

Give Boston Chicken time to hatch

In search of a satisfying dinner, my sister and I decided to try Boston Chicken, a new restaurant located on Glenwood Avenue (right beside the new Golden Corral). I had seen a commercial for Boston Chicken and it looked like a good place to try out. However, my sister and I were disappointed.

We got to the restaurant right at 6 p.m. with the rest of the dinner crowd. The restaurant is like a cafeteria. Luckily, the line moved quickly. There were four friendly people behind the counter ready to take orders. We both ordered the dark meat dinner (\$3.99) which came with two vegetables and cornbread. The server got our chicken quickly and asked which two vegetables we would like. I decided on the homestyle mashed potatoes and the baked beans. Kerri ordered macaroni and cheese and baked beans. Other

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veggie choices included creamed spinach, corn pasta salad and mixed vegetables (zucchini and squash). Up to this point, our experience was pleasant. After your server has your order ready, she takes your tray to one of three registers. She tries to pick the line that is the shortest. The line our server picked was very slow with a not-so-friendly cashier. People who were served after us were seated before us.

Kerri went in search of a table while I got our drinks. Like many fast food restaurants, there was a beverage center where you could fix your own drink. I waited in line approximately ten minutes. I went to the table and began complaining to Kerri about the system for paying and getting drinks. I was starving so I dove into my mashed potatoes, which were excellent. Kerri told me her macaroni and cheese was cold. I bit into my cornbread and found that it was very buttery and cold. We both liked the baked beans, which were very spicy.

The chicken quarter was small. (I have seen bigger pieces of chicken at Meredith.) The man next to us commented that he ordered chicken, not pigeon. It did, however, taste pretty good. Like Bojangle's and Kentucky Fried Chicken it was rotisserie chicken (with the skin on).

The prices were not high—granted that you are charged correctly. We both had the dark meat dinner (3.99/each) and iced tea (.79/each). We were charged \$11.30. If I have done my math correctly, we should have been charged \$10.14, including tax. Since we did not get a receipt we could not refute what we were charged. They also have a white meat dinner for \$4.99. If you don't want a dinner, you can get a chicken salad sandwich. If you don't care for rotisserie chicken, you can get a vegetable dinner (3 veggies and cornbread) for \$3.99.

Since Boston Chicken has been open for only a few weeks, there are bound to be quirks. I would go back—in a year. I think Boston Chicken has the potential to be a good restaurant; just give them some time. In the meanwhile, enjoy the chicken in Belk Dining Hall.

Hats off to Meredith Entertainment Association's Comedy Night

by Frances Pate

Approximately 160 people attended the Meredith Entertainment Association (MEA) Comedy Night Thursday, March 24, in the cafeteria.

Sarah Helms, a local comedienne who has appeared on HBO, Showtime and *Comedy on the Road*, opened the show.

Garry DeLena, a comedian from New Jersey, was the headliner. DeLena has appeared on HBO and a variety of comedy shows. He has also written for MTV's *Remote Control* and

Nickelodeon's *Double Dare*.

April Jones and Kelly Formy-Duval were the event's co-chairs. Both were pleased with how the evening went. Jones said, "We were very impressed with the turn-out."

Formy-Duval said there were twice as many at this year's event than last year's. "The cafeteria was packed with people," she said.

Formy-Duval liked the comedians and felt MEA got their money's worth. Jones said, "I think the audience liked them a lot."



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Kelly Formy-Duval and April Jones, co-chairs for Comedy Night, take a break from the night's activities to pose with comedian DeLena.



HA!HA!HA!HA! -- Students take a break from studies to enjoy Comedy Night.

Congratulations
Sarah and Karen!
Little Friends Weekend was a big success!
Thanks a bunch,
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