



WAYNE MIRROR

Fun Facts

by Alyssa Fry, writer and Kristy Hogue, editor

1. The peach was the first fruit that was eaten on the moon.
2. The average American annually consumes 23.1 gallons of beer.
3. The largest recorded lobster that was ever caught was 42.4 lbs.
4. The blowfish has the world's most poisonous venom.
5. Women blink nearly twice as much as men.
6. The hydrochloric acid in your stomach is strong enough to eat a hole in a sidewalk.
7. In Michigan, it is illegal to chain an alligator to a fire hydrant.
8. Being unmarried can shorten a man's life by ten years.
9. In 1982, a cactus in Phoenix, Arizona killed a man. David Grundman fired two shotgun blasts at a giant saguaro cactus that ended up falling on top of him.
10. In the U.S. the most common excuse made to get out of paying a ticket is to say they missed the sign.

Source: www.gotfacts.com

Upcoming Events

- May 3 & 4**
Free Chair Massages
D-217
- May 8 - 13**
Final Exam Week
- May 8**
Blood Drive
(1:30-6:30 p.m.)
Upper D-wing
- May 13 & 14**
Commencement

Check out
www.wayne.uakron.edu
for a full calendar of
events.

Wayne Students go to Washington D.C.

by Kristy Hogue, editor

This spring semester several of Wayne College's students went to Washington D.C. for the Student Senate trip during spring break. The group consisted of Zac Burkey, Kristy Hogue, Sarah Morrow, Ciara McCloud, Jordan Antoine, Alicia Broadus, Shevyn Tyler, Tessa Walters, and Jackie Ashbaugh, student activities coordinator.

Besides going to ravishing restaurants, the group visited most of the Capital's monuments including the Washington and Lincoln monuments. We were also lucky enough to get tours of the White House, the Pentagon, and the Capitol building. Our group loved the Smithsonian museums. One in particular was extremely interesting. It contained gorgeous diamonds from all over the world, including the Hope

Diamond. The museum had dinosaur bones and many other interesting exhibits. During our stay



in Washington, we also managed to get tickets to see the Holocaust museum. It was extremely depressing, and the smell was unforgettable.

There were many firsts on this trip as well. For some of us, this was the

first time we had ridden on a subway or in a taxi. We not only went to places in D.C. but we also went to Georgetown, Arlington, and Alexandria, all of which we could get to by Metro.

The downside of the trip was having to get up at 6 a.m. every morning on spring break! However, most of the coffee drinkers on the trip managed considering there was a Starbucks around every corner. There were also many cute vendor shops to pick up a few souvenirs. The whole week was full of great weather, and we bonded as a group. We also learned a lot of new things, not only about Washington D.C. but about each other as well. Washington D.C. is definitely a great way for anyone to spend their spring break!

Medical Billing from an Insider's Perspective

by Danielle M. Sobczyk, writer

Dianne Voss is the lead reimbursement coordinator employed by Ritzman Natural Health Pharmacy which manages Summa's infusion business. Infusion encompasses IV therapy or nutrition at home through an IV or the stomach. Infusion is a rare phenomenon and is fairly new. Voss was willing to speak to me about the dynamic of her position. A lead reimbursement coordinator is primarily responsible for the billing and collection of Infusion Services. Voss explained that there is a lot of debating with health insurance companies to insure payment for the patients' therapy. One would have to be versed in coding and know the difference between ICD-9 coding. These are codes used for diagnosis and HCPCS which stands for health care common procedural coding system.

Voss has been in the medical field for 25 years and started this position four months ago. One of the things that Voss enjoys about her new position is that she learns a mountain of information daily, and she expressed that there was truly a feeling of accomplishment when claims she has worked on for some time get paid. The most frustrating part about her job is when a patient's insurance is incorrectly inputted. When this happens, she faces deadline issues as insurance companies only will pay for a small amount of time after services are rendered. Being a lead reimbursement coordinator is something that she truly enjoys, and she looks forward to learning as much information as she can.

Fireside Readers Book Group Lives up to its Name

by John Calvey, writer

Opening the front door to the College's Barnet-Hoover Farmhouse, you are greeted by the intimate scene with chairs surrounding the farmhouse's fireplace. The flames dance in the softly lit room, dispelling the chill from Ohio's cold weather. Immediately I noticed Maureen Lerch, Wayne College manager of library services, sympathetically discussing the evening's weather with a couple of the group's members. Besides Maureen, the attendees also included Julie, Carol, and Irene.

At the Fireside Readers group there were four

members meeting to discuss "Growing Up," Russell Baker's Pulitzer Prize winning memoir. A lively discussion of the night's chosen material filled the air. Many members recalled personal stories that related to the evening's spotlighted book which is the author's recollections of his early family life while growing up during the Great Depression between WWI and WWII.

The group meets once a month at Wayne College's recently renovated Barnet-Hoover Farmhouse located behind the Boyer Gymnasium. It is accessible to the driveway entrance

shared by the College and Orrville YMCA/YWCA. The Fireside Reader's group is open to any students, staff, faculty, and community members who are interested in reading and sharing the experiences they gained. This particular event takes place in a very informal environment and can be a great extra curricular activity.

For more information, contact Maureen Lerch, manager of library services, at 330-684-8951 or mlerch@uakron.edu.

EDITORIAL

A Look Back: WKDD Money Machine

by Paul Pope, writer

I was wandering down to the C-Wing restroom after psychology class when I heard a ruckus in the Filling Station. There was loud conversation, the music of Kelly Clarkson, and what could have been described as the noise of a vacuum cleaner. It reminded me of when my neighbor listens to the radio and yells at her kids while mowing the lawn and talking on her cell phone at the same time. So, naturally, I went to see what the commotion was all about.

As it turned out, nobody was being tortured except for a maniacal looking youth trapped in a giant red and yellow blow-up cage in the corner. I didn't know why we were decorating for Christmas in February, but this was, so to speak, "off the chain," so I sat back and enjoyed. From a distance it looked like he was being attacked by a swarm of stinging neon green insects. While he flailed his arms trying to catch his green-winged assailants and presumably crush them in his palm, a man in a red golf tee and khaki pants was kicking the side of the cage and a crowd of twenty or so onlookers screamed at him unintelligibly.

What surprised me was the fact that there were people standing in line waiting for this opportunity. So, naturally, I hopped onto the bandwagon. As I made my way towards the front, my 12/20 vision adjusted and I saw that this was none

other than the 98.1 WKDD "Free Money Machine". I had heard about this before on the radio and always imagined a stainless steel sarcophagus sized robot with demonic blinking eyes and a thirst for mortal blood, not to mention the slot-machine-style lever out in front which, upon pulling, determined your status as either a winner or a victim of gruesome robotic dismemberments and the like.

But this wasn't so eerily machine-like. It was, instead, a systematized reward-based torture and humiliation system, which is awesome, as long as the reward part is in there. First, the 'contestant' spins a sort of wheel of fortune, and has, in theory, a 1 in 16 chance to progress to the blow-up chamber where he has one minute to grab all the dollar bills he can. Gina Stebler managed the wheel. She was a tiny young woman in her thirties, with a sarcastic toothy grin which could almost have been mistaken for a frown, a scrunched up nose, and a mass of bunchy, dark red curls pluming from her head. When the needle landed on a black, red or yellow section of the wheel, she emitted a loud, throaty, and nasal "EAWWWH!!!" in her smoker's voice, and then a young man named Aaron handed them their meager restitution: WKDD or University of Akron memorabilia.

The lucky winners actually have a choice

between jumping around in the cage like an idiot while grabbing dollar bills, and taking a gift card that could be worth from five to fifty dollars. But, of course, with twenty obnoxious teenagers in the background screaming, "DOOOOOO it!!!!" who could resist?

I was lucky to come away scarred with only a University of Akron coffee mug. The girl behind me was not so fortunate. Her spin found her one square short of the green one, when Jamie (the khaki cage-kicking golf tee) indiscreetly reached over and gave the wheel a nudge, landing it on the green. And, dignified though she was, with the encore screeching in the background, the girl entered the giant inflatable Christmas decoration of death. The vacuum sound began, this time to the tune of Alanis Morrisett and the money began buzzing around her forehead. Keith Kennedy, a 98.1 DJ, kicked the cage this time, presumably to stir up the cash sitting stagnant on the vinyl bottom, while Jamie took a restroom break and Aaron, the young, sober prize person sitting at one of the tables stared off into space, while Gina's sarcastic scrunchy nose and fluffy hair looked on in morbid contentment from behind the wheel.

Movie Review:

The Thai Warrior

by Thadd Chastain, writer

When the head of Ong-Bak, the sacred Buddha of a poor village is stolen, the population is plunged into misery. The Buddha was the focal point of an anniversary vigil believed to bring rain to the drought-stricken area. Young Ting is selected by the villagers to travel to Bangkok and rescue the relic in time for their ceremony. Ting has an affinity for the statue as he was left on the temple steps when he was just a baby. He was raised by monks who taught him Muay Thai but forbade him to use it in combat. Finally, he was forced to delve into a seedy underworld and try to avoid temptation.

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I have been wondering lately what other things on campus I could investigate what with our college only being 33 years old. I was worried that Wayne College is not old enough to harbor many old secrets or ominous, dark corners. Then I realized that there were people here long before the college existed.

The Barnet-Hoover log farmhouse was built around 1818 and is located on the northwest side of the Filling Station. Upon further investigation I discovered that the house is currently under renovation. A fully new, gleaming

deck has been added onto the back of the house and the logs near the roof of the house have been replaced. Here is obviously the place to uncover wildly atrocious stories!

After I saw a suspicious white van pull up to the house and a man starting to unload bulky objects from the back, I knew something was amiss. The van was unmarked, as was the man's clothing, so I do not know who he worked for. I do suspect, however, that the large brown parcels he extracted from his vehicle contained illegal and intriguing items. Trying to

talk to him was out of the question as he was quite keen to get his dirty job done as quickly as possible. I must say that entering the house was definitely out of the question. The mysterious man got a bit pushy with me when I tried to go in. As ever, my mind began reeling with the possible situations that could be taking place in that house. I will not regale you with them at this point in time, as most of them are completely unfounded.

I am certain that this farmhouse holds the keys to unlocking our campus' past. According to an

article printed in Akron magazine, the Barnet-Hoover farmhouse is, "A reminder of local history, casting its shadow from the past upon the life bursting forth from the college." This log house is positively creepy and probably unworthy of any renovating whatsoever, but I must explore the interior before I can form a solid opinion. I will get back to you when I have discovered the secrets of the inside of the Barnet-Hoover log farmhouse. Until then, keep your eyes peeled.

An Innocent Farmhouse?

Source: <http://www.wayne.uakron.edu/25thann.htm>

SPORTS

Wayne Warriors 2006 Golf Schedule

Fri. Apr. 7
Ohio University-
Chillicothe
Chillicothe Jaycee

Sat. Apr. 8
University of Cincinnati-
Clermont
Vineyard

Sat. Apr. 15
The University of Akron
Wayne
The Pines Golf Club

Fri. Apr. 21
Ohio State University-
Lima/Rhodes St.
TBA

Fri. Apr. 28
Miami University-
Hamilton
Hamilton Elks

Sat. Apr. 29
Miami University-
Middletown
Weathermax Golf Club

Fri. May 5
Ohio State University-
Newark
TBA

Sat. May 6
Ohio University-
Zanesville
Zanesville Jaycee

ORCC Tournament

Fri. May 12
Ohio Regional Campus
Lancaster Country Club
- Lancaster, OH

Sat. May 13
State Tournament
River Greens Golf
Course - West
Lafayette, OH

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