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OBJECTIVE

Position in Brewing Operations

PROFILE

I am a leader, with an ability to delegate and find strengths in my co-workers. In high school I was a captain of the Varsity Football team. I always strive to give each person on my team a chance to utilize their strongest skills in order to create a positive environment where we can achieve positive results. I am a highly motivated worker who is always attempting to create new and unique products and solutions.

EXPERIENCE

Summit On the Park - Building Attendant - August 2017- May 2018

- Enforced all departmental policies, procedures, rules and regulations throughout the facility.
- Provided excellent customer service and assisting guests as needed.
- Obtained First Aid/CPR/AED certification upon hire.
- Maintained facility and equipment cleanliness and functionality. Provided set up and tear downs for programs, classes and events.
- Ensured a safe recreational environment, including assisting guests with fitness equipment.
- Processed membership sales.

Big Boiler Brewery/Hop Hog Backyard Brewpub - Internship - January 2022- August 2022

- Maintain brewery, state and federal compliance, inventory and brew sheet paperwork.
- Operate brew equipment to maintain acceptable inventory of raw materials and beer.
- Clean, sanitize all equipment, tanks and work areas to maintain consistent beer quality.
- Fundamental knowledge of plumbing and machinery mechanics/maintenance.
- Brew beer according to brewery standards and philosophy.

Bell's & New Belgium Brewing Co. - Brewing Operator - August 2022- July 2023

- Adhere to and advances the "Safety Always" culture of Upper Hand and Bell's Brewery.
- Maintain a sanitary and micro-biologically stable work environment through CIP (Clean in Place) procedures and solid general housekeeping practices in collaboration with assistant brewers. Follow Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Brewhouse operation. Yeast handling, including laboratory cell counts, pitching, and cropping yeast. Monitor fermentations including routine analysis of in-process beer. Centrifuge/filter operation. Setup and tear-down of hard and soft piping assemblies. Carbonate beer and prepare for it for Packaging customers.
- Continual lifting, dragging, carrying, and manipulating of hoses, parts, pumps, buckets, and reservoirs, requiring standing, walking, crouching, and lifting regularly throughout the duration of shift.
- Perform routine preventative maintenance on equipment and infrastructure in collaboration with assistant brewers and maintenance staff. Aid in the professional development of assistant brewers.
- Working closely with programs such as Microsoft, ProLeiT and AX

Thornapple Brewery Co. - Brewer/Vintner/Distiller– July 2023- Present

- The complete brewing process from milling, to wort production, to fermentation on a 7bbl Brewhouse.
- In charge of making Cider and Mead
- In charge of distilling and proofing down sprits.
- Cleaning and sanitizing tanks, cleaning the outsides of vessels, cleaning floors, and maintaining the appearance of the brewhouse and cellar.
- Development and brewing of test batches for potential release.
- Basic cellar work, including transfers, filtering, fining, dry hopping, carbonating beer, and basic sensory.
- Basic packaging, including kegging, canning and bottling.
- Basic laboratory work, including cell counts, pH measurement, ABV, and extract measurement.

EDUCATION

PCEP - Canton High School, September 2013- June 2017

Canton, MI- High School Diploma

Schoolcraft Community College, September 2017- May 2018

Livonia, MI

Western Michigan University, September 2018 - December 2019

Kalamazoo, MI

Kalamazoo Valley Community Collage, January 2020 - March 2022

Kalamazoo, MI - Sustainable Craft Brewing, AA

Honors Fraternity

Phi Theta Kappa

SKILLS

- Serve Safe Certification
- Cicerone Beer Server Certification
- Brewer Association Safety Training
- Michigan Brewers Guild's - Michigan Salesperson Training Certificate
- Good Communication
- Effective leadership and management
- Teamwork and interpersonal skills