

Our Review of The Bistro

By Haddonfield ACG Members

Members of the Haddonfield Aphasia Communication Group dined at their favorite restaurant last month. We were very happy to be joined by friends and family members as well as Travis. He is the Building Manager of the First Presbyterian Church of Haddonfield where we meet.

Here is a member review of the Bistro:

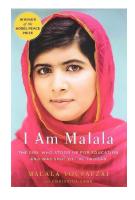
- Food excellent. Good selection. Well prepared. Delicious french fries!
- Staff excellent. Friendly, quick service.
- Prices reasonable.
- Noise level loud. The Bistro is busy and noisy at lunchtime. It was hard to hear each other sometimes.
- Location excellent. One block from the church where we meet.
- Parking pretty good.
- Handicap accessibility could be better. It's OK for wheelchairs, but somewhat challenging.





Book Review of "I am Malala"

By The Maywood Book Club Group



Our book group found I Am Malala to be an inspirational and touching read.

We enjoyed reading about the development of Ziauddin's school and the father-daughter relationship Malala and him have.

Additionally, we learned much more about culture and various places.

We found the politics of Pakistan to be complicated.

We give this book 5/5 stars!



Fashion Review of the Met Gala

By Joan M., Maywood Member



Joan's Fashion Review of the Met Gala

Jared Leto as Choupette

"Aw how sweet"

"Wait...what? Why are they doing that?!"

"Too big... that's enough" (Joan stuck her tongue out)



Kylie Jenner in Jean Paul Gaultier &

Maria Tash Jewelry

"Proper...proper" (stated about the right, covered side of the dress)

"I don't know, take this out" (stated about the left side)



Joan's Style Rating: 3/10

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Joan's Style Rating: 5/10

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Lil Nas X in Dior

"Oh my gosh"

"What for?"

"It's terrible"



Bradley Cooper in Tom Ford

"I like them"

"Ooh perfect, the whole bit"

"Except he should (take off the sunglasses)"



Joan's Style Rating: 1/10

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Joan's Style Rating: 8/10

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Kendall Jenner in Marc Jacobs and Wolford

"Hmm...well, I don't know"

(Joan motioned to cover up Kendall's legs)

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Joan pointed to her shoes "Crazy!"



Michelle Yeoh in Karl Lagerfeld Cartier

"Ooh very pretty"

"Perfect!"



Joan's Style Rating: 2/10

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Joan's Style Rating: 10/10 Photo: Getty Images



Review of the 2023 Adler Video

By West Orange Members

Website for the Video: https://vimeo.com/833403144



Monday/Wednesday West Orange Members (Pictured from left to right) Ed H., Betty M., George G., Gale J., Abe B.



Tuesday/Thursday West Orange Members (Pictured from left to right) Bob B., Anithia C., Simon R., Adam E., Ronnie K., Jacki K., Susan E., Orlando D., Chris G.

Mimi: "Very good and shows that people are happy at Adler."

Abe: "It is very good and good that the West Orange people were in it. But they should put the Monday people in the video too."

Simon: "The video should also talk about how we support. each other. The games we play are the therapy."

Susan: "It shows that it is so difficult. And Adler makes it get better. If people see the video they may say "Oh they are such nice people"...but do they really know what we go through?

Marvin: "Yes. Do they know what we did before, what we were like before?"

Adam: "They should say more about how hard it is to talk."

Anithia: "Talking is what we thrive for!"

Orlando: "Good but put more people in it."

Judy: "What Bob and Anithia said were right. I would like a longer video with more of the people involved. I would like to see more of what goes on at the different Centers."



Bob: "The people who work here spend so much time thinking of the programs. The video should reflect that too. Anithia was the only one who said something about the staff."

Murray: "I liked the video. I liked it because Anithia spoke!"

Gale: "It makes me feel happy about things."

Ed: "Yes. All Good."

Jackie: "Information in our groups involves the members, the staff, and the students. It should show more of the students working with the members."

Tom: "It shows the people around you lift you when you are down. We feed off each other."

Paul: "It's good because people in other parts of NJ can see where to go for Adler."

Mario: Mario indicated with a shake of his hand – "So-so."

Elise: "Very good. You can see the different levels of aphasia. It is a big community when people feel isolated. The staff and volunteers help a lot to pull out what people really want to say."

Paulette: "I liked seeing all of the people."

Ron: "I can't talk...but it's good!"

Kent: "Video shows that Adler helps me with talking to people. Some days are good and others aren't...but it helps."

Brenda: "The video was excellent! Adler helps a lot with speech, So helpful!"

Herb: "The video shows what is important is that it gives you more opportunities to speak. You speak with different people than at home and we all need even more opportunities.



Let's All Go to the Movies By Toms River Members

What is your favorite movie and why?

Charlie: Lions for Lambs. It's a war movie about post-Vietnam with Robert Redford playing a college professor. There's two great cast – Robert Redford and Tom Cruise. One was pro war and one was anti war. I left there thinking. It made me think. Another movie I got a kick out of was Gone with the Wind. When I read the book, the movie was word for word. The book was like a script.

Matthew: Romance movies great.

Chris: <u>The Departed</u> because it's shocking. We don't think the policeman is getting killed, yes he gets killed. Surprising.

Craig: <u>The Fighting 69th</u>. James Cagney. The actors and story great.

Lucille: Alfred Hitchcock. *The Birds*. Thrilling.

John: Turner Classic, in the evening. *Black and White. Shane*.

Chuck: All. Everything. I watch everything. I like <u>Star Wars</u>. It's great.

Paul: The first <u>Godfather</u> was new and different.

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Toms River Members

(Pictured from left to right)

Back Row: Chuck and spouse Laura,
Craig, Paul, Charlie, John
Front Row: Brianna (Program
Director), Joan (Paul's spouse),
Rebecca (John's spouse)

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