



# The Cabottle Times

The Aluminum Bottle CANoisseurs Newsletter  
BCCA At-Large Chapter #169

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## The Prez Sez Bob Renforth ABC# 001

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It's official! You are reading The Cabottle Times. Finalizing the name of the newsletter was one of several agenda items addressed and voted on during our first annual chapter meeting at the Convention in Denver. Minutes of the meeting will be included in the Secretary's report.

The Convention was a huge success and the Cabottles were everywhere! Hopefully all who attended were able to add to their collections as I did. Since I collect my CaBottles full, I find it a little harder in acquiring some variations of Anheuser-Busch. The list is getting shorter though. I also picked up a rather large plastic CaBottle back bar piece to add to my "go withs" collection.

Convention Quickies;

- 1<sup>st</sup> Annual CANoisseurs Raffle; On Saturday morning we held our first annual CaBottle raffle. Prizes included several prized CaBottles. One of our new members (Dave Yost) who signed up minutes before our raffle was held, was lucky enough to walk away with the grand prize "2005 Halloween" CaBottle. Congrats Dave!
- Membership Drive; We signed up between 10 - 15 new members. Not bad for being the new kids on the block. Welcome aboard all!
- Group Photo; Right before we held our raffle, we took several group photos. Each one growing in size as more members showed up. Check out the Convention photos later in the newsletter.

### Logo Contest

Can you draw? Good at graphic design? If so, we need you!

We are still pondering on the logo. We have several entries but would like a few more before a final decision is made. Remember, the winner gets all the glory and a free year of ABC dues.

The winner will be chosen by a member wide vote. Please have you submittals into Don and Tobi Hicks, Tobi586@sbcglobal.net by Dec 31.

Another item we touched on during the annual meeting was in helping bring some youth into the national organization. I think our chapter has an opportunity as well as a responsibility to do so. First, we have to take a look at what the youth of today is interested in. (Just so you know, I find writing about youth a tad humbling as I quickly approach the half century mark.) Since I work along side the military, there is an abundance of young men and women that I work with. Besides the opposite sex, topics lean toward sports and computer games. As you know, sports and beer have gone hand in hand within the hobby for years. Still, showing some of the recent MLB or NFL Cabottles to this group, and they think they're great.

Computer games are nothing new, and I'm sure many of beers have been consumed while playing them. Okay, so how do we combine computer games and collecting brewrانيا? Well, we don't but Mountain Dew may have. Okay, so maybe it's not a beer, but it is a CaBottle. A commemorative bottle was released for followers of the computer game "Halo". Speaking on hearsay, it is one of the most played computer games, and a new version "Halo 3" was just released. Mountain Dew also released a 12 bottle set grouped together under the title of "Green Label Art" and can be viewed at [www.greenlabelart.com](http://www.greenlabelart.com). Word on the street is that these bottles were released as a test market in very limited locations. Viewing their popularity on Ebay alone, I'm sure we'll see more to come. Mountain Dew is not the first soft drink brand to hit the market in aluminum bottles. I'm sure by now most of you have seen several Coca-Cola Cabottles popping up. There were several available at the Convention.

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# ABC Secretary/Treasurers Report

## Bruce Gregg ABC# 003

The Aluminum Bottle Canoisseurs Chapter continues to grow at an astonishing rate. The stats show the following growth:

May 07 - July 07	60
Convention Sept 07	13
August 07-October 07	11
<b>OFFICIAL TOTAL</b>	<b>84</b>
Close to Closures	2
<b>UNOFFICIAL TOTAL</b>	<b>86</b>

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Bottom line is, if we can introduce these two venues to the next generation of pack rats, we can help sustain this great hobby. We have to be willing to do the footwork in order to accomplish this. I suggest that we add a column for collecting soda / soft drink Cabottles to our newsletter. If anyone is interested in writing this column, please get with our Editor, Brad Ambruso.

Until next time, keep up the great deals. You're all doing a great job.



Bob's CANvention score, Back Bar piece shown with bottle.

But let's not stop there. If you know of a Cabottle Collector who is not an ABC Chapter member, please work on encouragement. Remind any potential new chapter members who are new BCCA members to definitely write our chapter name on their BCCA application so our chapter gets the appropriate credit.

Here is a good suggestion. Ask your local area BCCA Board of Director to push for having Cabottles as one of the Can of the Year categories. If you like this idea, send a letter or e-mail to ALL BCCA officers and board members. You can never tell what might happen until you ASK !

In rereading the Secretary Treasurers Report published in the first edition of the Cabottle Times, I want to remind you of a subtle change that was enacted that some might not know about. It was decided to waive the \$5 hard copy mailing charge for this first year in light of the larger dues charged in the first year. There are a small number of members who paid the additional \$5 for postal delivery and if any of these members would like the return of this fee, just let me know. On the other hand, if you wish to just tally it up as a donation to the chapter, we will let it stand as is.

I believe that covers the news of the day from the Secretary Treasurers point of view. Best to all in your aluminum bottle collecting.

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## Aluminum Bottle CANoisseurs

### First Chapter Meeting 8/30/07 Denver Colorado

The meeting was opened at 1:30 p.m. by Chapter President Bob Renforth. Introductions of the officers and all present were made.

The Board of Directors were discussed and nominations were made, Herb Schwarz #012 moved to close and accept nominations, and the following members were elected unanimously: Butch Kroskey #008, Joe Germino #004, and John Kinnard #009.

It was agreed by all that our first year would start 5/07 and run to 9/08. Dues would remain \$10 from 5/07 to 4/08 and then be reduced to \$5 through 9/08. Renewal dues, as well as dues for new members, will then be \$5 per year starting 10/08. The ABC Chapter officers will then run from October to the following September to match the BCCA fiscal year. During the first year of operation, officers will serve from 5/07 through 9/08. Chapter renewals will start in the August/September timeframe and be delinquent following the first of October in years thereafter. These procedures passed unanimously.

Bruce Gregg #003 made a motion to call Aluminum Bottle containers by the name "Cabottles". The motion passed unanimously.

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# Aluminum Bottles Taking Many Shapes

## Aluminum.org and CCL Media

Aluminum bottles are becoming more and more commonplace, especially in the brewing industry. However, one popular lager, Pittsburgh Brewing Company's Augustiner, has become an instant standout. It is the first beer beverage available to the public in a contoured aluminum bottle using CCL Container's ALUMINEX™ full-body shaping technology. This design known as the "Tailgater" brings great design equity to the evolving aluminum bottle package from CCL Container.

Joseph Piccirilli, Vice Chairman of Pittsburgh Brewing Company, explains: "We were looking to give the Augustiner Lager brand a distinct look and the new ALUMINEX™ shape was the perfect answer. Furthermore, this aluminum bottle allows us the opportunity to be more creative with the graphics. We were also able to print the brand's logo with ink that glows under the popular Ultra Violet lights that appear in clubs and bars."

Augustiner is a full-bodied, amber-colored, crisp-tasting lager, which was first introduced by Pittsburgh Brewing Company in 1999. The Tailgater's unique, ergonomic shape is one of two mass-appeal contours currently available in CCL's ALUMINEX™ line of sculpted bottle-cans.

CCL Container is not only North America's leading producer of impact-extruded aluminum packaging, the multi-national company has also spearheaded the development of aluminum bottles. CCL's Vice President of Sales and Marketing, Ed Martin, described the shape of things to come in the world of aluminum packaging: "Our efforts are all about helping our customers find ways to drive the consumption of their products. Given the need for product differentiation on already over-crowded shelves, our ALUMINEX™ full-body shaping is sure to become the point of difference, create interest and ultimately drive consumption."

The two ALUMINEX™ shapes available for immediate mass production will be in a variety of fills, including 12 oz. and 16 oz. Both the Tailgater design used by Pittsburgh Brewing Company, and a classic long-neck bottle shape that CCL calls the "Roadhouse," are available in a choice of Crown or 28mm threaded re-sealable finishes.

There is no doubt that many existing beverage products will add an aluminum bottle to their line in the near future, and dozens of new products will be introduced in "bottle-cans" as an alternative to glass or plastic. Adding to consumer appeal is the fact that aluminum bottles are 100% recyclable and environmentally friendly, and while they have the rigidity of glass, they are unbreakable.

In addition, aluminum bottles do more than help marketers get their products noticed—they cool faster. In fact, some independent testing shows that they defy science and stay colder longer than other packaging materials. The ALUMINEX™ line offers the added advantage of proprietary, food-grade, internal and external linings to protect product taste and purity.

As for Pittsburgh Brewing Company, this was by no means the first time this innovative company broke new ground in packaging. They were the first brewery to use aluminum bottles on a wide-scale basis, the first to introduce the snap-top can in 1962, the first to use the twist-off cap, and also the first to imprint cans with pictures. Now, with the help of CCL Container, they are printing their ALUMINEX™ bottle-cans with graphics that glow under UV light.



CCL's Roadhouse design



CCL's Tailgater design, 'Augustiner Lager'

*Article compiled from information at aluminum.org and CCL Media group.*

# From Your Chapter Vice President

## Don Hicks ABC# 002

Don #16600 and Tobi #586 Hicks have been collecting since the early 1970's. We both have been heavily involved with the BCCA—we have both been BCCA Board members and we were officers, going through the chairs. I was President in '90-'91 and Tobi was President in '91-'92. And we are both still very active in the Club. I am presently part of the CANvention Team and Tobi is the curator of the BCCA Policy and Procedures handbook for the Officers and Board.

Tobi is very much into Pabst and has a very extensive collection. She did the Pabst Chapter newsletter for 15 years and has written many articles about Pabst for the BCCA magazine. For me, I collected Stroh's and most Michigan brewery items, but not limited to that only. If it had appeal, I tried to acquire it. Although we are still collectors, over the last few years our collecting habits have slowed down.

This past Christmas (2006), while attending a BCCA Board meeting and get-together, we found the 4 aluminum Christmas bottles. Then Herb Schwarz gave us about a dozen more. Since that time we have a renewed interest in the collecting of aluminum bottles. It's like the old time collecting—checking stores, making phone calls and emails and going to shows to acquire new ones.

In early February (2007), at an A-1 Chapter show, Bob Renforth had a lot of aluminum bottles, and we talked with him and Joe Germino, Bruce Gregg, Dick Johnson and a fellow from Las Vegas who had full NBA Cabottles. He was willing to trade for cans—boy did we jump on that! I traded away many cans for 8 of those NBA cabottles and I was a happy camper!

As the day progressed, Bob, Bruce, Joe and I started talking about the possibility of forming a cabottles Chapter. (The term "cabottle" came from John Kizis at a National Board meeting a few years ago when he asked "Is this a can, or a bottle, or is it a cabottle?") Anyway, that day before we left the A-1 Show we decided to form the new Chapter. Bob would be President, I would be VP and Bruce was to be Secretary/Treasurer. Joe's job was to do the paperwork for BCCA and to lead us down the right path to get Chapter status.

This Chapter has really taken off! There are so many people involved that really know cabottles: Joe Prin, Butch Kroskey, John Kizis and many others. You all have been a great help with Tobi and I enjoying our cabottles collection. To date our collection is about 175 mostly Anheuser-Busch. We do have 3 of the first cabottles from Moose Drool, and still looking for the early ones. We never realized that there were so many cabottles! We do save by the numbers, but do not worry about crowns or color variations. Cabottle collecting is exciting and colorful. What a great time we're having!

Now we're working on our Chapter logo for the newsletter and for t-shirts, etc. No place to go but up! We have a super newsletter and my hat goes off to Brad Ambruso, for such a great job. I tell you this Chapter has it all. With the way we're going, we will be one of the biggest Chapters of BCCA. To all, keep up the hard work, and just think, if you each get new members, how large we will be!

To all of our contacts who may have something to trade or sell, please contact us by email or phone. Hope to see some of you at shows. Good collecting and may all your surprises be cabottles!

## What do all those numbers and letters mean?

Ever wondered about the production codes stamped on the bottles? They always seem to be right over the best part of the graphic too.

A quick reference on the Anheuser-Busch codes using the code on the picture below as a reference.

30JUL07 VI23

30 Day JUL Month 07 Year

V Brewery

I Line Number (Each letter signifies a line in increments of 10, A = 10, B = 20, etc..)

23 Time of Production {15 minute increments for a 24 hour period}

Brewery codes:

S - St. Louis

N - Newark

L - Los Angeles

H - Houston

C - Columbus

J - Jacksonville

M - Merrimack

W - Williamsburg

F - Fairfield

B - Baldwinsville

D - Fort Collins

V - Cartersville

So, this beer was filled on 30 Jul, 2007 in the Carterville Brewery from line 90 between 5:45 and 6:00 am.

*Thanks to Steve (Boomer) Bloom ABC# 013 and Mark Mahy ABC# 060 for contributing this information*





# Aluminum Soda Bottles

Joe Prin ABC# 011

My first aluminum bottles were the Moose Drool Christmas issue and the "Biker" Moose. I was truly excited to see this new package for beer. Steve Armstrong set me up with this pair at the Gem State Chapter show just a few weeks after they came out. I remember thinking that there would be a bit of controversy over whether or not this new packaging would be "accepted" by us can collectors as a can. I was convinced that they are as much a cone top can as any Crowntainer or three piece cone can is. Others argued in the hobby, "no it was not". It now seems we are thankfully past this one.

Second, I was curious as to what was the first of these "New" cone tops. I soon learned that for the USA, it was the Moose Drools that introduced us at retail to the aluminum bottle. However, digging through my foreign cans, I soon realized that by definition, I had several aluminum "bottles" boxed up for years. Saporro and Asahi from Japan had been cranking out aluminum containers, with caps on them for many years.

As with most of us, as soon as I realized that I had 6 different versions of this packaging product, it became an expansion to

my collection. Then it was Iron City. Two US brands now. And then the BIG BANG

hit. Anheuser Busch debuted their versions of Budweiser, Bud Light and the others. We now had a major player producing the aluminum bottle, and soon we had variations. At this point I wondered if it was a market test or if the package would be here to stay. I think we can all say that this is still up for debate.

I also made the mistake as many collectors do of searching Ebay for "Aluminum Bottle" Big Mistake. I soon found that there were several other products in aluminum bottles besides beer! One of these being soda pop. Soda cans have always tried to pull me into enlarged insanity. I saved a few soda flats at one time and got out of it. I saved 7up Bicentennial cans, built the picture of Uncle Sam, and got rid of them. Coke and Pepsi commemoratives and special issues occupied space on my walls for a few years, and they were ejected for cash also. But this aluminum bottle thing... "I'll put in a bid on this one Coke aluminum bottle from Japan". Crap. I won the auction. And there it began... again.

Here are a few photos of some of the aluminum soda bottles I have acquired over the last couple of years. Shown here are bottles from Japan. About half of these I picked up at Convention in Denver. There are many more out there as I hear about them and see them on the Internet. Mountain Dew is the first, I think, US soda maker into Aluminum bottles. If you haven't seen them yet, go to [www.greenlabelart.com](http://www.greenlabelart.com). The 12 bottle set is beautiful. Watch for a feature here soon on just these.

While given the opportunity of picking up a beer aluminum bottle or a soda, I'd grab the beer any time. But on a slow day, if all I can find is a new soda aluminum bottle, you bet. On the wall it goes!

For Christmas a few years back, these two Snoopy cans were issued. There are two more in the series.

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Star Wars 4 can Pepsi Twist Set



Pepsi has Camo cans too! Here are three of them, vinyl shrink labels.



This series of cans is perhaps for a video or cartoon tie in.



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For Sports Can collectors also, here's a Beckham Soccer can from Pepsi.



An Asian product that says Matsuya Cider and a new Pepsi product, NEX.



Harry Potter fans?! Two aluminum bottles from Coke.

Editors Note: As Bob mentioned in his "Prez Sez" article, we're looking for a columnist to cover aluminum soda bottles. Well look no more, Joe Prin ABC# 011 has graciously stepped up to the plate. Joe will report on new aluminum soda bottles in our quarterly newsletter. Of coarse, Joe could use a little help. Pictures of new releases, articles, any spreadsheets or listings you may have, etc.. Drop Joe an email at [jprin59@aol.com](mailto:jprin59@aol.com) if you would like to help out. In addition to the other bottle listing



Three variations of Pepsi Twist.



More Soccer cans, a regular issue Coke and Coke with lemon.



Some of the Mt Dew Green Label Art series, more to come on these later.



# What's New

## Jerome (Spinney) Spindler ABC# 006

First off I would like to introduce myself; I am Jerome (Spinney) Spindler from Minnesota. I was first introduced to the aluminum bottle when it was in the test market stage. While working in Florida I ran into some at a Seven 11 convenient store. That was a short three years ago and since, they have made great strides in both numbers and popularity. Many people have started collecting these bottles. My job is to keep you posted on new U.S. bottles being released from breweries other than Anheuser-Busch. Currently there are not a lot out there. I will go through and recap what there is.



Golfing Goat bottles



Fly Fisherman bottles

The first brewery to release aluminum bottles in the U.S. was Big Sky from Missoula, Montana. They released two different brands; Moose Drool (MD) and Scape Goat (SG). The first MD released was in a 12.5 oz bottle depicting a biker on the bottle. This was supposedly released for Bike Week in Sturgis. Next from MD came a 14.5 oz bottle with Santa on the front. MD then released a 16 oz Fly Fisherman in green waders. Two more MD's were released, both with Fly Fishermen in blue waders. Both of these bottles vary by their neck. One is a half inch shorter than the other. All MD bottles contain a Brown Ale. Big Sky also released two Scape Goat bottles, both depicting Golfers. The first one



Moose Drool Biker, Santa and Fly Fisherman bottles

was in a 12.5 oz bottle and the second one was in a 16 oz bottle. Both SG's contain a Pale Ale.

Pittsburgh Brewery was the next U.S. brewery to release them and did so on a larger scale and in a bigger market. They released them under Iron City, Iron City Light and Augustiner. Iron City brand has two different variations of their "Save Our City" bottles, one Dan Marino commemorative bottle, and two Iron City bottles with two faced labels, one of which is an export to Canada. Iron City Light released three different bottles that I know of. They are Iron City Light two faced label, an Arnold Palmer commemorative, and a Jerome Bettis commemorative bottle. Last but not least, Augustiner was released in a wild new shape different than any bottle out there. So far this has been the only time this shape has been used. All Iron City's are in 12 oz bottles, while the Augustiner is in a 16 oz bottle.

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Pittsburgh Brewing aluminum bottles.

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The next two aluminum bottles released were from the High Falls Brewing Company out of New York. They are J.W. Dundee's American Pale Ale and one of my favorites, J.W. Dundee's Honey Brown Lager, both in 16 oz bottles.



Stite's Light Lager bottles

with plastic bottles, but I hear that plastic has a shorter shelf life.

If you have any questions or concerns, just yell. Later, Spin

Last to show up in aluminum bottles was Stite from the Gluek Brewing Company of Cold Spring, Minnesota. Stite released 4 brands in 5 different bottles. They are Amber Red Reserve, Black and Tan, Golden Pilsner, Light Lager, with blue lettering and Light Lager with gray lettering. All Stite bottles are of the 12 oz variety.

This gets me back to my job of reporting new bottles. I need your help as I can't be everywhere when new bottles are released. If you find a new bottle take a picture and send it to me at [spinneycorp@yahoo.com](mailto:spinneycorp@yahoo.com) or send the bottle to me at: Jerome Spindler, 1623 SW 28th St., Owatonna, Minnesota 55060. I will be holding a drawing for prizes for all who send photos of new bottles or any new bottles. The drawing will be held at the end of December, 2008. I will be putting a group of prizes together soon.

I personally think we will see many more aluminum bottles being released in the next few years. This is the best time to start collecting, when things are just getting started. A lot of foreign countries are producing aluminum bottles now as well. It helps to keep things interesting.

There are a lot of breweries out there thinking about jumping into the aluminum bottle market. Some decided to go



High Falls brewing aluminum bottles.



Stite's Amber Red, Black & Tan and Golden Pilsner

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The logo design was discussed and put on temporary hold until more submissions were received. Tobi Hicks #005 agreed to send an e-mail to the chapter members stating a deadline of 10/10/07. On-line voting is to follow under the direction of President Bob Renforth.

The next news letter is scheduled for publication on or about 11/1/07.

Bob Renforth #001 made a motion seconded by Brad Ambruso #007 to name the chapter news letter "The Cabottle Times". Motion passed unanimously.

Bruce Gregg #003 made a motion to implement a Family Member program with dues being \$2 the first year and \$1 per year thereafter. Eligibility requires residence at the same address as the regular member. Motion passed unanimously.

A chapter web site was discussed in depth. Brad Ambruso #007 stated that it would cut down on e-mail and felt that we needed a volunteer to develop a Forum Page. Joe Germino #004 volunteered to look into doing this through the BCCA web site. Bob Renforth #001 questioned if we wanted to be part of the BCCA web site or remain independent. More data will be gathered before we start. Overall costs must be taken into consideration.

President Bob Renforth #001 adjourned the meeting at 2:18 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Bruce Gregg #003 Secretary Treasurer



# What's New in A-B?!

## Brad Ambruso ABC# 007

Looks like we either dodged a bullet or missed the boat, depends on how you want to look at it. About the time I was finishing up the last newsletter, rumors were abound about all the NFL bottles on the way. Everyone was gearing up, getting ready to raid the local stores, camp out at the distributor, whatever. Well unless you live in Indy, Pittsburgh, Philly or DC, there wasn't much action. Seems the NFL only licensed four teams to A-B for distribution in aluminum bottles. Their reason was they wanted the bottle to commemorate something. The Colts obviously won the Super Bowl and the other three teams are celebrating anniversaries.

Other than the NFL bottles, A-B has been a little slow this quarter. The expected Halloweens surfaced and looks like we will be getting the Budweiser Christmas four bottle tins again. A sleeper also surfaced in two variations, Bud Light Norwegian Cruise Lines. The first variation bottles are dated as far back as May but only showed up within the last month or so, makes you wonder where they've been hiding for the last six months.

A final arrival was the Bud Light United Way bottle. An employee bottle being given to A-B employees who donate to the United Way. The employee has to donate \$250 and is given a case of 24, so that makes it a \$10 bottle right out of the gate.



First of the NFL  
Bottles  
Indianapolis Colts

Bud Light 500999  
16oz non-redem



Philadelphia Eagles  
75th Anniversary

Budweiser 501133  
16oz non-redem

Bud Light 501137  
16oz non-redem

Last of the MLB  
Bottles  
St Louis Cardinals

Budweiser 500972  
16oz redemption

Bud Light 500973  
16oz redemption



Pittsburgh  
Steelers  
75th Anniversary

Bud Light 501161  
16oz non-redem



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Washington Redskins  
75th Anniversary

Budweiser 501134  
16oz redemption

Bud Light 501138  
16oz redemption

Norwegian Cruise  
Lines

Bud Light 501127  
16oz redemption

This variation has  
“Norwegian Cruise  
Line” typed on  
neck



Norwegian Cruise  
Lines (Freestyle)

Bud Light 501163  
16oz redemption

NCL on both sides of  
neck and “Freestyle  
Cruising” added to  
back panel

Halloween 2007

Bud Light 501185  
16oz redemption

Bud Light 501188  
16oz 3.2%

Non-redem varia-  
tion not yet con-  
firmed



In addition to all the new bottles, a few variations surfaced since the last newsletter. No need to go too far in depth on these, just some quick info:

Bud Light, Buffalo Wild Wings 3.2, 501187  
Bud Light, Hooters non-redem, 501147  
Budweiser, Biker / Flames non-redem 500850

The Budweiser Dale Jr bottle 500672, seen at right, has been out for a while. The difference here is what's being called the “Reverse Flag” variation. The one on the left is the variation. Notice how the red and black checkers are out of sequence along the bottom. This is most likely a mistake, but if you're a variation collector, what the heck.



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*What's New in A-B, continued from page 10*



The 2007 tin and coasters are very different this year



Budweiser 2007 "Happy Holidays" Bottles

Bow 16oz redemption 501150

Ornaments 16oz redemption 501171

Small Tree 16oz redemption 501174

Large Tree 16oz redemption 501177

Non-redem and 3.2 variations not yet confirmed



United Way Employee bottle

Bud Light 501196



The most noticeable differences on the XMAS bottles are:  
(2006 bottles on the right)

The Budweiser on the neck is on the side with the decoration.

The A-B Inc and St Louis below 16 Fl OZ is in White

The layout is slightly different, most noticeable on the Ornament and Bow bottles.



## CANvention 37 and ABC'ers



Twenty four of the CANoisateurs who attended Canvention 37 in Denver.



The Prez conducts our first Chapter meeting.

### 1st Annual CANoisateurs Canvention Raffle Winners

15 Bottle Surprise Box - Tom Hull  
 Buffalo Wild Wing Bottle - Steve Wiltshire  
 Bass Tournament Bottle - Bob Delaney  
 Royal Caribbean Bottle - Steve Wiltshire  
 2005 Halloween Bottle - David Yost



David Yost ABC# 078 wins the Grand Prize in the ABC raffle, Bud Light Halloween Black Light bottle.





Joe Hobaugh ABC# 069 on Saturday morning with only one CaBottle left for trade.



Jerome "Spinney" Spindler ABC# 006 taking inventory!



Tom Hull ABC# 036 picks up his raffle winnings, a 15 bottle "Surprise Box"



Steve Wiltshire ABC# 016 picking up the first of his two raffle wins, a Buffalo Wild Wings bottle. Steve also won a Royal Caribbean.



Joe Prin ABC# 011 showing off a nice "Hooters" bottle!





The Prez holding up his latest addition, a back bar piece.

Mike Hearn ABC# 047 showing off a few recent acquisitions.



Brad Ambruso ABC# 007 ready to make another great deal!



# Get Out and Take in a Show

Nov 2-3	PA, Macungie	The Great North-Eastern U.S Brewery Collectibles Show
Nov 3	NY, Tonawanda	Simon Pure Turkey Trade
Nov 3	AL, Orange Beach	Bama Cannas The Orange Beach Show
Nov 3	WI, Madison	Capital City Breweriana Collectors Show
Nov 3-4	CA, Brookdale	49er Breweriana & Kool Stuff
Nov 4	IL, Collinsville	Gateway Collinsville Beer Can and Breweriana Show
Nov 4	WI, Delafield	Badger Bunch Annual Beer Can & Breweriana Show
Nov 9-10	CT, Vernon	CANecticut Red Fox & Pickwick Show
Nov 11	OH, Austintown	Renner Old Oxford Fall Show
Nov 16-17	NC, Asheville	Atlantic, Bama Cannas, 9th Annual Asheville NC Fall Fling
Nov 17	FL, Ocala	Gator Traders Ocala Beer Can & Breweriana Show
Nov 17	OR, Portland	Cascade Breweriana Association Turkey Pluck-Off
Nov 17	VA, Richmond	Richbrau 14th Annual Richmond Show
Nov 18	IL, Berwyn	Windy City Thanksgiving Session
Nov 21	MO, Brentwood	Gateway Nite Before Thanksgiving Waren Taylor Memorial
Nov 24	IN, Fort Wayne	Three Rivers Turkey Trot
Nov 25	OH, Blue Ash	Queen City Chapter Trade Show
Dec 1	CO, Denver	Columbine (ABA) Christmas Show & Party
Dec 2	IL, Elk Grove Village	Chicagoland Breweriana Society (ABA) Breweriana & Can Show
Dec 5	IL, Westmont	Westmont Strohs Wednesday Night Meeting & Trade
Dec 8	TX, Ft. Worth	Bluebonnet Show
Dec 9	AZ, Tucson	A-1 Babitzke Show
Dec 15	MN, New Ulm	Schell's Border Batch Christmas Party
Jan 11-14, 2008	MO, South Australia	Kangaroo Canathon 2008
Jan 12	AL, Auburn	Bama Cannas Awesome Auburn Show
Jan 13	NJ, Clark	Garden State Kickoff Classic
Jan 25-26	MO, Osage Beach	Gateway & KC's Best Mid-Missouri Mini-Meet
Jan 25-26	FL, Orlando	Gator Traders Snowbird Special
Jan 26	NJ, Milltown	Jersey Shore Half Moon Show

For more info on any of these shows go to [BCCA.COM](http://BCCA.COM) or check your latest issue of Beer Cans and Brewery Collectibles..

A sea of CaBot-  
tles and 24's  
abounded at  
Convention 37.



# Our Members

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