THIRD Place: Deja Vu Breakfast Company 3221 Esplanade, 287-5660

Burger

FIRST Place: Nobby's 1444 Park Ave., 342-2285 Two words: Cheececeese skirrrrrrrrt!!! It's a crispy thing of beauty on an already gorgeous stack of beef and bun. A Chico icon.

SECOND Place: Burgers and Brew 301 Broadway, 879-9100 THIRD Place: Burger Hut Two locations: 3211 Cohasset Road, 342-4555; 2451 Forest Ave., 891-1430

Burrito

FIRST Place: Aca Taco

Two locations: 133 Broadway, 894–0191; 1000 W. Sacramento Ave., Ste. D, 343–0909 In Chico, there are as many opinions about the best burritos and tacos as there are food trucks, taquerias and sit-down Mexican restaurants. Aca Taco makes a case against most comers, however, as its ridiculously oversized burritos hold onto the title for the ninth straight year.

SECOND Place: Gordo Burrito 1295 E. 8th St., 809-1211 THIRD Place: La Cocina Economica 905 Wall St., 809–0370

Caterer

FIRST Place: Bacio Catering

1903 Park Ave., 345-7787 If you've attended a local wedding or work party, odds are Bacio was probably there. Owner Erika Montanez's business is the go-to catering company in town, feeding Chico revelers with creative, fresh-made and beautifully presented spreads.

SECOND Place: Butte Creek BBQ 196 Cohasset Road, Ste. 150, 990-0023 THIRD Place: Italian Guy Catering 28 Bellarmine Court, 321-3456

Cheap Eats

FIRST Place: La Comida

954 Mangrove Ave., 345-2254 For more than 50 years, this institution of institutions has served generous plates of Mexican food to generations of Chico families at very affordable prices. The lines out the door don't lie.

SECOND Place: Aca Taco

Two locations: 133 Broadway, 894–0191; 1000 W. Sacramento Ave., Ste. D, 343–0909 **THIRD Place: La Cocina Economica** *905 Wall St., 809–0370*



Chef

FIRST Place: Ann Leon (Sierra Nevada Brewing Co.)

Sierra Nevada Brewing Co., 1075 E. 20th St., 893-3520

Chef Ann Leon is a Chico institution who has run the kitchens at some of the most popular places in town, starting with her own former downtown spot, Leon Bistro, and including everything from the Burban Kitchen in Meriam Park to the Canyon Oaks County Club. Earlier this year, she took over possibly the busiest spot in Chico, the Tap Room at Sierra Nevada Brewing Co.

SECOND Place: John Dean (Drunken Dumpling) Drunken Dumpling, 1414 Park Ave., 774-2173 THIRD Place: James Taylor (Sicilian Cafe) Sicilian Cafe, 240 Wall St, 345-2233

Craft Beer Selection

FIRST Place: The Commons Social Empourium

2412 Park Ave., 774-2999 The Commons Social Empourium's pour-your-own model is ideal for trying out a bunch of different craft brews. The electronic key-card system allows for quick sips of everything on tap—28 choices total, with wines and kombuchas in addition to a wide range of beers—before settling on the night's selections. The bar also serves food—pizzas and Sunday brunch items—and features live music inside or on the patio.

SECOND Place: The Chico Taproom 2201 Pillsbury Road, Ste. 114, 774-2943 THIRD Place: The Handle Bar 2070 E. 20th St., Ste. 160, 894-2337

Delivery

FIRST Place: Petra Penunuri – Entre Express

Entre Express, chicoentreeexpress.com Petra Penunuri has made such an impression on customers that Chicoans voted for the Entre Express driver by name!

SECOND Place: Door Dash doordash.com THIRD Place: Michael Castaldi – Christian & Johnson Christian & Johnson, 1098 E. First Ave., 891-1881

Diner

FIRST Place: Cozy Diner 1695 Mangrove Ave., 895-1195 Whether it's breakfast at suppertime or a broasted chicken at lunch, Cozy Diner serves an extensive menu of down-home comfort food 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

SECOND Place: Morning Thunder Cafe 352 Vallombrosa Ave., 342–9717 THIRD Place: The Roost Cafe 817 Main St., 892–1281

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