

Loyal Employee for 33 Years

Jenny Moberly has only had one job.



By Jordan Wright

Driving 10 miles from out of town is what used to be bashful waiter Jenny Moberly. However she transformed herself from a quiet, shy worker to a strong and active leader whenever Hawkins was unable to be present. If I'm not here Hawkins is," Moberly said. "Even though he doesn't do much work. Ask any of the people that know him in town; he doesn't work he talks."

Starting her career at the age of 17, Moberly has been trained to handle the store so that Hawkins doesn't have to. However, nothing could have prepared her for the sudden arrival of Knight.

Moberly politely greeted Knight and waited on him not knowing who he was. "I went into the back and the grillers asked me if I knew who he was," Moberly reminisced. "I looked at her and told her that I didn't: who was he. Larry found it funny that I didn't know who Bobby was."

Moberly enjoys working at the store and for Hawkins. Hawkins has been almost like a father to Moberly and his wife Beth is her best friend.

With a smile on her face Moberly tells us, "Hawkins is a wonderful person to work for. Just ask any of the girls that work here. Anyone will tell you."

Moberly is waiting to end her first and last job with Hawkins. She doesn't want to have to have another boss.

"He is waiting for me to retire and I'm waiting for him to retire. We could very well be working here for another 20 years," Moberly told us as she started back to work.



Sidelines to Sandwiches



Larry Hawkins dedicates sandwich joint to old friend, Bobby Knight.

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Walking into an ordinary restaurant, most people wouldn't expect to see pictures of a single person covering all the walls. Nor would they expect to see pins or dolls of that same individual. In addition, most wouldn't expect to see the owner in a faded black baseball cap and a plain pale yellow t-shirt with wispy gray hair and a scraggly beard. Well believe it or not, "That Sandwich Place" is that restaurant. And Larry Hawkins is that owner.

The pictures donning Hawkins' wall are not only of the former IU men's basketball coach, but of his friend, Bobby Knight. When "That Sandwich Place" opened in 1971, Hawkins didn't expect that it would one day become a shrine to Knight. It took his love for basketball and Knight to inspire him to decorate the restaurant with adoring memorabilia. Before he met Knight, the eatery was just like any other, serving typical hamburger platters.

"I used to have antiques and plaques hanging up. Every time I put up a new signed picture or basketball I took down an antique. And this is how it ended up," Hawkins said. As Hawkins started to watch Knight, he saw a person who he respected. Their friendship began in the early 80's when a hungry Knight walked down the stairs to the almost hidden restaurant. Hawkins was not expecting his visit. Knight gave him tickets to his next game.

"When I saw him walk in I was in awe. I was a little nervous at first,



Knight Time: "The Sandwich Place" owner Larry Hawkins proudly displays his most recent Bobby Knight photo. The restaurant is filled with Knight memorabilia. "

but once we started talking I relaxed and began to get to know him. I know some people don't care for him during games, but out of season he is a good guy, and people who see him like him. He's a very jovial and happy guy," Hawkins said.

Since their first encounter, Hawkins attended every game.

"He was so close that I could have reached out and touched him if I had wanted to. I never missed a home game. We became friends. I got to know his family and he got to know mine," Hawkins said, laughing.

Knight recently moved to Texas to coach at Texas Tech University. Despite the distance, their friendship has arranged strong. This past summer, Hawkins attended

This past summer, Hawkins attended Knight's last game versus the Oklahoma Sooners.

"We went out to a steakhouse to eat. He had just lost, so he was in a really bad mood. Everyone still had a good time. He's not a very good loser," Hawkins said.

The friendship that Hawkins shares with Knight is also present between him and his customers. Since Knight's first visit, many different people have traveled to see restaurant that is also a shrine. "Bobby Knight is a living legend, and so is Larry," a loyal customer said.

Hawkins loyalty to Knight is from a different perspective than most. "People don't realize that he (Knight) is not only a good coach, but an entertainer," Hawkins said.

The inside scoop: Words from the customers

Whether a Bobby Knight fan or not, loyal customers always return.



"I thought it was really unique. Bobby Knight is still Indiana."

Greg Guernsey



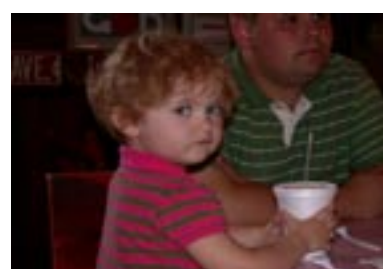
"This is a family atmosphere, and we like that we can bring our kids."

Eva Zorenz



"My husband and I love it here. We've come for 25 years."

Linda Wahr



"I don't like Knight, but we still come back because of our little girl loves it."

Chris Dahgtry