

***THE "ALL YOU-CAN-EAT" BUFFET***

WE ALL HEADED OUT LAST SUNDAY  
FOR A GOOD OLD FAMILY DINNER  
GREAT-GRANDMAMAS AND TODDLERS,  
LOOKING FORWARD TO THE DAY  
BUT WE COULDN'T QUITE AGREE UPON  
A PLACE WHERE THIS ALL WOULD HAPPEN  
TILL OUR BRILLIANT GRANDDAUGHTER MENTIONED THE NAME

***OF THE GOLDEN YUMMY DRAGON PALACE SHANGHAI DYNASTY  
HONGKONG GARDENS PEKING GREAT WALL  
ALL YOU CAN EAT BUFFET!***

I'M SURE YOU KNOW THE TYPE OF PLACE  
IT'S IN A STRIP MALL OFF THE HIGHWAY  
BETWEEN A STOP AND SHOP AND A DOLLAR TREE  
GOT A BIG RED AND YELLOW SIGN  
YOU'RE NOT SURE WHAT THE CHINESE CHARACTERS SAY  
BUT YOU SALIVATE JUST TO SEE THEM  
'CAUSE YOU KNOW WHAT DELIGHTS YOU'LL FIND INSIDE

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ONCE INSIDE YOU'RE IN ANOTHER WORLD  
WHERE EXCITING THINGS CAN HAPPEN  
CASHEW, MOO SHOO, MOO GOO,  
YOU'RE READY FOR THEM ALL  
TREAT YOURSELF TO SOUP AND SUSHI  
AND A DRINK WITH A LITTLE UMBRELLA  
BUT YOU SHOULDN'T GO NEAR THE PIZZA

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FRIED RICE AND NOODLES AND PORK AND FISH  
STRANGE VEGETABLES IN ABUNDANCE  
FOO-YUNGS, DUMPLINGS, EGG ROLLS TOO  
TERIYAKIS, BEEF SATAY  
CRAB RANGOONS AND MEATBALLS  
CHICKEN, SHRIMP, AND LOBSTER  
THEY REALLY KNOW HOW TO TAKE CARE OF YOU

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**BUT ONE THING THAT GOT MY ATTENTION  
WAS THEIR VERSION OF CLAM CHOWDER  
A DARK AND SINISTER LIQUID  
AND I NOTED WITH DISMAY  
THINGS WERE BOBBING ON THE SURFACE  
MAYBE GRAPES OR MAYBE OLIVES  
WHATEVER THEY WERE, THEY SURELY WEREN'T CLAMS**

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**WELL ALL OF US HAD A LOVELY TIME  
FROM THE YOUNGEST TO THE OLDEST  
A CHINESE LUNCH IS HARD TO BEAT  
ON A CHILLY WINTER'S DAY  
GOOD FOOD, GOOD COMPANY, LOTS OF LAUGHS  
NOT A PEEP OUT OF THE YOUNGSTERS  
AND YOU REALLY COULDN'T ASK FOR MORE THAN THAT**

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**(CODA 1) (SLOWER)  
COME BACK IN AN HOUR  
AND START OVER AGAIN  
TO THE GOLDEN YUMMY ETC**

**(CODA 2)  
ONE CALENDAR PER TABLE  
AND TWO BUCKS FOR A DOGGIE BAG  
AT THE GOLDEN YUMMY ETC**

**(big finale)**

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