

## Wandering and Wondering

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### 5K A MONTH: R U KIDDING?

Now that a real estate company is offering the old Boston Bill's building for \$5,000 a month lease, how about the city and/or the Chamber of Commerce taking over this gateway property and opening a proper visitor center with its own parking lot and offering tourist information, beach parking passes, trail guides, bike and surfboard and kayak rentals, maps to the stars' homes. So many possibilities. Take a hint from Half Moon Bay, Princeton, Santa Cruz, and Monterey. Come on down, Jim Heldberg, how about moving those cool Segways next to the highway! Instead of a decrepit, weed-overgrown blight on the entrance to Rockaway Beach, let's create a snazzy-looking welcome to town. Or is our low self-esteem showing?

### TAG & TOW JUNKER CARS

"I'm a Pacifica resident who enjoys fishing at the pier and walking along the beach at Sharp Park golf course that takes me up the stairs to the top of Mori Point. I often go to the pier to fish or walk to Mori Point, but lately I have noticed that parking at the pier has been getting tougher. I have also noticed this RV parked at the lot for the past two months or maybe more. Pacifica Police tagged it for towing if the vehicle was not moved by August 1. The date has come and gone, the notice blown away by the wind, and the RV is still parked in the same place as of August 8. The RV has weeds growing under it. It's so dusty you can't see inside it, and people have used it as a restroom. The smell at times gets overwhelming. The City of Pacifica has a 72-hour parking limit on city streets and parking lots. Even the beach parking lot by the RV center is starting to look like a dumpsite, with TVs, boat trailers, and trucks filled with junk. What is the City of Pacifica going to do about all these illegally parked vehicles?" (George Tano)

### ROAD RASH REPLY

"I feel your pain, John! When that happens to me, for a few seconds I feel a murderous rage. I wish I had a James Bond car that shoots bullets (or at least paint remover)! I usually mutter something like: If stupidity were illegal, half the population would be in jail. But then I remember the last time I did something stupid (and it was not that long ago, and it will happen again soon). So let it go. Life is too short." (Pierre Messerli)

### NUDE BEACHES

Gary Hanauer has just published his 40th annual guide to Northern California nude beaches. Find it on San Francisco Bay Guardian newsstands or at [sfbg.com](http://sfbg.com).

### ALANDROME

"Libre Erbil!" shouted palindrome lovers following U.S. military strikes against Islamist militants surrounding Erbil, the Kurdish regional capital in Iraq. (Alan Wald)

### SWAMI SEZ