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A man in a red polo shirt with a Leinenkugel's logo is kneeling and holding a beer. Behind him is the Leinenkugel's building with signs that say 'Home of Leinenkugel's', 'JACOB LEINENKUGEL', and 'Since 1867'.

The North Star
BREWERY COLLECTIBLES CHAPTER

VINTAGE BEER CANS-SIGNS etc.

BEER COLLECTIBLES SHOW

Saturday Aug. 10th
7AM-4PM



AT THE BREWERY GROUNDS

1 JEFFERSON AVE. CHIPPEWA FALLS WI.

(NO CAMPING ON THE GROUNDS)



QUESTIONS? MIKE MULLALLY 651-451-3786

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



They say there are two seasons in Minnesota, Winter & Road Construction. Well they're wrong, at least this year anyway. This year it was Winter, then torrential rains and flooding along with blistering heat!

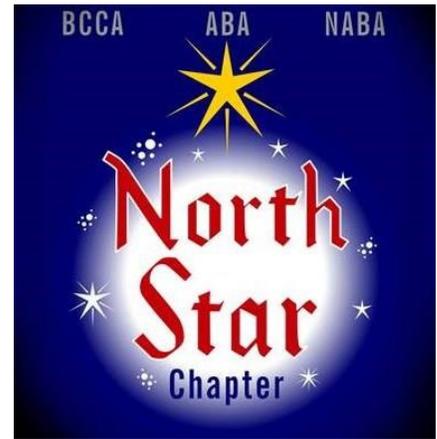
By the time you receive this newsletter, we will be a week or two away from one my favorite North Star Chapter shows. "A Day at Leinie's." Its our 22nd Annual, and it will be on Saturday, August 10th on the Leinenkugel Brewery grounds, just across the Chippewa River footbridge from the Leinie Lodge. Free table set-up for vendors. Set up starts around 5:AM – 6AM. As always, Free Admission to the general public. We have had a lot of new inquires this year, and we expect a good turnout. As always, a great show not to be missed!

With a little over 2 ½ months away, it's time to get ready for our premier breweriana show, Guzzle 'n Twirl! Because of a strong collector community and the strength of our club and its members, it continues to grow. I feel that this show is one of the best and largest shows in the country for both sellers and buyers. We expect to be sold out of tables by early Sept! Please get your Guzzle table registration forms in early.

As always, we need some good raffle prizes for Guzzle 'n Twirl (both lighted & non-lighted signs) and misc. breweriana items. Call me or just bring item to the show. We can always use help setting up and tearing down tables and we also need other help at the arena and hotel. Without your help, this event and others wouldn't happen. If you have any questions or concerns please call me @ 651-451-3786 or email: @ buyoldsigns@gmail.com Thanks Again.

Your Prez,

Michael Mullally



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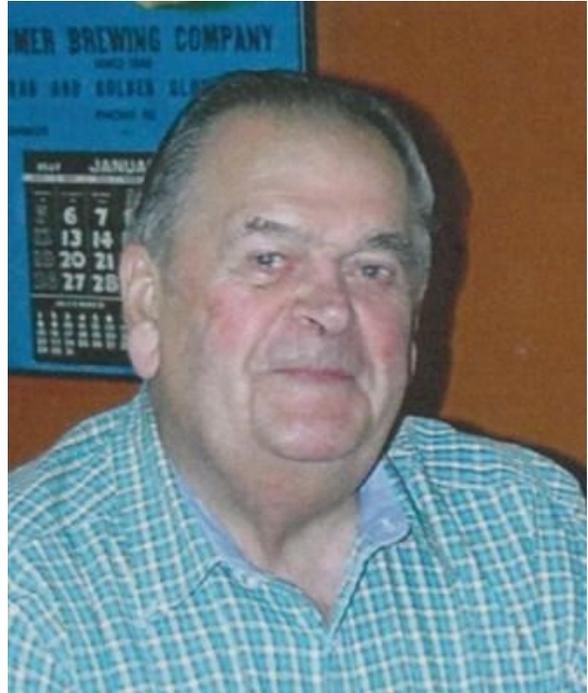
By Dave Wendl

On June 1st the breweriana collecting world lost a true icon, Herb Haydock. Herb and his wife Helen (the first lady) were a true force in the hobby! He was a founding father of NABA, and long-time member of ABA and BCCA, working hard to promote breweriana collecting for many years.

My family has known the Haydocks since the 1970s. When I was a kid we attended a beer can show in Stevens Point, Wisconsin where we met them. My parents, Joe and Delores, became good friends with Herb and Helen, going out together after the show and letting me into their home to see their fabulous collection. Needless to say, I was hooked after that! Herb always encouraged me to “collect what you like” and was truly interested in helping out younger collectors.

Throughout the following decades, the Haydocks made regular appearances at G 'n T and other NSC events. They were great supporters of our chapter. Thank you Herb for all of your work in promoting the hobby. You will be greatly missed.

Our condolences go out to Helen and the Haydock family.



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Ted Striny, a long time member, board member and officer of the North Star Chapter passed away on July 14th. He was 90. In the last few years Ted was not active in collecting because of health issues but still remained a member and supporter of NSC. He was a good friend, and like me, an avid St. Paul history buff with a wealth of knowledge that he loved to share. Rest in Peace, Buddy!

Nordlager Weekend

By Jeff R. Lonto

It was another near-perfect weekend up at Bert's place, the Northeastern Hotel & Saloon in Cloquet for the Nordlager Show, in mid July. Bob Jackson and I headed up on Friday afternoon, stopping at a few places along the way, including Castle Danger Brewing Company way up in Two Harbors, Blacklist in downtown Duluth (where the streets were torn up)., and Ursa Minor Brewing. Pete Clure's book on Duluth breweries was on sale in many area brewpubs.

We made it to Bert's place by dusk. We got to see Bert's newly acquired vintage lighted Hamm's sign installed on the building. Had a great time catching up with old friends in the saloon, and then turning in for the night in one of the re-furbished hotel rooms upstairs.

The show got underway early Saturday morning. The weather was perfect. Sunny, warm, but not too humid or windy. Bert's wife Judy served a great breakfast of eggs, hashbrowns, sausage and toast, and later served hamburgers and bratwurst for lunch. There were about 18 setups in the open parking lot, and the 40-foot Hamm's Bear was inflated, greeting passing cars on the highway above. In the afternoon, as we were all working up a thirst, Bert gave us all a bottle of Lord Chesterfield beer from Yuengling Brewing Company. Not readily available in Minnesota.

Jill and Steve Blaska were there, and Jill made a special announcement (which she gave me permission to report here), that they will be becoming grandparents for the first time, due in November. Congratulations.

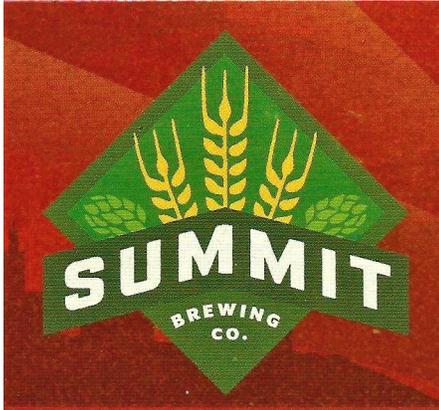


More pics from Cloquet..



Special thanks once again to Bert and Judy Whittington for another great weekend. See you next July at the Northeastern Hotel & Saloon (or stop by any time of the year).

SUMMIT RECAP



By Jody Otto

The annual show at the Summit Brewery was held on May 18, 2019. Although the weather forecast was full of rain the morning was nice until the rain came around noon. Approximately 25 cars came thru and set up at some time that morning, and there was some very good activity among buyers and sellers. Fortunately, the newly remodeled and very nice Summit Ratskeller opened at noon so we could escape the rain and enjoy some new tap beer offerings. Several members took the full brewery tour as well.



DUBUQUE 2019 RECAP

By Bob Jackson

It turned out to be a great weekend for another beer road trip heading down to the annual Tri-States Beer Show in Eagle Point Park in Dubuque. This year I headed down with Mike Mullally on Friday morning. We made most of our usual stops at some antique shops and a few brewpubs, which is half the fun of going to this show. We arrived a bit after things got underway at the new Days Inn. It's always fun to catch up with friends old and new hanging out in the hospitality room with a brew or two. I even got a chance to visit the new brewery downtown, Dimensional Brewing, housed in an old garage. Cool place!

Saturday's weather turned out perfect for the show. Even though it was a bit down on set-ups this year, there still was a nice assortment of many cans and other goodies. The park setting is one of the best locations for an outdoor show that can't be beat! A pretty good raffle rounded out the show. Afterwards we made the trip over to Potosi to visit the museum and enjoy a brew in the brewpub. It's a must stop!

I can't wait to head back again next year as this is one of my favorite shows! I'd like to see more come down and enjoy this show, so I'm giving a shout out now and I'm saying: "Get your cans (and other breweriana) down to Dubuque!" See you there in 2020!

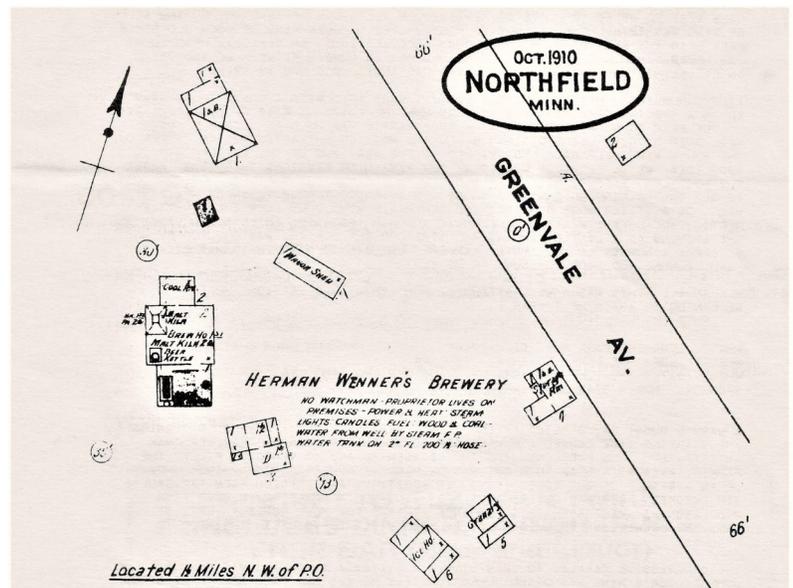


(Photos from 2018.)

In 1901, saloonkeepers in Northfield had to pay a license fee of \$1200 a year to retail liquor. The Wengers Brewery, however, did not have to pay this fee, because the brewery was situated outside of the city limits. Although the college complained, they couldn't do much because of the situation factor. Nearby farmers could purchase two-gallon kegs for one dollar and some thought the beer was unfit to drink, but that didn't keep the college boys (and probably some girls) from getting the stuff and partying. The college boys even had raids on the brewery, dropping down ventilation ducts by ropes to steal beer stored in the Wenner Brewery. A Mr. Glasoe, science prof, at the college went with some students and they pretended to be interested in the caves at the brewery. After getting permission to explore them, he sneakily obtained samples of the beer and then filed a complaint against the Wengers to the Northfield Police. The Wengers defended themselves by saying that their beer made the college boys strong and healthy. Obviously this defense didn't convince Judge North much, he pronounced them guilty and their brewery was to cease operations until a license was obtained.

Mrs. Wenner got so mad she rushed towards Glasoe (the science teacher) and chased him all over the room, trying to catch him, but he eluded her, she became too exhausted. There is no sure evidence that a license was obtained, but there are some hints that a license was secured and operations started rolling again, however, the hatred from the religious townfolks never quit. This is proven by a fire in the granary one day. The firemen heard that it was at the brewery and so they took their jolly good time and by the time they arrived, well, there was no granary left. The Wengers must have overcome this added tragedy, for the brewery's operation didn't come to a demise until after the death of Herman Wenner. He died in his home on Dec. 29, 1916. In 1917, probably after a valiant attempt by Mrs. Wenner to keep things going, their property was foreclosed on and the brewery closed its doors never to reopen.

In a way it was a good thing that the brewery went under when it did. Prohibition, led by the good old St. Olaf alumnus, Andrew Volstead was just around the corner, and the Wengers had really suffered and endured enough. The property was sold for farmland and later the caves were used for mushroom farming and then the Northfield Bottling Co. rented them to store their beverages in. In 1957, the property was finally sold to St. Olaf College and the rest of the buildings that were standing were razed. The caves were no longer used except for a few beer parties, unknown to the administration. Sooner or later they found out that these things were going on and in 1961, the one remaining cave that had not caved in, was sealed. Now, even with much persistence, no cave entrance can be found. The site of the brewery is still visible however, although one could never tell than anything had ever been there. Wouldn't students who partied on that spot today be surprised if they only knew that many years ago, their ancestors were whooping it up in a brewery garden in the exact location as they are standing.



Insurance map showing the layout of the Herman Wenner brewery. The main brewery had a brew house on the main floor, including a malt kiln and beer kettle. On the second floor was the main malt kiln. For insurance purposes, the property had preferred rates because there was a water tank on the second floor with 200' of 1 1/2 inch hose available.

Much of the material of this article was taken from the April 13, 1977 edition of the Golden Nugget paper in an article entitled, The Northfield Brewery written by LaVern Rippley. Other material was gathered from an article entitled "Pop" Stubbe 11-17 Feb. 1961, other material was also found in the Manitou Messenger of Feb. 17, 1961 page 6. Appreciation is given to the Archives Department of St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota 55077.



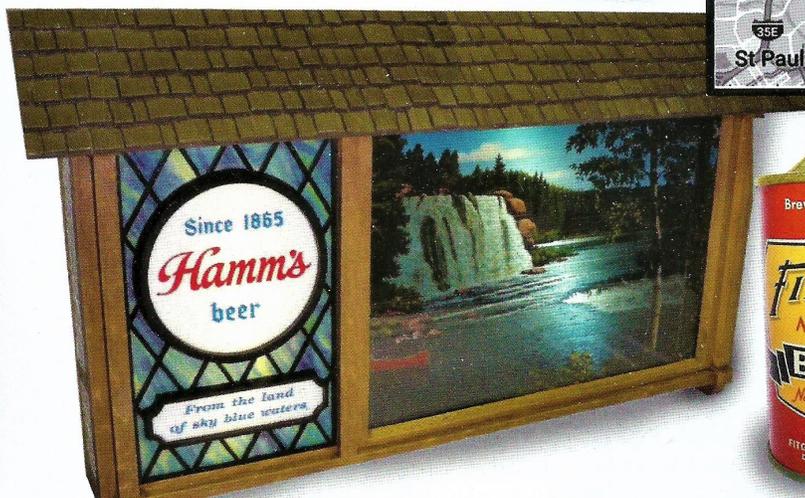
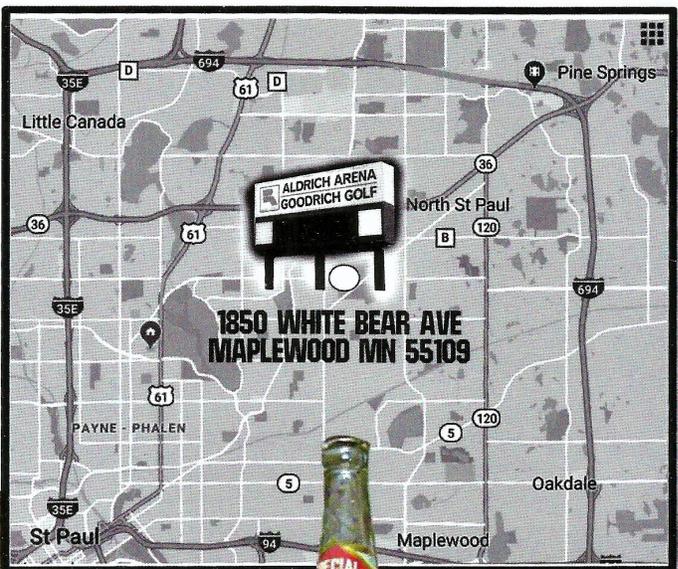
The Guzzle 'n Twirl SHOW



THE BIGGEST BEER COLLECTIBLES SHOW IN THE MIDWEST-SINCE 1973

Saturday Oct. 12, 2019

**9AM til 3PM at Aldrich Ice Arena
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WANTED: Good condition beer cans and interesting signs from MN breweries. Top condition equals top price. **Dave Wendl**, 1060 McKnight Rd. S., Maplewood, MN 55119 651-731-9573.

WANTED: Clean, pre-Prohibition beer mugs, glasses, trays, and labeled or embossed bottles from Minnesota, the Dakotas and WI. **Steve Ketcham** 952-221-0915
steve@antiquebottledepot.com

WANTED: Early beer advertising pin backs (1930s thru 1960s).
Bob Jackson, 651-690-3529 or bjackson@trussbilt.com

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Gluek Stite ad, circa 1960.



A nice vintage Hamm's sign with the moon shining behind it at the Northeastern Hotel & Saloon in Cloquet.



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