



## NHC 2010 -- Midwest Regional

The Madison Homebrewers and Tasters Guild (MHTG – [www.mhtg.org](http://www.mhtg.org)) is proud to announce that we will host the Midwest Regional for the National Homebrew Competition, 2010. The judging will take place on April 17, 2010 at The Capital Brewery in Middleton, WI. Keith Symonds is the Site Coordinator <[madsymo@aol.com](mailto:madsymo@aol.com)> and Tony Jacques is the Judge Coordinator <[tonyj.ten@gmail.com](mailto:tonyj.ten@gmail.com)> for the event.

Please see the American Homebrewers Association website for information about entering the competition:

<<http://www.homebrewersassociation.org/pages/competitions/national-homebrew-competition>>

### Judges and Stewards

Judges and Stewards are needed for the competition. In particular, we need BJCP Judges for the beer categories. Additionally, we need qualified Mead and Cider Judges.

If you are interested in judging, please contact Judge Coordinator, Tony Jacques <[tonyj.ten@gmail.com](mailto:tonyj.ten@gmail.com)> as soon as possible. In your note, please indicate your judge qualifications, categories you would prefer to judge and categories you are unable to judge. Remember to include all of your contact information (e-mail, snail-mail, phone numbers, etc.) If you are a BJCP Judge, please include your Judge Number.

If you are interested in Stewarding, please contact Head Steward, Greg Younkin <[greg.younkin@wisconsin.gov](mailto:greg.younkin@wisconsin.gov)>. The organizers are committed to providing one steward for each judge panel – stewards will be able and encouraged to serve as apprentice judges throughout each judge session!

### Judging Details

All judging is scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> in three judge sessions.

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| 8:00-9:00am   | Judge/Steward Registration and breakfast |
| 9:00-11:30am  | 1 <sup>st</sup> Judge Session            |
| 11:30-12:30pm | Lunch (provided for all volunteers)      |
| 12:30-3:00pm  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Judge Session            |
| 3:00-3:15pm   | Break                                    |
| 3:15-5:45pm   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Judge Session            |

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| Dinner Break | On your own                                                |
| 7:00pm-???   | Hospitality at Capital Brewery, Bierstube (Hosted by MHTG) |

***Visit our area breweries and beer bars!***

- Capital Brewery  
[www.capital-brewery.com/](http://www.capital-brewery.com/)
- Great Dane (3 locations!)  
[www.greatdanepub.com/](http://www.greatdanepub.com/)
- Ale Asylum  
[www.aleasylum.com](http://www.aleasylum.com)
- Vintage Brewing  
[www.vintagebrewingco.com/](http://www.vintagebrewingco.com/)
- The Grumpy Troll  
[www.thegrumpytroll.com/](http://www.thegrumpytroll.com/)
- Gray's Tied House  
[www.graystiedhouse.com/](http://www.graystiedhouse.com/)
- The Malt House  
[www.MaltHouseTavern.com](http://www.MaltHouseTavern.com)
- Brasserie V  
[www.brasseriev.com/](http://www.brasseriev.com/)
- Maduro  
[www.madurocigarbar.com/](http://www.madurocigarbar.com/)
- Jacs'  
[www.jacsofmadison.com/](http://www.jacsofmadison.com/)
- The Old Fashioned  
[www.theoldfashioned.com/](http://www.theoldfashioned.com/)
- Cooper's Tavern  
[www.thecooperstavern.com/](http://www.thecooperstavern.com/)

Judge points will be distributed according to BJCP regulations. The organizers promise a huge “swag-a-thon” for all volunteers.

**Lodging and Local Activities**

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Staybridge Suites <[Madison Homebrew and Tasters Guild](#)> or call them at 608-664-5888 in Middleton. This hotel is approximately 500 yards (maybe even less! ☺) from the brewery with ample underground parking. Rooms have been reserved for Saturday evening at special rates (ask about Friday.) The code for our special rates (about half their “rack-rate”) is MHG. Other lodging options are available nearby, as well.

***Bring the family!***

Madison is beautiful in the spring (and all year, for that matter.) There are numerous activities for members of your family. A few highlights:

- The Dane County Farmers Market  
(largest outdoor Farmers' Market in the USA!) [www.dcfm.org/](http://www.dcfm.org/)
- Vilas Zoo [www.vilaszoo.org/](http://www.vilaszoo.org/)
- UW Spring Football Game  
[www.uwbadgers.com/](http://www.uwbadgers.com/)
- Wisconsin Film Festival  
[www.wifilmfest.org/](http://www.wifilmfest.org/)
- Hiking, biking, sailing, parks, bird sanctuaries ...
- Chazen Art Museum  
[www.chazen.wisc.edu/home.htm](http://www.chazen.wisc.edu/home.htm)
- Olbrich Gardens [www.olbrich.org/](http://www.olbrich.org/)
- Numerous boutiques
- Wisconsin Dells (about 45 minutes away) – indoor water parks!

**Contact Site Coordinator, Keith Symonds, with any questions.**

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**We look forward to seeing you in April!**