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## SASQUATACH BREW FEST GROWS AND EXPANDS; NEW HOMEBREWING COMPETITION

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Sasquatch Brewfest was held on June 3, 2006 in Kesey Plaza, in downtown Eugene, Oregon. This event has continued to grow each year of its existence and this year was attended by more than 2000 people. There were over 60 beers from over 50 different breweries represented from throughout the Pacific Northwest, Alaska and Hawaii. There was also a variety of live music throughout the day.

This festival sponsored by the Glen Hay Falconer Foundation, is dedicated to the memory of Wild Duck Brewmaster Glen Falconer and the benefits provide scholarships to professional brewers to further their education at the Siebel Institute in Chicago.

The one day event was preceded on Friday night June 2<sup>nd</sup>, by a wonderful beer dinner, which featured beers from Rogue Breweries (Eugene and Issaquah), Steelhead Brewery, High Street Brewery and the highlight which was a three year old wood aged Auld Gnarlywine from the Wild Duck.

This year's festival featured several firsts, including The Sasquatch Legacy Project and a Homebrewing Competition. The Sasquatch Legacy Project is the brainchild of Walking Man Brewing Company's Bob Craig. Each year, the prior year's scholarship winners will collaborate on a recipe and brewing session at Walking Man to create a special beer to be served at the festival as well as at a few select pubs throughout the Northwest. Proceeds of the brew are donated to the Foundation. The recipe selected this year, was an Imperial Red. The festival version was aged in a Maker's Mark barrel and was well received by all who tasted it. The Inaugural Annual Homebrewing Competition was held just prior to the festival and the winners were announced during the festival. There were 30 entries and the winners were as follows:

English Pale Ale/Imperial IPA 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Tim Hayner 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Tom Fries 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Chad & Brenna Hicks

American Pale Ale 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Andrew Cross 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Tim Hayner 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Scott Sieber

<u>American Amber</u> 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Paul Pearson 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Tom Fries 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Saul Wold

<u>American IPA</u> 1<sup>st</sup> Place – David Bondioli 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Nigel Francisco 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Kirk Haner

<u>Strong Ale</u> 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Mark Mott 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Tim Hayner 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Jason Carriere

Best of Show – American Pale Ale by Andrew Cross

Congratulations to all the winners and hopefully the number of entries will grow next year.

Stay tuned to the website www.sasquatchbrewfest.org for information on next year's festival.

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