Ordering Chinese

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My family has accused me of shouting
"Vegetable
Chow
Mei
Fun"
way too loud into the phone.
I've also been accused of
doing it
with
a
Chinese
accent.
I'm not Chinese.
And I'm usually soft-spoken.
Now, years later, it is a family comedy act that they perform.

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They think it is hysterical. It doesn't humiliate me. I always get the message across.

It arrives hot.