As a Trustee, I am one of several people who choose the Fagowee of the Month, and write the article.

I consider it one of the most important Trustee functions. If you have been the FOM, you know it's an honor, and a fun distinction to have. If you have written the article, you know it's hard to do at times. You are busy; you’ve run out of ideas; the editor has a deadline; you have writer’s block!!! Whew!

The flip side of that coin is that it is fun getting background material on the person you chose. I enjoy rehashing their exploits and adventures. It's a challenge to keep their identity secret until the issue comes out. I get to see a friend in a new light, and so do all of you.

That is why it's a real pleasure to write about this month’s FOM. Donna B is a newer member who exhibits the best qualities of the Fagowees. She is energetic, friendly, clever, and charming. Donna brings all of her many talents and jumps right in with enthusiasm to spare. She is there for the fun and for the responsibility too. Coming all the way from Newbury Ohio to meetings and events earns Donna lots of frequent flyer miles. Also it’s likely the reason she got the nickname of “Downtown Donna Brown.

I've heard her described as a “Renaissance Woman”. The reports were so glowing that I did some checking. Come to find out this is!! Classically trained on the Harpsichord, Avid astronomer with a comet named for her, and second youngest woman to swim the English Channel. Hard to believe huh? I've heard rumors that she has ties to a top secret Dept of Energy project.

That she skydives with the “Flying Elvis” and occasionally hangs out with Charlie Sheen. (Unconfirmed of course) I first became acquainted with Donna about a year ago on the Jay Peak trip. We had a little fun in the lounge the night the Fagowees took the place over. If that didn’t scare her off, then you know she has a bit of a wild side. In fact since then, she has attended every possible event in recent memory. You’ve seen her at the Clambake, Party 2 Die 4, Weekly bicycling and P2P. She’s been on the wine crawl and is a regular on pinochle night. It might be easier to list what she hasn’t done.

When she joined the club, Donna had not skied much since High School. She dusted off her skills, bought new gear, took a woman’s ski class locally and now is at the front of the bus nearly every trip. She has been the co leader on the 2011 Seven Springs trip, and would drive if Sam would let her. Oh! By the way as this issue goes to print she is jetting away on the Aspen Bash. (It is a BASH!! Cleveland and DC chapters in attendance. Cleveland still KICKS ASS!!!)

Most regular meetings, Donna can be found set up in the back of the Ampol Hall, where she sells Fagowee Merchandise. She does a lot of the embroidery herself, and offers many great values on club apparel. Stop by to browse and buy some of her wares. Be sure to congratulate her as well. Great job Donna April 2011 Fagowee of the Month.

Fagowees Theater Event:

Into The Woods
St. Patrick’s Club Building
3606 Bridge St.
Cleveland, OH 44113


Date: May 14 -- Sure to be a sellout, sign up now!

Curtain Time: 7:30 PM -- reserved block of seats  Meet at the box office at 7:00

Price: $8 for members, $9 for guests

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