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# Important Message from the Editor (and President ) of The Barleycorn Press

ease note that I have made a change to the Barleycorn Press mailing label. On it you will find your name and address as before but from now on the renewal date for your membership in the Green Mountain Mashers (GMM) will be in the top right corner (see example below):

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Your membership fee is due by the end of the month indicated on the label or ASAP after. If there is nothing listed in that corner, you may have forgotten to pay your dues, they are past due, and you should send a check for \$15 to Lewis Grietzer at the address in the Staff box column ASAP or give it to him at the June 98' meeting. Those that do not pay will no longer receive the newsletter and they will be removed from the email listing I've developed.

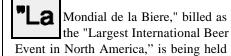
We've all been a little lax regarding this issue but since we run the GMM and The Barleycorn Press on membership fees, it is imperitive that everyone who wishes to participate in the club keep their membership in good standing. It's not very fair to the club to have inconsistent dues collection. This is also an effort by me to not send the newsletter to people who do not actively partcipate in club activities or don't plan to in an attempt to save the club's money for things more important than postage. As a result, those that do not renew before the next mailing (Masher Picnic notice and/or Chambly announcement?) will not be informed of the GMM arrangements for those activities. The best way to keep GMM mailings coming is to

renew now. It is my hope that you find your membership in the GMM worth \$15 per year. I know I do!

The club will continue to send complementary issues of The Barleycorn Press to those in the commercial brewing industry that have given us such wonderful support over the years. Additionally, if we have the addresses of former members who have moved away, they will get announcements regarding GMM trips and the picnic but will not get the monthly newsletter unless they are current with their membership.

If you have questions regarding your membership status, contact Lew. If there are are other issues concerning your membership, you may contact Paul at 862-2702. Additionally, I'm always willing to discuss club issues if you'd like. I believe that this is the most equitable way to address this issue but I am always willing to here differing opinions as I'm sure Paul is. <sup>(%)</sup>

The "Largest International Beer Event in North America" to be Held in Montreal This Month (Info contributed by Ruth Miller)



in Montreal this month. Over 60,000 visitors, are expected and there will be 200 international beers at 60 booths which may be sampled. It starts Thurs., 6/11 and runs through Sun. 6/21. Tickets are \$7 CN per entrance but other packages are available. Tasting coupons are \$0.80 per, with most beers costing between 1 and 5 coupons per 3-4 oz. sample. The event is held under tents in the Bassin de Bonsecours in the Old Port. All kinds of international foods, beerware, and memorabilia will be available for purchase. For Info contact "Le Mondial de la Biere" at:

Phone: 514-722-9640 Fax: 514-722-8467 Web Page: http://www.festivalmondialbiere.qc.ca/ english/INTROA.HTM



#### The Barleycorn Press, June 1998

### Next Meeting On June 8th at Monk and Linda Evans' in Underhill

he next meeting of the Green Mountain Mashers will take place on Monday, June 8th at the home of Monk and Linda Evans. This is the final meeting before the summer break and to celebrate the summer there will be a barbeque before and during the meeting (BYO food). Feel free to show up anytime after 4:30 pm. If anyone has an extra grill that they could bring, that would be great because Monk's doesn't have enough capacity for a crowd of Masher proportions. The grills will be started whenever people are ready to grill. The business meeting will commence around 8 P.M. To get there go out Route 15 to Underhill Flats, after you pass the new fire station, go 4 miles to North Underhill Station Road (it is on the right). Take this road to the end (1 mile) and turn left onto Poker Hill Road. Go a quarter of a mile and Rich's house will be on the right (Green mailbox, EVANS and 448 in big white letters, long steep uphill driveway). Park on the road, as there is a lot of construction going on by the house. M2

#### Minutes of the May Meeting Phil Kaszuba

he May 4th meeting held in the home of Anne and Matt Whyte was called to order by his excellency Paul Hale at 8:50 pm. Dan Marshall, competition organizer opened with a discussion of plans for this year's competition. Proposed date for the competition is November 7, 1998 with potential sites being investigated. Also needed is a location to store entries. Monk put forth a recommendation to have the first meeting of the upcoming season in September '98. Entries for the Maine homebrew competition must be dropped off at Vermont Homebrew Supply by 5/13 or Seven Barrel Brewery by 5/16 for delivery to Maine. Tim Cropley is shipping beer to the National Competition 1st round. Talk to Tim for details. Monk discussed a commercial beer evaluation that was hosted by the Hudson Valley Homebrew Club. Top honors went to the Troy Brewing Company. Monk continued with thoughts on western N.Y. breweries as potential destinations for a future Trub Trek. The Vermont Brewers' Festival will be held this year on 7/17-7/18. Volunteers are needed to help out and a sign up list was passed around. It was decided to have a June meeting this year and it will be held on June 8th at Monk's. Following that decision, the business meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm. 🖔

#### Volunteers Needed for Burlington Brewer's Fest

olunteer servers are needed to sign up for the Brewer's Festival being held at the Burlington Waterfront on July 17th and 18th. There's a Friday night session, and on Saturday there's an Afternoon & Evening session. If you work one, admission for another is free. All volunteer servers are required to complete the DLC servers class....this could come in handy when we have our competition because it is a requirement of the new legislation on homebrewing that there be people who have completed the course involved in any Vermont homebrew competitions. Anne Whyte had a sign-up at the May meeting but you may contact her at Vermont Homebrew Supply @ 655-2070. 💖

THE EDITOR WISHES TO THANK THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR PREVIOUS CONTRIBUTIONS WHICH WERE NOT CREDITED: ROBIN ORR - "BAD FROG BEER ARTICLE" ERIK SANDBLOM - SHELBURNE BEACH PLAQUE QUOTE DAVE GANNON - MAINE COMPETITION ENTRY IN-FORMATION



## **Staff Box**

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Note: The yearly dues of \$15 should be paid by the end of January. Please mail your check or money order made out to the "Green Mountain Mashers" to Treasurer Lewis Greitzer at the following address:

> Lewis Greitzer 33 Harbor View Road #1201 South Burlington, Vermont 05403 (802) 658-2621

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#### More Quotes of Norm Peterson of "Cheers" (Contributed by Tom Walter)

"Pour you a beer, Mr. Peterson?" "Alright, but stop me at one....make that one-thirty."

"How's it going, Mr. Peterson?" "It's a dog eat dog world, Woody & I'm wearing Milk Bone underwear."

"What's the story, Norm?" "Boy meets beer. Boy drinks beer. Boy meets another beer."

"Can I pour you a beer, Mr. Peterson?" "A little early, isn't it, Woody?" "For a beer?" "No, for stupid questions."

"Hey Norm, how's the world been treating you?" "Like a baby treats a diaper."

"What's the story, Mr. Peterson?" "The Bobsey Twins go to the brewery. Let's cut to the happy ending."

"Hey Mr. Peterson, there's a cold one waiting for you." "I know, if she calls, I'm not here."

"What's going on, Mr. Peterson?" "A flashing sign in my gut that says, 'Insert beer here.'"

"Whatcha up to, Norm?" "My ideal weight if I were eleven feet tall."

"How's it going, Mr. Peterson?" "Poor." "I'm sorry to hear that." "No, I mean pour."

"How's life treating you, Norm?" "Like it caught me sleeping with its wife." "Women. Can't live with 'em.... pass the beer nuts."

#### The Beer Prayer (Contributed By Bob Genter)

Our lager, Which art in barrels, Hallowed be thy drink. Thy will be drunk, (I will be drunk), At home as it is in taverns. Give us this day our foamy head, And forgive us our spillage, As we forgive those who spill against us. And lead us not to incarceration, But deliver us from hangovers. For thine is the beer, the bitter, and the lager. Barmen.



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