

The Maplewood Times

MAPLEWOOD GARDENS

• DAYTON, OHIO

• THIS WEEK: THE SODA FOUNTAIN

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY • NOVEMBER 4, 1922

Wonderful Things: The Day They Found King Tut

On November 4, 1922, a water boy in Egypt's Valley of the Kings scraped away some sand and found a stone step. Sixteen steps later, archaeologist Howard Carter stood at a sealed door no one had opened in over 3,000 years.

Carter had searched for five long years, and his money was nearly gone. On November 26, he made a small hole in the door and held up a candle. His sponsor, Lord Carnarvon, asked, "Can you see anything?" Carter answered, "Yes, wonderful things."

Inside were more than 5,000 treasures: golden chariots, jewelry, games and furniture. The boy king, Tutankhamun, took the throne at about nine and died at about nineteen.

When the treasures toured America from 1976 to 1979, millions stood in line to see the famous golden mask.

Did you ever see the King Tut exhibit, or another famous museum treasure?



Howard Carter at work on the king's golden coffin.

INSIDE THIS WEEK

This week, years ago

Do you remember the soda fountain?

Our community news

Our hometown, then and now

Puzzles, trivia and a sing-along

"Delicious autumn! My very soul is wedded to it."

— George Eliot

This Week, Years Ago

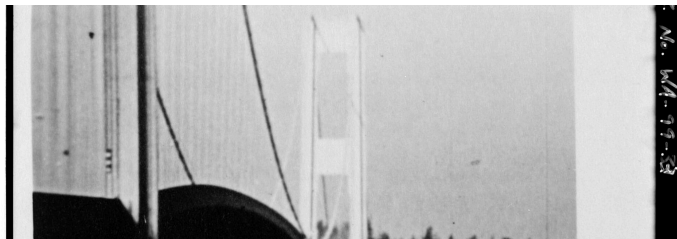


NOVEMBER 2, 1947

The Spruce Goose Flies, Just Once

Howard Hughes built the biggest airplane the world had ever seen, with wings 320 feet across. People called it the "Spruce Goose," though it was made mostly of birch. With Hughes at the controls, it flew about a mile, 70 feet over the water at Long Beach, and never flew again. It's in a museum in Oregon today.

Have you ever flown in an airplane? Where to?



NOVEMBER 7, 1940

"Galloping Gertie" Falls

The Tacoma Narrows Bridge swayed so much in the wind that drivers called it "Galloping Gertie." Just four months after it opened, a 40-mile-an-hour wind twisted it until it fell into the water. No people were hurt, and a stronger bridge opened in 1950.

What's the biggest bridge you've ever driven across?

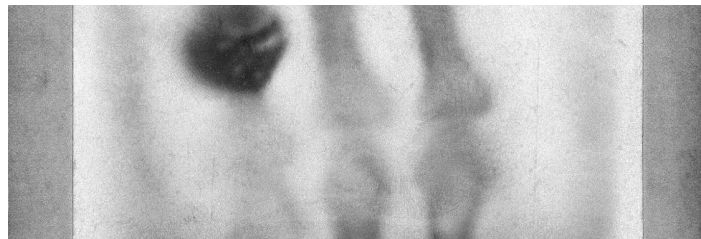


NOVEMBER 3, 1957

Laika Circles the Earth

A little stray dog from the streets of Moscow became the first animal to orbit the Earth, riding in Sputnik 2. Her name was Laika. Countries around the world put her on postage stamps, like this one.

What was the name of your favorite pet?



NOVEMBER 8, 1895

The First X-Ray

In Germany, Wilhelm Röntgen discovered a ray that could pass right through skin. He called it the "X" ray, because X means unknown. Soon after, he made a picture of his wife Bertha's hand. You can see her wedding ring! He won the very first Nobel Prize in Physics.

Do you remember your first trip to the doctor?

DO YOU REMEMBER?

The Soda Fountain



A busy Saturday night at the soda fountain, 1946.

For much of the last century, the heart of many American towns was the soda fountain at the corner drugstore. You climbed onto a spinning stool, set your nickels on the marble and watched the soda jerk go to work.

He was called a "soda jerk" for the way he jerked the tap handle to send fizzy water into your glass.

On the menu: chocolate malts, cherry phosphates, root beer floats and banana splits. The banana split was invented in 1904 by a young drugstore clerk in Latrobe, Pennsylvania.

It was where teenagers went on dates and friends met after school, for a grilled cheese, a slice of pie and the latest news, all for under a dollar.

SODA FOUNTAIN LINGO

"Adam's ale" = a glass of water

"Eve with a lid" = apple pie

"Black cow" = a root beer float

"Hold the hail" = no ice, please

LET'S TALK

- Did your town have a soda fountain? What was it called?
- What was your favorite thing to order?
- Who did you like to go there with?
- Did you ever work behind a counter?
- How much did a soda cost when you were young?

Around Maplewood

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

-  **Dorothy** · November 3
-  **Harold** · November 5
-  **June** · November 8

WELCOME, NEIGHBOR

Please give a warm Maplewood welcome to Frank and Betty, who just moved into the Oak Wing. Frank was a mail carrier for 31 years, and Betty makes a famous peach cobbler.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Monday	10:00	Chair yoga in the Sunroom
Tuesday	2:00	Bingo with prizes
Wednesday	2:30	Soda Fountain Social: root beer floats in the lobby!
Thursday	1:00	Bus trip to Carillon Park
Friday	3:00	Movie: Singin' in the Rain
Sunday	10:00	Worship service in the Chapel

ON THE MENU

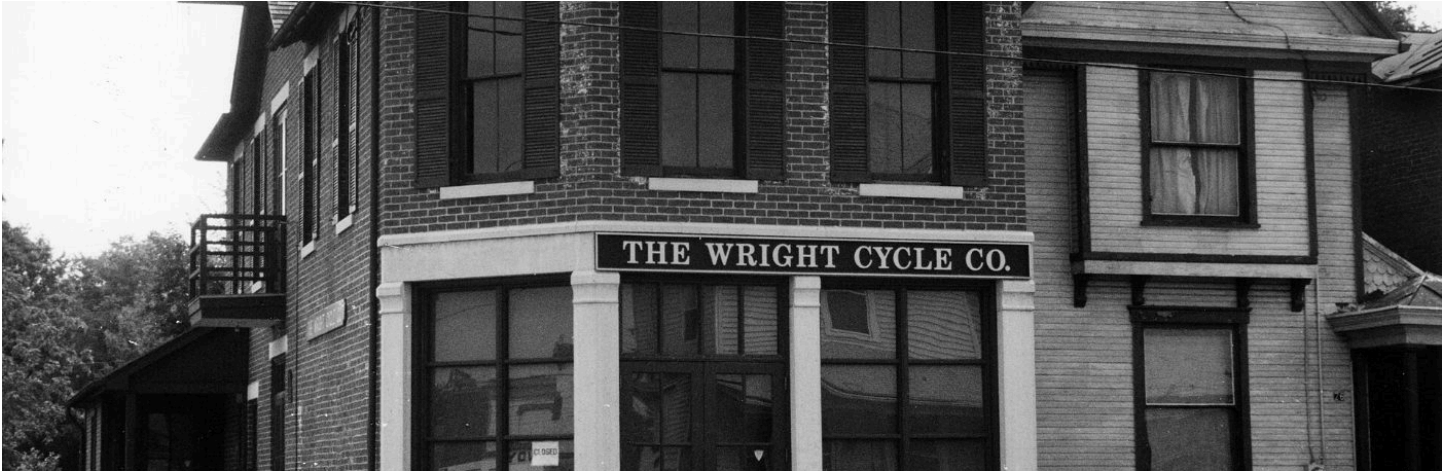
Thursday: roast turkey with mashed potatoes, green beans and pumpkin pie.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Maria, Activities Assistant
Maria has been with us for six years. She grew up on a farm outside Xenia, plays the piano at our sing-alongs, and makes the best caramel apples in the state of Ohio.

OUR HOMETOWN

Dayton, Then & Now



The Wright Cycle Company building, where the brothers sold and repaired bicycles.

The Birthplace of Flight

Wilbur and Orville Wright ran a bicycle shop on West Third Street in Dayton. In the back room they built the airplane that flew at Kitty Hawk in 1903. They tested their later airplanes right here at Huffman Prairie.

Ring It Up

Dayton saloon keeper James Ritty invented the cash register in 1879 so his clerks couldn't help themselves to the money. The company that grew from it, NCR, became one of Dayton's biggest employers.

The Great Flood of 1913

In March 1913, days of rain sent the Great Miami River over its banks and through downtown. Afterward the city built a set of dams so it would never happen again, and they still protect Dayton today.

What's something your hometown was known for?

Soda Fountain Word Search

Words go across, down and diagonally. Circle each one you find!

O	L	T	E	F	G	J	U	K	E	B	O	X
D	I	U	T	L	T	B	A	N	A	N	A	D
K	P	N	C	O	N	I	C	K	E	L	A	N
N	C	C	V	A	K	P	S	C	P	N	D	C
A	Q	O	S	T	M	N	M	U	L	L	C	W
E	R	U	H	F	A	V	A	N	I	L	L	A
T	S	N	A	U	L	N	A	Y	S	U	U	A
H	T	T	K	D	T	S	R	D	R	B	D	A
A	O	E	E	G	U	R	C	J	F	O	A	M
P	O	R	A	E	E	A	K	E	S	L	X	U
A	L	B	R	H	K	N	S	U	N	D	A	E
L	O	S	C	W	C	O	C	E	K	S	P	A
N	T	E	S	T	R	A	W	N	A	A	P	S

- BANANA

CHERRY

COUNTER

FLOAT
- FUDGE

JUKEBOX

MALT

NICKEL
- SHAKE

SODA

STOOL

STRAW
- SUNDAE

VANILLA

MIXED-UP TREATS

Unscramble these soda fountain favorites.

ERHCYR	USADEN
ILNAALV	TSWAR
KOXEUJB	CKENLI

Weekly Trivia

1. Which famous drink did pharmacist John Pemberton create in Atlanta in 1886?

2. What was the person behind the soda counter called?

3. True or false: a New York egg cream has an egg in it.

4. In which state was the banana split invented?

5. At the soda fountain, what was a "black cow"?

6. Who flew the giant "Spruce Goose" airplane?

7. What was the name of the first dog to orbit the Earth?

8. Who discovered King Tut's tomb?

9. What nickname did the wobbly Tacoma Narrows Bridge have?

10. The "harvest moon" is the full moon closest to the start of fall. Which month is it usually in?

Easy Sudoku

Fill in the empty squares so every row, every column and every 3×3 box has the numbers 1 to 9.

Answers are on the back page.

		3		2		9	7	1
		7	8	9		4		3
2	9	1		7		5		
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8			1		5			4
5					9	1		
		8		5		3	4	7
7		4		1	8	2		
9	2	5		4		8		

SING-ALONG • 1908

Shine On, Harvest Moon

Shine on, shine on, harvest moon
Up in the sky;
I ain't had no lovin'
Since January, February, June or July.
Snow time ain't no time
To stay outdoors and spoon,
So shine on, shine on, harvest moon,
For me and my gal.

Husband-and-wife stars Nora Bayes and Jack Norworth sang it in the Ziegfeld Follies of 1908, and it became one of the biggest hits of its day. Norworth wrote "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" that same year.

LAUGH LINES

Why did the scarecrow win an award?
Because he was outstanding in his field!

Why don't eggs tell jokes? *They'd crack each other up.*

What did the big flower say to the little flower? *Hi, bud!*

What kind of tree fits in your hand? *A palm tree!*

ANSWERS

Trivia: 1. Coca-Cola • 2. A soda jerk • 3. False! It's milk, seltzer and chocolate syrup • 4. Pennsylvania (Latrobe, 1904) • 5. A root beer float • 6. Howard Hughes • 7. Laika • 8. Howard Carter • 9. Galloping Gertie • 10. September

Mixed-up treats: CHERRY, SUNDAE, VANILLA, STRAW, JUKEBOX, NICKEL

Sudoku:

4	8	3	5	2	6	9	7	1
6	5	7	8	9	1	4	2	3
2	9	1	4	7	3	5	6	8
3	1	9	2	6	4	7	8	5
8	7	2	1	3	5	6	9	4
5	4	6	7	8	9	1	3	2
1	6	8	9	5	2	3	4	7
7	3	4	6	1	8	2	5	9
9	2	5	3	4	7	8	1	6

Color the Soda Fountain



FOR STAFF • DON'T COPY FOR RESIDENTS

Running a 30–45 minute group with this issue

1. **Warm up (5 min).** Read the front page aloud. Ask: “Did you ever see the King Tut exhibit, or another famous museum treasure?”
2. **Years ago (10 min).** Pick two stories from page 2 and read them. Use the question under each one.
3. **Do you remember? (10 min).** Read the soda fountain story, then try the lingo quiz: read a phrase and let the group guess. Finish with the “Let’s talk” questions.
4. **Hometown (5 min).** Read one hometown story. Invite people to share where they grew up.
5. **Sing-along (5 min).** Sing “Shine On, Harvest Moon” together. Most groups know the words by heart. A recording is easy to find online.
6. **Puzzles.** Hand out the puzzle pages to take home, or do the trivia as a team game.

MAKE IT A THEME DAY

Theme: **The Soda Fountain.** Serve root beer floats or ice cream sundaes, play 1950s music, and set out paper straws and checkered napkins. Ask a resident who worked at a counter to tell a story.

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