



Kuykendahl Gran Brewers

Monthly Meeting

Date & Location

SATURDAY
May 17, 2015
1 pm

St. Arnold's
2000 Lyons Avenue
Houston, Texas 77020

Style of the Month

Barleywine

Meeting Cost

TBA

Special Event

Big Batch Brew Bash!

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EDICTS FROM THE CZAR

Comrades,

Yet another awesome crawfish boil meeting pairing with Yellow Rose IPA from Lone Pint. HB RC Phil's and "St Agnes" were gracious enough to host the meeting while we got to taste some of their homebrew. So, thanks to them for hosting the meeting.

Our new GS Sam and assistant Jeff did a great job of cooking the crawfish, especially adding a secret ingredient during the boil. It definitely tasted better. I believe, we finished over 200 lbs of crawfish with all the fixins with close to about 60 members. We were close to getting rained out but it turned out to be a pleasant day.

Our Big Batch Brew Bash (BBBB) is coming up May 17th, 2015. By the time you read this article, we should be close to the event. So if you have not got your entries in by now, wait for next year's style!

Well, that's all for now, see you in a few days at St Arnolds for the prize giving and great raffle items. Next meeting in June will be at Craig and Katie Gentry's "Ice House", so come on and bring your favorite meat or something to put on the grill. Cheers.

Czar Robert
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RUBLE COLLECTOR'S REPORT

We're bringing back the "About to Expire..." section in the newsletter. It's not to censure anyone but just to remind you that your membership will expire before the next meeting so you can remember to bring the funds to renew! Hopefully everyone finds it helpful!!



MEMBERSHIP SECTION

"Newals"	Renewals
Toni O'Farrell-Sinclair	Robert Chan
	Joan Hauff
	Bruce & Bridgett Leslie
	James Oehrle
About to Expire...	
Donna Browing	Ed Condon
Al Franciosi	John Miller
Herb Baker	Mark Lurton

KGB Membership Benefits

- **Use Our All Grain Brewery** - KGB members can brew 10-gallon batches using the club's 3-tiered brewery which includes the stand, sparge liquor tank, mash/lauter tun and brew kettle. All you supply is propane and the ingredients for your batch of beer. The brewery is conveniently stored at Brew-It-Yourself, and can be used during normal business hours, simply by calling Ray and reserving it.
- **Brew It Yourself** - 5% off ingredients and equipment. Spend >\$250 in 6 months and get 10% off for the next 6 months.
- **Cypress Grape and Grain** - 5% off equipment, 10% off everything else
- **Defalco's** - 5% off ingredients and equipment
- **Backyard Homebrewer's (Humble)** - 5% off ingredients and equipment
- **Hop Scholar** - \$2.00 off your bill

Note: To receive a membership card, see the Ruble Collector at any meeting or event.

COMMISSAR BREWSKI'S WORLD

Greetings Comrades,

It's May and you know what that means. The 20th Anniversary BBBB will thrill the homebrewing world with almost 50 entries of American Barleywines. Wow, can your taste buds handle the truth? I certainly expect the KGB to keep tradition alive and brew the winning entry and of course retain the Heavy Hitters award which we have grown accustomed to winning. Sunday the 17th will be a thrilling day and we thank Brock Wagner and Saint Arnold's for hosting the Awards Ceremony for us. As far as we can prove, the BBBB is still the largest single category, AHA sanctioned homebrew contest in the nation. We look forward to the next 20 years. There will be lots of raffle items and a good time will be had by all.



The April meeting was a huge hit of course. Thanks to Has Been Ruble Collector Phil and his lovely better half Agnes for hosting. They always do a great job and we hope they continue to offer to host the April meeting for years to come. Kudos to the GS team of Jeff and Sam for providing hundreds of pounds of delicious mudbugs and all the fixins for the day. They outdid themselves on this one. I hope the IPA's were to your liking. Another special thanks to Heather Bolla at Lone Pint for donating the keg of Yellow Rose for the meeting. That keg went fast and when I emailed Heather to thank her she said that they were glad to help out because all breweries started as homebrewers and they like to remain close to their roots. She also let me know that the keg we got was from their freshest, newest batch of their Zythophile series. It was brewed with Munich and Two Row malts and single hopped with Equinox. All of us who brought our Yellow Rose clones and talked about Mosaic Hops were wrong, but the keg was their freshest IPA and she wanted to give us something special and we thank her for that.

I hope you are brewing lots of beer because we have great meetings coming up this summer and will love to sample any homebrew. If you have friends that love to drink beer but are intimidated by the thought of brewing, have them come to a meeting and meet us. If we don't scare them away, we just might convince them that homebrewing is great fun and YOU MAKE BEER!

See you at the BBBB and also at the June meeting where we will have lots of samples of the better scoring Barleywines and some assorted beers from past generations of the contest. I might also have a few surprises in the BOM cooler.

Cheers!

Mike's Johnson
Commissar Brewski

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NOTES FROM GENERAL SECRETARY

We were sore with you.... more appropriately said, we were sore because of you.

“We” are your Secretary General and General Secretary, and a few other hardy volunteers (thanks, Tim) that toiled long and hard prepping and boiling crawfish so “you” the club members who partook in the festivities last month at Phil and Agnes’s place could have a good time and feast on trays of mud bugs. We everyone had a great time. That was about the fastest time it took to float a BOM keg that we hope can recall.



As always, a big thanks to Phil and Agnes for hosting, putting up with heaps of spent crawfish carcasses and some of us dead beats that stayed as long as possible to milk out the good times with our friends.

So, now we focus our sights on the Big Batch Brew Bash (BBBB) that kicks off this Sunday at St. Arnold’s (2000 Lyons Ave., Houston, TX 77020); eyes and doors will be wide open at 1:00 pm. Bring money for the many fantastic raffle prizes that will go home with people that get lucky; for those that don’t receive a raffle prize, there is one other way to get lucky and your GS & SG will be happy to expand upon that with you as needed. We were thinking of drawing up a road map on that (it’s what you would expect from S&M Brewing Co.) but we understand there has been a well-illustrated book in publication for some time now. We also have a saying at S&M Brewing Co., “don’t meet me there, beat me there”. As usual, the St. Arnold’s beer will be flowing and, for ying-yang style balance, pizza will be sold for a price all can afford.

Now then.... let’s go rock it out at St. Arnold’s!

GeneralSecretary@thekgb.org

A rectangular advertisement for Saint Arnold Brewery. At the top, the words "SAINT ARNOLD" are written in a large, red, serif font. Below this, on the left, is the text "Tour & Tasting Every Saturday At 1:00pm". In the center is a circular illustration of a bearded man in a red and gold robe, wearing a crown, with his arms outstretched. Below the illustration is a blue banner with the text "FINE HANDCRAFTED BEERS & ALES". On the right side, it says "Brewed in Texas Since 1994". At the bottom, it reads "TEXAS' OLDEST CRAFT BREWERY" and "WWW.SAINTARNOLD.COM • HOUSTON, TEXAS".

A rectangular advertisement for DeFalco's Home Wine & Beer Supplies. The ad has a decorative, scalloped border. At the top, it says "Serving homebrewers since 1971!". In the center is a logo for "DeFalco's" with "HOME WINE & BEER SUPPLIES" written below it. The logo features a banner with the name "DeFalco's" and illustrations of a wine glass and a beer mug. To the right of the logo, the address "8715 Stella Link Houston, TX (713) 688-9440" is listed. At the bottom, it says "For all of your homebrewing needs KGB members receive a 5% discount on all purchases!".



Sunday May 17th, 2015

Volunteers Needed!

If you'd like to assist with day-of operations, please show up at the BBBB at 9 am. We will certainly put you to work helping out!

Questions? Contact Phil Kaufman.

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6 OZ TASTING GLASS WITH KGB LOGO EMBLAZONED ON THE SIDE!

JUST \$4 AT THE MEETING



KGB T-SHIRTS

KGB LOGO SMALL ON THE FRONT AND LARGER KGB DESIGN ON THE BACK.

JUST \$20 (TIE-DIE) AND \$ 15 (OLIVE GREEN) AT THE MEETING



DONATIONS FOR BBBB NEEDED!

PLEASE START THINKING ABOUT POSSIBLE DONATIONS FOR THE RAFFLE FOR BIG BATCH BREW BATCH COMING THIS MAY. WE ARE LOOKING FOR ITEMS THAT ARE FOOD OR BEER RELATED. FORMER RC PHIL KAUFMAN IS HEADING UP THE BBBB COMMITTEE SO PLEASE CONTACT HIM FOR DETAILS.

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KGB Calendar

Event	Date	Location	Style or Region of the Month	KOM
National Homebrew Day	Monday 5/4	Everywhere!	Great day to brew yourself or share with a friend the magic of homebrew!	
May Meeting	Sunday 5/17	BBBB St. Arnold's Houston, Texas	Barleywine	TBD
June Meeting	Saturday 6/13	Craig & Katie's Spring, Texas	BBBB Leftovers	Southern Star Old Potentate
July Meeting	Saturday 7/18	TBA	TBD	TBD
August Meeting	Saturday 8/15	Chris Landis' Spring, Texas	Wheat/Cream Ale	TBD
September Meeting	Saturday 9/19	TBA	Bochs	TBD

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Single one year KGB Membership \$25 – Family \$40
 Single two year KGB Membership \$40 – Family \$65

Payable in cash or personal check (made payable to KGB). Give completed form to a club officer along with your dues. Paid membership entitles you to full club benefits, including a monthly newsletter, discounts on equipment and supplies at the local homebrew shops, as well as other local establishments, and much more.

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Commissar Brewski	Mike Johnson
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Minister of Tabloid	Katie Murphy Gentry

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