

**Investigation Date:**

**February 3, 2007**

**Location:**

**Ohio Tavern, Madison, WI**

**Investigators:**

In attendance: Amanda, Biff, Rob, and Walt  
Erica, Mandy and Mike members of Nocturnal Paranormal Group

Terre was also there but did not join in the investigation as she owns the Ohio

**Equipment:**

Canon EOS Digital Rebel XT  
Nikon D-50 Digital  
Four-camera night vision system  
DVD recorder  
Magic quad processor  
Natural em data logged to HOBO  
Hobo data logger logging an external channel and temperature.  
GM-10 Geiger counter  
Olympus digital voice recorder with an omni directional boundary microphone

**Client Report:**

We arrived early to interview some of the patrons and hear their experiences. Randy visited the bar on Christmas; the pool balls were racked on the pool table. He observed one of the pool balls roll out of the racked balls. They attempted to recreate the ball rolling on it's own and was not successful.

Captain has viewed a few things, one of the most interesting is; items on the top shelf behind the bar "flying" off the shelf! He is used to the basement door opening and closing by it self.

There are a couple speakers in the back room, generally the volume is kept the same but Captain was there the morning the volume somehow turned up by itself!

Additional employees, while being downstairs in the basement, have heard the upstairs back door open and footsteps across the floor. Upon checking to see who has come in, they have found no there but themselves.

Shelly remembers when there was a latch on the basement door, that didn't even stop the door from opening and closing. In fact, Shelly stated, when the door was latched it would open and slam even harder, almost like someone was letting them know they didn't want the door shut or maybe it was to let them know they couldn't "lock" whom ever it was out!

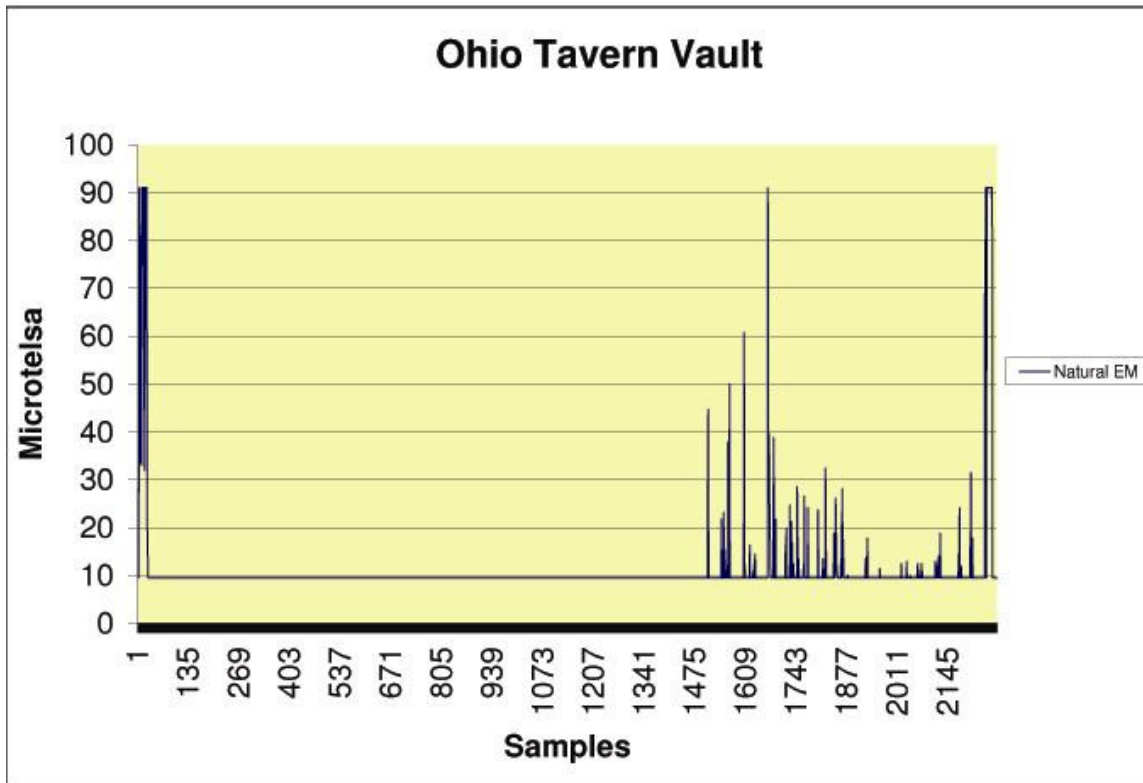
Kim, Gena and Shelly have had uneasy feelings closing up at night. Lights have even gone out on them in the basement.

**Investigation Details:**

Walt set-up camera's, 2 in the basement, one facing the cellar door area and the other one facing into the vault.

Base readings were done through out the building by Kathy, nothing was noted in temperature or emf readings.

Various teams, Amanda and Biff, Walt and Kathy, did Evp's. Nothing was noted on any recordings. During one evp session in the vault in the basement Amanda felt an odd tingling in her arm, pictures and video didn't capture anything but our logging equipment did. Upon going upstairs right after the evp session and telling the other members what happened Walt noted the "blip" in the data logger, please see below. Also, see details in the Personal Experiences below:



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Personal experiences,  
Erica, Mandy, Mike, Biff, Walt and Kathy were sitting by the bar approximately 9:00pm. Erika and Mike noticed a cigar smell coming from behind the bar, which proceeded to travel to the front of the bar, and was smelled by all members in the location.

Since the bar is located in Madison and smoking is not allowed in any bar it seemed unnatural to smell cigar smoke. The owner noted after being told this by the team, that patrons of the bar have also commented smelling a cigar.

Amanda, Kathy and Biff conducted an evp session in the vault. Door was closed and no one else was in the basement level where the vault is located. A bright light was observed in the upper corner above the door during the evp session, shortly after that Amanda experienced a tingling sensation in her right hand and felt as if someone was grabbing her arm. Pictures were taken neither with nothing noticeable showing nor on the video.

### **Property history:**

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**1913:** The "Martin Loftsgordon Building" of red brick was constructed and housed the Security State Bank.

**1923:** Bank moved and building became the Martin Loftsgordon's mortgage loan, real estate and insurance office. Martin and his wife Matie lived upstairs.

**1933:** Opened as Ohio Tavern becoming the 3<sup>rd</sup> tavern in Madison to be licensed after the end of Prohibition.

**1940's** Mr. Carter a carpenter built the tavern's new bar top; also handmade Ouija boards. Another man is alleged to have committed suicide by hanging himself in the apartment above the tavern.

**1960's** Mrs. Joanne V. Amnen owned the building.

**May 1993** Ms Terre Sims purchased the building and moved into apartment above tavern. Minor building changes: removed the beauty shop sinks; cut opening in wall near bar so bartenders can see into other room.

**1995** Tavern patron killed by drunk driver at corner of Atwood Ave. and Ohio St.

**December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2003** Fire of unknown origin in building in apartment over clothing store.

**The Ohio Tavern** continues to give patrons something to talk and wonder about. Below are some statements from workers and patron. Most have come accustomed to the strange happenings...

### **Conclusion:**

We did not collect much for Photographs, Video or data. However with the personal experiences the stories and an unusual activity on the natural EM we feel this rates investigating further.