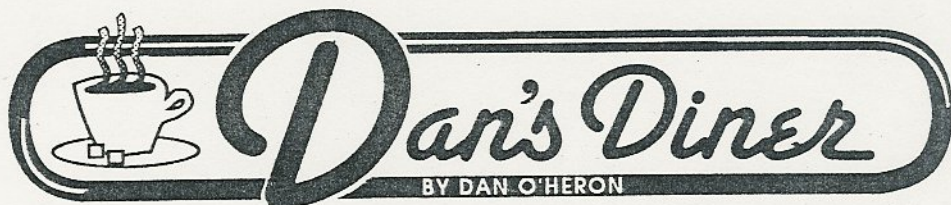


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Quake victim's benefit at Robin's

In the span of a few seconds on the morning of June 28, nature's blind chance and direction took a sudden fancy to the Allor family home in Sierra Madre and destroyed it with tooth and claw.

Now, days after the shock and personal devastation wrought by the Sierra Madre earthquake, the Allors, with the help of friends and neighbors, are trying to put the pieces of their lives back together.

Among those extending a hand is Robin's Restaurant in East Pasadena, a pleasurable dining spot for the Allors in better days.

On Wednesday, July 24, Robin's will donate 25% of its entire day's receipts to a fundraiser to help the Allors rebuild the home they lost.

Located at 395 N. Rosemead Blvd., next to the Hastings Ranch theater complex, Robin's will be open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., or time enough for most of us to drop by.

PLACE NAMES—Spotted KNBC newsman **Jess Marlow** and a woman huddled for lunch at **The Oaks in the Plaza** at the **Doubletree Hotel** last Saturday. ...A few days earlier at lunch, I spotted **Cher** lunching with a couple at **Trevos** in the **Pasadena Hilton**. I must say that Cher appears more fiercely beautiful in real life sitting at a table than she did on television sprawled on top of a piano. And she's much more fully-packed than she appears on the gym rat shows. At the sight of her, everyone at the salad bar stopped in their tracks and radishes absently found their way into chocolate mousse. (I know it was Cher. The bus boy said it was).

LARRY THE LIP—In interpreting the contents of **Mackey's** restaurant, *Daily News* food critic **Larry Lipson** found much to like and little to rankle. Lipson took to the grilled turkey breast with its "little zing from cilantro and chili," as well as the sweet and spicy pineapple salsa for dipping. He also acclaimed the grilled swordfish, chicken jalapeno sausage patties, garlic fries and onion rings. He said he was bored with the decor, though it sounds to me as if he was too busy eating things to have really noticed.

CHEWABLES—You'll want to check out the new 250-seat Chinese restaurant **Fu-Shing** located at 3500 E. Colorado Blvd. The capacious Szechwan restaurant includes an outdoor patio just in time for summer dining. Like the *yin* and *yang* principles are of importance to the universe, *hsien* and *hsiang* (aroma and natural flavor) principles will be important to this restaurant said Chang and Chor, the owner and general manager, respectively. Mr. Chang and Mr. Chor will tell you all about *hsien* and *hsiang* as guests on **Jan West Castro's** and **Bob Gourley's Speaking of Restaurants** on radio KPPC (1240 AM) Sunday, July 21, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.