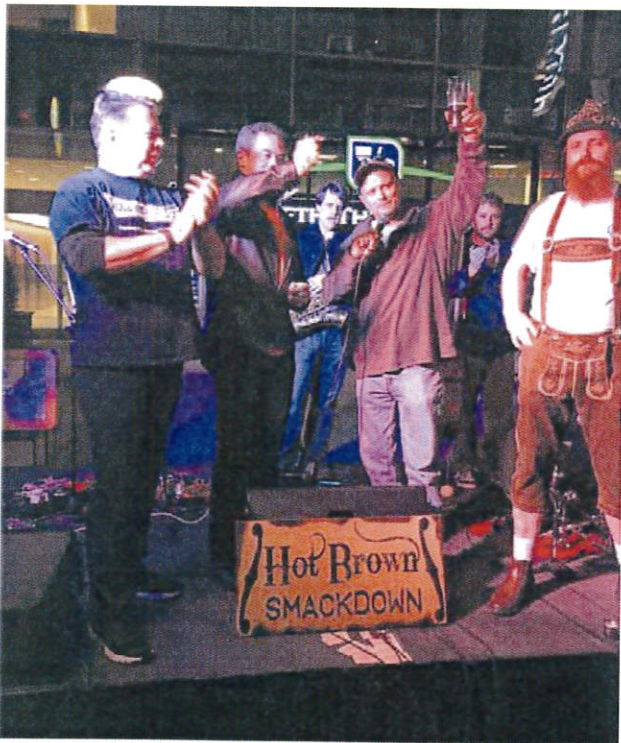




**J**ason Smith, the General Manager for Gordon Biersch, had a vision to raise awareness and funds for the Parkinson's Center of Kentuckiana. Diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease three and a half years ago, Smith wasted no time in deciding to make a lasting impact on the Parkinson's community. With a love of great beer and a philanthropic heart, Smith created The Pints for Parkinson's Foundation, a 501c3 dedicated to generating funds for the purpose of promoting education, therapy, and activities for Parkinson's patients.

This year, the 3rd annual Pints for Parkinson's® event will be on Wednesday, April 19th starting at 6pm. The event includes the tapping of Gordon Biersch's Maibock Lager, with many other breweries and distilleries represented, such as Ballontin Whiskey, Jim Beam, Sam Adams, Goodwood, White Squirrel, and more. This free event will include entertainment by the nationally-acclaimed band, Jericho Woods. Smith's goal is not

## Gordon Biersch and Fourth Street Live! host 3rd annual Pints for Parkinson's



**Come on out Wednesday, April 19th at 6 p.m. for great beer, music, and to raise awareness for Parkinson's Disease.**

only to raise funds, but to bring the community together and raise awareness. "I don't consider myself a patient, I consider myself an advocate", he says.

Since the event has outgrown the original venue of Gordon Biersch, Fourth Street Live! has agreed to partner with Gordon Biersch and offered the main stage for the band as well as a contribution of sales from some of their restaurants. The Fourth Street Live! president, Ed Hartless, sees this as a great partnership. "We are excited that this event has expanded enough to make partnership a necessity, and look forward to making Pints for Parkinson's® even more successful this year." Jason Smith sees this partnership as very beneficial as well, stating, "Ed and I have always had a good relationship, and I think I have helped cultivate a mentality of local charity work at Fourth Street Live!. Who knows, maybe in a couple of years we'll take over Waterfront Park!"

In addition to the live music and variety of beers and bourbons from which to choose, there will be an online silent auction. It will include items such as Two VIP Thunder over Louisville Packages, Jim Beam Reserve Bourbons and Barrel Heads, Hotel / Dinner Packages, a chance to win a bottomless growler, a Thirsty Peddler tour, and more. The funds will go to the Parkinson's Center of Kentuckiana to educate and provide therapy and treatment for people suffering from Parkinson's Disease.

