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## A Message from your President Bill Viancourt ABC# 132

Spring is here, at least according to the calendar it is. Since our migration back north for Easter, we have had sunshine 4 days. There is enough water in the back yard that if it were Florida; there would be alligators back there. On the other hand, there are plenty of shows close back were we can add to our collections and make more good memories. Before you know it, we will be heading out to Albuquerque for another Canvention. For me, it will add the longest road trip for any Canvention, almost 1600 miles. It will put me at about 15,000 miles driving to 15 Canventions (including the one that was a 22 mile roundtrip for me). Add up your mileage and let me know how many you have logged. I will come up with a nice bottle for the person with the highest number.

Speaking of bottles, I seemed to be easier to come up with all 13 of the brewery state bottles this year than in the past. (I counted the America bottle). Even though I could not find Georgia on my journey, Florida, Virginia and Ohio bottles seemed pretty easy to trade for the others. Maybe we are finding it to be more economical than EBay to add to the collection.

There are plenty of new bottles pictured elsewhere in this newsletter. For those of you who cannot wait for each newsletter, Brad does a great job of posting all the new issues on the chapter website. He also lists soon to be released issues from many different brewery sources. Of course, the chapter Facebook page will offer pictures of almost every new bottle issued around the world. How is this for a scary idea? A couple of the mobile canning trucks put in a bottling line and get all of the microbreweries to buy into putting their products in aluminum bottles. It will be Andy's, Beans and Bacon Days and WKIS Radio all over again.

Keep reminding your Facebook friends about the benefit of belonging to our chapter. It is always safer to trade or buy/sell with someone you know than not.

I am curious as to how many members are planning on going to Canvention. We will certainly have a chapter meeting to discuss any business and are contemplating a chapter table if there will be enough people there to make it worthwhile. I will put the question out on Facebook and see what kind of response we will get.

We are looking for a member who might be willing to write a short article to be submitted for consideration in the BCCA magazine about their bottle collecting. If you are interested, please contact me via phone or email and I will give you the details. It is free publicity for our chapter.

Don't forget to vote for bottle of the year. We need to show the powers-to-be that we are worthy or a little more consideration. At the same time, please remember to vote for chapter member and long time board member of our chapter Juan Carlos DeMarco for the Hall of Fame.

I hope I see many of you soon at a show or Canvention.

## **Chapter Tidbits**

Chapter member Mike Scheffler, ABC#162 of Waterford, Wisconsin lost his wife on May 9th. We offer our condolences to you and your family for your loss. From all of the chapter member, officers and board.

**New Members:** Since the last newsletter, no new members to welcome. We currently have 130 active members in the chapter. **Dues:** Our current dues cycle is complete. The chapter only has 7 members who aren't yet lifetime members and they will be contacted after CANvention for renewals.

**Facebook:** Check out the ABC Chapter's two Facebook Pages. Our general page, Aluminum Bottle CANnoisseurs page, which is open to anyone is https://www.facebook.com/groups/abcchapter/. Our other page, ABC Chapter Members, is a closed group just for active ABC Members, can be found at https://

www.facebook.com/groups/abcchaptermembers/. Both groups can also be found by simply typing abcchapter into the Facebook search bar.

Website/Forum: The ABC Chapter website galleries now lists well over 4000 bottles. But there are always newer bottles, and some from the past, that get missed. If you run across a bottle not listed, or can provide better pictures of one that is, please contact Brad at: webmaster@abcchapter.com

or use the Bottle Submittal Form available from the webpage. The ABC Chapter Forum is still up and running. With the popularity of Facebook it doesn't get the traffic it used to, but still a good place to trade/find info on bottles. Check it out at <u>www.abcchapter.com/</u>forum/.

The ABC is an active at-large chapter of the **Brewery Collectibles Club of America, BCCA.** The BCCA is a national organization of collectors specializing in any kind of Breweriana. The club boasts a membership of 3500+ and hosts a National CANvention yearly. Perks of belonging to the BCCA include a subscription to Beer Cans & Brewery Collectibles-the high quality magazine, a membership roster, access to members only areas of the website, the right to attend the National CANvention, to name a few.

Check it out at <u>www.bcca.com</u> or give them a call at (636) 343-6436. After you join, let us know at <u>www.abcchapter.com</u> and your first year at the ABC is covered!

> Don't Forget! We are also on Facebook! Find us at www.facebook.com/groups/abcchapter or type abcchapter in your Facebook search box



### Join the BCCA and your first year in the ABC is free!!





The BCCA Canvention in Albuquerque is just around the corner, from August 29th to August 31st. Last time I checked, the room allotment at the Hyatt Regency was gone during the canvention dates. Don't despair, Beer Dave normally does his magic and either get more rooms or finds another nearby hotel. Registration is now open and important links can be found at:

https://www.bcca.com/canvention-information-albuquerque2019/

### Dave's Ramblings

Greetings all,

Thanks to Bill, Juan Carols, and especially Brad for their contributions and many thanks to Cristian De Antoni for sharing photos of his impressive collection on his new shelves at his new home.

Having an email newsletter is much easier than a newsletter in which part of the membership wants their edition as a hard copy. Thus, half way through completing the pages of Cristian's collection, I figured out that who cares if the pictures are one per page.

We are getting close to Canvention 49 and unfortunately I'll be flying in and limited to 4 totes. I'd rather drive but that evil four letter "work" keeps on getting in the way of more important things.

Hopefully there will be the Budweiser national park cabottles that I need. I trying to complete 3 sets, 1 for me and 2 for friends. And hopefully I'll have enough willpower to not end up with more than I can bring back on the plane, but I know that's not realistic.

If you do make it to the Canvention, I hope to see you there.

Cheers,

Dave Vogl, ABC Newsletter Editor

### What's New in A-B?! Brad Ambruso ABC# 007

As discussed in the last newsletter, AB had changed up the back panels on all their major label twist top bottles. Well it continues with the pry top variations. The Budweiser, Bud Light and Michelob Ultra pry tops all have minor changes to the back panels with no noticeable changes to the label. So far all the new variants found have been redemption bottles and they are, Budweiser 503387, Bud Light 503376 and Michelob Ultra 503398.



Like the twist top variants, the only change noticed to any of the crowns is on the Budweiser bottle. Budweiser has added the 'King of Beers' tagline to the red crown logo. This crown has also shown up on some of the older pry tops and the Budweiser St Patrick's Day bottles discussed later in the newsletter.





Catching up with the rest of the AB brands there have also been changes to the back panels of the Bud Light Lime, Bud Light Platinum, Budweiser Select and Michelob Golden Light. Like the major labels these changes are all minor to the back panel and I won't try to detail them, just getting the information out there. So far, the only new variants confirmed are all redemption and they are, Bud Light Lime 503412, Bud Light Platinum 503383, Budweiser Select 503384 and Michelob Golden Draft 503393.



Changes to some of the caps on the new releases were also noticed. The Bud Light Lime cap has rearranged a few things and made the Lime smaller in white. The Bud Light Platinum and Michelob Golden Draft caps have just received a slight color change.



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Budweiser has been a huge proponent of the National Park Service for years and we saw that a couple years ago with the Statue of Liberty bottles. This year they have gone all out and produced a series of bottles commemorating national parks in the states they have breweries, along with an America bottle for everywhere else.

In addition to some pretty cool bottles for us collectors, Budweiser will donate \$1 from every case sold, up to \$1 million, to the National Park Foundation.

The national release bottle is the America 'The Beautiful' bottle 503421 redem. It is picturing the Statue of Liberty along the New York skyline which is the same as the New York bottle. Not sure why they couldn't have found a different picture for the America bottle, but nice bottle all

the same.

The are twelve additional bottle

in the series for the eleven states that have breweries, California has two. The bottles, so far, have all been redemption and each depicts a national park in that state. They are, California-Joshua Tree 503422, California-Yosemite 503435, Colorado-Rocky Mountain 503424, Florida-Canaveral Seashore 503426, Georgia-Cumberland Island 503427, Missouri-Gateway Arch 503428, New Hampshire-Appalachian Trail 503429, New Jersey– Thomas Edison Park 503430, New York-Statue of Liberty 503431, Ohio-Cuyahoga Valley 503432, Texas-Big Bend Park 503433 and Virginia-Star Spangled Trail 503434.





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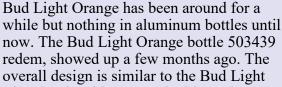


If we only see one baseball bottle this year, which may be the case, at least it's a pretty decent example. The Budweiser 'Jackie Robinson 42' 503475 redem bottle has been released national. The black and white bottle has Jackie Robinson in script, a big 42 and baseball lacing up two sides. Sales of the bottles will help to contribute to the building of the Jackie Robinson museum where Budweiser will donate up to \$500k. Even though it's a national release, no other variants yet confirmed.

As is the case every year, again we see the Budweiser and Bud Light bottles for St Patrick's Day. The Budweiser St Patrick's bottle 503485 redem, 503486 n/r, is real similar to last year with just the name of the brew master changed on the front panel.

The Bud Light St Patrick's bottle 503417 redem, 503418 n/r, did get some changes.

They went back to the AB Crest, still using a green bottle with a shamrock in place of the AB logo. Along with Budweiser changing up their crown, as discussed earlier, Bud Light went to a green Bud Light box logo crown.



Lime bottle with 'Brewed with Real Orange Peels' along top and a spiraled orange on the bottom. Additional variants not yet confirmed. To go along with the new bottle, there's a new cap.

PRY OFF

Bud Light has released a bottle for GLAAD (Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation). The 16oz Bud Light pry top bottle 503488 redem, is a national release and is primarily for bars and gay pride events. The bottles are designed with the LGBTQ Pride flag design and the wording above the crest has been changed to words of inclusivity and support. More info on this can be found in the Bud Light GLAAD article in this issue.



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The first Bud Light Texas bottle came out in 2017 and now they've released a slightly updated version to go along with all the other brands minor changes. The 16oz twist top bottle, 503380 non-redem is real similar to the previous version with just some changes to the back panel.

Sleeper bottles are always a welcome addition and when it's an unintended bottle (aka loser bottle) that just makes it even better. The Budweiser 2011 NBA Championship bottle for the Miami Heat, 501724 redem has just popped out of the woodwork. Of coarse that was the Dallas Mavericks year and the bottle is a real similar design, with white instead of black band around bottle and even has the same number.



Staying on the subject of sleeper bottles, from 2016 a test/prototype bottle for China has surfaced. The bottle is the Budweiser Thank You/ New Year 2017 bottle, 355ml Wuhan Brewing. The test bottle (left) has all the main panel graphics filled in gold, while the release bottle (right) has all the graphics left in bottle red. Both are nice bottles but perhaps they picked the wrong one for release, the gold does stand out nicely. Like all test bottles, not to mention it's from China, should be somewhat tough to find.







For the third year in a row Budweiser Taiwan has spruced up a regular bottle for Christmas. The bottle is an AB Crest Budweiser pry top 502602 with a Taiwanese import sticker. This year they added a gold ribbon with a bow and hung a small cardboard Christmas tree off the ribbon. The bottle was also sold in a cloth bag with Budweiser bowties all around. Not sure how many more years they'll be doing this but sooner or later newer version bottle will probably be needed.



# Skinny Brands aluminum bottles at Festivals

UK-based Skinny Brands has launched its 4% ABV Skinny Lager in aluminum bottles to replace its current glass bottles at festivals and events throughout the year.

The brand said it is responding to a consumer backlash against plastic cups, which are often used to serve drinks at festivals.



The announcement follows a decision by more than 60 independent festivals in the UK to commit to banning plastic straws immediately and all single-use plastics by 2021.

Skinny Brands marketing director Allan Moffat said: "Typically, lager is served in plastic cups at festivals and outdoor events. Our customers tell us they prefer to drink out of a bottle, so we have developed a sustainable alternative that ensures our lager tastes as good as it would out of a glass bottle."

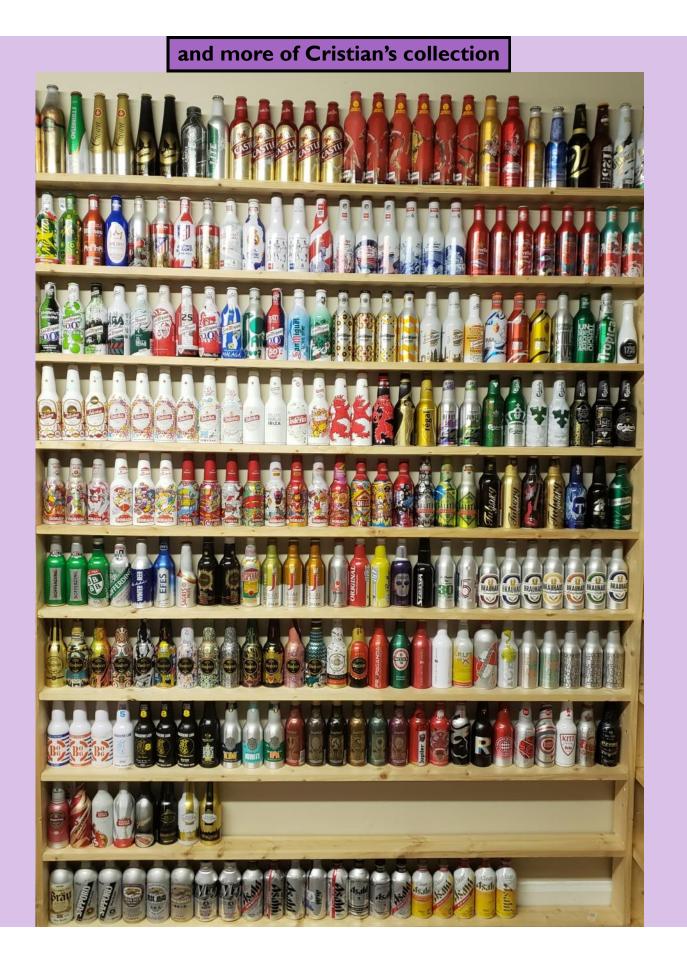
"Everyone has seen the impact that waste, particularly plastic, is having on our planet, and we wanted to make sure we were contributing to the solution and not the problem. The aluminum bottle is a step in the right direction and it is part of our commitment to using recyclable or reusable materials at events."

Skinny Brands will be trialing the bottles at events this year with plans to roll them out across pubs, bars and restaurants in the future.

Skinny Lager was launched earlier this year as a response to demand for low-calorie alcohol, and is made using a brewing process which removes residual sugars from the drink.

Excerpts taken from an article at foodbev.com



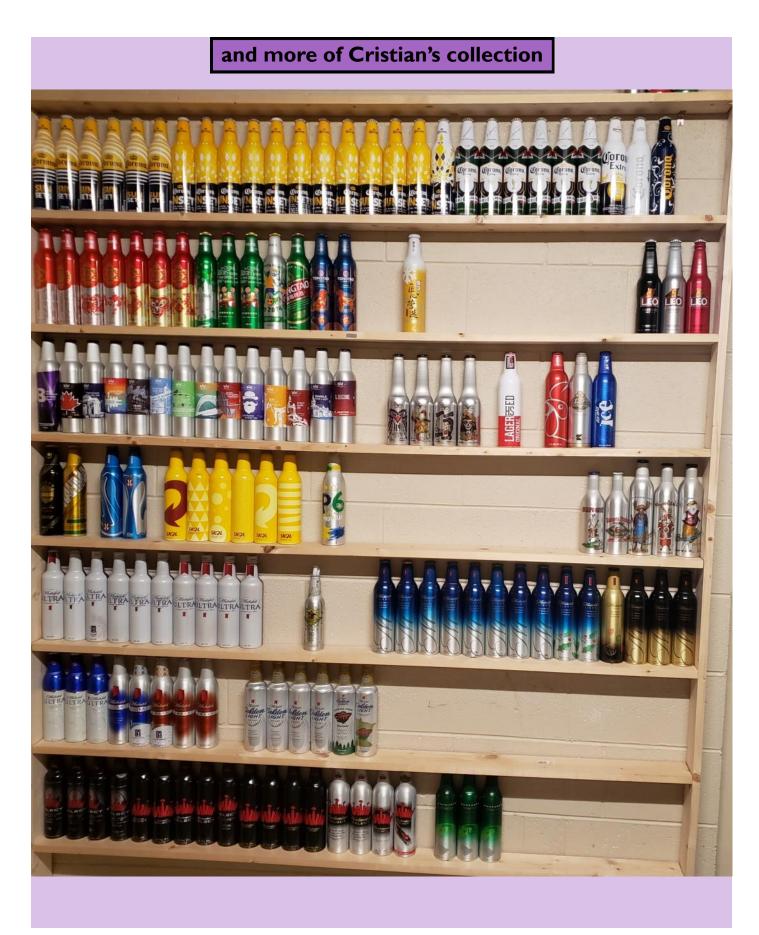








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## International Aluminum Bottles Juan Carlos De Marco ABC# 031

Looks like the markets are a little withdrawn from the production of aluminum containers. We don't really know the reasons, but logically we expect this trend to change and have a lot of pieces to collect. This particular situation seems not to be suffered in China, where new brands and models appear every day. Here are the new proposals.

### CHINA:

**CHERO, JINLONGQUAN BEER,** "Beauty Empress": This new appearance of a Chinese bottle would not be so significant if it were not that its appearance makes us remember another brand of cosmetics almost identical, right? I'm not going to get into comments... Lol





Here is an attractive **Snow Beer** cabottle from the China Resources Snow Breweries Ltd. (CR Snow) whose headquarters are in Beijing. CR Snow, formally known as Shenyang Snow Beer Company, is the largest brewing company in China.

**TSINGTAO** PIZZA HUT: This set already has a time to have appeared in all branches of the wellknown international chain "Pizza Hut". It's not the first time the firm has done it with these aluminum bottles, but it's the first time they've sold a set and without a doubt, their soccer motifs have been quite an attraction.



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**YANJING BEER**: Supplying 1.4 billion people surely shouldn't be easy. That's why you shouldn't draw attention to new brands appearing in the Chinese market and their productions are really monstrous. It takes them time, for sure, but when they show up they cause a thunder of enormous proportions. This specimen shocked the market. The Party is already in almost every province.



**CENTURY PROPHET**: The latest offered by the Chinese market is this Trilogy where on its label clearly dominates hops as its distinctive symbol.

Three flavors are featuring this new brand as presentation, which are Crop Circle Weizen; Night Creature Stout and Century Amber IPA, where the German influence in their production is clearly observed. Welcome.



**TSINGTAO WUMART**: You can't say anything too special about this cabottle, only it's exclusively sold on the Wumart supermarket chain, and it dominates the red color on its surface which is one of the lucky colors in Chinese mythology.



**TSINGTAO**: The commemoration of an anniversary often sharpens the creativity of the designers. This case is no exception and the traditional Chinese dragon dominates the front of this beautiful bottle. Congratulations on your firsts 70 years, Tsingtao !!!!





#### FRANCE:

**B06 BIÈRE D'ANTIBES:** Different flavors of Absinthe craft beer from the city of Antibes. While their labels are paper, they are undoubtedly very nice pieces. There are more flavors, but these are the last appearances.

**LA'TYPIQUE:** Probably (for my taste) the prettiest bottle I've seen in recent times; simple, monochromatic, and very emblematic. The side of a zebra with a glass and a bottle of beer on its pin. Nothing more communicative. Congratulations to the designer. For me, this bottle has to be, without hesitation, in the next selection of "best foreign aluminum bottle" at CANvention.



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**MANN FILTER:** In its two variations according to the writing on its back. French product with short data to highlight, since it is a bottle of difficult find and we do not yet really know the city where its brewery is established. In any case we always want them to be consolidated in the market, and allow for new offers, because we will be with open eyes to be able to achieve them.



#### ENGLAND

**PANTHER BREWERY:** Britain is not usually a great producer of cabottles, but when they decide to release new editions they do it magnificently, with style and quality.

These two versions: Berry Bite, and Jungle IPA, made in Norfolk, England, speak clearly and confirm my appreciation. Abundant colors and lots of movement in their design.



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### ISRAEL

**GOLDSTAR:** These are the only two aluminum bottles of beer that appeared in Israel to date, and they are not new, but these photos will help distinguish the second one of them, which, as you can see, have differences in their writing at the back side. An essential aid, for those who care about the smallest differences.





#### SWITZERLAND

**SCHÜTZENGARTEN:** This famous Swiss brand, traditional for its old hunter with an arquebus on its label, breaks the traditional writing in its products, to propose a low carb beer in aluminum bottle. It's not a design that's going to drive anyone crazy, but well, at least they keep adding to foreign proposals.

#### URUGUAY

**BUDWEISER:** For those who collect export beer bottles, this traditional Budweiser has the sticker from the Uruguayan importer.



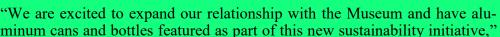
## **Museum Eliminates Single-Use Plastics**

To enhance its commitment to building an empowered community that loves, understands, and protects our natural world, the Denver Museum of Nature & Science has eliminated single-use plastic.

As a steward of the natural world, the Museum has been committed to landfill diversion for years and is continuing to increase the amount diverted with new sustainability programs. The Museum has most recently replaced plastic beverage bottles. Infinitely recyclable aluminum cans and compostable cups made of 100 percent plant-based materials are available for beverages. The Museum now composts all eating utensils, straws, napkins, plates, condiment cups, salad containers, and food waste.

"Everything that touches food or beverages we prepare at the Museum is compostable," said Patrick Hartnett, the Museum's food and beverage director. "It takes plastics hundreds of years to decompose, and we felt this was an immediate step we could take to continue our commitment to protecting the natural world."

In celebration of Earth Day on April 22, the Museum was pleased to announce its new sustainability partnership with Ball Corporation. One aspect of the partnership is an in-kind donation of 200,000 infinitely recyclable aluminum bottles of water for use at Museum special events and meetings and for distribution to guests on SCFD Community Free Days and Nights. Additionally, the Museum will be distributing the aluminum bottles for free prior to screenings of Disneynature's new film "Penguins," which ran from April 17-28.



said Chris Chavez, Ball's global director of corporate citizenship. "Our donated bottles feature important messages about the infinite recyclability of aluminum and also enable the Museum to convey its brand and values to guests at special events."



Environmentally conscious consumers are increasingly aware of the impact packaging has on the environment and are looking to institutions, brands and industries to deliver more sustainable options.

In 2018, the Museum diverted more than 105 tons of materials from landfills.

Excerpts taken from an article at dmns.org



## **Bud Light partners with GLAAD**

Bud Light is partnering with GLAAD to launch its first-ever rainbow aluminum bottle to celebrate World Pride. The new limited-edition bottles will be available in bars nationwide throughout the month of June. For every case of rainbow bottles sold from May 27 to June 30, Bud Light will donate \$1to GLAAD, up to \$150,000 to assist in their efforts of creating a world where everyone can live the life they love.

The new bottle is the latest effort in a 20-year partnership between Bud Light and GLAAD. The bottles made their debut at the GLAAD Media Awards in New York City before arriving in bars. In addition to the updated color scheme inspired by the LGBTQ Pride flag, the reimagined Bud Light Pride bottle also swaps out the iconic Bud Light creed that's printed on the crest of the bottle for words of inclusivity and support.



"Bud Light has been a supporter of the LGBTQ+ community since the 80s and we are excited to continue our long-standing partnership with GLAAD by collaborating with them on this new commemorative bottle that celebrates the LGBTQ+ community and everything GLAAD does to support it," said Andy Goeler, Vice President of Marketing for Bud Light. "The way we see it, our beer is for everyone to enjoy, so we are looking forward to seeing Pride bottles at bars throughout the month of June and beyond. With the release of these new bottles, we hope to create something that everyone can feel proud to hold during Pride month that also makes a positive impact for GLAAD's initiatives and the LGBTQ+ community overall."

"For twenty consecutive years, Bud Light has partnered with GLAAD in its mission to accelerate acceptance of LGBTQ people," said Zeke Stokes, GLAAD Chief Programs Officer. "Bud Light stood with the community at a time when many brands did not, and their continued outspoken support sets the bar for other global brands."

Excerpts taken from an article at prnewswire.com

Note to ABC members: please send an ABC membership form to any possible future members; such as including it with anyone you're having Face Book or eBay transactions with.

# Aluminum Bottle CANnoisseurs Chapter Application BCCA At-Large Chapter #169



NAME:	 
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Chapter dues:

New members - Annual dues are \$5 per year. After 5 consecutive years member will become a "Lifetime Member' and annual dues will not be required. Advance payment of \$25 for "Lifetime Membership" accepted.

Former/rejoining ABC members - A onetime fee of \$20. Former members will also retain their original ABC member number and become a 'Lifetime Member'. If you remember your ABC number, note it on this application or contact the ABC Treasurer.

New BCCA Members - First year ABC dues waived if you join BCCA. First time BCCA members only. Contact the ABC Treasurer for this option.

An electronic version of our newsletter is published three times a year and delivered via e-mail. It is also available in the Members Area of our forum.



#### **BCCA Membership**

US Membership \$40.00/year Canada/Mexico \$50.00/year All other countries \$60.00/year Annual membership to the BCCA

Annual membership to the BCCA which includes 6 issues of the Beer Cans & Brewery Collectibles magazine, a membership roster, the privilege to register for the CANvention, member only pricing on BCCA merchandise, and access to the Members Only section of website.

#### **Benefits of Membership**

In exchange for their annual dues, members receive a bundle of benefits that are hard to beat. Compare these benefits with those offered by other collector clubs — in any hobby — and you'll see why the BCCA is still growing strong after 40 years. Here's what members get:

#### Welcome Package

New members receive a welcome package that contains a number of collectibles such as labels, BCCA commemorative CANvention cans, crowns, coasters etc. along with your copy of the membership roster and a membership card and your membership certificate, suitable for framing.

New and renewing members receive the following: An annual subscription to Beer Cans & Brewery Collectibles

The club's high quality magazine, published 6 times yearly.

Find out more about this publication and others.

#### **Membership Roster**

A complete roster of the names, addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses of all active BCCA members. Bylaws, officers, chapter info and much more.

Find out more about this publication and others.

#### Membership Card and Certificate

Your BCCA membership card and number identifies you as a member in good standing with the club. Your membership number is vital to any correspondence you may have with the club and is unique to you. It will never be reissued to another member, even if you are no longer active.

#### CANvention

The right to attend the BCCA's annual CANvention, held in a different North American city each year. This show-of-shows usually draws about 1,000 collectors from far and wide and is a don't-miss event. Sign up at: https://www.bcca.com/shop/bcca-membership/

BCCA's website: https://www.bcca.com/



### **BCWC** Update

by Juan Carlos De Marco

Dear friends of the WEC:

Three months of the World Convention in La Plata, Argentina, I want to send you the latest news of the Organization, in order to take knowledge of all what is happening and that, thanks to God, is already set up permanently for a good event.

The biggest problem faced is that the national meeting of women has taken huge dimensions (more of 100,000 women expected from all parts of Argentina), putting at risk the safety of all official activities carried out in the city, by thus, the municipality of La Plata decided to cancel all events without exception for the dates of 10 to 13 October, above all what was going to be in the premises of the Pasaje Dardo Rocha, principal place of our event.

Notwithstanding this terrible news for our expectations that were already fixed, we moved quickly and were able to arrange the use of the Sports Center of the Union of SOSBA, located 25 blocks from all official hotels, with facilities including they are more big and comfortable than the same Pasaje Dardo Rocha, where you will enter with exclusive bus service between the 9 AM and 7 PM, from and to the hotels, for transportation of collectors and their items.

The 300 tables are already rented that we hope are taken by collectors, 2.20 meter long, by 0.80 meters wide with their tablecloth and two chairs, each.

We have rooms provided for meetings of the WEC and the General Assembly of delegates, also at the SOSBA sports center.

We have the bus hired in exchange for sponsorship.

We have a janitors service hired in exchange for sponsorship.

We have flags of all participating countries to be placed in the Auditorium and amplification for announcements use.

We have arranged the reception cocktail in the ceremonial room of the Honorable Senate of the P.Bs.As. and statements of interest Municipal, the Chamber of Representatives and almost done in the Chamber of senators.

We have hired the banquet service for the closure of the event.

here are still some rooms in the two main hotels (Corregidor and Days Inn) with preferential rates.

At this point of the year we have around 150 registrants, and hope at the start of the event to have a total of 250 to 300 participants, which was our initial expectation.

Remember that the registration is through the web page <u>www.ivbcwc.com</u>.

Any questions please do not hesitate to ask, I will answer immediately.

(If you need a program agenda, you can reobtain one from Juan Carlos or Dave Vogl)