# **Restaurants and Other Services Around .Con Central**

The Holiday Inn/Microtel is situated in a commercial complex with a gas station, grocery store (Busch's), and several shops. And a Chase Bank, with ATM.

For breakfasts or other food outside of .Con parameters, there is a restaurant in the Holiday Inn. This is also the social space we'll be using in the evenings – it has a cocktail lounge. In addition, restaurants near the hotel are called out in lists below.

Retail areas are all westbound along Plymouth Road, away from U.S. 23.

# **Immediate Environs**

### Southeast Plymouth Green

This area is Plymouth Green – named because it's the intersection of Plymouth Road and Green Road. The hotels are located on the Southeast corner of Plymouth and Green.

Within the same area as the hotels and the grocery store:

- BeWon Korean Cuisine
- Quiznos (sub shop)
- Café Zamaan\* (wraps, falafel, etc. the chicken zamaan wrap is great)
- Mark's Midtown Coney Island (closest breakfast option outside hotel)

### **Northeast Plymouth Green**

Across Plymouth Road (on the Northeast side) there is a CVS Pharmacy. The closest Post Office is about a quarter of a mile north on Green Road.

(This is also where the Hampton Inn is located.)

### **Northwest Plymouth Green**

- Sweetwaters (coffee shop)
- Umi Sushi
- Olga's Kitchen
- Papa John's (pizza)
- Subway

The Sweetwaters is easily walkable, and may be the best bet for a morning coffee.

\* For our opinion, visit: blog.ramkosch.net

# **Further Afield**

As you travel westbound (inbound) on Plymouth Road, there are several more restaurants and cafés (mostly in plazas with one exception), all on your right (the North side). The other side is the University's North Campus. There are several different banks represented along this route, if you're looking for a specific one.

• Carson's American Bistro

The next major intersection is *Plymouth Road at Huron Parkway.* This is about a mile from Plymouth Green, but has a lot to offer.

The gas station (Speedway) here is usually cheaper than the BP by the hotel.

### Plymouth Road Mall

Located on the Northeast corner, this development includes:

- Starbucks
- Songbird Café\*
- Curry Up\*
- The Big Salad
- Evergreen Restaurant (Chinese?)
- Way 1 Supermarket (Asian)

There's also a large wine shop in the back of the complex.

### **Traver Village Shopping Center**

On the Northwest corner of Plymouth and Huron Pkwy is the plaza we're most familiar with. It has a large Kroger grocery store (and pharmacy). It had a yarn shop until last week. :-(

- Achatz Pie (official lcohen stamp of approval)
- Jimmy John's sandwiches
- Zoup
- Domino's (technically in Ann Arbor they're local)
- McDonald's
- Espresso Royale (their coffee has been recommended to us as the best in this neck of the woods)

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Just under a mile from here along Plymouth is one more set of shopping centers that contain eating establishments close enough to the hotel to be useful. This intersection is Upland on one side, and Murfin on the other.

### **Northeast Corner**

- Seoul Street (Korean?)
- Panera
- Qdoba
- Great Plains Burger Co.

# **Courtyard Shops (Northwest Corner)**

- Café Marie\*
- Lucky Kitchen (Chinese?)
- Exotic Bakery and Syrian Cuisine\*
- Ayse's Turkish Café\*
- Biggby Coffee
- No Thai!\*
- Saica Restaurant (Japanese)
- Cardamom (Indian new)
- Jet's Pizza
- Subway

As you continue on Plymouth Road inbound, there will be more places (including the Northside Grill, which we've heard great things about). But less convenient to the hotel.

There are, of course, plenty of restaurants downtown. The .Con will visit several. We've been to a few of them this past year; if you're downtown on your own, and want to know if we've reviewed something, check out: <u>http://blog.ramkosch.net/</u>

In addition, the .Con website lists several downtown restaurants: <u>http://www.clock.org/~jss/motss/con26/restaurants.html</u>

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