

NABA adds two new local chapters—now has 57!



From left: Vice President Jeff Kauffman, Secretary-Treasurer Joe Tomasak, Frank Pfeiffer, Frank Zynda, President Tom Philport, and Jon Mowat at the chapter's 2023 Christmas party.



Chapter members at the table are from left: Bill Boyles, Jacob Parker, Diane Parker, Jim Vincent, Patrick Kelly, Cheryl Kelly, Matt Sackett, Dee Evans, and Jerry Evans. NABA Board Member Charlie Smith is standing, talking to Patrick Kelly.

Stroh's Fire-Brewed

The Stroh's Fire-Brewed Chapter begins its 52nd year in 2024. The chapter's beginnings were in the Spring of 1973, when about two dozen collectors responded to a newspaper ad regarding a "beer can trade show" that was held at a suburban-Detroit firehouse and became a huge success.

Soon, after hearing about a fledgling national group with the same interests, the "Motor City Chapter" became the 8th chapter of the BCCA. Two years later, the chapter gained the support of the Stroh Brewery family to be renamed the "Stroh's Fire-Brewed Chapter," with the goal of promoting the breweriana collecting hobby.

The chapter's geographic focus is on the greater southeast Michigan area and currently has about 70 members. The group hosts a trade show every June as well as a Christmas party.



KC's Best

The KC's Best Chapter was founded in 1974 and is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. The chapter primarily serves the Western Missouri and Eastern Kansas areas and co-hosts two regional shows—one each in Salina, KS and Osage Beach, MO. A third show is being launched in south Kansas City on October 26, 2024.

KC's Best holds gatherings at various local craft breweries and conducts "brewpubbing" events several times a year. Informal member collection tours and occasional brewery private tours are also held. A celebration of the chapter's 50 years will be a featured part of the show in Salina on June 28-30, 2024.

