



## Wandering & Wondering

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### Pie in the Sky

Round Table Pizza at Linda Mar shopping center has closed down. According to my source, the cause is an exorbitant rent increase. When are we going to start defending our popular local businesses against greedy, out-of-town real estate companies squeezing out the little guys?

### Timesaving Tunnels?

Alan Wald emails: "I attended a briefing about the Devil's Slide Tunnels presented by Half Moon Bay Chamber of Commerce President/CEO Charise Hale McHugh. I found her comment interesting that although the mile-long tunnels are the first to be built in California in the past 50 years, any notion that they will be time savers is one of perception. She noted that not only are they replacing a two-lane road with a two-lane road, but also that the time it takes her to drive the coast road from portal to portal is 90 seconds. (And no traffic light at the south end!)"

### Party Hearty or Peace & Quiet?

"It shows that the generational split in how people view recreation in the outdoors is wider than ever. When Boomers venture outdoors, they want 'salve for the soul,' according to studies by consulting firm Wirthlin Worldwide, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and oth-

ers, and Boomers are willing to go great distances and expend physical energy to find a place of peace. Above all else, they value quiet campfire time with people they love. On the other hand, many members of younger generations want a social event in which they can get wasted. They want it to be easy and loud, with a lot of people at a marquee destination where they can meet spontaneously. When the different generations intersect at a park or campground, and neither relinquishes its goals, you better get ready to call 911." (Tom Stienstra, San Francisco Chronicle/SF Gate, July 16)

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### Rhythm Spirit Motion

The art of Jerry Ross Barrish (rhythm spirit motion) has an Opening Reception with Larry Dunlap on piano, Sunday, August 5 from 2 to 5 p.m. Lush Life Gallery at Jazz Heritage Center, 1320 Fillmore Street (next to Yoshi's), San Francisco. Artist talk with DeWitt Cheng, Sunday, August 19 at 3 p.m. Gallery hours: Wednesday through Sunday from 4 to 8 p.m. or by appointment (415-255-7745). Exhibit runs through October 7. (Info: jazzheritagecenter.org)

### New Word I Hate

"Your tweet was favorited." (Twitter)

### Swami Sez

"A man about to have a heart transplant was offered the choice of either a 26-year-old marathon runner's heart or the heart of a 62-year-old IRS agent. He picked the agent's heart because he said it had never been used." (Dave Barry)

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