

The Prairie Homebrewing Companions present

# HOPPY HALLOWEEN XII

**BLOOD SPARGE: RISE OF THE ZOMBIE BREWERS!**

**YES**, it is that  
time of year  
again!



Are **YOU** ready  
to crush the  
competition?

*The Prairie Homebrewing Companions proudly announce the dates for the  
12th annual Hoppy Halloween Challenge*

Entries for this homebrewing competition will be accepted between **October 3<sup>rd</sup>** and **October 16<sup>th</sup>**. All categories currently recognized by the BJCP are eligible. Please provide 2 bottles for each entry. Bottles entered in these categories must be 10 to 16 oz. glass or plastic of ANY style and clean and free of any labels (inked, paper, or otherwise). Entrants are encouraged to use brown, long-neck bottles for maximum protection from light and breakage. The fee is \$7.00 per entry. All judging will be done using glass tasters, not plastic cups. Every flight will have at least one BJCP Recognized or higher level judge.



## **PUMPKIN SMASHING AWARDS AND PRIZES**

All beers placing 1st, 2nd or 3rd will receive a prize plus a commemorative Hoppy Halloween Challenge medallion hung from a special hand-crafted themed lanyard. Best of Show Beer and Best of Show Mead/Cider will receive a ceramic Skull Trophy. Special awards for Halloween Theme Beer and Great Pumpkin will also be presented. Winners will be announced at the awards banquet on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. Complete details and entry information for Hoppy Halloween Challenge 2009 can be found on the competition website:

<http://prairiehomebrewers.org/hoppyhalloween.htm>

## **HALLOWEEN THEME BEER**

Do you have a beer, mead or cider exuding "Halloweeness"? Perhaps it's just TOO spooky to serve up to your friends let alone drink yourself? What about that forgotten six-pack collecting cobwebs in the corner of the basement? Well, we might just have the place for you to bury it! The crypt is open! The competition's theme beer category will be judged to BJCP style guidelines of the base beer, mead or cider according to the standard 50 point system PLUS the entry's adherence to the spirit of the holiday will be assessed based upon an additional 25 point "spook scale" (Name - 5, Appearance - 5, Aroma/Flavor - 5, Overall Impression - 10) so you should note that the name of the entry and any packaging, bottle and/or label embellishments will be factored into the final score. In short, the "classic" Halloween Theme Beer should be GOOD and SCARY!