

How to get to the wiki

In your browser's address bar, type in the Urban Folklore Wiki's URL or web address: http://www.lydiafish.us/urbanfolklore_fall2010. The edit password will be given to you in class. If you want to upload text, music or graphic files ask me for the special upload password.

The screen:

Site logo upper left
Navigation menu below that
Action menu at upper right and lower right
"The Page" in the middle, on the right side of the screen. This is where you'll create new pages, edit existing pages, add links, images, etc.

How to edit a page:

Click "edit this page", which opens the edit screen.
Type in new text or change old text.
Click "Save". If you don't want to save, you can click "Cancel". You can also preview your changes, but remember to save.

How to make a new page:

Edit the page you want the link to the new page to be on.
Type in [[Name of your new page]].
Click "Save".
Click on the link you just created.
Type the text in your new page.
Click "Save".

How to sign your work:

Type your name in the "Author" box at the top of the screen.
Type ~~~~.
When you click "Save", your name and the date and time of the post will be on the page.

How to make a link to a page on the wiki or outside the wiki:

Type [[, the name of your link,]], like this:
[[Main.HomePage]] or [[<http://www.google.com>]]

How to give your link a different name:

[[Main.HomePage | Our Wiki's Home Page]] or [[<http://www.buffalostate.edu> | Buffalo State College]]. These will make links like this: Our Wiki's Home Page, Buffalo State College.

How to format your text:

Press “Enter” twice to separate paragraphs.

Never start a line with a blank space.

Type " (two single quotes) on either side of text you want in italics.

Type ""(three single quotes) on either side of text you want in bold.

Type """" (five single quotes) on either side of text you want in bold and italic.

Examples: "*italic*" "**bold**" ""***bold italic***""

Lists: Type *, **, *** etc. for bulleted lists.

Type #, ##, ### for numbered lists.

To indent a paragraph, type -> at the left margin. For more indent, type -->, ---> etc.

For more formatting options, click on “Basic Editing” in the menu or on the Edit page.

How to attach a file to the page:

Click on “attach a file” on the action menu.

Click “Choose” to browse to the file on your hard drive you want to upload.

Name the attachment in the “Name the attachment as:” box below the “File to upload” box. Make sure you include the extension, i.e. .jpg, .gif, .doc, .pdf etc.

Click “Upload” to upload the file to the wiki.

How to show an uploaded graphic file:

On a page’s edit screen, type “Attach:nameofthefileyouuploaded.jpg”. When you click “Save”, your .jpg or .gif graphic file will display on that page.

How to make a link to an uploaded file:

Links to image files, like the one above, will show the image. Links to documents such as MS Word files, PDF’s, spreadsheets etc. will show as Attach:NameOfDocument.doc. To change the way the link appears, do this: [[Attach:NameOfDocument.doc | Link To My Document]].

How to see what’s new on the Wiki:

Click “recent changes”. You’ll then see all the changes to the wiki.

How to “roll back” a page to an earlier version:

Click “page history”. Scroll down to the section before the change you want to eliminate. Click “Restore”. You can roll pages both backward and forward.

How to get help on the Wiki:

When you’re in the editing screen there is a “Show Help” button in the upper right hand corner of the page. If you want more detailed help, go to “Basic Editing” on the sidebar.