



# THE KGB FILES

The Official Newsletter Of The Kuykendahl Gran Brewers Homebrew Club

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## EDICTS FROM THE CZAR

BY ED CONDON (CZAR@THEKGB.ORG)

The nominations are in for the KGB officers for 2007. And the nominees are Ed Moore for Czar, Bill King for General Secretary, Jeff Scheerhorn for Commissar Brewski, and Ruble Collector, still open. The appointed positions are yet to be named by the soon to be new administration. I am very sure the new administration will point the KGB in the direction of new, bigger and better things and am looking forward to 2007. The elections will take place at the November Smorgasbeerd Meeting at the home of Has Been Czar Don Sajda on November 11th at 7:00 pm. I sincerely hope all the candidates will not do too much mud slinging during their campaigns and keep this a very clean race.

The Lame Duck Czar is winding down and had a pretty slow September as far as "Beer Stuff". I did attend the Imperial Stout BrewIn at Has Been Czar Don's and brewed what should be crowned as the #1 Imperial Stout at Saint Arnold Brewery next June at the Big Batch Brew Bash. I showed up at the BrewIn at 6:00 am and the Has been Czar and I got our brews going. Don's Brewing partner, Comrade Mark Rogerson showed up shortly after. The brews progressed with a lot of trash talk about awards etc. I only brewed 5 gallons so the brew



went relatively fast. By about 10:30 or so my wort was chilled, yeast added and I was cleaning up and packing things up. In the mean time Comrade Pierre showed up with his fancy self built RIM system and started his brew. Oh I forgot about the progress of the Sajda/Rogerson brew. After dumping and reloading their stuck mash for the third

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## Smorgasbeerd & Label Contest



Saturday,  
November 11th  
@ 7:00 PM

Don Sajda  
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## RUBLE COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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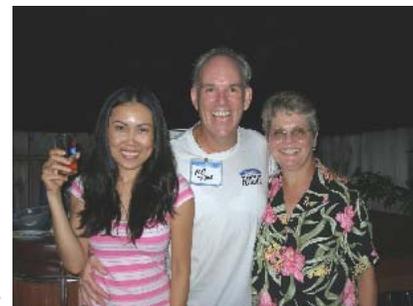
Are we there yet?? the resounding question asked in route to Comrade Jonathan Goudy's home in New Caney (I think it was Texas although it could have been Louisiana as long as it took) for the September meeting; but, it was well worth the effort! Comrade Jonathan gave his water presentation demonstrating the stark differences in the taste of beer attributed directly to the type of water used. This demonstration alone was worth the price of admission (a meager \$4 to offset the price of beers)! Unlike

Comrade Jonathan's 2004 Technical Presentation regarding sugar, there were no fuzzy tennis balls used in the water presentation. So as not to be accused of taking the low road, I will not provide any fuzzy ball commentary... what happens at a KGB meeting, stays at the KGB meeting.

The raffle was a success and your Ruble Collector (RC) enjoyed hearing the orgasmic exclamation of one of the guests who was holding the lucky ticket... for those of you who

missed it (and have either history or a great imagination to go by) it sounded like Ohh, oooohhh, Ooohhhh, OOOHHHH, YES! Everyone's a winner at the KGB. And

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Who wants to be RC? The current RC is going to have his hands full for a while.

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time I kindly loaned them my cooler to mash in. Well I don't know what happened but after about 15 minutes of recirculating the wort they once again had a stuck mash. Hopefully there will be a series of pictures with this article that will pretty much document the brew. They got right back to the basics of brewing by using a colander to put the grain in and poured water over it to get the sugars. I have to give it to them, they did get some wort from the mash from hell. Now Comrade Pierre who after

showing up late for the brew thought he would be brewing well after everyone else was finished, chilled his wort added his yeast and started to pack things up. I guess by this time the Sajda/Rogerson brew was done boiling but troubles with chilling were starting to develop. Bottom line they did get a brew out of it. This just goes to prove some of the best and most



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experienced brewers can and sometimes do run into unexpected problems. I forget what they called the brew but some of the names I heard it called that day can not be printed in a highly regarded publication as this. Sorry Don and Mark, I just had to tell the story. It does go to show

however that great brewers can overcome many obstacles and still get what I hope is a good 2nd place beer for the BBBB.

As always I have got to hurry up and complete this and get it to MOT Jamie so just a quick reminder to make sure and watch for notices to help out the Foam Rangers with judging and stewarding for the Dixie Cup. And for sure don't miss the Dixie Cup it is always a very good time with all kinds of extremely good beer. See you at the Dixie Cup and again at the November Smorgasbeerd Meeting.



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regarding raffles, with the weather turning cool, look for the "win it, you wear it" raffle to return.

Nominations were held for the elected officers of the KGB (Czar, Commissar Brewski (CB), General Secretary (GS) and the RC) at the meeting. I must admit I was honored to be nominated for the position of RC for an unprecedented fourth consecutive year; but, although I agreed to maintain the books until someone steps forward, I truly hope someone does... do I hear anyone out there?? Enough of my shameless solicitations, let's recap the nominees...

The top spot and leader of the beer world, CZAR of The KGB. Knowing that the membership is anxious and eager to know whether Czar Nominee, Comrade Ed "EMO" Moore, is going to represent the KGB in a manner fitting of past Czars, let me answer that question in one word... HELLYES!! His term as Grand Wazoo of the Foam Rangers was great training for him to assume the position (no, not *that* position, the position of Czar) and brings to our club a leadership role that will carry the KGB to more great things in the future. For those who aren't sure who Comrade EMO is, I included a picture in the newsletter... he's the one wearing glasses, not the one drinking water.

Our Commissar Brewski is required to have knowledge of beer, a willingness to serve and teach it, and an overarching enthusiasm for the KGB. Former CB Jonathan Goudy has given his stamp of approval to Comrade Jeff (formerly referred to as "Little Jeff") Scheerhorn, and so do I! I'm looking forward to seeing the

calendar of events from the CB for 2007. As to the tonsils of former CB Jonathan Goudy, I've seen enough, but I love his passion and enthusiasm, thanks Comrade!

The General Secretary of The KGB, a heartbeat (or lack thereof) away from assuming the position of Czar, is also renowned as the chef of the club requiring excellent cunnilingus skills. The meetings where we've enjoyed GS Peter Rosales' cooking in 2006 included the February Fish Fry, the Steak Out in June and fajitas in

August. The man working side by side with GS Peter was Comrade (and Louisiana coonass) Bill King. Despite his very busy and often out of town business travel schedule, Comrade Bill (with his companion, Comrade Kim King) agreed to serve in 2007.

THIS IS IMPORTANT, these nominees are not officers until they are voted into the position by Comrades attending the election held at the November meeting. If you want to run for any of these positions, think of it like attending a TEXAS football game... show up early, be loud and stay late. If you want to vote by e-mail, send your vote to the Ruble Collector at [rublecollector@thekgb.org](mailto:rublecollector@thekgb.org). As an additional bonus, staying later than the RC assures that you will get to enjoy the very best beers that are only brought out AFTER I leave the meeting.

Other officer positions are appointed including Minister

of Propaganda Andy Dyer (and I doubt that's gonna change), Minister/Ministress of Tabloid (currently Comrade Jamie Knapick), Minister of War (what the hell ever happened to Kay and Kendall's kid, Bryan Pickett?). If you're interested in serving in these positions, begin by serious sucking up to the nominees listed above.

Since the ladies version of the KGB logo'd thong panties has gone over so well (SOLD OUT!!),

the RC is going to be rolling out KGB logos on men's boxer shorts. The barley wine tasting at the Dixie Cup has that "hey dude, I just got outta bed, waddya

expect" GQ look including bathrobes, slippers and guys scratching themselves. Don't be surprised to see KGB boxer shorts debuted (sans the ball scratching) at Dixie Cup 2007.

A membership note regarding membership cards... see me at any KGB function or stop by and see Ken at The Brew Stop. We both 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](http://www.brewstop.com) and remember to bring propane). You also get cash discounts at BJ's Brewhouse (NOTE: I've been advised that BJ's Brewhouse is NOT honoring our agreement of happy hour prices all day long at the Willowbrook location. More on that issue when I get back on the ground in Houston and get time to run it down), 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!

Mahalo!

Ruble Collector Tim



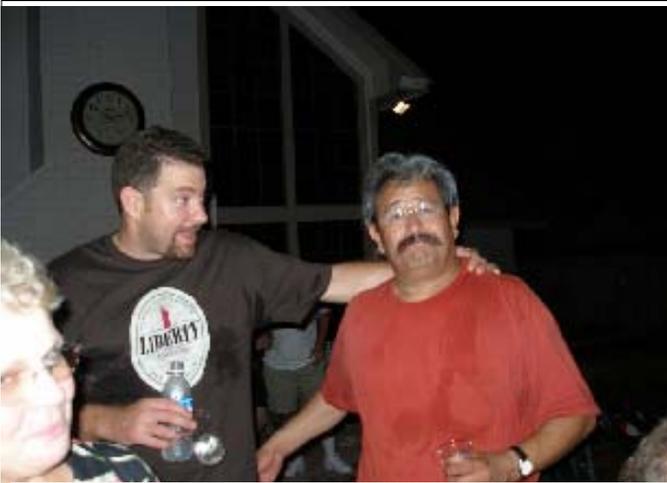
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She told me we couldn't afford beer anymore and I'd have to quit.

Then I caught her spending \$65 on makeup.

And I asked how come I had to give up stuff and she didn't.

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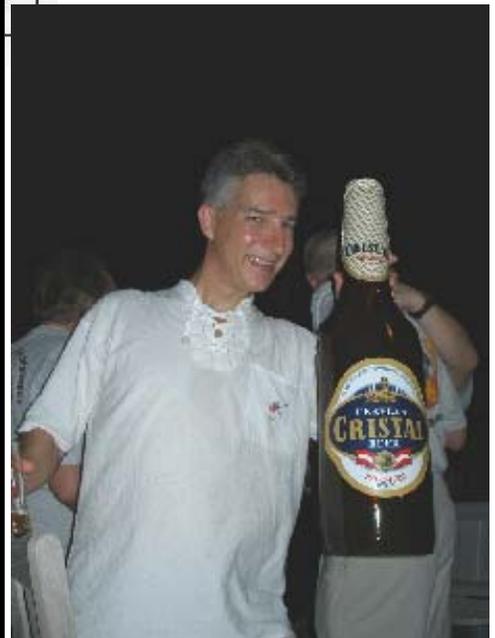
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Sat. Nov. 11th @ 7PM	Don Sajda 25106 Bovington Dr.	Smorgasbeerd & Label Contest	Lots of Big Beers	
Dec. TBA	St Arnolds Brewery 2522 Fairway Park Dr.	Houston Area Home- brewers Christmas Party	N/A	N/A

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