

On Tap Lancaster Liederkranz Beer News July 3, 2018

Celebrate your independence from light fizzy yellow beers with one of the fine selections currently on tap at the Club. The 138th Anniversary party is on July 4 from 11-2pm. There are still some great wheat beers on draft and these new items as well.

Fans of the movie Forrest Gump likely recall the LT Dan character played by Gary Sinese who becomes Forrest's shrimp boat partner. Wicked Weed Brewing from Asheville NC rolled out their **LT Dank IPA** in cans in 2016 and it quickly got raves around the east coast. The LT Dank is a 6.5% IPA with a variety of hops grafted onto a sturdy malt base. Started in 2012, the brewery was recently acquired by A-B although management will strive to retain its eclectic ethos.

The small country brewery in Grevenstein, Germany, began brewing beer conforming to the German Purity Law in 1824. Purchased by Clemens Veltins in 1852; the brewery has been operated by his female descendants since 1964. The water from the local mountains springs is unusually soft which works well with lager brewing. Their **Veltins Pilsner** has been acclaimed since 1926. The first sip bursts with carbonation and the malt and hops are wonderfully balanced. The finish is redolent of hops and sweet barley. At 4.8% ABV and 21 IBUs, this is a classic German pils from the Hochsauerland district, in North Rhine-Westphalia.

The town of Cologne, the namesake for Koelsch, has a federal law protecting its right to brew this pale, top-fermenting ale. In 1985, the German government and 24 breweries from the Cologne region brewers guild (founded in 1396) published the 'Kölsch Convention', which was inspired by attempts by outside brewers to cash in on the popularity of Kölsch which has been brewed in Cologne and outlying areas since before 1300. Koelsch is typically lighter even than Pilsner in color and is often around 5% ABV with a slightly malty, fairly soft palate. The American versions generally are fuller bodied. Stoudt's **Karnival Kolsch** is a refreshing German-style ale brewed using 2-row malt, a small amount of red wheat malt and German hops for bittering and aroma. This smooth, straw-colored ale is dry and crisp with a subtle fruitiness, which complements the mild hop bitterness and aroma.

Lancaster Liederkranz beer drinkers enjoy quality regular beers and an array of rotating items. If one of the beers has gone off tap, ask your bartender to suggest a similar, tasty replacement.

Enjoy!

Lancaster Liederkranz Beer Guy - Jim Weber

The LLK beer staff tries to satisfy customer interests at all times by providing a range of beers for disparate tastes, alcoholic content, and budgets. We know beer drinkers at the Liederkranz take their beer seriously! If you have concerns, suggestions, comments, or just wish to send ramblings on the subject, please send to Jim Weber at jimweber.lancaster@gmail.com or Greg Buckwalter at gregoto:jimweber.lancaster@gmail.com or Gregoto: gregoto:jimweber.lancaster@gmailto:gregoto:jimweber.lancaster@gmailto:jimweber.lancaster@gmailto:jimweber.lancaster@gmailto:jimweber.lancaster@gmailto:jimweber.lancaster@gmailto:jimweber.lancaster@gmailto:jimweber.lancaster@gmailto:jimweber.lancaster@gmailto:jimweber.lancaster@gmailto:jimweber.lancaster@gmailto:jimweber.lancaster@gmailto:jimweber.lancaster@gmailto:jimweber.lancaster@gmailto:jimweber.lancaster@gmailto:jimweber.lancaster@g