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On our way back, we stopped in Bernalillo at Coronado Monument to see the only preserved Anasazi kachina paintings in existence. Think it was Tuesday again? Hah! Wednesday, baby. We went through the displays and down into the Kiva. The only Kiva wall paintings of this type ever discovered! Painted 1000 years ago! Amazing artistry and Anasazi symbolism! Want to see them? Hah! "No Photos Allowed."

So, as we sit in the Cow Palace Best Western, in Lamar Colorado, a town apparently named after a doughnut, but smelling more like a feedlot, and forced to use dial-up Internet, our thoughts turn to a key component of our trip: The Roadside Lunch. Not always able to find calamari when we want it, we have perfected the prepare-and-eat-anywhere-anytime-roadside lunch:

Aseptically packed chicken or salmon with Miracle Whip, Woeber's horseradish sauce, on a Sara Lee 100% whole grain bun. A side of fruit cocktail. The big improvement this year was the bun. In the low humidity the bread would get dry and crunchy in 30 seconds. This bun, with its life-extending chemical ingredient package and wide crust, simply defies desert air. And only the condiments have to go in the cooler.



This is Sheila making the perfect roadside lunch while standing on the picnic bench. There are ants on the ground.



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