

# Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers

## Club Newsletter for November 2015

### President's Krausening

By Jim Gress



Figure 1-President Jim crowning a medal winning brewer at Son of Brewzilla photo by Eileen Spevak

Where does the time go? Our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary year has been a whirlwind of activity, and we still have more to come. It's been my honor and pleasure to serve as the club's president, and it's been surprisingly easy because of the support our club leadership gets from our members. I've held leadership positions in several volunteer and professional organizations, and I can say that SNOB members have hands down been the best in terms of stepping up and helping out. Just think of how many things club members organized this past year – here are just some of them...

- SNOB Nights Out
- Beer and No Sweat Bus Trip
- Big Brew
- Anniversary Collaboration Brewing Project
- SNOBtoberfest
- Winter Warmer Volunteers
- Berea Oktoberfest Craft Beer Competition Judging
- 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event at GLBC
- 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemorative Stonewear and Snobwear
- Cleveland Beer Week Volunteers
- BJCP Beer Styles/Judging Study Group
- Son of Brewzilla
- SNOB Holiday Party
- Raffles
- Presentations

I know our members will continue to step up and help our newly elected officers make 2016 a great year for the club. There will be change. Some things will be better. Some will just be different. Either way, we can all be proud to call ourselves a SNOB!

#### Please Welcome Our Newly Elected Officers for 2016

President – Andrew Mitchell

Vice President – Jim Jadwiziak

Secretary – Mark Rames

Treasurer – Mark “Ace” Knapp

Librarian – Peter Campen

Webmaster – Dan Kromke



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### SNOB Holiday Party

Please remember to RSVP for the SNOB Holiday Party “A Very Merry SNOB Gathering” being held on Friday December 4, 2015. The party will be at the Sachsenheim in the upstairs hall from 6:00 to 9:00 PM.

Watch your email! Our Vice President, Nathan Kovach has emailed in Eventbrite invitation to members to help manage attendance with a ticket system. Follow the [link](#) to reserve your seats. The party is included in your paid membership. If you are not paid up on your membership, the cost is \$30. If you’d like to bring a guest, the cost is \$20. Paid members should watch for a second email with a promotional code for your “free” tickets.

If you don’t have email or have trouble with Eventbrite, Nathan has also set up the event on Facebook. You can message him through Facebook to make an RSVP.

John Close will be coordinating a beer exchange during the party. It’s a bottle-for-bottle, size-for-size exchange. Here are the simple rules:

- Bring giftwrapped bottles of commercial beer (no homebrew, please)
- Exchange the same number of bottles in the same sizes as the bottles you’ve brought
  - If you bring two 12-ounce bottles, take two 12-ounce bottles
  - If you bring one bomber, take one bomber
  - John Close is the “referee”
- Enjoy!

### Son of Brewzilla Results

Congratulations to SNOBs for keeping the Cuyahoga Cup in Cleveland, 37 medals, and Jim and Cara’s all around best-of-show Belgian IPA!

Son of Brewzilla results and scoresheets will be available on the contest website shortly after the contest.



Figure 2-Cara & Jim, champs. Photo by

### Beer and No Sweat 2016

John Majetic is planning the 2016 Beer and No Sweat bus trip – this time SNOBs will shuffle off to Buffalo on March 12 & 13, 2016. A sign-up sheet was circulated at the November meeting and we already have about 20 people signed-up. Check with John to sign up at upcoming meetings. You can also send him an email at [kingsnob@beersnobs.org](mailto:kingsnob@beersnobs.org), or message him on Facebook. John estimates the cost will be around \$150-160 per person including double-occupancy hotel accommodations.

## SNOBs “night” out

Sunday, November 15, Fat Head’s production facility- 18741 Sheldon Rd, Middleburg Heights, 44130,

SNOBs head out to [Fat Head's Brewery](#) for some VIP treatment at their special tapping of New Belgium beers, including the collaboration between Fat Head's and New Belgium, Smoldering Sour. VIP starts at 3, but the taproom will be open at noon, and the Browns will be playing @ the Steelers at 1 so get there early if you feel like watching the game.

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### **Welcome New SNOBs**

*Please welcome the following new members to the SNOBs*

Ray & Jan Neumann

#### **November 2014**

Chris Smith  
Lawrence Stepp  
Scott Hemrock

#### **January 2015**

Bill Boor  
Noah Erin  
Keith Kniola  
Steve Rapko

#### **February 2015**

Tom Beach  
Tom Carey & Kate Dortenzo  
Craig and Jessica Ihms  
Mike Mocarski & Heather Hiros  
Clive & Kim Morgan  
Eric Rupnow  
Christopher Gordon

#### **March 2015**

Piero & Marlene Capichioni  
Jerry Francis  
Tony Rice  
Jim & Audrey Kasper

#### **April 2015**

Jim & Audrey Kasper  
Mark Mackey  
Matthew Pawlikowski  
Kevin Hall

#### **May 2015**

Michelle Gordon & Kevin O'Toole  
Jeff Rogers

#### **June 2015**

Steve Kirk

#### **July 2015**

Mike & Jenny Smercina  
Justin & Amanda Hyland  
Ryan Primiano

#### **August 2015**

George Janca  
Scott Orloff  
Chris Anselmo

#### **September 2015**

Neil Ningard & Cheryl Sikorski  
Kevin Kantor

#### **October 2015**

Mike Monahan  
Sandra and William Martin  
Jay O'Neill (returning 1<sup>st</sup> president!)  
Jeffrey Sanfilippo

#### **November 2015**

Rachel Reitz



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### Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers **2015 Officers**

**President:** Jim Gress

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**Secretary:** Nathan Rutz

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**Treasurer:** Mark 'Ace' Knapp

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**Web Admin:** Dan Kromke

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### **2015 Membership Dues**

Membership costs \$30 for a single membership, \$45 for a dual membership. **SO PAY UP YOU CHEAPSKATES**

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

- ✓ [Buckeye Beer Engine](#) \$1 off drafts on Mondays
- ✓ [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
- ✓ [JW Dover](#): 5% off
- ✓ [The Brew Mentor](#): 10% off



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- ✓ [Grape & Granary](#): 10% off
- ✓ [Leeners](#): 10% off
- ✓ [Warehouse Beverage](#): 10% off homebrew supplies
- ✓ [Cleveland Brew Shop](#): 10% off homebrew supplies
- ✓ [Tripps Bar and Grill \(https://www.facebook.com/trippsinbroadview\)](https://www.facebook.com/trippsinbroadview) 10% off food and drink bill
- ✓ [Scoundrel's Bar & Grill](#): 10% off food and drink bill
- ✓ [Dive Bar](#): 20% off food and drink bill
- ✓ [ABC Fire Inc \(http://abcfireinc.net/\)](http://abcfireinc.net/) 20% off all CO<sub>2</sub> tank refills plus other CO<sub>2</sub> services. [Click here for price sheet](#)
- ✓ [Landmark Lawn and Garden Shop](#) – 35% off any size propane fill with your SNOB card
- ✓ [Cleveland Brew Bus](#) - \$55 total per tour for SNOBs

*The Membership form can be found at the end of the newsletter. Dues can be paid to Mark at the next meeting, mailed to him at the address on the form or by using our PayPal link at [beersnobs.org](https://www.beersnobs.org).*

### **S.N.O.B.'s 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



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### Web Links of Interest

#### **SNOB**

website: <http://www.beersnobs.org/>

Facebook: <http://groups.to/snob/>

American Homebrewers Association

<http://www.homebrewersassociation.org/>

National Homebrewers Conference

<http://www.ahaconference.org/>

Pro Brewer (Brewing tools and calculators)

<http://www.probrewer.com/resources/tools/>

Grape and Granary

<http://www.grapeandgranary.com/>

The Brew Mentor

<http://www.thebrewmentor.com/>

J.W. Dover

<http://www.jwdover.com/catalog/>

Leener's

<http://www.leeners.com/>

Cleveland Brew Shop

<http://clevelandbrewshop.com/>

Brew Your Own (Magazine)

<http://byo.com/>

Basic Brewing

<http://www.basicbrewing.com/>

The Brewing Network

<http://www.thebrewingnetwork.com/>

Brewing TV

<http://www.brewingtv.com/>



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### Membership Form Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers (SNOB)

In celebration of our 25 years this year, **Single member dues are \$25. Couples are \$40.** This rate applies to new members for all of 2015 (**no pro-rated dues in 2015**), and to **all renewals made by May 4<sup>th</sup>**! Starting May 5th (day after May meeting), the dues revert back to \$30/\$45 for current members.

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

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Street \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Today's date \_\_\_\_\_

