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OK, it works like this: in 2003, the Site Selection vote was held in a foreign country (that would be Canada, home of the Naked News), and Los Angeles beat Kansas City in a close vote. Los Angeles held the Worldcon in 2006 in Anaheim, and the following year the Anaheim Mighty Ducks won the Stanley Cup.

So now, in 2007, the Site Selection vote is in a foreign country (Japan, home of the Hello Kitty vibrator), and Kansas City is competing against Montreal. Obviously, history shows the winner of this vote will have their city claim Lord Stanley's oversized spitoon in 2010. All you have to do is vote for us, and we'll take care of having an actual hockey team here by then.

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Letter from the Editor

Welcome back to Cincinnati, and to the Doubletree Guest Suites.

There are two Cincinnati events coinciding with Midwestcon this year – see "Main Tourist Attractions" for info. Please let me know in your comments if such events are of interest to the members? The menu book and restaurant guide have been revised again this year. Note that two of the restaurants "A Little Further Afield" in last year's guide have closed, so please check this year's guide. As always, a drop box for comments will be in the Consuite. Thanks, and enjoy relaxing with the Cincinnati Fantasy Group.

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Convention Info

The **Dealer's Room** is in the Ballroom (south), on the Lobby level, beyond the Bistro café. **Hours are 5 - 8 pm Fri.**, 11 am - 6 pm Sat., and 11 am - 2 pm Sun.

The Art Show is also on the Lobby level, and shares quarters (and hours) with the Dealers Room. The Art Auction will be at 7 PM. on Saturday, on the patio outside the ballroom, if required. Any bid will send an item to Auction.

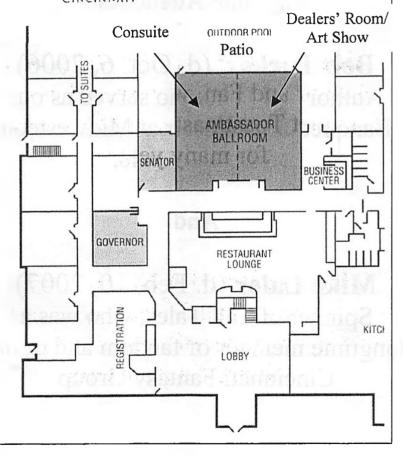
The Con Suite is located in the ballroom (north). On Friday evening at 8:30 pm, we will be sponsoring a Brownie Bash in the consuite – please join us.

Registration is in the Consuite. Hours are 6 - 10 pm Thurs, 10 am - 5 pm and 7 pm -9 pm Fri, and 10 am - noon Sat.



DOUBLETREE GUEST SUITES

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In Memoriam

This year Midwestcon has lost two long time Attendees –

Bob Tucker, (d. Oct. 6, 2006) Author and Fan, who served as our Banquet Toastmaster at Midwestcon for many years,

And

Mike Lalor (d. Feb. 10, 2007)
Spinner of Tall Tales, who was a
longtime member of fandom and of the
Cincinnati Fantasy Group

To Absent Friends

Main Tourist Attractions

- 1. Cincinnati Art Museum, Eden Park, Hours: 11 am-5 pm Tues-Sun except until 9 pm Weds, Closed Monday. Free. Directions: Take I-275 East to I-71 South. Exit at Gilbert Ave/Reading Rd. Turn left at the exit, then continue straight into Eden Park.
- 2. Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal, (Cincinnati History Museum, Cincinnati Natural History Museum, Cincinnati Children's Museum, Omnimax Theatre), Hours 10 am-5 pm Mon Sat, 11 am 6 pm Sun. Admission to any one museum/theatre \$7.25, seniors \$6.25, children ages 3-12 \$5.25. Add \$3 to adult admission for each additional attraction, \$2 for each child. Parking \$5. Anyone planning to see the Omnimax movie is advised to purchase tickets on arrival before touring the museum (s). Directions: Take I-275 West to I-75 South. Exit I-75 South at Ezzard Charles Drive. The museum is on the right at the first light. When you leave the museum go straight, the entrance to I 75 North is across the highway on the left.
- 3. Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Gardens, 3400 Vine Street, Hours 9 am 6 pm Sun- Fri, 9 am 8 pm Sat.. Admission \$12.95 (\$10.95 on line), seniors \$10.95, (2-12) \$7.95. I-275 West to I-75 South. Exit at Mitchell Ave. Turn left at the exit and then right on Vine Street (the second light). Turn left on Forest Ave and right on Drury to reach the vehicle gate. (Signs for the zoo begin on Vine St.).
- 4. **Kings Island.** Hours 10 am 10 pm. Admission \$44.95, seniors and children 3-6 \$29.95.

- (You can save 25% on admission by ordering tickets online, up to 30% for three day advance purchase) Parking \$10. Directions: Take I-275 East to I-71 North, exit at Western Row Road and follow the signs.
- 5. Newport Aquarium, Newport Levee, Hours 9 am 7 pm, Sun- Fri, 9am 9 pm Sat. Admission \$17.95, seniors \$15.95, children 2-12 \$10.95, Parking \$3-5. Directions: Take I-275 East to I-71 South to I-471 South. Take exit 5 Newport Bellevue Route 8. Turn left at the bottom of the exit ramp. Proceed straight into the Newport on the Levee Parking Garage.
- 6. Argosy Casino, Lawrenceburg, Indiana. Now open 24 hours. Directions: I -275 West to the Route 50 West exit at Lawrenceburg, Indiana. Take Route 50 west to Argosy Parkway. Turn Left on Argosy Parkway and follow the signs.
- 7. Contemporary Arts Center, 44 E. 6th St., Cincinnati. Hours for paid admission: 10 am 6 pm Mon, Weds-Fri, 11 am 6 pm Sat-Sun. Closed Tues. Adults \$7.50, Seniors \$6.50, Students \$5.50, Children 3-13 \$4.50 Directions: Take I-275 east to I-71 south to the Gilbert Ave. exit. Go west on Gilbert, it will turn into 8th St. Turn left on Walnut. The Center is on the right at 6th and Walnut. Parking is available at Fountain Square garage, with access from Walnut or Vine streets.
- 8. National Underground Railroad Museum, 50 E. Freedom Way, Hours 11 am 5 pm Tues-Sun, Closed Mon. Directions: Take I-275 west to I-75 South to the Second Street exit. You will drive straight past the Museum (on the right) and turn right on Main. Turn right on Mehring Way, Right on Central, then right on Pete Rose Way to reach the Central Riverfront Garage.

Due to Fortunate Timing, Two Special Attractions are Available to those Interested this Year – Cincinnati's Playhouse in the Park is currently performing a play, and Cincinnati's yearly home show is in progress, and is located conveniently close.

- 7. Playhouse in the Park "Smoke on the Mountain" Thompson Shelterhouse Theater, Eden Park, Times: 8 pm Thurs-Fri, 5 and 9 pm Sat, 2 and 7 pm Sun. Tickets \$40.50-\$56.50 Directions: Follow the directions to Eden Park listed under the Cincinnati Art Museum. The Playhouse is on the same road as the Art Museum, beyond the entrance to the museum.
- 8. Homerama, Every year, Cincinnati builders sponsor a home show of multimillion dollar homes which can be toured for a fee. The homes are fully decorated and landscaped. This year there are 10 homes that those interested can tour for a \$12 fee. (Allow 3 Hours During Peak Times!) There are several ways to reach Homerama.

Take I-275 east to Montgomery road north. Follow the signs to Homerama at the Vintage Club – on the right..Turn left out of the parking lot onto Kemper, follow Kemper for 3 miles to Montgomery Road. Turn right at Montgomery and follow the signs for Homearama – the Vintage Club will be on the left.



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APPROACHING NUMBER 40: AN INVITATION

By Joel Zakem (who feels much to young to have attended 40 MidWestCons)

It's early June 2007 and, as I am writing this, nostalgia is running rampant. It is difficult to pick up the entertainment section of a newspaper or to listen to the radio without hearing some reference to the 40th anniversary of the release of "Sergeant Pepper." While June of 1967 is a significant date in the realm of rock music, I want to look back at an event that occurred slightly over a following Sergeant Pepper's release(and thus 21 years after he taught the band to play) that might well have a bit more significance for a group of then 15 year olds.

Actually, the story begins somewhat earlier than June of 1968, even though I am not sure of the exact date (it was probably in late1967 or early 1968). I do know that it started in a used bookstore in downtown Cincinnati. I was there with my friend, Earl Whitson, and we (or at least I) were looking through a table of old digest sized science fiction magazines. Two other kids around our age, Brad Balfour and Frank Johnson, approached the table and we began talking, discovering that we (at least at that time) shared a love of SF.

Through fortuitous circumstances (Brad's father knew Lou Tabakow through the dry cleaning business and, after learning that Brad liked science fiction, Lou told Brad's father about MidWestCon), this meeting led to that faithful Saturday in June 1968 when the four aforementioned 15 year olds journeyed to the North Plaza Motel in order to attend, at least for a day, their first SCIENCE FICTION CONVENTION, MidWestCon 19.

Brad and Earl drifted away, but Frank and I have managed to attend every MidWestCon since. For the non-math majors out there, this means that the 2007 MidWestCon will be our 40th. Which, if nothing else, is a good excuse for a party.

It has never been the biggest con (though it would be nice if it got a bit bigger), but in many ways MidWestCon has always been the convention I am most comfortable at. While MidWestCon still attracts some big name pros and fans, I find very little pretension there. Even as a very shy 15 year old, I got to talk to Fritz Leiber at my first MidWestCon.

The setting has changed (several times). Beer (for which I can take a small degree of credit) and wine have been added to the mix of hard liquor in the con suite. Still, in many ways, the spirit that I discovered at my first few MidWestCons remains.

Therefore I am finding it difficult to point out very many differences between the MidWestCon of 1968 and the MidWestCons of recent years. Sure, some of the people have changed. We have lost so many

of the locals like Lou, Bea Mahaffey, Dale Tarr, Mike Lalor and so many others who helped make a bunch of 15 year olds welcome. I also miss people like Lynn Hickman, Bob Tucker, Howard Devore and the many others who shared the stories of fans and fandoms passed.

Though MidWestCon may have decreased in size over the past several years, it is the quality, and not the quantity, of the people that keep me coming back. I have met many of my dearest friends in fandom at MidWestCon, and I can count on many of them being there each and every June. Moreover, I have fallen in and out of love (or at least lust) at several past MidWestCons (and I have not given up yet).

In many ways, having MidWestCon as my introduction to SF cons has spoiled me. While it is not the only con that I attend and enjoy, it is still the one that I most look forward to attending. I always know that the last full weekend in June is the time for coming back to Cincinnati to party with some of the people who are most important to me.

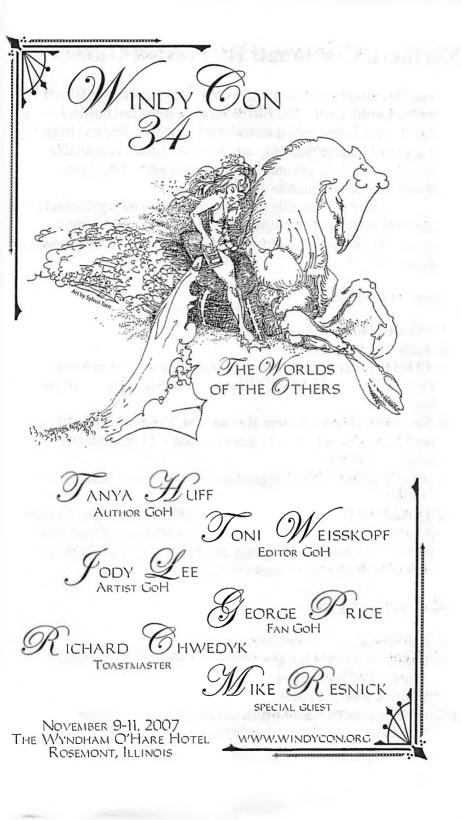
And speaking of parties (as I have at least twice), Frank and I are having one to celebrate the occasion. It is tentatively scheduled for Friday Night in the Buckeye Suite on the second floor. There will (hopefully) be signs for those of you who did not read this until after the con. Otherwise, just look for Frank and me.

Local Shopping and Incidentals

1. Drugstore – the nearest full service drugstores are the CVS Pharmacy and the Walgreens, one exit west (Highway 42) on I-275. Turn right after exiting the highway. CVS is one block north, Walgreens is two blocks beyond, next to Kroger's. CVS is open 24 hours. Hours at the Walgreens are 7 am-10 pm weekdays, 8 am -10 pm weekends. Pharmacy 8 am – 10 pm Mon-Fri, 9 am -6 pm Sat, 10 am -6 pm Sun. In case of emergency, there is a 24 hour Walgreens at the Tylersville exit on I-75 north of I-275. 2. Grocery Stores - The nearest grocery store is the Kroger, one exit west (Highway 42) on I-275. Turn right at the exit, Kroger's is 3 blocks north. Hours 5 am - 1 am 7 days a week. For those wishing a discount party supply store, there are several large discount stores at the Fields-Ertel road exit of I - 71 north. Take I-275 east to I-71 north. Fields-Ertel is the first exit north of I-275. (Warning - High congestion area!) The nearest discount store is the Biggs superstore - turn left at the exit and proceed through the intersection and under the highway. The Biggs will be .25 mile ahead on your right. Both a Meijers and a Costco are also accessible from this exit – turn left at the exit and right on Fields-Ertel. For what is undeniably the most unique and varied grocery in Cincinnati, you must go a little farther afield. Jungle Jim's is a mecca of fresh produce an ethnic/imported specialties. Jungle Jim's originated as a produce market but now includes a grocery, a deli, a bank, a bakery, a state licensed liquor store and a pharmacy with a first for Cincinnati – an "Oxygen Bar". Finally a truly incredible selection of ethnic foods from all over the worl

- of ethnic foods from all over the world is available Hours: 8 am 10 pm, 7 days a week. Pharmacy 9am 7 pm Mon-Fri, 9 am 5 pm Sat-Sun. Directions: Take I-275 west to Route 4 (Fairfield) north. Jungle Jim's is approximately 4 miles nortl of I-275 on the right. Look for the monorail cars above the front of the store.
- 3. Liquor Store hard liquor can be bought only from state licensed stores in Ohio, although wine and beer are available at many full service grocery and discount stores. The nearest liquor store is Twig's Liquor Agency, at 11018 Reading Rd in Sharonville Hours: 9 am 8 pm Mon Sat. Directions: Take I-275 west to exit 46 (Highway 42) Proceed south to Sharon Road and turn left. You are now on Reading Road. Twigs is on the left, in the first block.
- **Shopping:** For those interested in a break, two 4. shopping malls are in easy reach - Tri-County Shopping Mall, a two story modern mall with the usual complement of suburban stores, and the upscale Kenwood Towne Center. Tri-County Mall is reached via I-275 west to the Route 747 south exit. Turn right at the exit, the mall is on the left. Kenwood Towne Center is reached via I-275 east and I-71 south. Take the Montgomery Road exit, then right at the exit to the first light Those with an interest in antiques will also find an Antique Mall at the Route 747 north exit. Go straight at the exit 1.5 blocks to Cresentville Rd. Turn right, the mall is 1.5 blocks ahead on the left (hours 9am - 9pm, 7 days).

- 5. Book Stores The nearest and best place to look for books is of course our own Dealer's Room, both for current science fiction/fantasy and for older material. If, however, you cannot find what you are looking for or have a significant other along with different tastes, the nearest bookstore is the Barnes and Nobles at the Fields-Ertel exit off I-71 Hours. 9 am - 10 pm. 7 days a week. Directions: I-275 east to I -71 north to the Fields-Ertel exit, turn left at the exit and right on Field-Ertel Rd. The bookstore will be 4 lights ahead on the left. For older material, Cincinnati has two specialty bookstores: Ohio Bookstore, 726 Main, Hours 9 am – 4:45 pm, Mon-Sat, Directions: Take I -275 east to I-71 south to the Gilbert Ave exit. Going west Gilbert becomes 8th street. The Ohio Bookstore is near 8th and Main. The other specialty bookstore is **Duttenhofer's** Books, at 214 W. McMillan. Hours: 10 am – 9 pm Mon -Fri, 10 am - 6 pm Sat, 11 am - 6 pm Sun.Directions: Take I -275 east to I-71 south to the Taft Rd exit. Follow Taft until it dead ends at Clifton. Turn left at Clifton and then left one block later onto McMillan. Duttenhofer's is on the left in the first block. To return to the hotel follow McMillan east to the ramp to I-71 north.
- 6. Cinema For those interested in seeing any of the recent science fiction/fantasy films, an 18 screen cinema (one an IMAX) with stadium style seating is available nearby. Directions: Take I-275 west to the Route 4 exit. Stay in the right hand lane for entrance to the cinema. A listing of current shows and times will be available in the consuite menu book.



Northern Cincinnati Restaurant Guide

The **Doubletree** has a very nice cafe/lounge called the **Bistro** on the **Lobby** level. The **Bistro** serves a breakfast buffet 7 days a week, from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Mon-Fri, and from 7 a.m. to 11 am on Saturday and Sunday. Lunch is available from 11 am -1:30 pm and Dinner from 5 pm to 10:30 pm. Room service is available until 11 pm.

There are no other restaurants within walking distance, however there are two clusters of restaurants a short drive away. The first is one exit west of the hotel (exit 46, Highway 42 on I-275).

South of the highway:

- 1. Waffle House, 24 Hours.
- 2. Rally's Hamburgers.
- 3. El Rancho Grande, Mexican, Hours: 11 am 10 pm Mon-Thurs, 11 am - 11 pm Fri, 12 pm - 11 am Sat, 12 pm - 10 pm Sun.
- 4. Szechuan House Chinese Restaurant, Hours 11 am-9:30 pm Mon-Thurs, 11 am 11 pm Fri, noon 11 pm Sat, and noon 9 pm Sun.
- 5. **Arby's**, Hours 10 am 9 pm Sun-Thurs, 10 am 9:30 pm Fri-Sat
- 6. **LaRosa's Pizzeria**, Italian, delivery 347-1111. Hours. Dining Room: 10:30am 10 pm Mon-Thurs, 10:30 am –12 am Fri-Sat, 12 pm-10pm Sun, Delivery available for an additional hour after the dining room closes, 347-1111

North of the highway:

- 7. McDonald's. 24 Hour Drive thru.
- 8. **Kentucky Fried Chicken.** Hours: 10:30 am 10 pm SunThurs, 10:30 am 11 pm Fri-Sat.
- 9. White Castle, 24 hours.
- 10. **Perkins Family Restaurant**, Hours 6 am -11 pm SunThurs, 6 am -12 am hours Fri-Sat.

North of the Highway(cont.)

- 11. **Wendy's**, Hours 10 am 10 pm, Drive thru until 12 am Mon-Thurs, 1 am Fri-Sat
- 12. **House of Sun**, Chinese, Hours: 11 am 9:30 pm Mon-Thurs, 11 am 10 pm Fri-Sat, 10 am 9 pm Sun.
- 13. **The Red Squirrel**, large deli sandwiches, Hours 7 am 8 pm Mon-Thurs, 7 a.m. 9 p.m. Fri-Sat., 7 am 8 pm.,Sun.
- 14. Chase Grill, American.
- 15. Skyline Chili, Hours 10:30 am 10 pm. Drive thru open until 11 pm Sun-Thurs, 12 am Fri-Sat.
- 16. Taco Bell, 10 am 10 pm ,7 days, drive thru until 2 am
- 17. Dunkin Donuts, 24 hours
- 18. **Quiznos Subs**, gourmet subs, Hours 10 am 9:30 pm Mon-Fri, 11 am 8 pm Sat-Sun.
- 19. New Krishna, Indian Food, 11:30-2:30 Mon-Fri,
 Dinner 5 pm-10 pm Mon-Fri, Lunch
 11:30 4 pm, Dinner 4 pm 10 pm Sat, Lunch 12 pm
 4 pm, Dinner 4 pm 9 pm Sun.

The second cluster of restaurants is located south of the hotel near the junction of Cornell and Reed Hartman Hwy.

Going east on Cornell:

- 20. **Decent Deli**, Hours: 9:30 am 4:30 pm, Mon Weds, 10 am 8 pm Thurs-Fri, 10:30 am 3 pm Sat, Closed Sun.
- 21. **Arby's**, 8 am 9 pm Mon-Fri, Drive Thu 6 am-10 pm Closed Sun.
- 22. White Swan Chinese Restaurant, 10:30 am 9:30 pm Mon-Fri, 4 am -10 pm Sat., 5 pm- 9 pm Sunday.
- 23. **Skyline**, hours:10:30 am 9 pm Mon-Fri, 11 am 7 pm Fri, 11:30 am 4 pm
- 24. Subway, Hours: 10 am 10 pm 7 days.

On the Northeast corner of Cornell and Reed Hartman

- 25. **Starbuck's Coffee**, Hours 5:30 am 11 pm Mon-Fri, 5:30 am 12 am Sat, 6 am 11 pm Sun
- 26. **Johnny Chan Buffet**, Delivery, Hours: 11 am 10 pm, Sun-Thurs, 11 am 10:30 pm Fri-Sat. Delivery 469-9898...
- 27. Jersey Mike's Submarines, Hours 10 am-8 pm, Mon-Thurs, 10 am 9 pm Fri, 11 am 3:30 pm Sat, closed Sun.

Going west on Cornell:

- 28. **McDonald's.** Hours 5 am-10 pm Mon-Fri, 6 am 8 pm Sat., 7 am 8 pm Sun.
- 29. Gold Star Chili, Hours 10 am 9 pm Mon-Fri, 11 am 5 pm Sat, Closed Sun.
- 30. **Bonnie Lynn Bakery and Restaurant.**, Hours:Restaurant 6 am -2:30 pm Mon-Fri, 6 am-1:30 pm Sat, 7 am- 2 pm Sun. Bakery 4:30 am 6 pm Mon-Fri, 4:30 am 3 pm Sat, 7am 2 pm Sun.
- 31. **McAllister's Deli**, Hours: 10:30 am 8 pm, Mon- Sat, 10:30 am 3 pm Sun.

On the northwest corner of Cornell and Reed Hartman:

- 32. Chipotle, Hours 11 am 10 pm.
- 33. Ruby Tuesday, Hours 11 am 11 pm Mon-Thurs, 11 am 12 am Fri-Sat, 11 am 10 pm Sun.
- 34. Caribou Coffee, Hours 5:30 am 10 pm Mon-Thur., 5:30 am 11 pm Fri, 6:30 am 11 pm Sat., 6:30 am 10 pm Sun.
- 35. **Quizno's Subs,** Hours 10 am 8 pm Mon-Fri, 11:30 am 8:30 pm Sat. Closed Sun.

South of Cornell on Reed Hartman:

- 34 Wendy's, 10:30 am 10 pm Sun-Thur, 10:30 am 11 pm Fri-Sat, Drive thru until midnight.
- 35. Panera Bread Co., soups, panini, deli, bakery, Hours 6 am 8 pm Mon Sat, 7:30 am 4 pm Sun.
- 36. Roly Poly, rolled sandwiches, Hours 10 am 6 pm
 Mon Fri, 11 am 3 pm Sat, closed Sun. Delivery 794-1111

A Little (or a Lot) Farther Afield -

For the more adventurous, this is a small sampling of the many good restaurants in Cincinnati. They were chosen to provide a variety of cuisine and dining experiences, as well as for relative proximity to the hotel. Menus for most of these restaurants are available in the **Menu Book** in the **Consuite**.

- 1. **Grand Finale**, Excellent food with a French accent, located in ϵ Victorian tavern with additional courtyard seating. Hours: Lunch 11:15 am -4 pm Tues Sat, Dinner 4 pm 9:30 pm Tues Thurs 4 pm 10:30 pm Fri -Sat, 4:30 pm 9:30 pm Sun, Brunch 10:30 am 2:30 pm on Sunday. Closed Monday. Directions: Take I-27: West to Route 747 south. Grande Finale is at the junction of 747 and Sharon Road in Glendale.
- 2 Graeter's, Cincinnati's Gourmet French crock ice cream, bakery, seating, Route 747, Hours 7 am -10:45 pm Mon Thurs, am 11 pm Fri-Sat., 9 am 10:45 pm Sun. Directions: I-275 Wes to Route 747 south, Graeter's is on the right, south of Kemper Roa 3. Pappadeux Seafood with a New Orleans flair, outdoor patio with fountain, Hours: 11 am-10 pm, Sun-Thurs, 11 am 11 pm Fri-Sat. Directions: I 275 west to Route 4 Springfield Pike, stay is the right lane, turn right in front of the cinema onto Pictoria Rd, 4 Anand India, Indian Food, 10890 Reading Rd., Hours: 11 am pm, Mon-Thurs, 12 pm 3 pm, Fri-Sun., Dinner, 5 pm 9:30 pm Mon-Sat, 4:30 pm 9 pm Sun, Directions: I-275 west to exit 56, Highway 42. Follow Highway 42 south approximately 2.5 miles,
- 5. Blue Goose Sports Cafe, 11060 Reading Rd., Kitchen Hours: 11 am 11 pm, Mon-Thurs, 11 am 12 pm, Fri-Sat, 11 am 10 pm Sun, Bar open til midnight Sun-Thurs, 2:30 am Fri-Sat, .Directions:I-275 west to exit 56, Highway 42. Follow Highway 42 south $\sim 2 \text{ miles}$, Blue Goose will be on the left.

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- 6. Silver Spring House, 8322 E. Kemper, Hours:11 am 11 pm Mon-Sat, Noon-9 pm Sun, Directions: Exit Left onto Kemper Rd, go 2 miles, the Spring House is at Snider Rd.
- 7. **DeSha's American Tavern,** 11320 Montgomery Rd, Hours: 11 am 10 pm Mon-Thurs, 11 am 11 pm Fri-Sat, live music 7 pm 10 pm Thurs and 8 pm-11 pm Fri, 11 am 9 pm Sun. Directions: I-275 East to Montgomery Road north to Harper's Point Shopping Center, DeSha's is on an outlot
- 8. Johnny Chan 2, 11296 Montgomery Rd, Hours: 11 am 10 pm, Mon-Thurs, 11 am 10:30 pm, Fri, 11:30 am -10:30 pm Sat, 11:30 am 9 pm Sun. Directions: I-275 East to Montgomery Road north to Harper's Point Shopping Center, Johnny's is in the Center, on the right.
- 9. Carrabba's Italian Grill, Hours: 4 pm 10 pm, Mon-Thurs, 3:30 pm - 11 pm Fri-Sat, noon - 9:30 pm Sun. Directions: I-275 east to I71 north to the Fields Ertel exit, Turn left at the exit, Carrabba's is .25 mile ahead on the left
- 10. **Mimi's Cafe**, Hours: 7 am 11 pm, Daily Directions: I-275 east to I71 north to the Fields Ertel exit, Turn left at the exit, Mimi's Cafe is 1.25 miles ahead on the left, on an outlot of the Deerfield Shopping Center.
- 11. **Original Pancake House**, 9977 Monygomery Road, great specialty pancakes and breakfast foods, Hours: 7 am 2 pm Mon-Fri, 7 am 3 pm Sat-Sun, Directions:I-275 east to Montgomery Road south. The Pancake House will be ~ 1.25 miles south on the right, in a shopping mall.
- 12. Montgomery Inn, 9440 Montgomery Rd., Barbecue, ribs, Valet Parking in rear. Hours: 11 am 10:30 pm Mon-Thurs, 11 am 11 pm Fri-Sat, 3 pm 10 pm Sun. Directions: I-275 East to Montgomery Rd south, the inn will be on the left, in the historic district.
- 13. Cheescake Factory, Kenwood Towne Center, specializes in cheesecakes, Hours: 11:30 am 11 pm Mon-Thurs, 11:30 am 12:30 am Fri-Sat, 10 am 11 pm Sun, Directions: Take I-275 East to I-71 South to the Montgomery Road exit. Turn right at the exit and then right again into the Kenwood Towne center at the next traffic light. You will be facing the Cheesecake Factory.

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