



**MEDIA ALERT**

## **Banging Gavel Brews Opens Its New Brewpub, Hosts Official Grand Opening on December 14, 2023**

*The historical landmark Vogt Building in Tinley Park houses a new brewpub*

**WHAT:** Long awaited, much anticipated. It's here: the official grand opening of The Vogt House by [Banging Gavel Brews](#) Brewpub in the historic Vogt Building in downtown Tinley Park. The community, beer aficionados and historians alike, have been anticipating the opening since Banging Gavel purchased the building in June 2017 and began restoration.

The official grand opening celebrates the first introduction to Banging Gavel's beers brewed on site at The Vogt House, with the first beers on tap being a few new styles from Banging Gavel, including a Saison, a Berliner Weisse, a Vienna, and a Dry Irish Stout.

**WHEN:** Thursday, December 14, 2023  
Firkin Tapping: 4:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** The Vogt House by Banging Gavel Brews  
17400 Oak Park Avenue, Tinley Park, IL

**WHO:** JT Rea, Banging Gavel head brewer  
Jim Richert, Banging Gavel Brews president  
Beckie O'Connor, Banging Gavel Brews brand marketing director  
Kyle O'Connor, Banging Gavel Brews business development  
Ed Richert, Banging Gavel Brews treasurer  
Ed Nemec, Banging Gavel Brews director of operations  
Representatives from the Village of Tinley Park and Chambers of Commerce, 44 Business Capital, Berkshire Bank, Altus Works Architecture Firm, Urban Innovation Construction, SHPO Illinois and more

### **Official Grand Opening Celebration Weekend**

- **Thursday, December 14:** Firkin Tapping at 4:00PM by Banging Gavel Head Brewer JT Rea on the front porch with Jim Richert, Beckie & Kyle O'Connor, Ed Nemec, Ed Richert, a Tinley Park Representative along with our emcee **Joe Matise**, Lead Singer of **The Walk-ins**, and Tinley Park Resident. Music will play from 4:30 p.m. – 9 p.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor.

4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Complimentary passed apps throughout the building.  
5:30 p.m. – 9 p.m. Regular menu available.

- **Additional Drinks Options:**

**Holiday cocktails:** Cranberry/Rosemary Moscow Mule, Pomegranate French 75, Gingerbread Tom & Jerry as well as Wine, Seltzers, and non-alcoholic beverages.

- **Friday, December 15 - The Saul Good Trio** plays from 7 p.m. - 10 p.m.
- **Saturday, December 16**
  - Brunch Buffet with Santa from 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Limited number of seats for adults and children.
  - Music from **Railway Gamblers** from 7 p.m. - 10 p.m.
- **Sunday, December 17** Music from **Joe Orozco** 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Bears Game will be aired (either Saturday or Sunday 12/16 or 12/17, based on game time).
- In addition to the Grand Opening Celebration Weekend, Banging Gavel will be hosting on **Sunday, December 31 – A Great Gatsby New Year’s Eve Event**

***Building Tours available the week of December 18.***

### **About Banging Gavel Brews**

Brothers Jim and Ed Richert took a homebrew class in 2013, which lit the flame. Ed’s daughter, Beckie and her husband, Kyle O’Connor, joined the cause as founding partners. This family-owned craft brewery has developed 28 styles of beers and introduced them at various local craft beer festivals and craft beer shops since 2014. JT Rea joined as head brewer in 2021 and Ed Nemec came on board in 2023 as executive chef and director of operations. Banging Gavel Brews will open The Vogt House Brewpub and Bier Garten, its brewpub, including its production brewery, taproom and restaurant, in the historic Vogt House in downtown Tinley Park on December 14, 2023. For more info, visit <https://bangingavel.com>.

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