

BURP NEWS

The Official Newsletter of the
BREWERS UNITED FOR REAL POTABLES

You can't be a real country unless you have a beer and an airline - it helps if you have some kind of a football team, or some nuclear weapons, but at the very least you need a beer. --Frank Zappa



Beth Madden, Editor
madfox@comcast.net

June 2007

4305 Vermont Ave
Alexandria, VA 22304



WHAT'S BREWING

June Meeting
Saison and Biere de Garde Competition
At the Rydlun Residence
Potomac, MD
Saturday, 9 June, 2007
1:00-6:00 PM

July Meeting
Light Lager Competition
At the Bennett-Cosier Residence
Nokesville, VA
Saturday, 21 July, 2007
1:00-6:00 PM

August Meeting - MASHOUT
American Wheat and Rye and
Weizen/Weissbier Competition
At Popenoe Mountain
Cumberland, MD
17-19 August, 2007
Details Inside

Summer is Truly Upon Us!

By Kathy Koch, Fearless Leader

With summer comes plenty of outdoor activities to work up a thirst for a great homebrew. A day at the beach, a happy hour, a cookout, a bike ride and even mowing the lawn are all made better with a beer you made yourself. Fill up those boil kettles and fire up the burners and replenish your supply of tasty brews.

As is often the case in our area, we arrived at summer via a way-too-short excursion through our colorful spring time. April finally warmed up for our meeting at **Colleen and Tom Cannon's** and our thoughtful members brought plenty of canopies to protect us from the rain showers and turn the verdant back yard into a lovely beer garden.

May burst forth in brilliant colors and lively competition at our Cinco de Mayo chili cookoff meeting at **Christine and Dan Allers'** garden paradise. The cooking, cajoling and campaigning made for a lively and delicious combination. I'm not sure water bottles, beads, strategically place lime green stickers or margaritas will be campaign techniques adopted by the 2008 presidential contenders, but we certainly had a lot of fun with them. **Winnie Huskey and Mike Neith**, as Chili

Please submit all articles for publication in either plain text or Microsoft Word format to the e-mail address above. **Do not include graphic files.** Deadline for articles is 2 weeks before each scheduled BURP meeting unless otherwise indicated. Changes to membership records should be sent to membership@burp.org.

Commissioners kept things moving and thwarted all attempts at bribing the officials—although one of two of those green stickers may have been placed on them when not looking. In addition to all that activity, we also had a spirited beer-to-go-with chili competition. It's no wonder we all look forward to the May meeting every year. Thanks to all who make it happen!

A BURP spring is not complete without our signature Spirit of Free Beer (SoFB). Nearly 300 beers competed for bragging rights—and lots of great prizes—at the event on May 12. SoFB organizer **Joe Gherlone** led his core committee to produce an excellent event. The effort takes months of planning, letter writing, phone calls, emails, data processing and hard physical labor. A big thanks to **Joe**, his committee, the judges, stewards, other volunteers and the brewers for this highlight of our year.

Our June meeting on the 9th at **Rod Rydlun's** will feature the leftover entries from the SOFB competition, giving true meaning to the "Spirit of **FREE** Beer." We'll also be awarding the ribbons and prizes to the competition winners. Come and congratulate the winning brewers. I hope to see you there to kick-off the BURP summer.

Cold Beer and Hot Chili on a Rainy, Rainy Day

*By Jamie Langlie and Jeanie Osburn,
Co-Ministers of Culture*

The purpose of BURP's monthly competitions is to further the art and science of homebrewing by providing thoughtful feedback to Club brewers and by developing a cadre of well-qualified, educated judges.

May's competition was an exhibition of democracy at its finest. The People's Choice of the best beer to go with chili found high stakes **for Christine Johnbrier and Rick Garvin** with a 4-year winning streak to defend. And defend they did. The People's Top 3 are:

1st Place - Christine Johnbrier and Rick Garvin, with their perennial favorite a Franconian Kellerbier, "Frankie"

2nd Place - Team Jackalope, comprised of **Tom and Colleen Cannon, Pat and Janet Crowe, and Steve Marler** with a Keller Pils named "Schtuppers Hop Pocket Pool Pils"

3rd Place - Tom Artz with a Belgian Ale

Thanks to all who entered. No BOTY points were awarded in this competition.

June brings us a judged competition with a taste of Belgium, categories **16 C (Saison)** and **16D (Biere de Garde)**. The BJCP overall descriptions for each are:

Saison - A medium to strong ale with a distinctive yellow-orange color, highly carbonated, well hopped, fruity and dry with a quenching acidity.

Biere de Garde - A fairly strong, malty, lagered artisanal farmhouse ale.

Additional information on these styles can be found at:

<http://www.bjcp.or/styles04/category16.html>

July's competition is Category #1 Light Lagers, A) Lite American Lager; B) Standard American Lager; C) Premium American Lager; D) Munich Helles; E) Dortmunder Export. Hope you started brewing this back in January when we announced the schedule. If so, your beer's had ample time to lager for July's competition.

Additional information on these styles can be found at: <http://www.bjcp.or/styles04/category1.html>

Remember: 1 entry per subcategory; 2 plain, brown, 12-oz bottles with plain cap; a removable paper label identifying the brewer's name, beer style & category number and the beer name.

Desperately Seeking Judges

BURP has a fair number of BJCP-qualified judges, and we need your help at the monthly competitions. We're always begging for judges. If you can help out, we'd greatly appreciate it. Please contact your Ministers of Culture to volunteer to judge. Who knows what debt of gratitude may be bestowed upon you...

The 22nd Annual BURP Chili Cook-Off Meeting Report

By Trish Koch

The BURP Chili Cook-off is one of the most popular meetings of the year (OK, all meetings have beer, all meetings are popular. We are BURP.). On May 5th, our hosts for the day, **Christina Wren and Dan Allers**, welcomed our annual Chili cook-off competitors. This was the 23rd year for this event and everyone was looking forward to a great day of chili. At 8:50 AM, several teams had already assembled on the back patio. We carefully synchronized our watches, and at exactly 9 o'clock, set out to mark our territory and begin the creative process. It was eerily quiet as the first teams quickly set up cooking stations and began to brown meat, chop veggies and make the transition from a collection of ingredients to wonderful pots of chili. The day started out hot and humid, giving a feel of the southwest to complement the chili.



17 teams competed this year with entries ranging from veggie chili, chili verde, and chili with exotic ingredients such as cactus leaves and venison. **Team Langlie (Paul and Nina Langlie)** entered "Red Hot Chili Peppers". It did not win hottest chili, but was a great vegetarian chili. Another entry in the veggie category was "Veggie-rific", by **Team Colon Scrubbers**. Hmmmm...that sounds rather descriptive! **Team Arrogant Bastard** entered Joe's Garage Bourbon Chili. The chef, **Joe Gherlone**, used his measuring cup to create his best chili, and then used the flavor enhanced measuring cup as his beer mug.

This year's competition was marked by creative marketing techniques, shameless self promotion and out and out bribery. **Team Bayou Gastro Gators (John Esparolini)** served up portions of his "Gator Bite New Orleans Style Chili" along with colorful Mardi Gras Bead necklaces. **Team Los Spankers** awarded a spanking and a bright green "I got Spanked" sticker to all who tasted their chili. Team member Mark "Danger" Korabik commented that he learned something; people like to get spanked! (He had a funny smile on his face when he said this) Their chili, "Spankin' Cactus Chili", featured two pounds of fresh cactus leaves. I shamelessly promoted my chili, "Oh Deer, Poor Bambi", by passing out bottled water with my picture and a request to vote for my chili. Mysteriously, the bottled water showed up on other competitors tables. **Team Jackalope** attempted to confuse chili tasters by numbing their taste buds with Margaritas. Their portable Daiquiri Whacker, a gas powered blender, drew attention for its motorcycle-like sound and the crazed look of **Pat Crowe** as he revved the engine to serve drinks

The afternoon turned chilly, then cold. The heat of the early morning gave way to a spring storm with cold rain. The chilies tasted even better as the temperature dropped. Everyone huddled under shelter to wait out the rain. In the end, **Team Sphincter** won the prize for hottest chili for their "Satan's Sphincter". The other winners: third place winner **Team Trishiedear** with "Oh Deer, Poor Bambi", second place **Team Los Spankers** with "Spankin'Cactus Chili", and first place winner **Team Fio, Paul & David Fiorino** for their "Brittany Spears Meltdown Chili".



1st Place Winners, **Paul and Dave Fiorino**.

The beer competition this month was a beauty contest for the best beer to enjoy with chili. With 10 entries, it was hard to pick the one that best complemented the variety of chilies offered. I tried to taste them all, but may have missed a few. The winners: third place to **Tim Artz** for his Belgian Ale, second place went to **Team Jackalope** for their Keller Pils, "Schtuppers Hop Pocket Pool Pils", and first place to **Rick Garvin and Christine Johnbrier** for their Franconian Kellerbier, "Frankie".

A good time was had by all.



1st Place Best-Beer-With Chili and Winner for Hottest Chili, Rick Garvin and Christine Johnbrier

Spirit of Free Beer Attention all Prize Winners

By Trish Koch, Spirit of Free Beer Prize Coordinator

Congratulations to all Spirit of Free Beer winners! We had many wonderful beers entered in this year's competition, and yours were judged the best. The medals and prizes for all winners will be awarded at our next meeting on June 9th in Potomac, MD. (See details of the meeting on the last page of the newsletter). I have been working hard to collect and allocate the prizes for each category. I hope you will be there to personally receive your medal and prize. If you can't attend, you can have someone pick up the prize for you. If you know you will not be attending, and do not have someone to gather your loot, just let me know and we can arrange a time and place for you to pick it up after June 9. You can contact me at

SOFB_prizes@burp.org If you are out of the area I can ship it to you at a later date. Looking forward to seeing you all proudly wear your medals in June.

Photos from the 2007 SoFB:



Mark Hogenmiller, Wendy Aaronson, Bill Ridgely and Alison Skeel setting up. Photo courtesy of Charlie Gow.



Bob and Betsy Kepler and Dave and Becky Pyle checking in. Photo courtesy of Charlie Gow.



Robert Stevens prepares to record the results of the judging. Photo courtesy of Charlie Gow.

20th Anniversary MASHOUT is Coming!

By Bill Ridgely, MASHOUT Coordinator

The gala 20th anniversary **Mid-Atlantic States Homebrewers CampOUT**, better known as **MASHOUT**, is coming to Popenoe Mountain once again in August. The dates are Friday, Aug 17 through Sunday, Aug 19. Loads of fun events are always in store at MASHOUT, including the traditional barbecue dinner on Saturday (You will be asked only to contribute an appetizer, soup, salad, side dish, or dessert), and pancake breakfast on Sunday morning. Regional beers will also be featured along with homebrew. A number of great breweries from throughout the Mid-Atlantic region support the event each year with beer contributions. However, the emphasis is always on homebrew, and we hope you'll bring a keg or case of your best to share with 200 of your best friends on the mountaintop.

Because this is a very special event, it is expected to be a sellout much quicker than normal. Regular attendees are already asking about the availability of reservations. Keep your eye on the BURP website (<http://burp.org>) for full MASHOUT details and a reservation form which should appear around the end of June. No reservations will be sold until that time. But remember - the limit is 200 people, so don't wait once the site is up and running. An announcement will be made on the BURPlist e-mail list so BURP members can get a leg up on the crowd.



SoFB Judges – Calvin Perilloux, Rob Hanson and Brian Matt. Photo courtesy of Charlie Gow.



SoFB Judges – Rick Garvin, Christine Newman and Anning Smith. Photo courtesy of Charlie Gow.



SoFB Judges – DT and Bill Newman. Photo courtesy of Charlie Gow.



2006 MASHOUT, Camp Belch. (l-r) Gail Matt, Brian Matt, Jeff Chen, John Esparolini, Scott Schabilon, Bill Prewitt. Photo courtesy of John Esparolini.

BURP has already contracted for a very special band to perform this year on Saturday night. I won't give away the name of the entertainer (many of you already know), but I'll just say for now that he is one of the best blues guitarists around, has won a number of regional and national awards, and has been recording professionally for many years. He's very excited about being the marquee performer at the 20th MASHOUT.

There likely will be other musical surprises in store, so keep your eyes on the BURP website for details as things develop.

And don't forget the annual homebrew competition open to all attendees. The categories this year will be American Wheat and Rye beer (Cat. 6D - see <http://www.bjcp.org/styles04/Category6.html#style6D>) and Weizen/Weissbier (Cat. 15A - see <http://www.bjcp.org/styles04/Category15.html#style15A>). So get those brew kettles fired up for this great annual competition.

I look forward to seeing all of you at MASHOUT 2007, the best outdoor homebrewer gathering in the nation!

Cheers, Bill

Great Fun ??? Great Taste !!!!

By Woody Lee

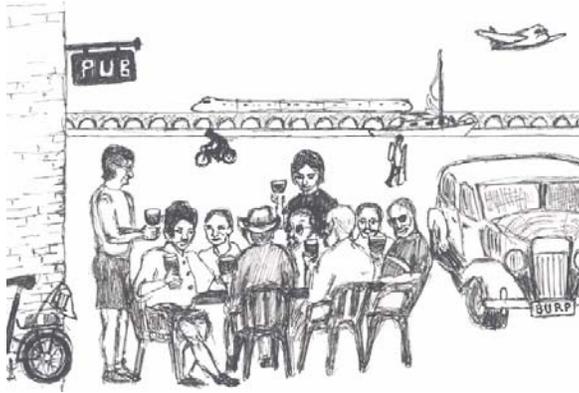


20th Great Taste of the Midwest Beer Festival. Photo courtesy of Woody Lee

The 21st annual Great Taste of the Midwest beer festival will be held on Saturday, August 11 on the shores of Lake Monona in beautiful Madison, WI. Once again, an intrepid group of BURPers has already made plans to attend, and will enjoy as many of the 400+ beers as is humanly possible during the five hour event.

If you'd like to join the festivities, there are still hotel rooms available at the Concourse Hotel (www.concoursehotel.com). Call the hotel at 800-356-8293, and ask for group reservations. The rooms are held in the name "BURP" for the nights of August 10 and 11. All rooms are on the "Governors Club" level for a rate of \$164/night for double occupancy, and include some great amenities, including continental breakfast, afternoon snacks, evening desserts, and an open bar. If that's not enough, the hotel is just a few minutes walk from both the Great Dane Brewing Company, and Angelic Brewing Company.

You're on your own for travel arrangements, and you'll also have to get your own Great Taste tickets. "What?" you say!!! "How come you're not getting group tickets like you used to?" The answer is that due to unprecedented demand and an attendance cap of 5,000, group sales were restricted by the organizers to last year's level. We successfully appealed that decision to provide enough tickets for those who have already committed to the trip, but anybody else who wants to attend will have to purchase their tickets per the guidance of the Madison Homebrewers and Tasters Guild website [<http://mhtg.org/>]. If this works for you, and you lock in your travel arrangements, please notify me at dnwlee@comcast.net so I can include you in our group's rendezvous plans in Madison.



Wanderings

By Craig Somers, BURP Cyclemeister

JUL 7 Vintage 50 at 50 Catocin Circle NE, Leesburg, VA is our destination from 1:00pm - 3:00pm. Those who wish to pedal 52 miles out and back Vintage 50 start from Dunn Loring Metro Station at 10:30am or meet us at noon at Old Dominion brewpub for a 22 mile round-trip. Contact: **Craig Somers** (301-423-0380) craigsbike@hotmail.com

Trivial Beer-Suits Beer and Religion Part 4: Catholic Saints

*(Again inspired by Gregg Smith's history of beer)
By Charlie Pavitt*

As I believe I mentioned when I first broached this topic many months ago, beer drinking is no stranger to the Catholic tradition. The church controlled brewing during much of the Middle Ages, both earning much revenue from its sale and giving it away free as part of religious activities as a motivation for people to attend. After all, Noah stowed beer away for provisions on the arc, at least according to an Assyrian tablet discussing the subject from about 2000 B.C. Anyway, there's quite a bit on the web about various Catholic saints connected one way or another with beer. Interestingly enough from my perspective, a summary of relevant information can be found on the website of my former homebrew club, the First State Brewers of Delaware, compiled by long-time

First Stater Oliver Weatherbee (www.firststatebrewers.com/media/general/saints.php), and most of this beer-suits is based on Oliver's work.

One that Smith writes about is Saint Arnou of the city Metz in northeastern France. Arnou espoused beer over water because "from man's sweat and God's love, beer came into the world." After he died in 640, in a monastery from away from home, his parishioners were allowed to retrieve his body and return it home. On the way, as the story goes, they stopped at a tavern for some refreshment, but, alas, there was only one mug of beer left. Nonetheless, that mug never emptied and satisfied everyone. It was a beer miracle!

According to legend: Saint Arnold of Soissons, 60 miles northeast of Paris, stopped a plague by having everyone drink only beer from a kettle that he had blessed by lowering his crucifix into it. Saint Brigid of Ireland turned bath water into beer for the quenching of the thirst of those living at a leper colony at which she worked. We have Saint Arnoldus of Flanders, who was able to multiply beer into large quantities through prayer. Beer miracles all! And let us also credit Saint Columbanus, who saved a keg of beer from being sacrificed by "pagans" to the Germanic god Wodan, explaining that beer should not be wasted but, rather, drunk in the name of the Judeo-Christian God. He is quoted as saying "It is my design to die in the brew-house; let ale be placed to my mouth when I am expiring, so that when the choir of angels come they may say: 'Be God propitious to this drinker.'"

On a related topic, Oliver included the following post to the newsgroup rec.food.drink.beer by Dan Kij, which I quote in total.

At the close of the 16th century, the papal ambassador to Poland was Monsignore Gaetano Aldobrandisi, who developed a taste for the fine beer of Warka while serving as the Vatican's nuncio. On his return to Italy from Poland, Msgre. Aldobrandisi (who later was elected POPE CLEMENT VIII) was stricken with a serious throat abscess which appeared to be terminal. On his deathbed, he half-consciously began muttering something repeatedly about BIRRA DI WARKA and

PIWO OD WARKI. The clerics and priests who surrounded him believed he was praying his last to some little-known saint, and they also began chanting: "BIRRA DI WARKA, ORA PRO NOBIS!" ("Beer of Warka, pray for us!"). When the semi-conscious prelate heard this, he began to laugh so uproariously that the abscess broke....and he recovered!

BURP 10 and 20 Years Ago

Compiled By Bill Ridgely

20 Years Ago, Jun 1987

The Jun 1987 BURP meeting also served as the club's annual commercial beer tasting. The co-hosts were **Fred Dormer** and **Howard Michelsen**, and the event was held in the carport of Fred's Silver Spring home. At this time, BURP commercial beer events were basically free-for-all, not controlled tastings. The beers were mostly procured from *Berose Liquors*, the renowned Dupont Circle store owned by **Mark Weiner** and famous for having more brands of beer available for purchase than any other area establishment. Those arriving at the meeting were greeted with multiple coolers holding the beers, and everyone simply opened bottles that looked interesting and began passing them around. While it was a great opportunity for everyone to try new and unusual beer styles, the quantity and variety of beers became a bit overwhelming after awhile. Featured were many great European beers (Belgian lambics and witbiers, German lagers, and even Samichlaus from Switzerland, at the time considered the strongest beer in the world). American craft beers were more difficult to find, but there was good representation from those available, including the regional Chesbay beers as well as Anchor, New Amsterdam, Pete's Wicked, Sierra Nevada, St Stans, and a new Idaho brewery named Snake River. During the meeting, co-host **Howard Michelsen** announced his impending marriage to fellow BURPer **Emily Ulmer**. They planned to tie the knot in September, and of course, the entire BURP Club was invited to join them on their honeymoon in Cancun.

(Compiler's Note: As you may have read elsewhere in this newsletter, my good friend **John Gardiner**

noted that, contrary to what was published in my last column, the BURP slogan contest announced in May 1987 did indeed result in quite a few entries. The contest winner was announced at the June meeting. "So Many Beers, So Little Time", submitted by **Klaus Heimburg**, began appearing in the masthead of the newsletter starting in September 1987. The runner up slogan, "I'd Rather BURP than Bud", was submitted by **Ralph Bucca**).

The June BURP News was another cornucopia of information and great writing. Regular features now included the "Recipe of the Month" (June's was **Ralph Bucca's** "Wheat Oatmeal Stout"), and a Welcome New Members column, as well as an extensive report on the previous month's meeting. Great technical info was provided in this issue by **Al Hymer**, who concluded his class notes from the course he recently took from Dr Lewis at the Univ. of California at Davis. **Pat Compton** provided a great Brewer's Crossword Puzzle, and **Bob Frank** reported on the activities of the newly-established "BURP North" club.

10 Years Ago, Jun 1997

Two major BURP events occurred in June 1997. The first was the annual Spirit of Free Beer homebrew competition, held at **Miles Smith's Brew America** shop in Merrifield, VA on June 7. There were 401 entries, over twice the number submitted the previous year. However, judges came to the event from as far away as New York, and the competition entries were all expertly judged in one day. Best of Show in the event went to **Al Folsom** of Warrington, PA for his English Mild. Second Place went to **Jim Rorick** for his Bavarian Weizen, and third place to **Scott Bickham** for his Barleywine. All of the BOS winners were given the opportunity to brew their recipes at area craft breweries. The second event held in June was the BURP meeting and SoFB prize ceremony at the home of **Larry & Trish Koch** in Silver Spring. As always, a huge number of prizes were presented to competition winners. As was noted by Fearless Leader **Tom Cannon**, "At Spirit of Free Beer, 3rd place winners get better prizes than 1st place winners at most other competitions". In addition to the prize ceremony, Education Minister **Wendy Aaronson** led a Brown Ale

session featuring several commercial brown ales. This was in preparation for the club Brown Ale competition held later in the meeting. As it turned out, the style was a fitting theme considering the SoFB BOS winner was an English Mild. The club competition winners were: 1st Place to **Bill & Christie Newman** for their American Brown, 2nd place to **Mark Stevens** for his Southern English Brown, and 3rd place to **Andy Beaulieu** for his Northern English Brown.

The June BURP News was published soon after the Spirit of Free Beer so contained a full report on the competition as well as a list of winners and competition sponsors. In addition to SoFB coverage, the newsletter featured "Veggie Boy" **Bill Cavender's** recipe for his winning (and still controversial) all-vegetarian chili introduced at the club cook-off in May. Culture Minister **Mark Stevens** wrote an excellent article about extract brewing in preparation for the club's upcoming Extract Beer competition. The article contained two easy extract recipes, one for a Bavarian Weizen and one for an IPA. **Ben Schwalb** contributed an article on wort chilling, with emphasis on the two devices used primarily by homebrewers, the immersion chiller and the counterflow chiller. Real Ale was starting to make the news, and an announcement for the 1997 Chicago Real Ale Festival was published in the newsletter. Of special interest was the fact that the 1997 event was to feature a homebrewed real ale competition. BURP's decision to participate in this led to the founding of the club's own Real Ale Competition and Festival that same year. Finally, Libeerian **Bob Cooke's** monthly "Best of the (Other) Newsletters" column featured a report on the ongoing controversy regarding **Charlie Papazian's** newly-revealed 6-figure salary drawn for running the American Homebrewers Assn, a non-profit organization. The revelation came from tax records obtained by an AHA member and posted on the Internet. This was the beginning of a major shakeup and re-direction of the AHA, which many people at the time felt was no longer adequately representing the needs and desires of the growing homebrewer community.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I want to correct a couple of errors in recent "BURP 10 and 20 years ago" columns. The original "Beer-Ye, Beer-Ye" (the legendary BURP call to order) was first proclaimed by **Rod Rydlun**. However, it was not a call to order. **Rod** was reading a proclamation signed by the BURPers and honoring **Bill Ridgely**. **Bill** was awarded the BURP "Pull-it Surprise." BURPers were showing their appreciation to **Bill** for his editorial and journalistic skills. 'Twas, of course, **Bert Tagge** who brought "Beer-Ye, Beer-Ye" into the BURP lexicon and made it (as well as **Bert**) part of BURP folklore.

The second error concerns the BURP slogan contest. **Bill** states "...there were apparently no entries, and the idea of a BURP slogan was never resurrected." In fact, **Klaus Heimburg** was the contest winner with "So many homebrews so little time." **Klaus's** slogan appeared on the cover of *BURP News* for several years. I remember because I hoped my slogan would win. It was "I can give you flavor, I can't give you taste."

- **John Gardiner**

BURP Prosperity Report

By Larry Koch, Minister of Prosperity

Current Financial Position

BURP Treasury Summary

As of 28 April 2007	\$20,542
New receipts	\$2,161
New expenses	\$1,920
As of 1 June 2007	\$20,783

BURP members are reminded that all expense submissions must include details. Required details are date, exact amount, detailed description of the item, any special circumstances, and name of person to be reimbursed. Event coordinators should maintain a spreadsheet for their project.

Spreadsheets and other financial data are available on the BURP website to registered users at <http://www.burp.org> .

Mem-beer-sip Update

By Christine Johnbrier, Ministrix of Propaganda

This month we welcome new members **Tina & her dad Bill Huck** of Vienna, VA; Nancy **Neale** of Silver Spring, MD; **Kris Rosfjord** of Takoma Park, MD; **Chuck Prouty** of Greenbelt, MD and **Valerie Palmer** of Montgomery Village, MD.

Please keep your contact information up-to-date....most importantly, your email address. If you are not receiving an electronic notification each month with the newsletter link, that means I don't have your current email address! Send your contact information to membership@burp.org , and I'll see that your info is updated.

CURRENT MEM-BEER-SIP STATS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIPS: 256
 FAMILY: 75 (x2) 150
 INDIVIDUAL: 82
 HONORARY: 24

Hop Notes from the Libeery

By Mel Thompson, Minister of History

The BURP Libeery is open 24/7 for your reading and research needs. If you wish to check out a book, contact Mel Thompson at sonofthomp@comcast.net prior to the monthly meeting and your request, if available, will be delivered.

If you don't see what you want in the Libeery list, let me know what you are looking for and I will try to locate it for you.

Cheers, Mel

Editor's Corner

By Beth Madden, Minister of Truth

Thanks to everyone for their contributions to this month's newsletter. As always, I invite anyone interested in submitting anything from a feature or general interest articles to travelogues, recipes, etc. to do so. Please send to madfox@comcast.net. Your fellow BURPers and I are looking forward to hearing from you!

Cheers – T.I.W.

The BURP Doxology

*Praise BURP from whom beer blessings flow,
 Praise BURP ye brewers here below,
 Praise BURP above ye heavenly hosts,
 Praise barley, hops and yeast the most
 Aaaaaaaaaaaa, Drink!
 (Al Lowry, 1994)*

BURP 2007 OFFICERS

Office	Officer	Phone/E-mail
Fearless Leader	Kathy Koch	(703) 256-4285 kathleenkoch@verizon.net
Co-Ministers of Enlightenment	Wendy Aaronson Tom Cannon	(301) 762-6523 aaronson@burp.org (703) 204-2256 cannon@burp.org
Co-Ministers of Culture	Jamie Langlie Jeanie Osburn	(301) 933-3081 jamie@langlie.com (202) 797-0511 brewbub@verizon.net
Minister of Truth	Beth Madden	(703) 751-2380 madfox@comcast.net
Minister of Propaganda	Christine Johnbrier	(571) 274-6217 cjbrier@garvin.us
Minister of Prosperity	Larry Koch	(301) 587-5293 tlkrk@verizon.net
Ministers of the Web	Paul & Stein Langlie	(301) 933-3081 paul@langlie.com support@webarbor.com
Minister of History	Mel Thompson	(301) 330-3578 sonofthomp@comcast.net

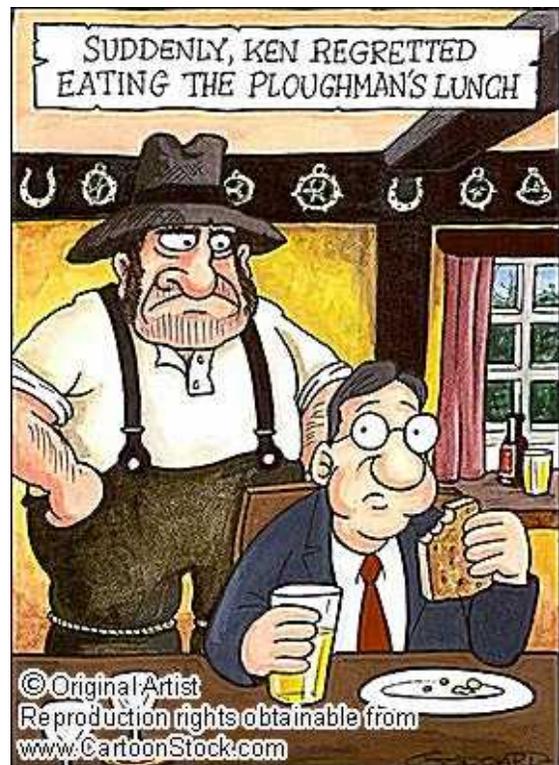


© Original Artist
Reproduction rights obtainable from
www.CartoonStock.com

"No wait - they taste better if you let them marinate longer!"



'Sometimes I think, why am I here?
Whats the point?'



© Original Artist
Reproduction rights obtainable from
www.CartoonStock.com