Tolford

May 2016

Larry Szczepanski
Steve Winkelman
Michelle Kish
Mary Wunderle
Neal Repko

August 2016

Paul Hartsel
Charles O'Malley
Jeff Marks

November 2016

Daniel Hacker
John Shubsda
Nicholas Malinski
Joseph Hernandez

March 2016

Dan & Debbie Lackey
Ryan Thomas & Ross Stafirski
Michael Weiner

June 2016

Eugene Ivancic
David Lash

September 2016

Corwin Graves
Kyle Kovach
John and Emily Lowery
William Overko & Maria
Gentile

December 2016



2016 Officers and Chairpersons

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Librarian: Peter Campden
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Vice President: Jim Jadwisiak
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Treasurer: Mark 'Ace' Knapp
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Web Admin: Dan Kromke
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Beer No Sweat Planning: John Majetic
kingsnob@gmail.com

NHC Lead Planning: Mike Ontolchik
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2017 Membership Dues

Single member dues are \$25. Couples are \$40. PAY UP YOU CHEAPSKATES! The Membership form can be found at the end of the newsletter. Dues can be paid to Ace at the next meeting, mailed to him at the address on the form or by using our PayPal link at beersnobs.org.

SNOB Supporters

Membership also comes with discounts (**bring your membership card with you**) at local craft beer places and homebrew shops:

- ✓ [Griffin Cider House](#): "Industry Night" Monday nights. Discounts on ciders, beers and bar drinks for SNOBs and those in the beverage industry.
- ✓ [Buckeye Beer Engine](#): \$1 off drafts (no discount for drinks under \$3) **EVERYDAY**
- ✓ [The Tapstack](#): \$1 off drafts (no discount for drinks under \$3) **EVERYDAY**
- ✓ [Platform Beer Co](#): \$1 off Platform drafts on **Tuesdays**
- ✓ [Butcher and the Brewer](#): \$1 off drafts on **Wednesdays**
- ✓ [Cantine Bar and Bottle Shop](#): \$1 off drafts on **Thursdays**
- ✓ [Warehouse Beverage](#): 10% off homebrew supplies
- ✓ [Scoundrel's Bar & Grill](#): 10% off food and drink bill
- ✓ [Dive Bar](#): 20% off food and drink bill
- ✓ [Cleveland Brew Bus](#): \$55 total per tour for SNOBs
- ✓ [JW Dover](#): 5% off
- ✓ [The Brew Mentor](#): 10% off
- ✓ [Cleveland Brew Shop](#): 10% off homebrew supplies
- ✓ [Grape & Granary](#): 10% off
- ✓ [Leeners](#): 10% off
- ✓ [ABC Fire Inc](http://abcfireinc.net/) (<http://abcfireinc.net/>) 20% off all CO₂ tank refills plus other CO₂ services. [Click here for price sheet](#)
- ✓ [Landmark Lawn and Garden Shop](#): 35% off any size propane fill with your SNOB card



SNOB Meeting Location

[Sachsenheim Hall, 7001 Denison Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44102](#) (216) 651-0888

Located on the south side of Denison Avenue one block east of Ridge Road. There is always great food and beer available before the meeting.

Web Links of Interest

SNOB Web Page
SNOB Facebook

<http://www.beersnobs.org/>
<http://groups.to/snob/>

Brewing Resources

American Homebrewers Association
National Homebrewers Conference
The Brewing Network
Brewing TV
Basic Brewing
Brew Your Own (Magazine)
Pro Brewer (Brewing tools and calculators)

<http://www.homebrewersassociation.org/>
<http://www.ahaconference.org/>
<http://www.thebrewingnetwork.com/>
<http://www.brewingtv.com/>
<http://www.basicbrewing.com/>
<http://byo.com/>
<http://www.probrewer.com/resources/tools/>

Brewing Supplies and Equipment

Cleveland Brew Shop
Grape and Granary
J.W. Dover
Leener's
The Brew Mentor

<http://clevelandbrewshop.com/>
<http://www.grapeandgranary.com/>
<http://www.jwdover.com/catalog/>
<http://www.leeners.com/>
<http://www.thebrewmentor.com/>

Gases, co2, Oxygen, Propane

ABC Fire Inc
Landmark Lawn and Garden Shop

<http://abcfireinc.net>
<http://www.landmarkmulch.com/>



Membership Form
Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers (SNOB)

Single member dues are \$25. Couples are \$40.

Dues can be paid in cash, check to "SNOB", PayPal to Danish.ace (at) sbcglobal.net, and credit cards (only in person, fee applies)

Name(s) _____

Street _____

City _____

State _____

Zip Code _____

Phone (_____) _____

Email _____

Email _____

Today's date _____



SNOB BYLAWS

ARTICLE I: NAME AND PURPOSE

Section 1. The name of the club shall be the Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers (S.N.O.B.s).

Section 2. The purpose of SNOBs is:

- a)* To promote the awareness and appreciation of the quality, style, and varieties of good beer, both commercially brewed and home brewed.
- b)* To educate its members in the art and science of brewing through lectures, tastings, judging's, and the collection and dissemination of technical information.
- c)* To serve as a means of helping home brewers improve the quality of their brews.
- d)* To encourage the responsible use of beer as an alcohol-containing beverage.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership is open to any individual of legal drinking age who is interested in beer and brewing.

Section 2. There shall be two classes of membership: individual and household. Household memberships are available to those members who reside at the same address.

Section 3. Dues are set at \$25 per year for individual members and \$40 for household memberships.

Section 4. Each member in good standing, regardless of type of membership, is entitled to one vote. All members are entitled to attend any functions and utilize club educational materials.

Section 5. Because the tasting of beer is integral to the club's educational purpose, it is important that members are aware that they are solely responsible for their own consumption of beer. SNOBs encourages the responsible consumption of beer and ride-sharing using a non-drinking designated driver.

ARTICLE III: OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers of the Society shall consist of: President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary/Newsletter Editor. General duties of officers are as follows:



- a) The President shall preside over meetings, act as ex-officio member of all outstanding committees, organize committees and appoint their chairs, and provide overall direction and leadership.
- b) The Vice-President shall preside over meetings in the absence of the President, shall act as interclub liaison and as the contact with the American Homebrewers Association.
- c) The Treasurer shall collect and disburse club funds, keep financial records (including maintaining a club checking account), maintain membership records, and act as contact for new members.
- d) The Secretary/Newsletter Editor shall record the minutes of the meetings, and edit, publish, and distribute the newsletter.

Section 2. Terms of all officers shall be from January 1 through December 31. Nomination for officers shall take place at the November meeting, with brief statements from each nominee for a contested office being published in the November newsletter. Elections for officers will take place at the December meeting with terms commencing the following January 1.

Section 3. Vacancies for any office will be filled by a member chosen by a majority vote of Board of Advisors, to fulfill the remainder of the term. The exception to this is the office of President which, if vacated, shall be filled by the Vice-President, subject to approval by the membership.

ARTICLE IV: MEETINGS

Section 1. Meetings of the Society shall be held on the first Monday of each month at a time and place published in the newsletter. Meetings of the Officers will be held one (1) hour prior to the start the general meeting. All Officer meetings are open to any members who wish to participate in them. If the first Monday of the month is a holiday, the meeting will take place the following Monday. The President may also call special meetings should the need arise.

Section 2. A quorum for voting on SNOBs business shall consist of not less than 2 elected officers and at least 50% of the members in good standing. A motion will carry if a simple majority approves, and if a quorum is present.

Section 3. Meetings will be run in a manner consistent with common sense and courtesy. If in the President's opinion, this manner is ineffective, Robert's Rules of Order will prevail.

ARTICLE V: BOARD OF ADVISORS



Section 1. SNOBs will have a Board of Advisors that will help with the guidance of the club and shall meet at least quarterly.

Section 2. The Board of Advisors will consist of the Officers and not more than seven (7) other members appointed by the officers and approved by the membership.

ARTICLE VI: COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Officers may appoint standing or special committees to carry out specific tasks on behalf of the Society.

ARTICLE VII: FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Section 1. The Society must maintain a positive net worth.

Section 2. Expenses

- a)* Only officers and designated members are authorized to incur expenses on behalf of the Society.
- b)* No officer or member may authorize any expenditures which exceed the net worth of the Society.
- c)* At least two officers shall sign all checks. Expenditures for amounts greater than \$200 must be approved by a majority of the officers. Expenditures greater than \$500 must be approved by a majority vote at a General Meeting.

Section 3. The officers of the Society shall submit a budget to the Board of Advisors in December for the following calendar year.

Section 4. Financial statements shall be submitted to the Board of Advisors at least quarterly and shall be published in the newsletter at least annually.

ARTICLE VIII: AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

Section 1. The Officers shall review the SNOBS BYLAWS annually and present any revisions to the membership for approval.

Section 2. Any member may offer revisions or amendments to the Constitution.

Section 3. Proposed amendments may not be voted upon until announced at a general meeting and in the newsletter. Members will be informed of the meeting time and date when action will be taken on the proposed amendment.

Section 4. Any revision or amendment to the BY-LAWS requires that a quorum be



present. A two-thirds majority is required for passage of amendments.

ARTICLE IX: SOCIETY DISSOLUTION

Section 1. Property or equipment acquired by, or donated to SNOBs shall become SNOBs property.

Section 2. In the event that SNOBs disbands, any property or funds shall be offered back to the members in a manner to be decided upon by the Board of Advisors.

