

# Weekend Connection

The Daily Nexus Guide to Dining, Drinking, and Dancing

Thursday, December 4, 1997



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**AUGGIE'S PLACE**  
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The split personality place! Morning bagels and capps or latte; later on in the day pizza and pitchers! We get up early to bakd our bagels fresh daily, using only unbleached flour with no oils or preservatives. We make our pizza dough and sauces from scratch everyday — also we have many vegetarian options. Free bagel chips with every pitcher.

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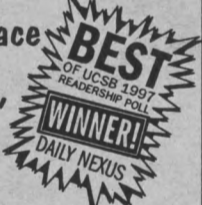
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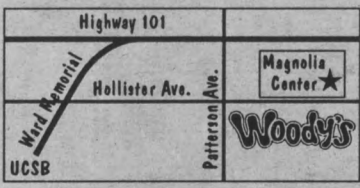
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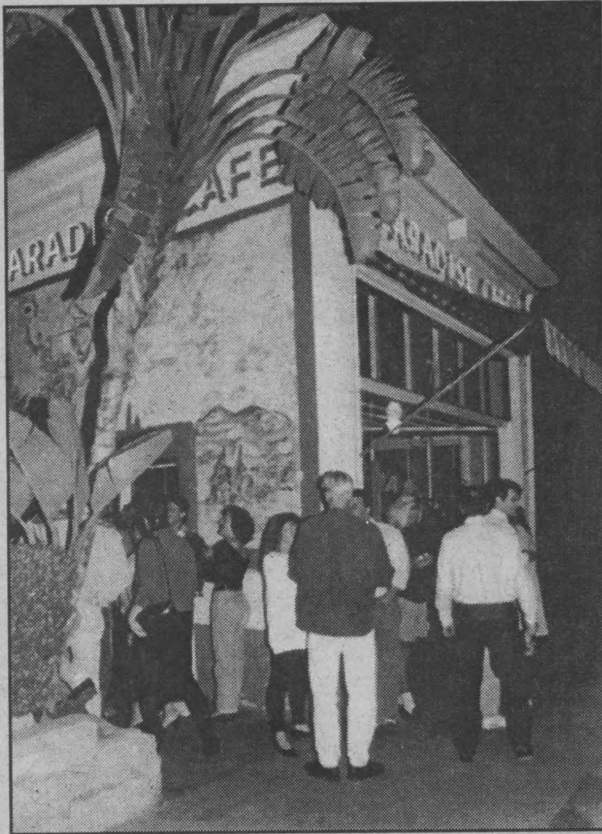
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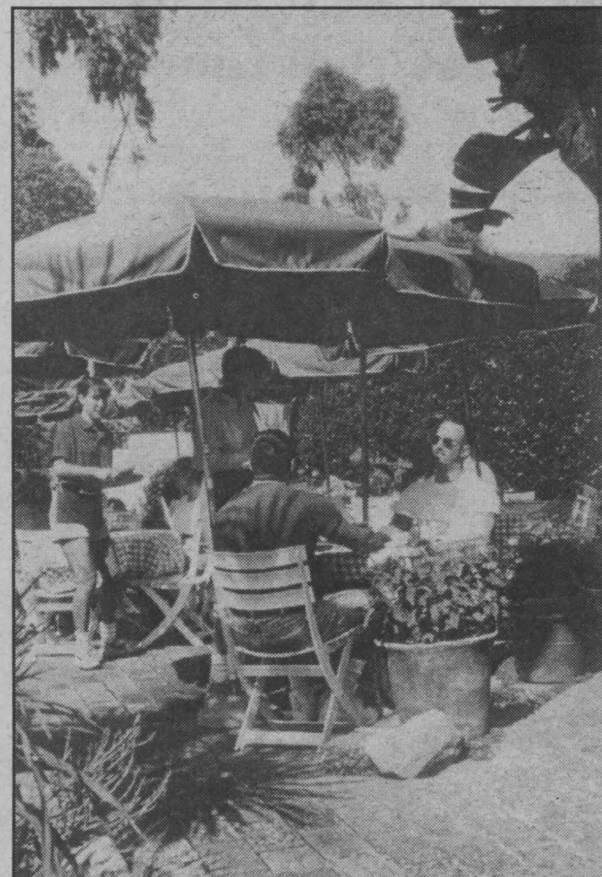
# Paradise Cafe



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## A Restaurant That Lives Up To Its Name!

The encounter began at sunset. Pale peach-colored rays streaked the horizon as stars faintly gleamed over downtown Santa Barbara. He walked toward the mountains from State Street with determination; a familiar neon sign lit up in the distance, beckoning, beckoning.

He had been looking forward to this evening for a long time, indeed, with good reason. For tonight, he would visit Paradise.

### Paradise Cafe.

After crossing the street, he paused on the sidewalk, drawing in the crisp twilight air. Looking up from the stairway to heaven, he gazed with awe. Paradise is a lushly flowered realm of candle-lit delights, and one cannot fully enjoy the pleasure of entering it without first standing firm at the celestial gates, brimming with giddy anticipation.

Besides, he was waiting for his companion, and it would be both rude and unwise to step into the Elysian Fields alone. But as he admired the mural of historic Santa Barbara, a friendly hostess descended toward him like an angel.

"Are you waiting for a friend?" she asked.

"Why, yes ... I am," he responded, amazed that she had read his mind. She chuckled softly, as though sensing his amazement.

"You can relax on a bench, if you would like."

He didn't refuse the offer.

She rounded the corner toward the foyer of Paradise just as he settled in. Spotting him on the bench draped in sparkling light, she ascended the stairs toward him. He noticed her and rose to embrace her.

"You look beautiful tonight," he said, clutching her arms for an extra moment.

"Thank you," she replied with a tantalizing smile.

"Would you like to sit inside or on the patio?" asked the hostess, smiling.

They faced a tough choice. The interior of Paradise Cafe is a stately wood-paneled Valhalla adorned with fine artwork and lattice, but the patio is illuminated by countless lights weaving through the lavish garden. And even though the evening was nippy, magical heaters keep the awning-laden tables toasty even in the coldest weather; naturally, the perfect climate is a staple of Paradise.

Enjoying the early night sky over the oceanside metropolis, they decided to sit outside, and soon they were perusing the menus that waited on their table. They sat enveloped in flowers and candlelight, resting their elbows on the checkered tablecloth. For a second they gaped into each other's eyes, until at once they became self-conscious and simultaneously looked away. They both needed drinks.

And Paradise Cafe is only too accommodating for such potent nectar. Its fully stocked wooden bar has a high ceiling

and even higher standards for its bartenders, and why not? When entertaining the guests of Paradise, the drinks are always perfectly stiff but silky smooth, and they never disappoint.

She ordered a margarita, he ordered a tall beer, and after they toasted the evening, they let the conversation drift with the mood. They debated the menu's many choices, brokering friendly negotiations regarding bite swaps and appetizers. Before long, they made their selections and allowed the night to unwind.

She told him about her international travels; about striking out in foreign nations unknown and living from day to day while breathing adventure. He told her about finding a love for a community and wanting to make the world a better place before his time was through. They found that while their lives' experiences were completely different, they shared a longing to seize each day to the fullest extent. Paradise has a way of bringing such souls together.

The waitress arrived with their heavenly cuisine, and they knew their taste buds would soon enjoy true ambrosia. She had ordered the fresh ahi steak, seasoned gently and prepared over an oak grill; he had ordered a succulent meal of chicken fettuccine with pesto sauce. The light aroma titillated their olfactory senses, and they began to devour the gourmet victuals, pausing only to maintain conversation.

"This tastes divine," she said.

"Beyond divine ... simply exhilarating," he gasped.

They bit each tender morsel with rising enthusiasm, never wanting the plate to empty. For a moment they imagined the prospect of sitting at the table forever, always enjoying each other's company and an ever-present sensation of hunger, to be constantly satiated by the edibles of Paradise. Truly, there could be no better eternal fate, either during this life or beyond.

But soon the meals were finished, the plates nearly scraped clean by the satisfied duo. As they sat back in their chairs to relish their dining experience all seemed right — yet there seemed to be something missing.

"Anyone up for dessert and coffee?" the waitress asked, right on cue. They agreed to split some chocolate Paradise pie over cappuccino, both concoctions being devilishly tempting.

Clashing forks and trading smiles, the pair finished off the pie and gazed at each other. This place really is Paradise, he thought, especially when he could share it with her.

And she thought the same of him — and of Paradise Cafe.

Paradise Cafe is located at 702 Anacapa St. in downtown Santa Barbara. Call 962-4416 for more information.



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# Wanna Get Drunk? Get To Mel's

It's dark, it's dank and it's smokey (until Jan. 1, anyway). Its *old-school* style is buried among the flashy downtown Santa Barbara tourist traps. It's the anti-club, not subject to the influence of trends and change. It's a place where the serious drinker can order a serious drink and have the kind of fun that is more often found in movies today than real life.

It's absolutely perfect.  
It's Mel's.

*"It's one of  
Santa  
Barbara's  
treasures..."*

Nestled next to the multiplex theater in Paseo Nuevo Mall, Mel's is an unassuming hole in the wall that to the untrained eye is nothing more than an ancient relic that should be converted into the latest happenin' fashion shop. Certainly something so old can't survive in a place that remakes itself every few years!

Not so, says anyone who has crossed Mel's threshold,

sat down at the bar and ordered anything from a bottle of beer to the most complicated mixed drink. It's one of Santa Barbara's treasures, a place where you can be yourself and enjoy the fact that everyone else is being themselves, too.

Walking into Mel's, the sights, sounds and smells take you back to the days of the classic, honest-to-god bar. Except for a nod to modern technology (if television can be called that these days), it has all the feel of a time capsule planted decades ago and only now opened.

Saddling up to the bar, patrons are greeted by a vast array of drink choices. The immense selection can baffle first-timers and make them wander about in a daze, so veterans, please do your part to help them out. Kindly encourage them to enter Mel's with a drink already in mind. While sipping their first beverage, they can then sort out all their options without creating an embarrassing scene.

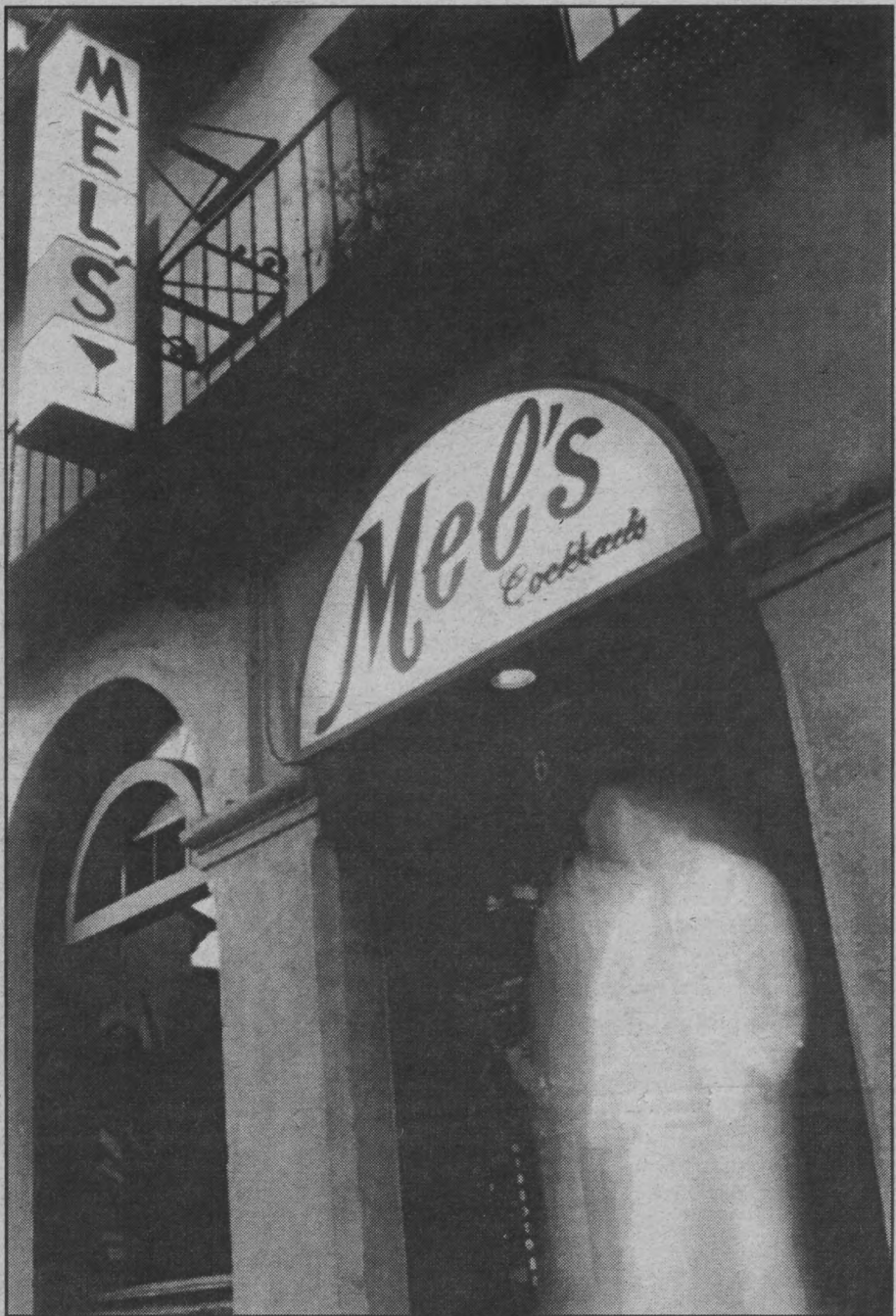
You're doubly fortunate if you're a football fan and it happens to be football season. Mel's is kind enough to provide *free* hot dogs during every NFL game, a plus if

you're too busy to catch a meal before your favorite team hits the field.

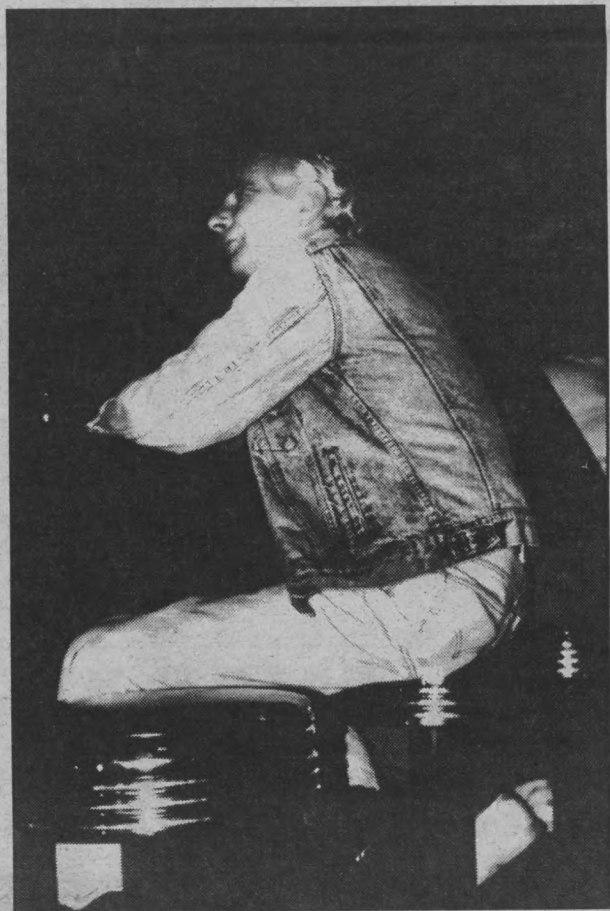
Of course, no bar would be complete without a happy hour. In Mel's case, that would be three hours, from 4:30 to 7:30. All manner of drinks are available at reduced prices, making it a good way to end a busy day and still keep your wallet intact.

So whether it's a bottle o' Budweiser or a scotch on the rocks that tickles your fancy, Mel's is the place to go when the trendy fluff of the others just won't do.

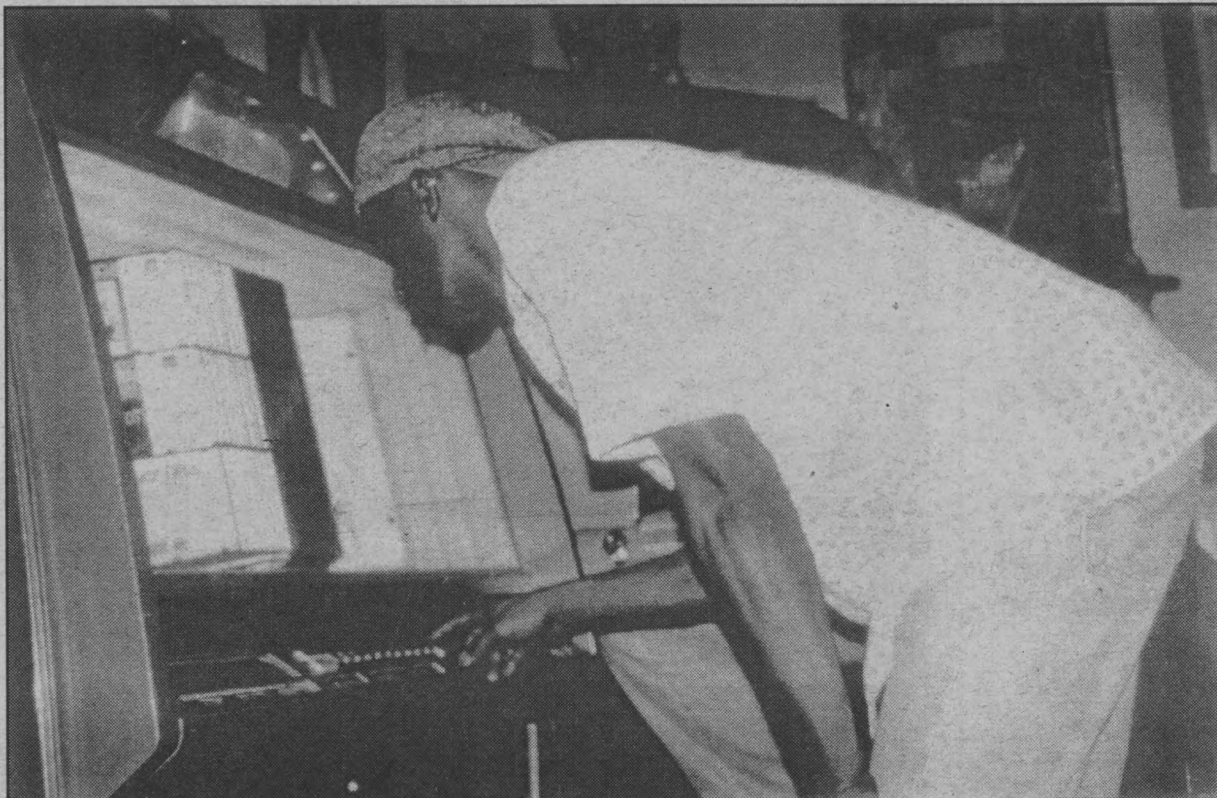
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# EATIN' EASTERN

**ARIGATO SUSHI**  
11 W. Victoria St.,  
965-6074

Open Sun-Thurs 5-11 pm, Fri-Sat 5-11:30 pm. Price range: \$1.50-\$15.

**CHINA CASTLE**

1202 Chapala, 962-6602  
Mandarin, Szechuan dishes. Rated best Chinese restaurant in S.B. 5 years in a row. Luncheon specials. Sun-Thurs 11:30 am-10 pm, Fri-Sat 11:30 am-10:30 pm. Price range: \$5.95-\$14.95.

**CHINA CITY**

5688 Calle Real, 683-4676  
Gourmet Chinese restaurant specializing in Mandarin, Szechuan and Hunan cuisine. Hours 11 am-10 pm, 7 days a week. The buffet is open for lunch M-F 11:15-2:30 and for dinner Fri & Sat 5:30-8:30. Food to go and delivery available; fax order 683-4299.

**FAR EAST JAPANESE RESTAURANT**

5877 Hollister, 683-4341  
Japanese food, high quality, low fat, low price. Stir fry vegetables, fresh ramen, teriyaki, curry, tempura, fried rice, udon, gyoza, and more and more specials!! Enjoy homestyle food — "Japanese don't eat sushi everyday in Japan!" Lunch M-F 11:30 am-2:30 pm; dinner M-Sat 5:30-9:30 pm; closed Sunday. Price range \$4.75-\$8.75

**FRIENDLY CAFE**

5838 Hollister, 681-0412  
Thai and Vietnamese cuisine. Open every day 11 am-10 pm. Free UCSB and I.V. delivery with \$15 min. order.

**HANAYA SUSHI**

511 State St., 962-1254  
Great taste, and best prices on Sushi. Price range: \$2.30 and up. Open Tues-Sun 6 pm til 10 pm,

Fri and Sat open till 22 pm.

**HIBACHI RESTAURANT**

415 N. Milpas St., 962-2687  
Hawaiian/Japanese style grilled, stir-fried, and broiled dishes. Also featuring Hawaiian paella. Mon-Thur 11 am-9:30 pm, Fri and Sat 11 am-10 pm, Sun noon-9:30. Price range: \$4.50-\$8.50.

**KYOTO**

3232 State St., 687-1252  
Wonderful sushi bar and tatami room. Wine and beer. Open Tues-Sun 5-10 pm, lunch Tues-Fri 11:30 am-2 pm. Price range: lunch \$3.95-\$6, dinner \$7-\$20.

**MANDARIN PALACE**

3955 State St., 683-2158  
Open 11 am-9:30 pm daily. Price range: \$3-\$5

**MING**

290 G. Center 968-1300

We are a family of come experience genuine traditional cuisine in the area. Live all you can. Free delivery area. The restaurant in the to win an award from prestigious Southern California Restaurant Win. Inc.

**NEW CHINA**

5764-5766 Hollister, 683-3611 or 683-2661  
The only Vietnamese restaurant in Santa Barbara! Dine in or take out, open 7 days a week 11 am-9:30 pm. Free delivery with minimum order.

**RED PEPPER RESTAURANT**

282 S. Orange Ave., 683-8885  
Finest Thai food,

specialize in sauteed curry noodles. Fresh seafood. Mon-Thu 11 am-9:30 pm; Fri-Sat 'til 10:30. Closed Sun. No more curry noodles.

**SONO JAPANESE RESTAURANT**

6831 Hollister Ave., 968-5116  
Fine Japanese food, including sukiyaki, tempura, teriyaki and sashimi. Sushi bar, beer and wine. Banquet facilities available. Open 7 days a week.

**SZECHUAN**

1994 Cliff Dr., 564-7651  
Elegant gourmet Chinese dining. Open 11:30 am-9:30 pm. Price range: \$5.95-\$12.95.

**THAI ORCHID**

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Featuring over 100 Mandarin and Szechuan menu items and delicious all you can eat luncheon and dinner buffet. Price range \$5-\$10. Open 11:30am-9:30pm.

**YOUR PLACE THAI RESTAURANT**

22A N. Milpas, 966-5151, 965-9397  
We have been voted the best Thai Food by the Independent of S.B. 10 years in a row. Open Tues-Thur & Sun 11 am-10 pm; Fri-Sat 11 am-11 pm. Closed Monday.

**THE BILTMORE HOTEL**

1260 Channel Drive, Montecito 969-2261, ext. 151  
Elegant dining and entertainment. Jackets for gentlemen required. Sunday brunch. Lunch 11:30-3:00, light fare 3-5 pm daily, Dinner 5-10 Sun-Thu, 5-11 Fri-Sat. Lamarina 6-10. Price range: Lunch \$7.95-\$15.50, Dinner on the Patio \$10-\$20; Formal Lounge Lamarina \$20-\$35, buffet \$19.50.

**BRIGITTE'S**

1327 State St., 966-9676  
Serving California cuisine. Good selection of beer and wine. Take-out orders as well. Open Mon-Thur 11:30 am-2:30 pm and 5-10 pm. Fri and Sat 11:30 am-2:30 pm and 5-11 pm. Price range: \$5-\$10.

**CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN**

651 Paseo Nuevo, 962-4648  
One of the best pizzas in the world, healthy and delicious. Wide variety. Open Mon-Thur 11:30am-10pm, Fri-Sat 11:30am-11pm, Sun 12pm-10pm.

**CASA DE SEVILLA**

428 Chapala St., 966-4370  
Offering steaks, fresh seafood and chops. Dining room and bar. Open Tues-Sat 12-2 pm, 6-10 pm. Price range \$14-\$30.

**CRICKET'S**

1026 State St., 966-4355  
Serving a broad range of food from around the world, including Chinese, Cajun, Italian, and Dutch-Indonesian delights. Full bar. Open Mon 8am-2:30pm, Tues-Sat from 8 am-10 pm, Sunday champagne brunch 10 am-3 pm.

**DERF'S**

2000 De La Vina, 687-5437  
Great burgers, sandwiches, salads. Open Mon-Sat 11 am-10 pm, Sun 11 am-9 pm. Price range: \$5.50-\$7.

**EL ENCANTO**

1900 Lausen Rd., 687-5000  
Elegant dining including

# California Food Rush

fresh local seafood, meats, poultry and other fine dishes. Mon-Sat: breakfast 7-11 am, lunch 11:45-2:30 pm, dinner 6-9 pm, till 10 on Fri and Sat; Sunday breakfast 7-9:30 am; brunch 10 am-2:30 pm, dinner 6-9:00 pm. Price range: lunch \$4.50-\$13.50; dinner to \$26.50.

5 pm until closing. Restaurant is open Sun-Thur 5-9:30 pm, Fri-Sat 5-10:30 pm. Lunch served Tue-Fri 11:30-2 pm.



**FICHERA'S FINE FOOD**

2220 Bath St., 687-5911  
Seafood, steak, chicken, and cocktails. Daily specials. Open 7:30-9:30 pm daily. Happy hour 3-6 pm. \$2.95-\$21.95

**PARADISE CAFE**

702 Anacapa St., 962-4416  
Lunch, dinner, weekend brunch, patio dining, full bar, steaks, chops, seafood, oakwood grill. Mon-Sat 11am-11pm, Sun 8:30am-11pm. Price range: \$4.75-\$18.95.

**PAVLAKO'S**

217 N. Milpas, 965-6203  
International cuisine including pastas, Mexican, Greek, Chinese, and Mediterranean dishes. Open Mon-Sat 6 am-9 pm, Sun 7 am-3 pm. Price range: \$3.25-\$12.95.

**SOHO RESTAURANT AND MUSIC CLUB**

1221 State St. #205, 962-7776  
Upstairs in Victoria Court Live music 7 nights featuring jazz, R & B, rock and acoustic folk. Gourmet menu, full bar, patio dining and happy hour specials.

**21 VICTORIA JAZZ/BAR RESTAURANT**

21 West Victoria St., 962-5222  
Serving California style food such as local pastas and fish platters. Enjoy live music Wednesday through Sunday. Weds and Suns are Reggae Funk and Thur through Sat features jazz music. Bar is open Tue-Sun

**WINE CASK**

813 Anacapa St., 966-9463  
California cuisine. Beer and wine. Open Mon-Fri 11:30 am-2:30 pm for lunch, dinner nightly from 5:30 pm. Price range: \$9.50-\$18.

**ZELO**

630 State, SB, 966-5792  
Economical and gourmet California cuisine, inside or on our outdoor patio! Filet Mingian, zelovera, blackened shark salad, chicken caesar salad, and other great entrees. Pasta Tuesday, all pasta dishes \$6.95. Dinner 5:30-9:30 pm Sun-Thur, till 10 pm Fri-Sat. Free cover with dinner. Price range \$6.00-\$9.95.

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**HAPPY HOURS DAILY FROM 4-8PM**  
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\$2 CORONAS • FOSTER PINTS  
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12.10 CADILLAC ANGELS (NO COVER!)  
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Voted best happy hour food and margaritas four years running. Mon-Thur 11 am-10 pm. Fri-Sat 11 am-11 pm. Sunday brunch 10-2 am. Happy hour 4-7 pm. Special late night happy hour Fri, Sat, Sun 9 pm-close.

**ALEX'S CANTINA**  
5918 Hollister Ave., 683-2577  
Santa Barbara's Best Mexican Food seven days from 11:30 am-9 pm. Gourmet homemade flour tortillas. Nightclub and dancing nightly. Happy Hour 4-8 with free buffet and appetizers. Lunch buffet, Sunday brunch. Lunch \$3.95-\$7.95; dinner \$3.95-\$11.95.

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11:30am-10 pm. Price  
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6831 Hollister Ave.,  
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# STATE AND A

## BAR & GRILL

— Just a sampling of our new menu —

<p><b>ITALIAN CHOPPED SALAD</b> Romaine &amp; iceberg lettuce chopped w/italian cotto salami, smoked mozzarella, garbanzo beans, fresh basil, scallions &amp; tossed w/our house vinaigrette. 6.25</p> <p><b>CHICKEN PESTO SANDWICH</b> Grilled chicken breast smothered w/pesto sauce &amp; topped w/smoked mozzarella, sweet Italian onions, lettuce &amp; mayo. 6.25</p>	<p><b>CARNE ASADA</b> Tender top sirloin grilled w/lemon, herbs &amp; pico de gallo. Served w/cheese enchilada, rice &amp; beans. 10.25</p> <p><b>GRILLED EGGPLANT SANDWICH</b> Lightly grilled eggplant, smoked mozzarella, pesto sauce, lettuce, tomato, mayo &amp; Italian red onions on whole wheat bread. Served w/french fries or pasta salad. 5.25</p>
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