

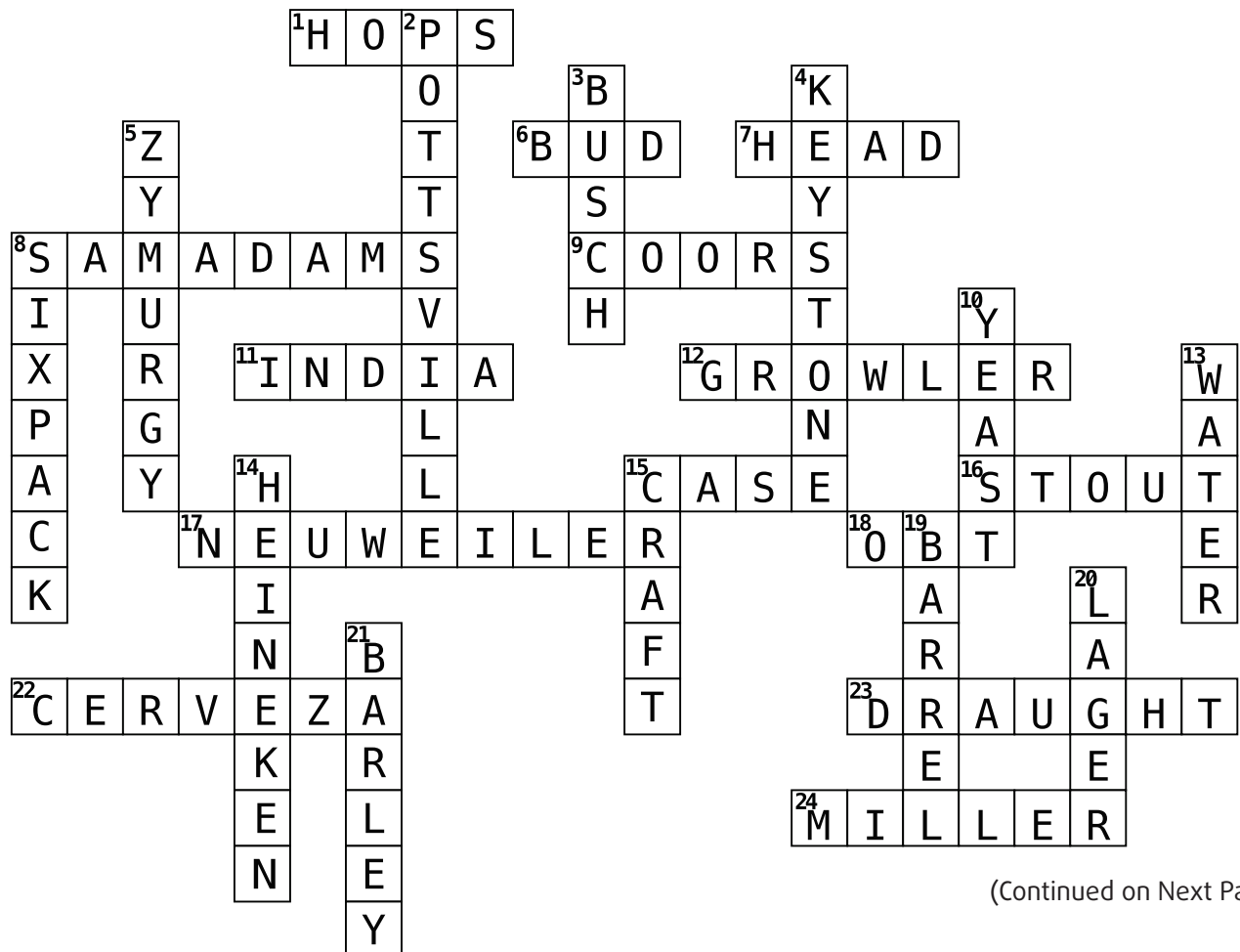
PUZZLE ANSWERS

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It's Feb-BREW-ary!



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ACROSS

1. **Flavorful flowers get beer jumping: HOPS** – Hops are the aromatic flowers or cones of the *Humulus lupulus* plant. They are used to flavor and preserve beer.
6. **Commoner name for King of Beers: BUD** – Budweiser, nicknamed Bud, has long branded itself as The King of Beers.
7. **Foamy topper: HEAD** – The foam the floats on top of a poured beer is known as the head.
8. **Patriotic namesake of Lehigh Valley's largest brewery: SAMADAMS** – Samuel Adams Brewery (often shortened to Sam Adams) in Breinigsville, PA is the Lehigh Valley's largest commercial brewery. Samuel Adams of Massachusetts was a patriot of the American Revolution and a signer of the Declaration of Independence.
9. **Golden brewed brand: COORS** – Golden, Colorado has been home of the Coors Brewing Company since 1873.
11. **Country in IPA name: INDIA** – IPA stands for India Pale Ale. Stronger and lighter than most ales of the 19th century, it was popular with British troops based in India.
12. **Brewpub to-go jug: GROWLER** – Originally lidded metal pails used to transport smaller quantities of tapped beer, today's growlers are now airtight glass vessels in 32 oz. or 64 oz. sizes.
15. **24 brews per: CASE** – A typical case unit of beer has 24 cans or bottles.
16. **Full-bodied brew made with dark roasted barley: STOUT** – Stout is a style of beer with rich flavor and dark color imparted by roasting the barley malt prior to brewing.
17. **Leading regional brand of beer brewed in Allentown from 1911 to 1968. Its quality and German heritage were captured in its slogan "Nix Besser," Pennsylvania Dutch for "None Better." The brand was revived by a consortium of local beer lovers in the early 1990s: NEUWEILER** – The Neuweiler Brewery located on Front Street was an Allentown landmark for decades, even though defunct since 1968. The structure was razed a few years ago to make way for development along the Lehigh River waterfront. This legendary Allentown brew lives on in memory and breweriana prized by collectors.
18. **Initials of original Bethlehem brew spot: OBT** – Once one of the Lehigh Valley's original breweries and now a taproom, Old Brewery Tavern, known locally as OBT, is at Union and Main Streets in Bethlehem.
22. **Beer in Mexico: CERVEZA** – Cerveza is the Spanish word for beer.
23. **Correct spelling of beer drawn from kegs: DRAUGHT** – Americanized as "draft", purists argue that the proper British spelling for the brewed product in kegs is "draught". It comes from the Old English word "dragan" which means "to carry" or "to pull."
24. **First Lite: MILLER** – In 1975, Miller Brewing Company introduced the Miller Lite brand. Its market success as a lower calorie, less filling style of American pilsner spawned multiple imitators and a robust category of lighter beers still growing in popularity 50 years later.

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2. **PA home of America's oldest brewery:** **POTTSVILLE** – Pottsville, PA is home to the D.G. Yuengling & Son Brewery, founded in 1829 and reputedly America's Oldest Brewery. While Yeungling has grown into a national brand, its original operation can still be toured in Pottsville—about an hour's drive from the Lehigh Valley.
3. **Anheuser's partner:** **BUSCH** – Eberhard Anheuser and Adolphus Busch formed the original Anheuser-Busch Companies in St. Louis which captured much of the US market with Budweiser and multiple top brands.
4. **Cheap beer. Great state:** **KEYSTONE** – Keystone Beer is an economy-level offering of the Molson Coors Beverage Company. Pennsylvania is also known as The Keystone State.
5. **Branch of chemistry that deals with fermentation:** **ZYMURGY** – Zymurgy is the branch of science that deals with fermentation processes.
8. **Half dozen brews or buff stomach:** **SIXPACK** – A six-pack is a standard unit of beer packaging consisting of six cans or bottles. It is also a nickname for visibly prominent abdominal muscles.
10. **Microorganism that produces alcohol:** **YEAST** – In the brewing process, yeast converts sugar into alcohol.
13. **Common component of both beer and ale:** **WATER** – Water comprises 92% to 96% of the total ingredient volume for beer and ale.
14. **Very much Dutch brand:** **HEINEKEN** – Founded in 1864, Heineken is a Dutch multinational brewing giant based in Amsterdam.
15. **Artsy class of select independent brews:** **CRAFT** – Craft beers are generally local brewers producing smaller batches with a wider range of flavors.
19. **Roll it out for fun:** **BARREL** – “Roll out the barrel, we'll have a barrel of fun” is a lyric from the timeless drinking song “Beer Barrel Polka”, first recorded in 1927.
20. **Popular style of beer in US:** **LAGER** – Lager is a style of beer which is brewed and conditioned at lower temperatures.
21. **Brewer's main grain:** **BARLEY** – While corn, oats, rice and other grains are sometimes used, barley is by far the prevalent grain used to make beer.