



## Wandering & Wondering

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### HIGHWAY WIDENING

Pacifica's 40,000 hungry people seek sustenance but risk widening waistlines all along Highway 1 and beyond, totaling more than 100 places in town to get your feed bag on. The very first thing you see when you come over the hill from The Real World is The Golden Arches, an iconic brand that just screams Pacifica Calorifica. So let's get down to the business of eating (and don't forget alcohol's empty calories, thus I include bars and liquor stores in the list below). Now here's the skinny on getting fat in Pacifica, the real "highway widening":

- Pacific Manor: two Chinese restaurants, a Southeast Asian restaurant, two taquerias, an Italian restaurant, an Italian deli, a fish-and-chips shop, two pizzerias, a fast-food drive-in, a supermarket, a natural-foods store, a bakery, a butcher shop, a coffee shop, two cafes, a liquor store with snack food, a bar, a convenience store, a drugstore with groceries.
- Fairmont/Hickey/Skyline: a sushi house, a liquor store with snack food, a pizzeria, four Chinese restaurants, a Japanese restaurant, a sushi house, a cafe, a supermarket, a drugstore with groceries.
- Sharp Park: a taqueria, a Peruvian-Mexican restaurant, two pizzerias, a Thai restaurant, five cafes, a bakery, a Chinese restaurant, two Japanese restaurants, a Vietnamese sandwich shop, a bar, a supermarket with deli and cafe and health food store, a sushi house, a candy store, a convenience store, a golf course restaurant.
- Reina del Mar: a steak house, a cafe, a taqueria, a barbecue joint, a convenience store, a gas station with snack food.
- Rockaway Beach: a tea and sandwich shop, a wine bar and cafe, a Wednesday afternoon farmers market, two surf-and-turf restaurants, a burger joint, a liquor store with snack food, a cafe, a gas station with snack food, a bowling alley with coffee shop.
- Crespi: a Peruvian restaurant, a convenience store, a cafe, a Chinese restaurant, a Japanese restaurant.
- Linda Mar: two coffee shops, a family restaurant, a taqueria, a Chinese takeout, an ice cream store, a Hawaiian barbecue

place, two cafes, a pizzeria, a drugstore with groceries, a supermarket with deli and cafe, a gas station with snack food, two fast-food drive-ins, a bar, a donut shop, a sandwich shop.

- Pedro Point: a pizzeria, a cafe, a taqueria, a supermarket, a hardware store with snack food.
- Adobe Plaza: a cafe, a pizzeria, a convenience store.
- Park Mall: a cafe, a pizzeria, a Chinese restaurant, a coffee shop, a grocery store with deli and butcher shop, a liquor store with snack food, a gas station with snack food.

### INTERDENOMINATIONAL

Pacifican Judith Tugendreich hit a two-bagger in Leah Garchik's San Francisco Chronicle column last week. First, Judith identified the Muzak playing at Stonestown Shopping Center as a Christmas carol (in July!), and in a clever segue to that item, she noted that for the first time ever, Hannukah occurs on Thanksgiving Day this year.

### INNER EDIROT

I eagerly read Dean Rader's July 14 S.F. Chronicle op-ed saying that English and humanities majors are back in demand, despite the Bay Area technology boom. (See deanrader.com for more on this topic.) As a liberal arts graduate, I have always felt that my generalist/journalist education was the best preparation for an uncertain future. Now, as a freelance writer and editor, I draw on all my life experiences and training to understand and deal with this crazy-quilt modern world.

### HOLD THE MAYO

Lisa Warns smiles at a typo in a massage therapist's bio at the Foster City Jewish Community Center. Along with Swedish and Deep Tissue, the therapist offers Mayofacial massage. "It should say myofascial therapy, unless they are offering some new facial mask. Yuck!" says Lisa.

### SWAMI SEZ

"You can learn a lot about a man from the sorts of bedtime stories he tells his children." (novelist Howard Johnson in "Who's Sorry Now?")

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