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Brewing for Greenways Collaboration Series Continues: Zebulon Artisan Ales joins Twin Leaf Brewery to raise money for Buncombe County's Greenways

ASHEVILLE -- Twin Leaf Brewery and Zebulon Artisan Ales have come together to brew the next installment of the Brewing for Greenways collaboration series, a program that supports the Friends of Connect Buncombe (FOCB) efforts to create city and county-wide greenways. Drifter's Escape Lager, a craft-brewed light lager, will be tapped on **Friday, August 19th at 6:00 PM at Twin Leaf Brewing**, located on 144 Coxe Avenue, Asheville, NC.

Both Twin Leaf Brewery head brewer and owner, Tim Weber, and Zebulon Artisan Ales co-owner, Mike Karnowski, were excited to brew the seventh installment in the series, the collaboration's one-year-anniversary beer.

"We were honored to participate in this project," said Weber. "Asheville is an amazing city to live in and the more bimodal ways we have to get around, the better it is to live here. I love when I get to do what I enjoy, which is brewing beer, and at the same time support nonprofits who are working to make our community a better place. Especially," added Weber, "when I can collaborate with as great of a brewery as Zebulon."

Drifter's Escape Lager is the two craft brewers' attempt to take back the much maligned yet historically important American lager. The beer was brewed with a classic American lager base, 6-row malt and corn, and then hopped with a generous amount of Citra and Centennial hops. At 5.2% ABV, this light and refreshing beer is the perfect beverage for enjoying post summertime mountain adventures.

The Brewing for Greenways project has raised over \$14,000 dollars for Friends of Connect Buncombe, as each participating brewery has donated a portion of the proceeds from their collaborative brews. The first recipient of the funds is the city of Asheville, with money going towards the first phase of the Swannanoa River Greenway in East Asheville.

"Friends of Connect Buncombe is thrilled with the leadership and support that local breweries are providing to help implement the planned public greenway network that will connect people and places in Buncombe County," says Suzanne Molloy, President of Friends of Connect Buncombe. "We look forward to a long-standing partnership through Brewing for Greenways and other programs and events."

Drifter's Escape will only be available on tap in Twin Leaf Brewing's taproom while supplies last. The brewery will **donate two dollars of each pint sold** to Friends of Connect Buncombe's greenway project. Craft beer lovers attending the event will have the opportunity to enjoy the beer with Twin Leaf and Zebulon employees (Zebulon does not have employees) as well as learn about all the projects that FOCB is working on this year. For more information about Brewing for Greenways and FOCB, visit http://www.weconnectbuncombe.org/BrewingforGreenways#overlay-context=user/40

About Twin Leaf Brewery

Twin Leaf Brewery is a 10-barrel brewery located in the South Slope region of Asheville, NC. Driven by the do-it-yourself spirit, Twin Leaf Brewing was handbuilt by the owner and purveyor of the business and is committed to supporting the outdoor lifestyle of all the brewery employees through environmental conservation. Twin Leaf Brewery is best known for producing such flagship beers as Dark Matter Oatmeal Stout, Juicy Fruit IPA, White Noise Wit, Uproot ESB and Luminosity Triple as well as an ever-rotating selection of hand-crafted, one-off beers available only in their taproom. To learn more about the company, visit www.twinleafbrewery.com

About Zebulon Artisan Ales

We are a small production brewery with a sweet little tasting area that is open on Fridays and Saturdays from 1-6 pm. We are located in downtown Weaverville which is just 10 minutes from downtown Asheville. While we do tend to focus on Belgian and French farmhouse styles, we also brew historical, forgotten and mythological beer styles. We don't have any flagship beers, instead we like to brew something new every time. Much of our beer is aged in large oak puncheon barrels with wild yeasts for up to several years to develop complex flavors. www.zebulonbrewing.com

About Friends of Connect Buncombe

Friends of Connect Buncombe is a collaborative organization that encourages and supports the implementation of city and county greenways/trails plans and the construction of greenways throughout Buncombe County through public awareness, community education and fundraising activities. For more information, see www.weconnectbuncombe.org and our facebook page.