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Local coffee shop offers more than drinks, hosting events almost every night

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The What?Cafe offers a comfortable atmosphere and a diverse menu.

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If you're like most people, you probably drink coffee or tea religiously. What many people fail to realize, however, is there is more to life than running into Starbucks and hurrying about your business. For a more personal feel at a local café, be sure to visit the What? Café on North Monroe Street.

The What? Café does more than make your favorite drink. It holds a variety of events, including a knitting group on Tuesday nights, Open Mic nights on Thursdays, karaoke on Friday nights and occasional live bands on Saturday nights. Even an atheist group meets at the café twice a week. Occasionally, there will be a game tournament, with either board games or Smash Bros. The What? Café also hosts art shows, where local artists can come post their work for two months.

The What? Café is all about its customers. With a room full of regulars, Manager Kahil



Seymour takes the time to learn customers' names and remember their usual orders.

"It's kinda funny," said Seymour. "When I first started seeing the same people, I wanted to remember their names, but when you have so many regulars, it's hard. But it's wonderful, we have great customers."



Many college students spend time at the café, especially during the school year, either performing at the events or studying. Business professionals will come to the café to meet over a cup of coffee as well.

"A lot of our customers are environmentally conscious," said Seymour. "We push for recycling and healthy foods."

The most popular menu item is by far the honey green tea. The mochas, mango smoothies, and fried rice are also staples. Drink flavors can be mixed, especially with the smoothies and green teas.

"If anyone wants to see what lemon and strawberry taste like together, just ask," said Seymour. "That's actually one of our regular's usuals."



Seymour's personal favorites include the red bean smoothies, made from sweetened red beans, honeydew watermelon smoothies and Thai tea. He says those drinks that often get overlooked, or people are afraid to try them.

The establishment also makes series of pies, along with dumplings, and boba teas, which are teas with tapioca pearls.

"We offer more than a lot of other cafes, or restaurants, or bars," said Seymour. "We're kinda whatever you want us to be."

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