

At the Summit

the e-zine of Summits Wayside Tavern



20 September, 2005

PINT NIGHTS

Pint Nights are held on the days below from 7-9 pm at all locations. Drink a pint and keep the glass! (while supplies last!)

09/24 Sapporo
09/30 DAB Special!
10/01 RedHook
Hoptoberf
10/02 Beamish
10/03 Moosehead
10/04 Hennepin
10/05 Sam Smith

Burger Month!

Since 2003 Summits has partnered with St Jude Children's Research Hospital to raise money.



Each time our customers purchase a burger from our Burger Month menu we will donate \$.50 to St Jude's Hospital. The last two years were so successful that we raised literally thousands of dollars for this most worthy cause!

TUESDAY POKER!!!

Play Poker on Tuesdays at our Sandy Springs Summits!

Sign up is at 7 pm. First and second place winners will receive Condors (Summit money) !!

See you there!



A View from the Summit

The Role of Sisyphus...

Kevin - Manager - Sandy Springs

As I sat down today to pen up my monthly article, I could not get a recent NY Times book review out my of head. The review was on two recent memoirs of bars that obviously provide alcohol but also provide a community as well.

In the past when people have asked our business philosophy or what type of "place" we try to run, I have always thought of the disappearing neighborhood tavern as the type of establishment we try to emulate. In today's world of marketing and branding, the national chains and cookie cutter institutes have nearly wiped out the "local joints" that many of us had our first legal or illegal drink in.

Some days I feel like the combination of changing societal mores, targeted taxation, and competitive pressures from the behemoth chains have rendered us local tavern operators to role of Sisyphus, doomed to push the boulder up the hill only to have it roll back down again.

However, when you really look at what are establishments are all about and what we actually achieve, we have genuinely created a community that far surpasses our provision of food and drink. I believe that people come to us because we have good food and an unbelievable selection of spirits but also because we are a gathering place where people can come to celebrate, to see a sporting event, to commiserate, and just plain bullshit with your friends. When you see the happy hour customers roll in, the handshakes and backslaps begin, the one line zingers begin to fly, and you hear the phrase "one and one", you know you are in a special place.

During the devastation of Hurricane Katrina and its aftermath, there was a local downtown bar called Johnny White's Sports Bar that has remained open and become a refuge for many residents who have defiantly remained in New Orleans. They have struggled to commandeer both (...continued on page 2)



Summit's Beer Offerings



Snellville

Old Dominion Lager
Old Dom. Oak Barrel St.
North Coast Red Seal
North Coast Prangster
Schneider Adventinus
Ace Pear Cider

Sandy Springs

Old Dominion
Terrapin Imperial Pilsner
Bridgeport IPA
Old Chub
Dales Pale Ale
Brooklyn Scottish Ale

Cumming

Flying Dog Gonzo Porter
Old Dom. Oak Barrel St.
Ace Pear
North Coast Red Seal- B
North Coast Prangster- B
North Coast #38 Stout-B

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Summits Partners With St. Jude... (continued from page 1)

food, beer, and medical supplies, but they have maintained business operations and become a home for their regulars.

Now, in your wildest dreams can you imagine a Chili's or a Fridays' doing that.

Editor's Note: Each week, we'll bring you a column featuring a thought, story, or even prose by your favorite people at Summits! And don't forget, you too can be published! Contact snellville@summitsonline.com for details!

Where in the World Are You?



Brian and I had an awesome trip out to Oregon last month and visited the Rogue Brewery, stayed at the Bed & Beer, and hit all 3 public ale houses in Newport & Portland. And you were right, they were all SUPER nice people!

Here's a picture of us in our Summits shirts...we figured wearing Summit gear to the "summit" of Mount St. Helens would be appropriate. The volcano was letting off some steam while we were there.

Jen Brown & Brian Siple
Snellville passport members

Spotlight on Beer!

Dab Lager

DAB Original Every Country Needs a Legend Not just a beer. Not just a premium brew. A beer with a glorious history. A beer at home on every continent. A taste that is appreciated throughout the world. The model for many of the world's beers. A real Dortmunder – a symbol of German brewing culture Bright golden colour – fine bitter taste – with an elegant note of hops. DAB ORIGINAL – THE BEER OF WORLD FAME

Facts:

Fermentation type: bottom fermented Beer type: full gravity Taste: slim and elegant. fine sparkle; full taste

http://www.dab.de/cms/startordner/marken/1364_a4939u1.html



Cooking With Beer!

Beef & Guinness Stew Recipe

Ingredients

- 2 pounds lean stewing beef
- 3 tablespoons oil
- 2 tablespoons flour
- Salt and freshly ground pepper and a pinch of cayenne
- 2 large onions, coarsely chopped
- 1 large clove garlic, crushed (optional)
- 2 tablespoons tomato puree, dissolved in 4 tablespoons water
- 1-1/4 cups Guinness stout beer
- 2 cups carrots, cut into chunks
- Sprig of thyme

Instructions

Trim the meat of any fat or gristle, cut into cubes of 2 inches (5cm) and toss them in a bowl with 1 tablespoon oil. Season the flour with salt, freshly ground pepper and a pinch or two of cayenne. Toss the meat in the mixture.

Heat the remaining oil in a wide frying pan over a high heat. Brown the meat on all sides. Add the onions,

crushed garlic and tomato puree to the pan, cover and cook gently for about 5 minutes.

Transfer the contents of the pan to a casserole, and pour

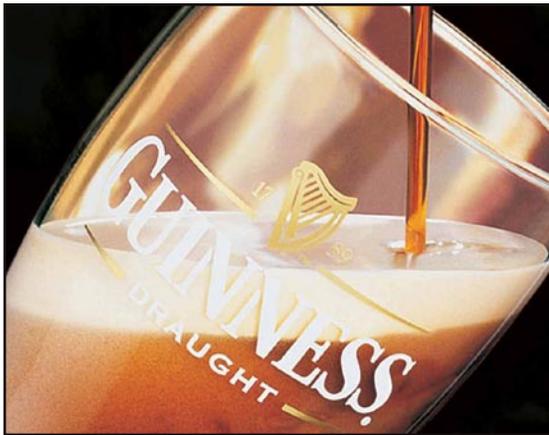
some of the Guinness into the frying pan. Bring to a boil and stir to dissolve the caramelized meat juices on the pan.

Pour onto the meat with the remaining Guinness; add the carrots and the thyme. Stir, taste, and add a little more salt if necessary.

Cover with the lid of the casserole and simmer very gently until the meat is tender -- 2 to 3 hours. The stew may be cooked on top of the stove or in a low oven at 300 degrees F. Taste and correct the seasoning. Scatter with lots of chopped parsley.

Yield: 6 to 8 servings

<http://homecooking.about.com/library/archive/blss129.htm>



Beer Connoisseur

Fôret Organic

Brasserie du Pont, Hainaut Belgium

"[Foret] is an unfiltered organic Belgian ale from this well respected artisan brewery, better known for their classic Saison. It has a lumpy, rocky head and a pleasing pale golden colour. The nose is a complex blend of spices and fruit- coriander, cinnamon, vanilla, pepper, figs, and a hint of toffee. In the mouth there are lots of phenols and esters adding lightness to the texture, with complex spicy malt and a subtle

burning strength in the back of the throat. However, the strength is well disguised on the tongue- it is smooth and not too lively (despite the 'pop' when pulling the cork). Aftertaste is long, zesty, malty and spicy. This was for a long time the most interesting organic beer in the database, and is still one of the best. It's certainly well deserving of the World Beer Championships Top 10 award..."

Oxford Bottled Beer Database

<http://www.belgianexperts.com/Dupont.php>



FOOTBALL - Ack!

Football is in full swing - have you joined Summits to cheer on your team?

Summits carries the College and Pro Football package. Don't miss the fun!



Spotlight on Food

Russian Czar Burger

A decadent but deliciously satisfying gourmet experience. An 8 oz. 100% ground chicken patty topped with swiss cheese, applewood smoked bacon, sour cream, caviar, lettuce, vine ripened tomato, and vidalia onion. Served with Russian dressing on a freshly baked poppy seed bun with a side of fries and a pickle.



For a full look at our menu, click on www.summits-online.com and let your food adventure begin.

Did You Know?

To "mind your P's and Q's" refers to English drinks being served in pints and quarts. In older times, bartenders would advise a customer to mind their own pints and quarts when they were becoming unmanageable.

All taken from-

<http://www2.potsdam.edu/alcohol-info/FunFacts/AlcoholTrivia.html>



Quote of the Week

I don't need friends, I make beer.

- Mike Snyder

Your Weekly Summits Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
18	19	20	21	22	23	7-9p 24
						Sapporo
	SN Bingo 7:30p	SS POKER!! 7p	C Trivia 8p double!		C Trivia 9p SN Trivia 10p SS Trivia 10p	SS Trivia 9p
25	26	27	28	29	30	7-9p Oct. 1
					DAB SPECIAL!!	RD HOPTOBER...
	SN Bingo 7:30p	SS POKER!! 7p	C Trivia 8p double!		C Trivia 9p SN Trivia 10p SS Trivia 10p	SS Trivia 9p
2	3	4	5	6	7	7-9p 8
Beamish	Moosehead	Hennepin	Sam Smith	Dinkel Acker	Pilsner Urquell	FD Dogtoberfest
						Octoberfest!
	SN Bingo 7:30p	SS POKER!! 7p	C Trivia 8p double!		C Trivia 9p SN Trivia 10p SS Trivia 10p	SS Trivia 9p
9	10	11	12	13	14	7-9p 15
Bass	Fosters	Kirin	Red Brick Ale	Warsteiner	John Courage	Sam Adams
	Summits U 7pm Cumming	Summits U 7pm Snellville	Summits U 7pm Sandy Springs		C Trivia 9p SN Trivia 10p SS Trivia 10p	ROGUE 15!!!
	SN Bingo 7:30p	SS POKER!! 7p	C Trivia 8p double!			SS Trivia 9p