

## Hot Spots in Erie

### Park Place

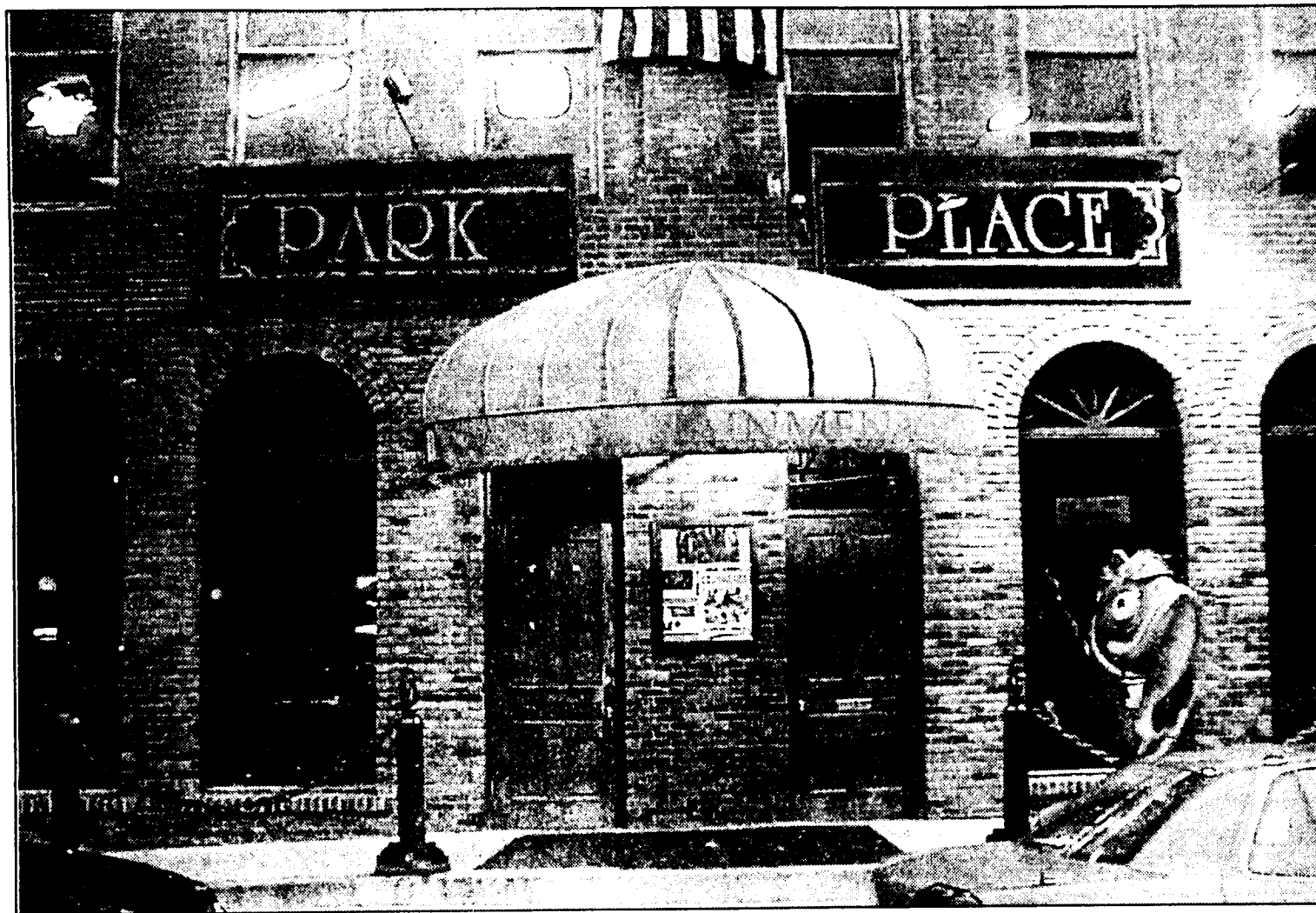


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Park Place is located on the corner of State Street and North Park Row, across from Perry Square.

by Liz Hayes  
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Not long ago, I had the pleasure of visiting one of the staples of the Erie bar scene: Sherlock's Park Place, located on the corner of State Street and North Park Row. Great drink specials, happening music, and... shall we say "interesting" clientele?

The best part about S.P.P. is that it combines two bars into one. On the Park Place side there's a dance platform (small but definitely happening), a disc jockey's booth, a large pool table area, and even a big screen television. The TV is a plus for the girl who wants to get her man to dance with her, but can't drag his butt away from the game. Now he can do both at the same time! And guys, there are usually lots of

girls up on the bar.

Sherlock's big draw is the live bands it hosts every weekend. The band performs in pretty tight quarters, so you really gotta squeeze in to enjoy the performance, but that's pretty much the norm with live bands. The really cool thing about S.P.P. is that even when a band is in full swing on one side, it doesn't drown out the DJ on the other side... you usually can't even hear it!

S.P.P. also features great drink specials all week long. Monday the bar has Captain Morgan's rum punch and Bluebird beer for \$1.50. On Tuesday, \$2.00 for 22 ounce drafts, Miller bottles, and Long Island Iced Teas (or get a pitcher of Long Island for \$5). And "Big Blue" Wednesday rounds out the "Early Week Wind Down" with 22 ounce Labatts drafts for

\$1.50, \$3.50 Labatts pitchers, and two for one wings.

Then bring on the weekend! Thursday features \$1 Labatts and \$1 Bacardi bottles from 10 p.m. to midnight. On Friday you can get buckets of beer for \$6.25 during Happy Hour (5 to 7 p.m.), as well as partake from the free food buffet. From 10 p.m. to midnight all drinks and domestic bottles are \$1.25. Saturday rounds out the week with \$1.25 drinks and domestic bottles from 10 p.m. to midnight.

And let's not forget the entertainment. On Tuesdays, Park Place has a DJ and laser karaoke. Thursday through Saturday, Park Place has a DJ featuring variations of techno, R&B, hip hop, top 40, and even some "ol' skool." And Sherlock's has bands every weekend, as well. This week, check out Relax on Friday and

Meshroomhead and Crawl on Saturday.

There are cover charges on the weekends, but they vary depending on the day, bar, and band. Park Place only has a cover charge of \$2 on Friday... and that small fee will get you into both bars. On Thursday and Saturday, Sherlock's has a cover charge, but it depends on the band performing. It usually ranges from \$4 to \$10.

So, if you need somewhere to go this weekend, check out Park Place Sherlock's (if you've never been, go on Friday... only \$2 to get in). But beware of a small blond guy doing the "circle dance" and holding a Molson... once he starts, he won't shut up!

For more info on S.P.P., call the bar at 453-7760, or check out their website at [www.yocric.com/parkplace](http://www.yocric.com/parkplace).

## Recipes for You!



### Chocolate Maltshake



#### Ingredients:

- \*2 tablespoons of malt
- \*3 tablespoons of chocolate ice cream topping
- \*1 scoop of chocolate ice cream
- \*1 cup (250 mls) of fresh, ice cold milk
- \*1 heaped dessert spoon of whipped cream

#### Preparation

Blend all ingredients, then pour into a glass and top with the whipped cream.

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## An Eerie Legend

by Nicole Swartzentruber  
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What's creepier than a story about a place that's haunted? How about actually taking a short trip to visit that place? Here's an experience you won't forget.

During the summer, a few friends and I got together to explore an area in Erie called Ax Murder Hollow. Many years ago, there lived a couple in Millcreek. The man suspected his wife of cheating on him with a younger man. Of course she denied it, and whether or not it was true, no one will ever know. But because of the married man's suspicion and temper, he went after his wife, and chopped off her head and killed all of his children with an ax. It is supposedly said that the man died years later, but his ghost still roams that part of the woods looking for his wife's lover.

Also, legend has it that the house is still there, but difficult to find. It has a stairway that goes down into a ravine. When climbing down the stairs there are five steps, but when going back up, there are six. Which path is it?

After hearing this legend, my friends and I decided to investigate and see what we could come up with. Four of us piled into a van on a dreary Saturday afternoon in July, and head out for Sterretania. We made it to Sterretania, but took a wrong turn, having to back track. We drove a few miles down the road, passing a dog kennel and a school, finding Thomas Road. By this time it was about seven, eight o'clock and the sun was starting to set.

Thomas Road is almost completely covered with trees, and there are about six houses on the whole road, including a junkyard. In other words, it is terrifyingly desolate. We parked the van on the right side of the road and walked around a bit. It was dark and all we had were a few flashlights, a cell phone, and no idea where the exact spot was. After walking around awhile, we found a barricaded path with a NO TRESPASS sign in front of it, so we took a stroll.

We came upon a split in the path, and looked up. There in front of us was the tree that pointed to the path. It was a dead tree with its branches pointing to the right. The path was dark and it appeared that others had been suspicious of the legend as well, or just out having a good time. We noticed the abundant supply of Labatt Blue ice cans scattered around the area. The pathway went downward to a brush pile that my one friend and I dared not venture down, so we let the boys go. We stood around waiting for them to come back up, and noticed how incredibly silent it was, so when we heard a noise, we panicked.

We decided it was time to go back. Climbing back into the truck, we remembered there was supposed to be a gypsy house around, and that the gypsies would throw things that they stole from the junkyard at passing cars. But we didn't get a chance to visit them.

About a week ago, my friend and I went back to the hollow. Even during the day, it was just as creepy as it was at night. The paths are still dark and there are so many of them; we didn't find anything. But, we did find the gypsy house, with a NO TRESPASS sign in front of it, along with a multitude of KEEP OUT and DO NOT ENTER signs.

As for finding something to do in Erie, I really wouldn't recommend putting "visit hollow" on your to-do list. This Halloween, try doing something a little different. Go to a party, hang out with friends; the hollow is not a place to visit if you're looking for a good time. But maybe it will give you a good scare.

## Kool Karl's Krazy Korner!

### "The Little Dog"

Not long ago, my friend and I visited a Chinese buffet that was on the other side of town. After being seated, my friend and I went up to the buffet and not long afterward, I returned to the table and waited for my friend.

He appeared a few moments later with a mountainous pile of food on his plate, balancing it carefully as he walked.

I stared at him blankly, stating, "You know you can go up for seconds."

"Oh," he replied.

As I ate some General Tso's Chicken, I felt a shooting pain in my mouth and winced in agony, spitting a hard object out on the table.

I examined what had hurt me and noticed that it was a small metal plate, and inscribed on it was the name "Fluffy." I screamed and fled the restaurant.



**Anyone caught stealing Karl's ideas will be attacked by rabid Yetis and then, after being mauled, they will be thrown into a pile of manure...face down. We welcome your humorous submissions. Send them to [behrcoll5@aol.com](mailto:behrcoll5@aol.com)**