



## February 2015 Dinner Meeting Review – The Science of Brewing Beer

Goose Island Brewery joined us at Maggiano's last week for the February Dinner Meeting. Mike Siegel Innovation Manager, Marc Drucker Beer Judge & Cicerone, and Bob Kinkaid a Brand Ambassador from Goose Island put on an excellent talk and tasting for us last Monday.

Courtesy of Goose Island we were able to offer 3 unique beers to be sampled after dinner. The first was called My Shout, a tribute to an old Australian pub saying which means "my round." This beer is not yet available in stores, restaurants, or bars and has a spring release scheduled. This was my favorite beer out of the group that we sampled. It has a very light IPA taste and some floral and herbal notes throughout, perfect for a warm summer day.



The second beer that was sampled was the Goose Matilda. This is a Belgian Style Pale Ale which was inspired by a monastery run brewery in Europe, which was sponsored by a Countess Matilda.

This beer is brewed using a Wild Yeast instead of a typical lab strain. This beer is described as having fruity, spicy, aromatic notes, and ends with a dry finish. This is definitely one that would be enjoyed during a meal.

The third beer that was sampled is an annual release that Goose Island called Bourbon County Stout. This 14% Black beer is something cherished by craft beer gurus and sought after by beer connoisseurs annually when it is released each year.



This limited release has chocolate, coffee, caramel, and other dark notes that make this beer unique. This beer takes over 8 months to develop and is aged in old bourbon barrels to finish it.

This summer when you stop by your local grocery store or liquor store be sure to pick up a case of the Goose Island My



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Shout. This is definitely going to become a summer-time staple in a lot of houses this summer. If you're lucky enough to ever see a case of the Bourbon Country Stout, most stores will sell it by the individual bottle and you can try a bottle at home.

Enjoy the rest of the month, summer is coming soon, and you can look forward to good weather and good beer in another 2 months!

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