

Coffeehouse an asset to Glassboro

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To the Editor:

I'm a Glassboro resident who looks forward to the changes headed Glassboro's way in the form of Rowan Boulevard and the new Barnes and Noble. Some of this revitalization has started taking place already in several new businesses on High Street -- one of which is Progressive Coffee House, which opened this past fall.

The coffeehouse has great food, wonderful staff and a clean, homey atmosphere, with overstuffed couches books for browsing, board games for kids and adults, and video screens for music and movies. (As I write this, the Concert for George Harrison is playing on one of them.)

Yet, every time I visit, it seems sparsely populated at best. Today I told one of the managers, "I hope you guys are doing well here," but her facial expression indicated that wasn't the case. It would be a terrible pity to see a nice place like this, with so much to offer, go under. It's an asset to Glassboro to have a nice coffee house like other county towns do.

In this economy, it becomes more important than ever to patronize local businesses...especially in a case where we want to see our hometown flourish. Even after the new Barnes and Noble opens, there's much to be said for a small, intimate local coffeehouse. I encourage Glassboro locals, residents of surrounding towns, and students to patronize Progressive Coffee House...you don't know what you're missing.

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