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EDICTS FROM THE CZAR

BY ED CONDON (CZAR@THEKGB.ORG)

One more month down and three to go for this old Lame Duck Czar, time is flying. This past month was another to remember for the KGB. We had another fantastic Salsa Competition and Mexican Fiesta Meeting at the home of Comrade Chris Landis. He did a bang up job hosting the meeting and I hope we get invited back next year. There was a wide variety of salsas in the competition, very tasty, extremely hot, somewhat interesting and all real good (at least I thought so, I like hot). Congratulations to all the winners of the Salsa Competition. Besides chips and salsa everyone that attended was treated to an exceptional selection of Mexican cuisine. GS Peter prepared some very tasty chicken and beef fajitas for

everyone. Comrade Bill King also fixed up some great tortilla soup, amazing how those Cajuns can whip up something so good from a few leftovers (Bill shared his secret). There were bean dips cheese trays and more, lots of food to make all the beer taste even better. Thanks all for the food. RC Tim got very generous at the meeting, no charge for the Mexican Fiesta. Hail to the RC. Needless to say the RC put on another spectacular RRRRRRRRaaaaaafle,



Got Goat???

followed up by giving away blow up beer bottle toys to all comrades to use in the pool. The intent was to use them for a synchronized swimming demo later in the evening. I don't know if it ever happened, I almost hope it didn't.

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Pizza Party



Saturday,
September 16th
@ 7:00 PM

HBCB Jonathan
21706 Leonard
See map at
www.thekgb.org

RUBLE COLLECTOR'S REPORT

BY TIM WHITE (RUBLECOLLECTOR@THEKGB.ORG)

Comrade Chris Landis hosted the August meeting where salsa bragging rights are awarded again this year. Several comrades enjoyed cooling off in the pool while others kicked back and enjoyed great beer, delicious food (thanks General Secretary Peter) and mostly beer-centric conversation. Comrade Lori Guetterman shared her favorite wines with whoever would listen. Thanks Lori... could we have some cheese with that incessant wine next month?

Your Ruble Collector

dominated the Experimental Category of the salsa competition this year... yes, there was competition and no, I didn't vote early and often. However, I did take notice that there were some entries in the Texas category that would sear the hair off your butt and decided to forgo that sizzling treat. Several people asked for my recipe and here it is:

RC Tim's Avocado Shrimp Salsa recipe - combines shrimp with avocados and some tomatoes and peppers

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Step aside Dilana we have the true winner of Rock Star Supernova!!! Just Kidding—Good Luck Dilana!!!

EDICTS FROM THE CZAR



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The Fourth Annual Belgian Blow Out is now a thing of the past. The BBO IV was held at the home of Comrades Stewart and Sandi West. This year no records were set for the number of Belgian Beers consumed. We did have a selection of beers that are not readily available in the Houston area. Matter of fact several came directly from Belgium thanks to CB Robb. On the beer menu was Het Kapittel, Cuvee Van Dekeizer,

Brasserie Giumeise, Vapeur Venille and much much more. I personally have never heard of several much less pronounce or spell them correctly. We ended up sampling 50+ different Belgian Beers that evening. Along with the beers we had food paired with the different groups of beer. Our evening started with a meat and cheese tray, followed by soup, salad, and a main course of Bavarian Roast with Potato Dumpling and Cabbage. Then there was a dessert of chocolate covered strawberry's, chocolate brownies and an ice cream and Belgian Beer Float. Sound good? ... It was. Make your reservations for the BBO V next year, details to follow by the next KGB administration. I just want to give a big thanks to Comrades

Stewart and Sandi for hosting this function. A very special big thanks to MOT Jamie and Comrade Sandi for coming up with the menu for the Blow Out and preparing all the food. Although the MOT wouldn't admit it, I know it was a lot of work, you did the KGB proud.

The next big function is the Pizza Meeting on September 16 at 7:00pm. The meeting will be at HBCB Jonathan's house at 21706 Leonard St. in New Caney, TX 77357. I know it is a long trek out there so making car pool arrangements may be wise. It is very important to be at this meeting, nominations for KGB officers for next year will be held. If you are not there to decline nomination you just may find yourself on the ballot and be a KGB officer next year (which is a good thing). So come to the meeting and you can see for yourself where all those fine HBCB Jonathan lagers are made. See you there.

One more thing, the Dixie cup will be here before you know it. Check out <http://www.crunchyfrog.net/dixiecup/docs/announce.pdf> for all the details. Looks like the Foam Rangers have another good one planned for this year.



Membership Benefits

- **NEW - Tomball Welding** - Show your KGB ID and exchanging your CO2 tanks for a price of \$7.00 for a 5 lb. bottle. (tax included) Located on Hwy 249 across from Hughes Propane.
- **Hughes Propane** - Show your KGB ID and pay per gallon price not per tank. At this time 20 pound tank costs \$11 per gallon that is about \$9.00 at the per gallon rate. (Hughes Propane in Decker Prairie only)
- **Joe Blows** - Show your KGB ID and get case prices for import and micro brewed beer.
- **BJ's at Willowbrook** - Show your KGB ID and get Happy Hour Prices on all of BJ's Brewhouse beers any time of the day or night.
- **The Brew Stop** - Brew 10 gallons of beer leave 5 at the Brew Stop take 5 gallons home. You bring the propane Ken will supply the equipment and ingredients (except for your carboy).

NOTE: To receive a membership card, see RC Tim at any meeting.



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RUBLE COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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and enjoy... don't forget some of your own mojo, too.

You will be receiving many e-mails regarding the Dixie Cup over the next six weeks and some of you who don't attend meetings on a regular basis may be wondering what's a Dixie Cup? Simply stated, it's Houston's largest homebrewed beer competition. It's been held in October each year for the past 22 years and is hosted by our friends who are in the Foam Ranger brew club. This year's theme for The Dixie Cup is Fred-Opoly. But, it is so much more than just a competition...

10 Myths of the Dixie Cup

- 10. A Fred Tasting is about sampling beer that goes with food, nobody has actually seen Fred being eaten;
- 9. Only "performance-enhancing" beers are available for consumption;
- 8. Flatulence is strictly prohibited, especially the juicy, rotten egg Belgian beer dominated ones that make ones eyes water;
- 7. Best of Show is always won by the KGB;
- 6. You really can drink all day starting with barley wine at 8

AM, a pub crawl all afternoon, social drinking throughout the day, and not be over the legal driving limit;

5. You get a T-shirt that may say "I got laid at The Dixie Cup" and no one will take offense because it's beer related;

4. Fred-opoly includes a "Get Out of Jail Card" good in all 50 states;

3. Women think that the smell of vomit on a Comrade's breath is really hot;

2. Judging beers at The Dixie Cup has nothing to do with the insightful comments you provide, it's all about the number on the bottom right;

And the number one myth of The Dixie Cup...

1. What happens at The Dixie Cup, stays at The Dixie Cup!!

Another membership note regarding membership cards... see me at any KGB function or stop by and see Ken at The Brew Stop. We both have



Oh RC, what a big ... beer you have!!!

membership cards that can be issued to you allowing you to take advantage of the privileges of KGB membership.

Anyone interested in being Ruble Collector next year?? Don't be shy... lemmeno.

A closing reminder... as a

Comrade in good standing of the KGB, you are entitled to brew a "free" batch of beer at the Brew Stop on a monthly basis (talk with Ken for details www.brewstop.com and remember to bring propane). You also get cash discounts at BJ's Brewhouse, Flying Saucer and several other places. We have a great supply of shirts, pint and 3 ounce Obreal sampling glasses and KGB logo hats. Wear KGB logo gear proudly!

Hail the Czar!! Ruble Collector Tim





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National University of Lesotho scientists released the results of a recent analysis that revealed the



presence of female hormones in beer. And suggested that men should take a concerned look at their beer consumption.

The theory is that beer contains female hormones (hops contain phytoestrogens) and that by drinking enough beer, men turn into women.

To test the theory, 100 men drank 8 pints of beer each, within a 1hour period. It was then observed that 100% of the test subjects:

- 1) Argued over nothing.
- 2) Refused to apologize when obviously wrong.
- 3) Gained weight.
- 4) Talked excessively without making sense.
- 5) Became overly emotional.
- 6) Couldn't drive.
- 7) Failed to think rationally
- 8) Had to sit down while urinating.



No further testing was considered necessary.



BBB FOOD RECPIES

Belgian Beer Soup

Source- Beer Captured pg. 172

- 2 Tbs. Butter
- 1/4 c Chopped onion
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 Tbs. Parsley, chopped
- 1/4 tsp. Thyme
- Salt and fresh ground pepper
- 3 Tbs. Flour
- 3/4 c Milk
- 1 c Belgian Golden
- 1 32 oz. can small white beans, rinsed
- 1 16 oz. can whole kernel corn with liquid
- 1 15 oz. can crushed tomatoes
- 1 c Gruyere cheese, grated

Directions:

Sauté the celery, onion, garlic, parsley and thyme in the butter until soft. Stir in flour and cook for 5 min. Add the milk and beer. Stir constantly until thick. Add the beans, corn, and tomatoes. Simmer the soup for at least one hour, do not boil. Add the cheese before serving.

German Cabbage

Source- BeerAdvocate.com

- (12 oz) of Duval
- 1 medium head of white cabbage, sliced into strips
- 1/4 cup of apple cider vinegar
- 2 medium onions, cubed
- 2 cloves of garlic, minced
- 1 small apple, cored & chopped
- Freshly ground pepper, to taste
- 1 teaspoon of caraway seeds
- Olive oil

Directions:

Sautee the onions in olive oil. Add apple and garlic, sautee for 2-3 more minutes. Add cabbage and stir, then add beer and vinegar. Stir in caraway seeds and add peper to taste. Cover and simmer 60 to 90 min.

Bavarian Roast Pork

Source- BeerAdvocate.com

- Dark bier (perhaps your favorite Dunkel or Alt)
- 2 lb boneless pork shoulder or ham (one w/ lots of fat on one side)
- Salt & pepper, to taste
- 3 cloves garlic, sliced
- 2 onions, cut coarsely
- 2 tbs caraway seeds
- Water

Directions:

Wash meat and pat dry. Salt and pepper well. Cut a diamond pattern into the fat and place it fat side down in a baking dish. Surround with onions and garlic and add water up at least 3/4 inch. Sprinkle caraway seeds all over.

Bake for 30 minutes at 480 degrees (yes, this is hot and not a typo). Then turn meat over and go another 1 and 1/2 hours. The last 30 minutes, start pouring COLD dark bier over it every 10 min or so. This will produce an amazing dark skin.

Let rest and slice thick

POTATO KNÖEDEL

Source- www.kitchenproject.com

- 2.2 lb. raw potatoes
- 9 oz. cooked potatoes (boiled)
- 1 cup boiling milk
- 1 egg
- 2 tbsp. breadcrumbs
- Browned croutons
- Salt, pepper and nutmeg
- Butter

Directions:

Peel the raw potatoes and grate them; place in a bowl and pour the boiling milk over them; drain; place in a bowl; grate the cooked potatoes; combine the two kinds of potato with the flour and egg until smooth; season with salt, pepper and nutmeg; form into small balls around a crouton; poach in water or broth for about 20 minutes; in a small saucepan, brown some butter with the breadcrumbs; pour over the knödel and serve hot.

2005 KGB MEETING SCHEDULE

Date	Location	Description	Beer Region of the Month	KOM
Sat., Sept. 16th @ 7PM	HBCB Jonathan Goudy 21706 Leonard	Pizza Party	TBA	TBA
Sat. Nov. 11th @ 7PM	Don Sajda 25106 Bovington Dr.	Smorgasbeerd & Label Contest	TBA	TBA
Dec. TBA	St Arnolds Brewery 2522 Fairway Park Dr.	Houston Area Home- brewers Christmas Party	N/A	N/A

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