WE GO PUB HOPPING: Two weeks ago two of us went to the Corner Pub and Grill in Ellisville at Clayton Road and Clarkson Road. The Corner Pub has been open for eight years and has a pretty good following, except maybe not for a mid-week lunch crowd. We were there at 1 o’clock and the place was almost empty.

We kept things simple, since we were at a “Pub.” One order was a hamburger and fries ($9). The other order was the “Brisket Sammie Euporia” ($14) with a side of mashed potatoes. We were going for the Philly Cheese Steak, but found out that it was a fake Philly Cheese Steak and the hot grill roast beef was not covered in hot Cheese Whiz. Instead it came with a strip of provolone cheese. That folks is not a “Philly Cheese Steak.”

The Brisket was topped with provolone cheese, onion straws and BBQ sauce. Usually good brisket stands out by itself and doesn’t need cheese or onion straws.
When the plate arrived the first thing I tried were the mash potatoes and gravy. They were stone cold. Even the gravy was if it was left out from the night before. I poured the extra gravy onto the potatoes and asked they be nuked in a microwave.

The hamburger was average. The fried were okay for frozen potatoes dropped into grease. My potatoes were okay once heated up. The gravy was barely “OK.”

The brisket also was okay. I have had worse, but more often I have had much better.

Perhaps the best part of the lunch was out waitress Lindsey. She was very patient and even helpful playing the role of “menu consultant.”

Overall I don’t consider the Corner Pub as a destination location, where you go for a meal because the food is so good. It is however a convenient location to meet someone coming from the opposite direction for a drink and a sandwich. They do have big screen TVs all over the place so if you prefer watching sporting events away from the TV you control at home and where a single Budweiser beer costs $4 versus a six-pack from Wal-Mart for $5.98 it is the place to go.