

Best of KC's Best



KANSAS KOLLOSAL KAN KAPER

June 24, 25 and 26

A lot of excitement is building up for the 2022 edition of the Kansas Kollosal Kan Kaper in Salina. After a successful show earlier this Spring in Hays, we head down the Interstate a little ways East of Hays to further our beer related collecting interests.

As we reported in the last newsletter, we have a different hotel lined up to be the host hotel for this popular show. The Candlewood Suites, by all descriptions of those who have checked it out, sounds like an ideal set up for this show. It's a little farther from the park where we have the show on Saturday than the previous hotel but not much further. It is about a 10-to-15-minute drive, depending on the route you take.

The show format will be the same as it has been for the last few decades. The show event gets underway Friday afternoon at the hotel where collectors start gathering in the side yard for some socializing, storytelling and beer consumption. That evening we will have plenty of beer, soda, water and light snacks

Saturday, we all head to Thomas Park and set our collectibles up for others to shop while we also look for that particular goodie to add to our own collection. *One big change. Salina no longer allows alcohol in the park.* Lunch will be provided around noon. After the show concludes around 2:30, we head back to the hotel to rest up for the evenings' famous margarita party at 8:00.

Then Sunday morning we gather once again for a final raffle which is always a good raffle and make our plans for the 2023 show.

The number for Candlewood Suites is 785-823-6939.

Additional hotel information is included later in this newsletter as well as a show flyer.

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Chapter #22 of the BCCA

KC's Best Facebook Page

Hopefully by now, most of you have signed into the Chapter's Facebook group *KC's Best Chapter*. It is awesome.

Chapter member Trey Rowe took an interest in getting this page up and running and had the knowledge and skills (and patience) to get it done.

Trey got the page set up and had it operational on April 27 and by mid-May, the group was up to 120 members.

As hobbyists joined the group, they also posted pictures of some of their prized breweriana treasures which were St Joseph/Kansas City focused. You will find some of these pictures scattered throughout this newsletter. Plus, research guru and former BCCA president Keith Kerschner posted several different copies of newspaper articles related to the Kansas Kollosal Kan Kaper shows going all the way back to 1982.

To check out the chapter Facebook group, type in *KC's Best Chapter* in the search Facebook box. You will enjoy it.

Many thanks to Trey for getting this set up.

KC's Best Chapter



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WHATS ON TAP

June 3-4 Tri-States Show Eagle Rock Park, Dubuque, IA Hawkeye Chapter, contact Mike England, 515.360.3586, mikeengland@bccca.com

June 10-11 Swap-a-Rama, Knights of Columbus Park, Florissant, MO. Contact Al Kell at bigaandc@yahoo.com

June 14-18 Columbine, Greeley, CO. Jim McCoy 720-420-9942 or jimrealone@gmail.com

June 24-26 Kansas Kollosal Kan Kaper, Salina, KS

Jul 9 Sizzle 'n Sweat, North Little Rock. Kenn Flemmons 501-590-3151 or kflemmons@goldcrest51.com

Jul 24 Beer, Soda & Bottle Collectibles MEGA Show, Courtyard by Marriott, Ankeny, Mike England, 515.360.3586, mikeengland@bccca.com

Sept 8-10 BCCA CANVENTION 51 Norfolk VA

Oct 2 Jerry Trowbridge Memorial Show-Topeka 9am-2pm. Dinner at Blind Tiger Saturday at 4 pm contact Marc Milner 785.273.8447 wilbur63@cox.net

Next Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for articles and/or show flyers for the next newsletter is August 20.

Any member can submit an article, an idea for an article or pictures of finds made, shows attended, breweries visited or anything else related to our hobby.

If you have ideas for an article but need help composing contact Bob Hoover at kcbestcan@aol.com or 816-797-8180.



Here are just two of many releases from **Crane Brewing** this spring. Artic Hounds is an Imperial Winter Lager and Thundergong (right) is an American Wit.

Old West Breweriana Roundup Show

Hays, Kansas



Nice welcome banner for the hospitality suite.



Trade floor was full and walk-ins plentiful as evidenced above and below.



Photos courtesy of Jim Vincent

New Show held in Hays, KS

April 2nd was the kickoff for a new show in Kansas. The show was called the 1st Annual Old West Breweriana Roundup, and was held at the VFW Hall in Hays, KS; and the facility was packed for the action. There were about sixty-four tables filling the main room, and every table was used.

Some longtime collectors were there, and it was fun to see some of the Colorado crowd that used to come down for the Abilene shows. Among the travelers were T.A. Hall and Mark Rollert, that I don't believe had been down to a Kansas show for over twenty years. Big Jim McCoy and Bill Frederick from the Denver area were there also. Many attendees arrived the night before the show as there was a big gathering at the Days Inn hotel, where the breakfast area became the hospitality room. Plenty of Coors and craft beers were on hand, along with some tasty snacks.

On Saturday, the show activity kept up a fast pace all day, and several raffles were held. The show was well advertised around the Hays area, and the walk-in crowd proved the collecting hobby is recovering from the Covid slowdowns. A big salute to the Carrie Nation Chapter members, and especially the members in Hays that brought this "why not?" into a "well done!".

Bill Boyles



Don Powell posted this picture of his Heim's Cream Beer to the KC's Best Facebook page on 5/1

The Personal Side of the Chapter

When we do a Chapter newsletter, we try to keep everyone informed of events that pertain to this hobby we're in, but also try to let our members know about the people in our group. Since I last did one of these Personal Side reports, we have lost two members of our extended "family".

Joan Sackett, who was the wife of member Dennis Sackett, and mother of member Matt Sackett, and mother-in-law of member Amy Sackett; passed away on January 19, 2022 at the age of 88. The marriage of Dennis and Joan covered 67+ years.

Alan Risse, BCCA #4750, from Theodosia, MO; passed away on December 12, 2021; at the age of 66. He was a long-time member of the KC's Best Chapter. Alan attended some of our Chapter shows, especially those at the Lake of the Ozarks. We would see him at most of the St. Louis Chapter shows.

Bill Boyles



Boulevard Brewing has gotten the mood for summer in place with the introduction of these two beers. Both are great beverages for hot, humid Summertime days. The *Southwest Blvd.* is a lager brewed with salt and lime and *Zon* is a Belgian Style Witbier.



Jack Garrett

posted a photo of this amazing thermometer to the KC Best Facebook page on May 1st.



Terry Monger, St Joseph, posted this awesome coaster on our chapter Facebook page April 28.

Missouri Ozarks Show



Sign directing collectors to the entrance at Billiards



Action on the trade floor above and below



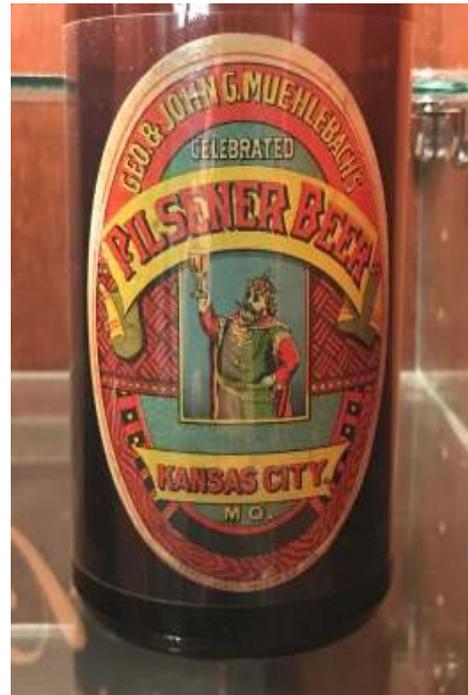
The Missouri Ozarks Chapter held their spring show on April 2nd in Springfield, MO. After a two-year hiatus from Billiard's of Springfield, the show made its return to Billiard's, which is under new ownership.

The following show summary is by Michele Fritz and the photos at left were provided by Rick Kottemann

We had a most extraordinary show at Billiard's last Saturday, the best ever in attendance, both members & walk-ins. Billiards' staff & Richard Lance, the new owner, went well beyond what we needed to make a successful event. Hopefully, you can join us at our next show Saturday, October 1, 2022 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Billiards in Springfield, MO.

Since the well renovated room at Billiards is so popular with other events, the chapter members voted to reserve the room for our 2023 shows, Saturday, April 1, 2023 & Saturday, October 7, 2023 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Some highlights of the show were a record \$\$\$ in raffle tickets, 3 new chapter members & a record number of walk-ins. We raffled off some wonderful prizes, including lighted signs. Our can dump was fun, too. All these things will be featured in the Missouri Ozarks Chapter June newsletter.



Shown here is a Celebrated Pilsener Beer from the Geo. & John Muehlebach Brewery which was posted on the KC Best Facebook page by Don Powell on May 1st.

KANSAS CITY METRO BREWERIES

Alma Mader Brewing, 2635 Southwest Blvd, KC, MO

Amerisport Brewpub, 8201 NE Birmingham Road Kansas City, MO Located at the Ameristar Casino.

Apex Aleworks, 4356 Noland Road, Independence, MO

Big Rip Brewing Co 216 E 9th, North Kansas City, MO. bigripbrewing.com

BKS Artisan Ales 633 E 63rd, KC, MO

Black Stag Brewery, 623 Massachusetts, Lawrence, KS

Brew Lab KC, 7925 Marty, Overland Park, KS. www.brewlabkc.com

Border Brewing Co 406 E 18th St, KC, MO borderbrewco.com

Boulevard Brewing, 2501 Southwest Boulevard, KC, MO. blvdbeer.com.

Brewery Emperial, 1829 Oak, KC, MO breweryemperial.com

Broken Hatchet Brewery 422 Main, Belton, MO

Callsign Brewing Co, 1340 Burlington, North Kansas City, MO. callsignbrewing.com

Calibration Brewery 119 Armour Road, North Kansas City, MO calibrationbrewery.com

Casual Animal Brewing Company 1725 McGee, Kansas City, MO casualanimalbrewing.com

City Barrel Brewing, 1740 Holmes, KC, MO

Cinder Block Brewing 110 E. 18th Ave, North Kansas City, MO cinderblockbrewery.com

Crane Brewing Company, 6515 Railroad St, Raytown, MO cranebrewing.com

Diametric Brewing Co, (formerly New Axiom) 949 NE Columbus, Lees Summit, MO. newaxiombrewco.com

Diddy's Kitchen BBQ & Brewery, 103 S Jefferson, Kearney, MO

Double Shift Brewing Co 412 E. 18th St, KC, MO doubleshiftbrewing.com

East Forty Brewing, 1201 W Main St, Blue Springs, MO

Ebert Bros Brewing 400 E 31st, KC, MO (in the Brickhouse)

ExBEERiment Brewery 925 E Lincoln Lane, Gardner, KS

Fields & Ivy Brewery, 706 E 23rd, Lawrence, KS. www.fieldsandivy.com

Free State Brewery 636 Massachusetts Lawrence, KS freestatebrewing.com

Friction Beer Co 11018 Johnson Dr, Shawnee, KS

Fringe Beerworks 224 SE Douglas St, Lee's Summit, MO fringebeerworks.com

Goat Brewing 817 NE Rice Rd, Lees Summit, MO

Gordon Biersch Brewery 11652 Ash St., Leawood, KS. gordonbiersch.com

Grains & Taps Brewery, 10 SW 3rd Lees Summit, MO grainsandtaps.com

Granite City Brewing Co 8461 NW Prairie View Road KC, MO gcfb.com

Green Room Brewery, 4010 Pennsylvania, Kansas City, MO. greenroomkc.com.

Kansas City Bier Company 310 W. 79th, KC, MO kcbier.com

Lawrence Beer Co, 826 Pennsylvania, Lawrence, KS. lawrencebeerco.com.

Limitless Brewing, 9765 Widmer, Lenexa, KS www.limitlessbrewing.com

Lost Evenings Brewing 8625 Hauser Court, Lenexa, KS

Martin City Brewing Company 500 E 135th, Kansas City, MO, martincitybrewingcompany.com

Nimble Brewing 1725 Oak St, KC, MO nimblebrewing.com

Outfield Beer Co 10953 Kaw Dr, Edwardsville, KS

Outlaw Brewery 309 E 10th Ave, North Kansas City, MO

Own Agenda Brewery 6110W 2nd St, Bonner Springs, KS

Pathlight Brewing 11200 W 75th, Shawnee, KS

POG Brewing 24524 S MO Hwy D (Holmes Road), West Line, MO

Range 23 Brewing 13400 Donahoo Rd, KC, KS

Red Crow Brewing Co, 1062 W Santa Fe, Olathe, KS redcrowbrew.com

Red Sash Brewing, 406 E 18th St, KC, MO

River Bluff Brewery 201 Main, KC, MO

Rock Creek Brewery 5880 Beverly Ave, Mission, KS

Sand Hills Brewery, 5612 Johnson Dr, Mission, KS

Servaes Brewing, 10921 Johnson Dr, Shawnee, KS

Stockyards Brewing Co, 1600 Genessee St, KC, MO stockyardsbrewing.com

Smoke Brewing Co. 209 SE Main, Lee's Summit, MO

Strange Days Brewing 316 Oak, KC, MO. strangedaysbrewing.com

Tall Trellis Brew Co 25600 W Valley Pkwy, Olathe, KS

23rd Street Brewery 3512 Clinton Parkway Lawrence, KS, 66047. brew23.com

3 Halves Brewery 110 E Kansas, Liberty, MO

Three Trails Brewery 111 N Main, Independence, MO 3trailsbrewing.com

Torn Label Brewing Company 1708 Campbell St KC, MO. tornlabel.com

Transparent Brewery 14501 White Ave, Grandview, MO

Transport Brewery 11113 Johnson Dr, Shawnee, KS transportbrewery.com

Wind Shift Brewing, 3421 NW Jefferson St, Suite B, Blue Springs, MO. wind-shift-brewing.gator.site

Yankee Tank Brewing Company, 807 E 23rd, Lawrence, KS. www.yankeetankbrewing.com

NEARBY CRAFT BREWERIES

Angry Swede Brewing 513 Francis, St Joseph, MO

Atlas Saloon Brewery, 100 W Broadway, Excelsior Springs, MO, www.atlassaloon.com

Dubious Claims Brewing Co, 412 S Thompson Ave, Excelsior Springs, MO. dubiousclaimsbrewingco.com

Iron Kettle Brewing 508 N Main, Grain Valley, MO

Liberty Cap Brewing, 402 N 13th St, St Joseph, MO

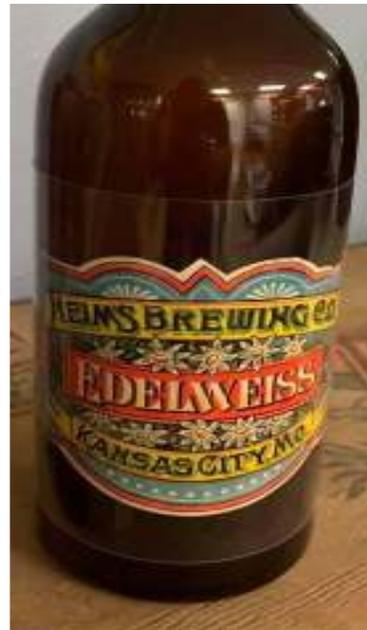
River Bluff Brewery, 1224 Frederick Ave, St Joseph, MO
www.riverbluffbrew.com



Here is another new beer from **Crane Brewing**. *Wild Geese* is a Brown Ale packaged in 12-ounce cans. Not sure what the connection is but the label includes a reference to “Browne’s Irish Marketplace”



Nice view of the River Bluff Brewing Co at River Market with downtown KC in the background



This Edelweiss brewed by Hein's Brewing Co was posted by Roger Seuss to the KC Best Chapter Facebook page on May 1st.

Welcome Our New Member

KC's Best Chapter welcomes Brian Tunks to the chapter. Brian collects beer cans and breweriana and lives in Lees Summit.



What a nice sign (above) posted on Facebook by Kevin Crowl. The sign measures 70”X46”.

Firsty Wednesday at Boulevard (Note the Time)

Our next monthly First Wednesday at Boulevard is planned for July 6 from 4:00 to 6:00. As always, the gathering will be in the tap room (second floor) of the Tours and Rec building which is next to the brewery.

Make plans now to be there and don't forget, first beer is on the house.

Belleville Show Was Again a Super Mega Event



Huge trade floor filled end to end with collectibles



Even a couple of Kansas Jayhawk banners found their way to Illinois



BCCA and NABA were both represented at the show

< Usually, several collectors from KC make the Belleville show but conflicting shows reduced the number to just a hand full this Spring. The pictures shown on the left were posted on Facebook by BCCA President Don Hardy. Evidently, all 3 shows in our region scheduled for April 2 turned out great.



These two 12-ounce cans are from **Three Halves Brewing** in Liberty. On the left is Lotus which is a Hazy IPA. The purple on the can is way more purple than the picture shows. Hazeadelic Rocket (right) is also a Hazy IPA.



Torn Label Brewing continues to introduce a large volume of new styles and variations. Shown above, in 12 oz cans, are a couple of their many recent introductions: *Torn Label Gold* is a Rice Lager and *Shepard's Check* is a Dry Stout.



Three Trails
Brewing in
 Independence released
The Landlord in 12-
 ounce cans. It is
 described as a Hazy Red
 IPA.

Hotel for the Kansas Kolossal Kan Kaper on June 24-26, 2022:

Candlewood Suites Salina
2650 Planet Ave.
Salina, KS 67401
 Phone number: 785-823-6939

* Our group rate will be \$62 a night, plus tax. Group name is **Kan Kaper**.

* The Candlewood is located 8 miles southwest of Thomas Park.

* All rooms at this hotel are suites with a small kitchen area. The kitchen includes a microwave, full size refrigerator, 2 burner stove top and dishwasher. Suites have a queen size bed or two full size beds, and some suites are handicapped.

* The hotel has a fitness room and a cupboard store that sells small packaged food items and various drinks: water, soda, and juice.

* One elevator to service all three floors.

* There is a conference room that we will use as needed, and could be used in case of bad weather.

* For our outside gatherings, there is a tree-shaded area and a covered gazebo. Both of these features sit together, and are close to restrooms.

* Hotel is pet friendly, although there is a \$30 pet fee per stay that is non-refundable.

* Hotel is all non-smoking, and a cleaning fee will be charged if you smoke inside.

* There is an abundance of eating places nearby (some within walking distance) from fast food to higher priced restaurants.

* **There is no breakfast offered.**

* **There is one ice machine located on main floor near the lobby.**

Refrigerators in rooms make ice.



CROWN CENTER
 June 17, 18

Report on Beer Can and Breweriana Shows in the Midwest

Cheryl and I attended the Cornhusker Chapter's show in Omaha, NE, on the weekend of March 19-20. The weekend events started at the Comfort Inn Hotel near 72nd Street and I-80 with the opening up of the trade floor to allow dealers to set up their tables in advance of the Sunday show.

It's been a few years since I have been to a Cornhusker show, and it was good to see so many collector friends. The trade area was spread over two rooms, and every table appeared occupied. I like the feature of being able to set up the day before the show, it gives me time to scan over what's available, and gives time to visit with friends.

As closing time for the room approached, we headed over to Bill and Laurie Baburek's house to see their fabulous collection. Bill has an awesome display of Nebraska breweriana, along with many other brewery items; it is a visit you should never pass up.

Many of the visitors were getting ready to go on a bus tour of dive bars, so we headed down to Bill's Crescent Moon bar for dinner. Food was great, and the place was packed.

Finally it was time to head back to the hotel to see who was at the Chapter hospitality room. As you can imagine there was plenty of craft and national beers to drink.

The next morning, we headed down to the trade floor, and it was already getting crowded. I believe there were about 60 tables set up. The action was heavy, and I sold a good amount of cans and breweriana. The Chapter also had a couple raffles with good items to win.

It was an enjoyable weekend, as usual in Omaha, and now we are looking forward to their next show on October 9th, 2022; at the Comfort Inn Hotel.

Bill Boyles

Main & Mill Brewing Company

Facebook post April 19, 2022

Releasing next week...we are thrilled to announce a project we are extremely proud to be a part of. In collaboration with the Negro League Baseball Museum, world-renowned artist @GraigKreindler, and negroleagueshistory.com, the Negro Leagues Celebration Series is an ongoing bi-yearly series focused on the history of the league and its' players. We are proud to be donating 20% of every can sold in support of the players' families and the Negro Leagues Museum.

This first release celebrates Satchel Paige, and the 50th Anniversary of his Hall of Fame election. It includes four classic Kreindler paintings of Paige from his time on four different teams from the 20s to the 40s. As for the beer inside the cans, with the focus being entirely on the Leagues and its' players, we went toward a style that was the predominant beer of the time period. Our American-style Pilsner is made with domestic 2-row barley, a hint of flaked corn, and hopped with domestically grown Contessa to give a light floral aroma and a unique spin on a classic style consumed at every ballpark in the US.



Two of the four Satchel Paige cans are shown above. The cans are 16 oz. The can on the left is Satchel in his Birmingham Black Barons uniform and (right) is in his Cleveland Cubs uniform

Main & Mill Brewing is located in Festus, MO.



Jerry Porter, posted this to our FB Chapter page on 5/19: Die-cut Cardboard Easel Back! 1940's M. K. Goetz Brew. Co. Saint Joseph & Kansas City Mo. "Those bottles are no slouches either"



Jim Peterson provided the photo above and Brian Tunks the photo below.



Jim Vincent, Wichita, posted this photo of his tray from Rochester Brewery, Kansas City, U.S.A to the KC Best Facebook page on 4/29.



May 4th First Wednesday chapter meeting at Boulevard Brewing Beer Hall w/ Pat Elam, Tom Waggoner, Brian Tunks, Scott Echols, Bruce Gregg, Bill Boyles, Jim Peterson, Gayle and Bob Hoover.

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Don't forget to promote our web site when you are out and about at craft brewery's, antique malls, shows or anywhere else for that matter.

There is no sign in or password needed. Just let them know about the web site and navigation is pretty simple.

What better way to get the word out about our chapter and hobby!

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Our two Midwest Chapters are doing it again in the heart of America with the 43rd annual Kansas Kolossal Kan Kaper Show in Salina, KS on June 24-26, 2022. We combine beer, breweriana, socializing, and enjoying the Kansas weather into a fun and relaxing weekend.

Call the Candlewood to make your room reservation. We have a Group Rate under the name KAN KAPER; all rooms are suites for \$62 a night plus tax. This is a beer can and breweriana show with a lot of socializing time. People begin arriving on Friday afternoon at the hotel, and we will have a registration table and hospitality area set up for you to sign in. You are welcome to visit the sights in Salina; and there is a great craft brewery downtown. Our hospitality area is outside the hotel, and will have plenty of craft beers, soda, water, and snacks for your enjoyment. **Please bring a chair for all outside activities.** Registration will start on Friday afternoon. We will have use of a conference room at the hotel in case of inclement weather.

Registration fee that includes hospitality snacks, drinks, and the Margarita Party is \$15 per person, children under 12 are free.

Saturday morning, we go to Thomas Park, where you find a shady spot, and put your trade stock out on the ground, or bring a table. There will be lunch available around noon. Two big raffles during the day. We wrap up the park time around 2:00; and the rest of the day is free time. That evening at 8pm is our world famous Margarita Party in the hospitality area at the hotel.

Sunday morning, we have our departure gathering which includes our final raffle.

This show is co-sponsored by the Carrie Nation and the KC's Best Chapters of the BCCA.