

crayons are left for all to enjoy. You can imagine the da Vinci wannabes that appear every night and day (lunch is just as special). Many hangman and tic tac toe games have been seen, as well.

There's lots of "specials" being thrown around here, which probably means high prices, right? Wrong! The prices are very reasonable. The ambiance is special, as well. The word authentic could be used here, as well. The brick ovens give the place a warm glowing feeling and the lights are down a little, which make it cozier for all. Upon entering the bathroom, you find yourself learning some Italian phrases to be used in business and/or travel. It's piped in. It seems there's never a moment when you won't be enlightened and satiated at Macaroni Grill.

Coming Soon: McAlister's Deli !

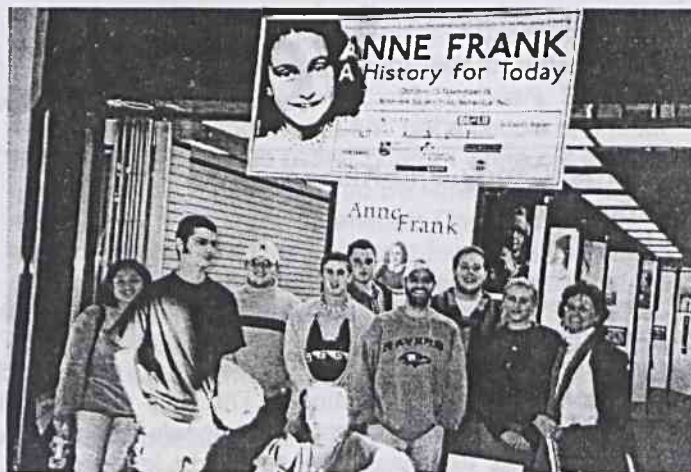
By: Lacie Lyon

McAlister's deli-style restaurant is planning to open in mid-March on Highway 421 at the old Shoney's location, which, for any of you who are not sure where that is, it is right across from the KFC, directly in front of the Addison Inn. McAlister's has approximately ninety restaurants in the southeastern United States, five in the Charlotte area.

The interior theme of the deli will consist of marble top tables, black and white checkerboard tile floors, chalkboard menus, and many framed photos of the area, especially of the WCC campus. The seating inside the establishment will hold around 160 people. Upon arrival at the deli, a customer places an order from the menu, pays, takes a number, and then takes a seat. After which, everything becomes full service. This is considered a fast, but casual atmosphere.

McAlister's plans to offer around seventy items on the menu, which includes three soups a day, a giant baked potato prepared twelve different ways, appetizer plates, over two dozen hot and cold sandwiches, a variety of garden fresh salads, thirty-two ounce drinks with free refills, and over six different desserts, including cookies baked fresh daily.

Students and faculty are encouraged to try this new change of pace. Think about it: good food without the deep fat friers. Feels healthier already.



Anne Frank Exhibit

By Shannon Reynolds

This past Fall Semester a group of sociology students went to Asheville, North Carolina, to attend an exhibit on Anne Frank. The trip was used to learn about the anti-Semitism in Germany around the time of World War II. The exhibit itself contained many historical photographs about the secret annex, where Anne Frank and her family had to live for two years. This exhibit was so powerful, in fact, that you could see what was going on in the world, and at the same time, right next to those pictures, one could see why someone would sacrifice everything to hide and stay alive. You could see how the Frank family had to adjust to such harsh conditions in their own country. This exhibit should help us be a little bit more understanding and to know that something like this should never be tolerated again.

The students also watched a video about a woman from Asheville; she had her best moments of her childhood taken away. She was a Jewish German and her best friend Lattie was German. She could not attend her best friend's birthday parties nor could she be seen in public with her. When World War II was over, she never saw her friend again.

The best part of the trip had to have been when the students met a man named Fritz Rosenthal. He was a Jewish German man that in 1938 escaped from Germany to America. He told how during the years leading to World War II, his family was being treated worse and worse. He told how one of his old family friends in the United States had to sign an affidavit, saying that they would get jobs and not be a burden to the U.S. When he later became an American citizen, he joined the infantry. Despite having a slight case of polio, he still wanted to pay back the ones who oppressed him. He was a man who was truly grateful for being in this country.

This trip was well enjoyed by the students, and hopefully this taught everyone something about how people can overcome such treacherous obstacles to achieve a better place in life.



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