## **Local Clarion Attractions**

- 1. Cook Forest State Park
  - a. 20 minute drive north of Clarion
  - b. <u>http://www.dcnr.pa.gov/StateParks/FindAPark/CookForestStatePark/Pages/default.aspx</u>
  - c. This is an 8,500 acre state park and it is a popular attraction in western Pennsylvania. The park has the Clarion River that flows through it, and there are several options available to rent kayaks, canoes or tubes to do a trip down the river. If you prefer to remain on land, then you may want to look into the variety of walking/hiking/biking trails that are well-marked throughout the forest. A recommended favorite is visiting the fire tower, which you can choose to ascend to get a picturesque birds-eye view of the state park.
- 2. Sawmill Theater for the Arts
  - a. 20 minute drive north Clarion located in Cook Forest State Park
  - b. https://sawmill.org/theater/
  - c. Offering mystery, comedy and major Broadway musicals, the Sawmill Theater is a unique, first of its kind theater that brings the arts to the forest. If you are looking for an opportunity to feed your desire for the arts, then this is a great outlet to do so.
- 3. Clarion Loop Trail
  - a. Trail starts at the edge of campus, below the Suites on Main North.
  - b. <u>https://www.visitpago.com/listings/clarion-loop-trail/</u>
  - c. If you're looking to get your daily steps in, this is a 3 mile trail (takes approximately 1 hour) that is designed to return you back to your starting point. It is well-marked, and maps are available at the trail start. The trail ranges in difficulty from easy to moderately challenging with some steep inclines, and you'll have a pit-stop halfway through to look out on the Clarion River.
- 4. Deer Creek Winery
  - a. 10 minute drive West of Clarion on Rte. 322
  - b. https://www.deercreekwine.com/
  - c. This is a popular family-owned and operated winery located right outside of Clarion in the countryside of Shippenville. Set to please all tastes, you don't have to be a wine connoisseur to enjoy visiting this winery. You'll find their casual, but upscale look, to be a perfect fit for the scenic beauty it has to offer during your experience there.
- 5. Clarion Oaks Golf Club

- a. 5 minute drive from the University (located by Clarion exit off of I-80)
- b. Phone #: 814-226-8888
- c. Start or end your conference stay by enjoying a round of 9 or 18 holes of golf at a well-maintained course, located just a few minutes from the University. While you will want to miss the watering hole on hole 9, you may find interest in visiting the Oak's Club House afterwards.
- 6. Fulmer House Books and Collectibles
  - a. 2 minute walk from campus (corner of 7<sup>th</sup> & Wood Street)
  - b. <u>http://www.fulmerhousebooks.com/</u>
  - c. This yellow brick house has been a local landmark for more than a century. Initially serving as a home to the family that built it, in 1963 it became a house for the brothers of Theta Chi Fraternity, when the University was known as Clarion State College. It became the Fulmer House in 2006, after the Fulmer family decided to fix-up the house from the years it served as a fraternity house. Between the house itself, and the items inside, there is a lot of history to behold here. If only the walls could talk about what they have witnessed over the years.

## Local Food Options (unique to Clarion area)

- 1. Bob's Subs
  - a. Corner of 5<sup>th</sup> and Main Street (5 blocks from campus toward the Courthouse)
  - b. <a href="http://www.bobssubsclarion.com/">http://www.bobssubsclarion.com/</a>
  - c. Bob's is home to the best subs in Clarion. If you didn't like mayonnaise before, you will after eating here.
- 2. Daddy's Main Street Hot Dog
  - a. Main Street (5 blocks from campus toward the Courthouse)
  - b. Don't be fooled by the name. While they do offer a variety of hot dogs on their menu, they have the best burgers in town, and they give you a hefty serving of the best seasoned fries you'll ever eat. If you're looking for a greasy and filling meal, then don't look any further.
- 3. Fox's Pizza Den
  - a. Main Street (5 blocks from campus toward the Courthouse)
  - b. http://www.foxspizza.com/locations/pa/clarion/clarion-pa-144/index.html
  - c. Fox's Pizza offers a variety of pizza, Stromboli and subs. If the weather is keeping you inside, don't worry, they deliver as well.
- 4. County Seat
  - a. Main Street (4 blocks from campus toward the Courthouse)
  - b. Named for Clarion being the in the central part of Clarion County, you won't find a better breakfast spot in town.
- 5. Yo-Licious Frozen Yogurt
  - a. Main Street (4 blocks up from campus)
  - b. You can never predict the weather in Clarion, but rain or shine, cold or warm, Yo-Licious makes the perfect stop for a mid-day snack or a night-time dessert option. Mix-and-match your frozen yogurt, top it off with your choice of toppings, and then pay based on the weight of your dessert.
- 6. Michelle's Café
  - a. Main Street (3 blocks up from campus)
  - b. http://www.michellescafe.com/
  - c. If you need a pick-me up during the conference, don't worry, Michelle's offers a small-town coffee shop experience while serving up Starbucks-quality drinks. They also have daily lunch specials.
- 7. Clark's Donuts Plus
  - a. Across the street from campus (next to Suites on Main North)
  - b. <u>http://www.clarksdonuts.com/Locations.html</u>
  - c. If you are looking for a breakfast bite to go along with your coffee from Michelle's then pick up some donuts on your way back to campus. Made daily, you won't find fresher, better tasting donuts. Dunkin Donuts can't match their quality. Arrive early though, because they sell out quickly.

- 8. Pizza Pub
  - a. 2 minute drive from Campus (0.5 mile East on Rte. 322 from campus)
  - b. <u>http://www.pizzapubclarion.com/</u>
  - c. If you're looking for some of the best specialty pizzas you've ever had, you will want to visit the Pub. Known best for their pizza, they also have subs, wedgies, wings, salads and more. You won't find an item on their menu that you don't like. They also have delivery services available.
- 9. Clarion River Brewing Company
  - a. Main Street (4 blocks up from campus)
  - b. <u>https://www.clarionriverbrew.com/</u>
  - c. After a busy conference day, enjoy their relaxing social atmosphere with excellent food and a cold microbrew to wash it down.
- 10. Koyia Express Restaurant
  - a. Main Street (1 block up from campus)
  - b. Serving everything from hand-rolled sushi to popular hibachi entrees, Koyia offers a taste of Japanese food in Clarion. They also have Bubble Milk Tea which is a popular drink in East and Southeast Asia.
- 11. Cozumel Mexican Restaurant and Cantina
  - a. 5 minute drive from the University (located by Clarion exit off of I-80)
  - b. If you are looking for another ethnic cuisine option, this restaurant may be for you. You are sure to find something you like with the extensive list of menu options that they provide. You'll also enjoy the free chips and salsa that you get throughout your dining experience.
- 12. Red River Roadhouse (RRR)
  - a. 5 minute drive from the University (located by Clarion exit off of I-80)
  - b. Similar to a Texas-style steakhouse, the RRR offers a full meal at a great price. From steaks to burgers to salads to wings, you won't leave hungry.

## **Other Food Options**

- 1. Domino's
  - a. Located across from campus, right above the Suites on Main North.
  - b. Phone #: 814-226-4060
  - c. Delivery is available
- 2. McDonald's
  - a. Located on Main Street. 3 blocks up from campus.
- 3. Wendy's
  - a. Located across from campus. Corner of Wood St. and 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- 4. Subway
  - a. Located next to Wendy's, across from campus on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- 5. Sheetz

- a. Located 0.5 mile from campus on East Rte. 322.
- 6. The following restaurants are located out by the Clarion exit off of I-80. If you go south on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue for approximately 1 mile, then you will reach the area with all of these restaurants.
  - a. Burger King
  - b. Pizza Hut
  - c. Hunan King
  - d. Sakura Buffet
  - e. Meadows Frozen Custard
  - f. Taco Bell

- g. Arby's
- h. Perkins
- i. Eat'n Park
- j. Applebee's
- k. Red River Roadhouse