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EATINGTEAM.NET TACKLES CROYDON – BRISTOL, PA

The Eatingteam went out on a mini tour in search of some good small town food today and we found some great, great finds. The first places we hit were in Croydon and came recommended by one of our students – John-Guy Foisy. John said we had to stop at LaVera Pizza and Croydon Pizza. We are glad we listened to him.

Croydon Pizza

808 State Rd
Croydon, PA 19021
(215) 785-4822

The Eatingteam's first stop worth mentioning was Croydon Pizza on State Rd. We walked in early in the afternoon and ordered up Buffalo Pizza. While we were at the counter Tony Rudy spotted what appeared to be a pepperoni and cheese Stromboli cut up in about 2 inch pieces. We immediately ordered them as well. This Buffalo Pizza was some of the best we have eaten to date! Jason Solt actually liked it better than Yalda's in Horsham. Big chunks of moist chicken, great sauce and good crust, a great way to start our tour. This pizza absolutely earned a spot on our PIZZA list on our homepage at www.eatingteam.net.

La Vera Pizzeria and Restaurant

616 State Rd
Croydon, PA 19021
(215) 788-3813

The Eatingteam then went to La Vera, again on John Foisy's recommendation and ordered up the Buffalo Chicken Cheesesteak. This was smothered in a very good hot wing sauce with plenty of cheese. When you picked it up, sauce would run out of the crisp roll. The chicken was shredded into small cubes but unlike most of these types of sandwiches was very moist. I used to like Slack's version of this sandwich but this kills it.

Patrick's Pub & Restaurant

505 Bristol Pike
Croydon, PA 19021
(215) 788-7444

The Eatingteam stopped into Patrick's in Croydon, PA for their famous Crab Soup, which is made right on premises. This soup was instantly put in our soup list as some of the best we have ever had. They serve this soup two ways –in a crock with melted cheese or by itself in a cup or bowl. Either way is fantastic. The soup was creamy but not too rich. It had crab in it but not overpowering. This was done just right for our tastes and ranks in our top 5 soups of all time as you can see in our SOUPS link on the home page at www.eatingteam.net

Cannoli

Coffee Bar and Gelateria
Corner of Radcliffe and Market St.
Bristol Borough, PA

The Eatingteam heard of a new place in Bristol Borough, PA and had to try it. It is called Cannoli. After all, cannoli's just happens to be one of the Eatingteam's captains, Tony Rudy's, favorite foods. As we were traveling toward it, we were expecting a small, quaint bakery with different types of cannoli's. What we saw when we were there was much more. When you walk in you see a glass display cooler of vibrant colors and some of the best looking gelato you will see. Some of the traditional flavors like Tiramisu and some new and interesting like, Candy Cane. Of course we sampled all the flavors and each of us picked out our favorite. Then we heard the magic words, "Do you guys want a Gelato Milkshake?" Holy cannoli, a Gelato Milkshake - are you serious? I thought Tom Irwin was going to pass out with joy when he heard this. It was just as good as we had hoped the homemade Gelato would have been. Then came the cannoli. Now they are just starting out and they are currently expanding their cannoli and baked goods selection. I had a small cannoli and you can definitely tell it is made fresh, as it was very, very good. I really want to come back to this place once they get all their flavors and see what they can come up with next!! They have made our Bakery list on www.eatingteam.net as one of the best places we have found. Homemade Gelato Milkshakes – GENIUS.

Charlie Karp's Pub

1800 Farragut Ave,
Bristol, PA 19007
(215) 788-9955

If you have never been to Karp's Pub in Bristol Borough you are missing a true one of a kind, lost art, don't make 'em like this anymore –type of place. The Eatingteam actually has held tryouts there for new members to eat a couple of the all you can eat chicken /veal parms. That though was not why we were here today. Today we came for the Filet Tip Sandwich with cheese and onion. This was a great addition to the already can't miss menu here. The roll was crisp and the meat was tender and tasty – just the right amount of cheese and onion to compliment the filet. This, we all agreed, had to make our sandwich list as one of the best sandwiches we have had in a long time and even earned a spot on our sandwich list on our homepage www.eatingteam.net.