Los Cabos Humane Society Has Come A Long Way, Baby

BY SANTIAGO VERDUGO

With thirty animal shelters and rescues in the Los Cabos area, there is a lot of confusion regarding the animal services available, and we wanted to help clarify the role of the Los Cabos Humane Society (LCHS), the first and largest of them all. Our Mission: To provide education in the respectful treatment of animals, to conduct sterilization and to promote adoption.

Our Donors: The shelter receives no government funding and relies on donations. 80% of our donors are foreigners in our community. 17% of our donors are from national companies interested in the health and image of our city. 3% of donors are from our national community.

Our Geographical Focus: The municipality of Los Cabos and surrounding metropolises such as Los Barriles, Todos Santos and La Paz.

Why Support LCHS?

As the only full-service animal shelter in Los Cabos, the LCHS is a vital resource for the community offering the following services:

- Regular support for some of the smaller rescues in the region.
- Some of the others utilize our veterinary services, bring us overflow animals and utilize our cremation service.
- Maintenance of a highly-functional facility with veterinary and shelter management staff who are those who hire professionals to run it, that’s who.

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Who Doesn’t Have Grief With Their HOA?

Those who hire professionals to run it, that’s who.

Managing Home Owners Associations is dicey in the best of circumstances. For foreigners in Mexico, it’s beyond tough, it’s fraught with grief.

First of all, enforcement of the rules should not be the job of the homeowners. Who wants their neighbor to tell them they can’t use the pool? And do you want your neighbor to tell you you can’t use the pool just because you’re behind in your HOA fees? No, you will weenie out for sure. Or you will work up such a head of steam you will piss off your neighbor and still not get the money. You need to third party those HOA rules out, and if you’re smart about it, you save money and headaches doing it.

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Children’s Annual Party! This Tuesday, April 30, Mexico celebrates Children’s Day. It’s a school day, so they will be treated to a party at school. Then it’s customary for parents to take them out to lunch if their jobs permit it. If not, they can take them to places where public parties are thrown for them. In Cabo San Lucas, both the Plaza San Lucas (think Walmart) and the Puerto Paraiso mall hold several activities with live music, games, raffles, piñatas, clowns and the like.

Sometimes there’s some food available, but for sure fruit-flavored drinks and lots of candies and balloons. In La Paz, The Festival del Niño of the La Paz Cultural center starts at 6:00 p.m. in the center’s patio. The address is 16 de Septiembre near the corner of Belisario Dominguez street. There will be clowns, a juggler and more entertainment for children at this 90-minute family show, which is free. For more information, call 612-122-0065.

Liga MAC Knicker group update. On April, 3 Liga Mac held their 10th annual Knick NAC golf tournament at Querencia which benefits the children’s scholarship program. This year they had 52 players and through green fees, hole sponsors and a silent auction, the group raised over $18,000. It is important to know that 100% of the proceeds went directly to Liga MAC.

The tournament winners of the net best ball were: Dr. Fenton Sanger, Sue Cornelius, Les Marks and Chris Marks. Men’s closest to the pin was Doug Moul. Ladies’ closest to the pin was Heather Allen. After the tournament winners were announced, attendees enjoyed a fantastic dinner and held a silent auction. Many members played in the spirit of Payne Stewart by wearing their “plus 4s” in cheerful color and style. We love to remember Payne - for fun, for tradition and for the be careful. We’re tired of picking up bodies and wrecked vehicles every week.

Traffic alert! Mexico’s communications and transports ministry (SCT) will begin rehab work along the busy four-lane between Cabo and San Jose, filling potholes, repairing curbs and giving maintenance to lighting and medians’ landscaping.

Julius Caesar, the local SCT honcho, stated these works will last at least 6 weeks. At one point in some areas only one lane will be drivable, so take your time, don’t be late, and please please be careful. We’re tired of picking up bodies and wrecked vehicles every week.

Is this a conundrum? Thousands of new conundrums are being created every year in Los Cabos, due to the opening of seven to eight new hotels per year. The growth in the past few months has reached over 38%, according to Mexico’s social security institute.

Within our Southern Baja state, 7 of every 10 new jobs are located in Los Cabos. The challenge is, according to Patricia Lavoignet, president of the Los Cabos job system agency, is that many of the applicants for new jobs have none or little training. Yet, they have to be hired, as there is no more hand available. And they’re trained quickly, or could we say, half-trained?

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Labor Day Is Coming
May 1, and prepare for a traffic-jamming parade
BY CEASAR CHAVEZ

Mexico’s lower house of Congress has approved a labor law reform aimed at ensuring workers can vote for their union representatives and their contracts. The changes are under discussion because they are needed in order to win the approval of the new U.S.-Mexico-Canada trade agreement, which was negotiated to replace the old NAFTA.

The bill now goes to the Senate and requires secret-ballot union votes and proof of workers’ consent for their own contracts. Mexico’s labor movement has long been stymied, and wages kept low by pro-government unions that sign contracts and organize plants behind workers’ backs.

For decades, unions — many of whose leaders were members of the old ruling party the PRI — were so secretive that employees often didn’t know that a union even existed at their workplace.

Pro-company unions would sign labor contracts with companies before they even opened plants in Mexico. After a plant opened, like a new BMW assembly plant, the word would go out there were jobs and if you wanted one, here’s what your union had “negotiated” for you.

Since President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador took office on Dec. 1, there have been dozens of strikes in the northern border city of Matamoros, sparked in part by Lopez Obrador’s decision to double the minimum wage in border areas. That didn’t appease the workers, it just spurred them on to demand more when they saw they could get double their pay so easily.

So they demanded $1,700 US bonus and got it, and another round of raises. When they quickly got all this, the strikes spread and companies quickly caved in.

These manufacturing plants are in contracts to supply manufacturers in the States, contracts with big, big penalties. The strikes came so quickly there was no time to build up inventories and most manufacturers practice just in time inventory control, meaning there is no more than a few days supply north of the border. The plants here had to pay.

There are currently about 7,000 vacant jobs along the border, but until these strikes, still the plants had no stomach for raisers, they have become used to paying the minimum wage of about $5 US per day.

Some say this is why Mexico is letting in all these Central Americans who will inevitably be waiting at the border to cross. The hope is they will go to work there, depress the wages with their numbers. But that hasn’t happened because charities have been housing and feeding them, causing them to lose any enthusiasm for work. Most of them sleep all day in the shelters rather than go to work for less than they’re dreaming of earning in the United States.

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You can contact them at: Los Cabos Humane Society Inc. Office Phone: 143-3947 Cell Phone: (624)129-8346.
Pacifying unions at what cost? Mexican President Andrés Manuel Lopez Obrador, (AMLO) has said he was ordering the education, interior and finance ministries to suspend laws passed by the government of his predecessor, President Enrique Pena Nieto.

AMLO says those laws belong to the “neo-liberal” era, his name for the three and a half decades that preceded his election. He has repeatedly blamed that period for aggravating poverty, corruption and violence in Mexico.

The repeal of this law is aimed at buying off the CNTE teachers union - a dissident breakaway group from the biggest union, the SNTE. These young people who call themselves student teachers, although they don’t go to school, have staged months of protests and blockades to pressure Lopez Obrador to dump the 2013 reform that requires new teachers to take a competency exam and forbids the buying and selling of teaching jobs. AMLO also let the head of the teachers union out of jail, who was found to have $200 million US in properties as well as a private jet. AMLO just this week gave her back all of her ill-gotten-booty and she is running for president of the union again. If she wins, she will once again be able to sway elections by delivering 26,000 votes from her teachers.

Thousands of migrants have been stranded in Chiapas as they wait to see if they will be granted humanitarian visas, or at least 20-day transit visas that allow them to legally travel through Mexico.

Central Americans Getting Pushy.

Trump is cranking up pressure on Mexico to stop the flow of migrants through that country and it seems to be working. A little bit. Detentions of undocumented migrants waiting for registration in Mexico increased to 12,746 last month, an increase of almost one-third compared to February and two-thirds compared to January.

The INM says that migrants staying at its facilities are not detained but being held for processing, but rights groups and the migrants themselves say they are not free to leave.

Some of the migrants have been staying inside a makeshift shelter set up inside a sports stadium for almost three weeks, while others have camped in a field. “It’s madness that they’re making us wait so long. For what? For nothing!” said Daisy Maldonado, a 26-year-old from Honduras who traveled to Mexico with her five-year-old daughter.

 Immigration Commissioner Tonatiuh Guillén said in a recent interview that a stricter immigration approach was being adopted in the south of Mexico due to a large number of arrivals, but he denied that it was a result of pressure from the United States, although two large groups of migrants – 204 from Honduras and 148 from Cuba – were deported from Mexico in recent days after they were found traveling through the country without having first regularized their immigration status.

“Migration officials are grabbing us like pigs,” said Erick Morazan, a 28-year-old Honduran migrant who traveled at night in a “caravan of zombies” to avoid detection by immigration officials and the possibility of deportation.

In related news. As the number of Central American immigrants has increased, the welcome mat in southern Mexico is being withdrawn. One Mapastepec resident who said she helped provide food for migrant caravans last year told
Coming Soon! New Pickleball Court to Hit East Cape

If you live in the Este Cabo area; and are looking for something new to keep you and the family busy; Castillo de Arena South has just the activity opening in the near future. Construction is currently underway on a brand new Pickleball Court and complex.

The court is scheduled to be open the first week in May. Upon the initial opening, there will be two pickleball courts; a small social area; and two washrooms (bano's).

The opening will offer free play for the 1st and 2nd weeks. There will be some paddles and balls for the novices and first-timers to try out the sport.

Reservations can be made on the web site – Castillo Pickleball.com- and will offer the courts for $10 daily per player. Half-day or annual membership.

Prices will be disclosed after the grand opening.

The payments and reservations will need to be completed online.

The complex has space allocated for three additional courts; participation and popularity will determine if it blooms to the 5-court complex. Depending on the growth, there is a long-term plan for concessions; perhaps a juice or coffee bar.

The property will be fenced and secure. It is rumored that a Bocce Ball court will be constructed there as well; making it a well-rounded family fun destination.

Tentatively, the complex will offer $10 daily per player. Half-day and will offer the courts for the web site – Castillo Pickleball. timers to try out the sport.

The closest Pickleball courts are in Las Barrilles.

So keep an eye out for the opening and the web site. The road is a little dusty but good. The trip is well worth the good clean fun to be had. Who couldn’t use some exercise? 😊

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Jorge Macias and Suail Iñiguez who work for Associa, an international company out of Texas that has more than 4 million homeowners under management. Their local office is in San Jose where they observe best practices learned over the years in the United States.

Associa has a variety of services packaged to fit individual HOA needs.

"Without an income stream your association cannot function," says Macias, right out of the gate.

"Finances should be your top priority. An association’s financial house can fall into disarray for a variety of reasons. Which might include an apathetic board, a clueless board, or simply a new association that doesn’t know what to do."

So the first order of business Associa looks at is getting the finances in order. They swing into debt recovery mode almost immediately, and they have the legal tools to get that money. And, before we can even ask, he assures us HOA scofflaws can be denied access to certain parts of the property. Not their home, but they may be required to walk to it since they can be denied access by their car. A favorite first tactic in debt collection is to deactivate the gate card.

Next, or rather at the same time, all the vendor contracts are reviewed by Associa. Do you even know what a gardener or pool guy should be paid? Asks Iñiguez. And do you know what payroll taxes are due on his behalf and when? No, you do not.

Associa recommends you review all the major contracts you’re in. Are you getting the best deal for your trash removal, housekeeping, or maintenance? Tells us a ship shape HOA should be rebuilding their contracts every three years or so, even if you’re getting great service.

Reserve studies are a foundational document that helps you budget in your community and keep special assessments under control. Make sure your community has one, and that it’s been updated within the last five years. In the event it has not been updated or doesn’t exist, you need to carry out a reserve study as soon as possible. If you do have a recent study, make sure you’re actually following the budgeting recommendations it provides. If not, the dreaded special assessment might be looming in your future.

Many Associations must be in need for tax purposes. If you’re looking to do a deeper dive, you can carry out an out-of-cycle audit to make sure everything is clean. This is particularly important if you’re changing management companies or suspect hanky panky. There are plenty of horror stories of communities that have faced embarrassement.

These actions will help right the ship, but without careful maintenance and diligence, you may end up back where you started. Sure your board is taking your Condo Association finances seriously, but how many of them speak Spanish and are up on paying taxes and employment law in Mexico? Asking them to run a business in a foreign country is a big ask.

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The Guy At The Top Of The World

BY DAVID FLORES

Did you see that guy sitting on top of the mountain overlooking Divorce beach on the front page of this rag? If not, pay attention! Go back, look at it and then come back for the story.

His name is Iker Algorri, a very unusual name and last name for a Mexican which originates from the separatist Basque province in Spain.

The pic was taken sometime in 1988 or 89, so he was in his early 20’s at the time. The resort behind him is the now demolished Solmar resort, which came back to life as Grand Solmar, bigger and luxury-er.

Born in Mexico City, Iker arrived in Southern Baja (that’s our state, Bunky) 36-years-ago. He remembers that waaya back he visited Todos Santos and thought, “I’d love to live down here in a little casita.” But his job as a Mexican federal agent kept him busy in other parts of Mexico and in between, he traveled the world. He is an attorney with additional studies to become an English teacher, foreign commerce, customs, and chef.

He has traveled extensively as shown in his hundreds of selfies published on Facebook. He has been to the U.S., Canada, Cuba, Puerto Rico, Argentina, Egypt, Jordan, Israel, parts of Europe, the Virgin Islands, and one of his favorite places, Petra, in Jordan.

Iker has worked for the Mexican government at the federal gun registry, then as a customs warden, tax police, tax collector and interpreter for the justice department. At some point in his life, he followed his true vocation, which was eating, and decided to take some lessons to become a Chef. He worked for Café Brown in Fort Ware, B.C., Canada.

Later he made his dream come true. He moved to Todos Santos where he opened his own Café Brown in 2000 and served several celebrities, including his favorites, some Victoria’s Secret Angels. He is currently in charge of the kitchen at the Los Colibris Casitas in Todos Santos, where he also sporadically holds cooking classes.

His hobbies are music (he owns about 3,000 LP’s, 2,000 cassettes and about 2,500 CD’s), reading drawing, traveling, photography and … eating. He has two daughters and one son, named Asshanti Nic tehá, An-don Younoem Y Tahnee Danaé, and to this date remains single.

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like to know what to look for in your quest for the best taco? Look no more! Here’s my introduction to the 4 variables to consider in your search for the best taco you’ve ever tasted.

Did you see that guy sitting on top of the mountain overlooking Divorce beach on the front page of this rag? If not, pay attention! Go back, look at it and then come back for the story.

Our other option is to import trained workers from other states in Mexico’s mainland, but that creates a second challenge, lodging. They come in hordes, squat in other people’s land, and then bring in their relatives as jobs abound in Cabo.

The Tortilla comes first. It must be handmade, but not only that, the taste of corn should be felt. It is important to pair the type of corn or flour with the protein or vegetable that is going to be wrapped by the tortilla.

The stew that will rest in the taco is the main actor. Whether it is red meat, chicken, fish shrimp or vegetables, they must be very properly cooked and seasoned. A taco without good stew is like a CONTINUED ON PAGE 10
The Real Story Behind Sinko de Mayo

Few people know the real story of the origin of Sinko de Mayo, so we are setting the record straight.

Back in 1912, Helmann’s mayonnaise was manufactured in England, and the Titanic was carrying 12,000 jars of the spread scheduled for delivery in Vera Cruz, the next port of call after its stop in New York. This would have been the largest single shipment of mayonnaise ever delivered to Mexico but as we know, the great Titanic did not make it to New York. The ship sank and the cargo was lost forever. The people of Mexico, who are crazy about mayonnaise, were inconsolable at their loss. Their anguish was so great, that they declared a national day of mourning on May 5, which they still observe to this day, and it is known, of course as Sinko de Mayo. Go out on this day, grab a couple of slices of Bimbo bread and a jar of Hellman’s mayonnaise, and declare a party!

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Never A Good Sign
Ominous lack smoke wafted over the Los Cabos sky, coming from the wrecking yard at Mesa Colorado, which caught on fire last week.

The fire was attended to by the volunteer fire fighters, the Army; (Seriously? They put out fires and not just start them?) Also helping out were some water truckers and some volunteers.

So. We’ve got some old junked cars that have been tossed away. And we pour our drinking water from our water trucks on them. We might have let them burn, but that’s just us.

It’s Official: Foreigners are Chopped Liver
Every year at Easter time the federal agency Cofepris tests 1,600 samples of water from 269 beaches to make sure those beaches are safe enough for the Mexicans who will be swarming their beaches for the holiday. Of course you, our precious foreign reader, have been swimming in those waters all year round and nobody seems too worried about our health...

Moving on, all the beaches in our state passed the standard of 200 enterococci per 100 ml.

The most polluted beaches in the country are two in Acapulco, one in Puerto Vallarta, one in Oaxaca, and some that you’ve never heard of, so why worry about them?

The worst in our state is Playa Gran Baja in La Paz, south of town, outside of the La Posada resort and the old Grand Baja hotel, away from the beaches that get washed by open water and even that was only 27 NMP / 100 ml. Not something we would bathe in, but good enough for a foreigner.

Pedestrian Bridge Going Up
They’re finally working on the promised overhead pedestrian bridge in San Jose a couple hundred yards south of the traffic circle. Ched Wowie, the new grocery store, is paying for it. No, that’s not how it’s spelled but at least now you know how to pronounce it.

The good news is there will be an elevator and a ramp at each end, and Ched Wowie will be financially responsible for keeping the elevator going up and down. The bad news is Ched Wowie is promising to service those up and downers only every three years. The worse news is the grocery store folks are already soliciting sponsors to kick in some bucks for this every three year maintenance.

Let’s just hope they clean the inevitable trash out of the elevator more than every three years. Because the whole shebang is a prefabricated metal infrastructure built over on the mainland, our officials are promising it will be ready three months from now. Tick tock, tick tock.

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Boxing In San Jose is Alive And Well

BY GEORGE JOBB

The Head coach Jose Manuel Cecena, came to San Jose Del Cabo in 1976 and has 47 professional fights under his belt. Jose has fought throughout Mexico including Tijuana, Jalisco and Guadalajara.

He started boxing at the age of 15 mostly because he was getting in a lot of fights anyway. You may as well learn how to do it properly if that’s the case.

Jose currently has 12 students training, five of them have had amateur fights. They train Monday to Friday from 6:30 to 9:30 a.m. at the municipal Boxing Club down by the baseball diamond in the San Jose Athletic Park.

It’s a solid building with a concrete floor and seats with a high ceiling for good ventilation. It was obviously built to last. The ring is in the center of the floor with heavy bags set up around. It has that meat and potatoes old-school feel.

I spent half an hour talking to Jose about his life and couldn’t help but notice that Jose, like most boxers, looked through me rather than at me. Which isn’t uncommon when you have thousands of rounds of sparring under your belt.

Usually, there’s quite a bit of conditioning and drills when you start boxing. After a few months of training, you usually start sparring two to three times a week. Amateurs usually conditioning, usually 3 months to get into a routine if you’re training 4 or 5 times a week. Then some sort of assessment of yourself is needed. You will have to decide where you are, and where you want to be. The dark space between those two points is where the effort, sweat and pain are, to change who you are now.

I heard a good story a few years ago from an old boxer who had fought professionally back in the late 60s. He was short on rent money when he was asked by a promoter to take a fall in the fourth round of a fight. He agreed to the terms but realized during the fight, he wasn’t going to make it to the fourth round. Fortunately, he did manage to run away from his opponent in the second and third rounds without getting disqualified, barely making it into the first minute of the fourth round. Forty years later he still laughs about it as he tells the story. Boxers do have a sense of humor.

The head instructors, Jose’s phone number is 624 191 2738, should you think you would like to give it a try, they’re open year-round. Also, if you happen to have some 16oz sparring gloves, they’re always looking for donations.

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The state oil company reported that 1,342 new pipeline taps were detected in February, an increase of 9.6% over the same month in 2018.

In January, a month when the federal government was implementing an anti-fuel theft strategy that caused widespread gasoline shortages, there were 1,519 new pipeline taps detected, a 45% increase compared to a year earlier. In Hidalgo, where more than 100 people were killed in January by an explosion at a tapped pipeline, the number of illegal taps still didn't go down.

The government's claims that fuel theft has been significantly reduced appear to be not true. 

Three weeks after he took office on December 1, President López Obrador began implementing a strategy aimed at combating high levels of fuel theft, a crime that costs Pemex billions of pesos a year. The strategy included the closure of several major pipelines and the deployment of the military and Federal Police to protect fuel infrastructure. With pipelines closed, Pemex was forced to make greater use of tanker trucks to transport fuel, a situation that was blamed for causing prolonged gasoline shortages that affected more than 10 states.

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Mexico Demands Apology From Spain for Conquest

Spain Says Go Pound Sand

There's big money in the apology-extraction business today, as compelling a mea culpa can be a prerequisite for demanding reparations. So perhaps it's no surprise that Mexico's socialist president Andrés Manuel López-Obrador recently demanded an apology from Spain for colonial conquest. What is surprising in this age of the cowardly kowtow is Spain's response: Its foreign minister essentially told Mexico to pound sand. As El PAÍS reported Tuesday, "Mexico's leftist leader Andrés Manuel López Obrador, of the National Regeneration Movement, recently sent a letter to the king of Spain, Felipe VI, urging him to acknowledge these abuses (of the conquistadors a half millennium ago) and to ask for forgiveness so there can be full reconciliation between both countries.”

In a release, however, the Spanish government said it "firmly rejects the arguments contained in the letter, which was sent to the monarch via the Spanish Foreign Affairs Ministry,” the site continues.

"The arrival of Spaniards 500 years ago to present-day Mexican territory cannot be judged in light of contemporary considerations. Our brother nations have always known how to read our common past without anger and with a constructive perspective,” said the Spanish government in its statement.

American Thinker points out that Spain's socialist ruling party might have had to respond robustly because it's threatened by the conservatives in an upcoming April 28 election. Nonetheless, robust the response was.

To wit: Foreign Minister José Borrell said on Tuesday that he "deeply laments the request by Mexican President Andrés Manuel López Obrador” and that, "obviously, Spain is not going to offer such an ‘extemporaneous apology.’”

"Just like we are not going to ask the French Republic to apologize for what Napoleon's soldiers did when they invaded Spain. Or like the French are not going to ask the Italians to beg forgiveness for Julius Caesar's conquest of Gaul,” he added.="

Unsurprisingly, the leader of Spain's conservative PP, Pablo Casado, went even further. Calling Mexico's demand a “veritable affront,” he unabashedly stated, "I don't believe in Spain's black legend. Not in the one that was drafted centuries ago, and not in the one that the complex-ridden left is now trying to draft. We are one of the most important nations in the history of humanity.”

The first thing to wonder when considering Mexico's demand is who would apologize to whom? Mexico's ruling class is largely of Spanish descent (and white), and the nation speaks Spanish and is of Spanish culture. It's a bit like us demanding an apology from Britain for its version of the National Regeneration Movement.

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Ain’t Gonna Happen

Spain is getting huffy that our President is demanding an apology for conquering Mexico 500 years ago. The Spaniards are saying Mexico can white Dixie until that happens. We'll paraphrase.

Spain's Foreign Minister Jose Borrell said: "Just like we are not going to ask the French people to apologize for what Napoleon's soldiers did when they invaded Spain. Or like the French are not going to ask the Italians to beg forgiveness for Julius Caesar's conquest of Gaul." We just want Spain to step up to the maintenance of the rickety desalinization plant they build in Cabo San Lucas. The thing was a loser from the get-go and can't be counted on to reliably produce tap water. The Los Cabos government says the problem is the Spanish company that built it is slow to send parts.

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The WHAT and WHY of Fideicomisos
Part One – The What

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Ok, you hear it all of the time ... Fideicomiso, Fidoo, Fidu? Say what? Fideicomiso, translated means “trust.” In fact, it comes from the Roman word, “Fides” meaning “trust” and “comissum” meaning “to commit.” It is a part of general Mexican law derived from Roman, German and Anglo-Saxon law which predominantly became in favor and use in the early 1900’s in Mexico. It’s first uses date back to 1905, where foreign companies wanted to make investments in Mexico, such as rail lines, banks, or public works projects, but needed assurances for their investments. In 1924, Mexico finally recognized the legal basis for “trusts.” Prior to this time, per the 1917 Constitution, the land, water and mineral rights belonged solely to the Mexican people; i.e., the government and foreigners had no legal method of legally “owning” land in Mexico. In fact, private ownership, in Mexico, even by its citizens, is a relatively new concept that has centuries of arduous history, but that is a subject for another article! The use of Fideicomisos, as far as foreign “ownership” of property under the Mexican Constitution is concerned, was first established by the Constitutional Amendment of 1971. This concept and law enables foreigner’s to “own” residential land in the Restricted Zone under a “trust.” (The Restricted Zone is defined as 50 (30 miles) kms from ANY coastline in the Mexican nation and 100 kms (60 miles) from ANY border.) Please note, that although amended, this vehicle for foreign “ownership” is now 46 years old, with millions of trusts in place. And a Constitutional Amendment is not easy to do. It requires both the majority of the Senate and the Representatives to approve it, and then each of the 31 Mexican states and the Federal District to ratify it. Not at all simple! So it is a tried and true safe way for foreigners to purchase property in Mexico in the restricted zone. Understand that legally, the bank is the owner. But, under the legally recognized, constitutionally approved use of a Trust, YOU are the beneficiary of all rights of use and enjoyment. You can sell, will, improve, profit from the use of the property (as long as you follow the conditions of the trust and follow the law. i.e. – get caught dealing drugs from the property – you lose it. Same as the U.S. Get caught trafficking arms- the same thing. Fail to pay your property taxes or trust fees- same thing. Not much different than the CONTINUED ON PAGE 15

Agent Profile
Katie Mariscal

Cathy Slawkin has joined the Coldwell Banker Riveras Team as a licensed real estate broker and is excited and enthusiastic to continue to build her real estate career while living in Cabo. She was born in California and raised in Hinsdale, Illinois where she spent over 30 years working for a not-for-profit hospital company. The past 18 years of which she was the executive director of the real estate division. Cathy has extensive experience in conducting real estate transactions and managing a diverse real estate portfolio including property management, buying, leasing, selling, site evaluation, and the design-build of general and medical office space.

In addition, Cathy has strong relationship and team-building skills with expertise in negotiation and closing acquisitions. Cathy and her family went on a spring break vacation with neighbors in 2002 and instantly fell in love with Cabo and has been spending as much time as possible in Lands End ever since. Cathy bought a home in Pedregal, Cabo San Lucas 5 years ago and her dream has now become her reality! Cathy loves the outdoors and enjoys the beach, beautiful sunrises and sunsets, hiking, swimming, fishing, people, animals and all that the Baja lifestyle has to offer.

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U.S.!) In 1973, an amendment was passed requiring foreign owners to sign and commit to the “Calvo Clause.” The “Calvo Clause,” or “Long Arm Clause,” as it is commonly referred to, states that the foreigner having interest in Mexican land or property will commit to considering himself Mexican with respect to the property, maintaining his citizenship or his home country, but committing to the laws of the nation, and to not invoke the right to request assistance from his home country with respect to the property located in Mexico. This was done to close a loophole that has been borne out in Mexican History (Part 2 of this article). The penalty for doing so is the loss of the property rights and cancellation of the trust. (It makes sense that you cannot go to a Mexican court for a dispute regarding land you own in Colorado, right?) It also established the foreigner needed to pay for the fideicomiso process with an approved trust bank. It also added the trust could be renewed. 1989, established the term of a “trust” for 30 years. And established that foreign-owned Mexican Corporation may own non-residential property. Residential being defined as a dwelling (single family or multi-family), and Non-residential defined as anything else: tourism/hospitality, agriculture, commercial, industrial, etc. 1993 brought new amendments meant to bring investment capital to Mexican shores. It increased the term from 30 years to 50 years, renewable. Renewing MUST be done, however, with secondary beneficiaries living at the time of the secondary beneficiaries being named. This was done to avoid un-born children or heirs from automatically being named and an unregulated renewal process. (Should a beneficiary die during the term of the fideicomiso, a new one may be named, and the primary beneficiary may change the secondary beneficiary at any time as well, but, they must be living.) In 1996 and 1998, amendments were adopted that allowed foreign investors “outside of a Mexican corporation to acquire title to land in the restricted zone for non-residential purposes,” in other words an individual. However, all foreigners holding prop-
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The careful reader will have observed we’re presenting you this issue with the need to think your purchases through with the need to be environmentally conscious. Buy smart and recycle and work to reduce your personal carbon footprint, and here’s some ideas on how to draw your home into that mindset. Here are some tips to make your home and your wallet a little greener.

Buy efficient appliances. Appliances are getting more efficient every year, and some have better energy and water-use ratings than others. The energy rating of an appliance is easy to find and can be a great guide for those looking to reduce their electricity and water consumption.

Install low-use fixtures. Shower heads, toilets, faucets and other fixtures now come in models that use less water than others. These fixtures can lower a home’s utility bill as well as reduce the amount of water a home uses.

Plant a garden. Plants reduce carbon dioxide and give off oxygen. Keeping a garden can help counteract your carbon output, provide a fun hobby and supply you with home-grown vegetables or beautiful flowers. Install a drip irrigation system so that plants get only the water they need.

Invest in insulation. Insulate your home’s walls, ceilings and the roof. This will reduce the amount of water a home uses.

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filled with live music.

The organizers are announcing great fanfare, including the presence of Durga McBroom, an American singer, songwriter and actress who has performed backing vocals for Pink Floyd and is a member of the house music band Blue Pearl, best known for their hit single “Naked in the Rain.” At press time, they had no information about his performance date and hour. Enjoy!

Food fest in La Paz. This Friday, May 3, the 9th “La Pazión por el Sabor” (Passion for Flavor) will take place at the golf club at Paraiso del Mar from 7 p.m. to midnight. Paraiso del Mar is located on that leg of land that is visible from the La Paz Malecon. Tickets are $20 pesos (some $60 bucks). The event is organized by the local restaurant, CANIRAC. The price includes all you can eat of samples from 80 restaurants from La Paz, Los Barriles, Los Cabos and Mulege. Also included are soft drinks, wine, beer or tequila. Entertainment is provided by beautiful Mexican singer Kika Edgar.

How to get there: From the parking lot behind Liverpool, buses will leave regularly to the venue at Paraiso del Mar (organizers say the ride will take 30 minutes). In addition, organizers say ferries will leave from the Vista Coral dock every 10 minutes starting at 6:00 p.m. If you purchase tickets from Fundación Ayuda Niños La Paz, A.C. (FANLAP), half the ticket price supports FANLAP’s programs to help children from impoverished areas on the outskirts of La Paz. For tickets, contact Judy Peterson at judyepeterson@hotmail.com or fanlap@hotmail.com.

Who was here last week? Much to our delight, Cabo continues to be a-A List celebrities favor beach to visit, get engaged, get married, or just relax drinking Margaritas and Tequila, Mezcal or Cervezas. Last week, Her Majesty Lady Gaga was here to celebrate her 33rd birthday, along with nearly a dozen friends. This is not Gagas first trip to Cabo, as she was here a few years ago and visited the Casa Hogar, an orphanage where she spent time with the kids, sang for them and left a fat donation behind.

Next, we welcomed 26-year old blonde Sophie Turner, relaxing after her season 5 premiere of GOT – Game of Thrones. For the 1% that didn’t watch it, let’s just say that the premiere reached an audience of 17.4 million across all of its platforms, eclipsing the show’s previous high of 16.9 million viewers for the Season 7 finale in 2017. Hence, we have

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Monday to Saturday. 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Ranch market in Todos Santos. Featuring homemade products from rural areas. Artisanal cheeses, organic chicken and eggs, liqueurs and virgin honey, as well as handicrafts such as furniture made with regional woods, leather goods and clay pottery all made by ranch hands. The Mercado (market), Todos Santos on Calle Morelos between Rangel and Cuauhtemoc inside the San Diego Feed Store.

Every Tuesday. 8:00 a.m. Rotary Club at the Sheraton Hacienda del Mar resort. In the Chapel. RSVP: 172-0009 or 172-0010

Every Tuesday and Saturday. 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. La Paz organic market. Postal Park, Constitucion and Madero streets. Free. More info on Facebook: Jardin del Arte Los Cabos.

Every Wednesday. 8:00 p.m. Documentary Movie Club. A different documentary every week. In the original language with Spanish subtitles. Free. Alfredo Green Cultural House Downtown San Jose.

Every Wednesday. 5:00 to 10:00 p.m. Art Day. Art, paintings, books, live music. Spanish and English. El Merkado at Koral Center, next to the H+ Hospital. Kilometer 24.5 on the fourlane to San Jose.

Every Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. Art Fair. Food sampling and wine tasting at the restaurants and shops in the mall. Live music and local artists showcasing their work. Plaza El Pescador across from Cabo Azul resort in the hotel zone. San Jose.

Every other Thursday. alternating with the Tomates. 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Los Cabos Writers Group. Marina Sol club house. Cabo. Writers, poets, or dreamers. Adriana 634-108 2895

Every Thursday. November 1st to June 30th. San Jose Art Walk.

First Friday. 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. YoReciclo sets up tents to receive clear glass bottles, metals, plastics (except Styrofoam), thick cardboard, computer equipment (except monitors), small home appliances (except TV’s of all kinds), cellphones and accessories, edible vegetable oil, ink cartridges and toners of HP, Samsung and Xerox only; please. In San Jose at Constitucion corner with Ildefonso Green. In Cabo San Lucas at the parking lot of the baseball stadium. Email info@yoreciclo.org.mx for more information.

Every Thursday. 8:00 a.m. Rotary Club breakfast. At the Playa Grande Resort, above the Sports Bar, Cabo San Lucas.

Every Thursday. 12:00 to 8:00 p.m. Artisans Market at Mako (Vegetarian restaurant). On the road to the Hacienda Beach Resort (behind the Puerto Paraiso mall), across from the Marina Fiesta hotel.

Every other Thursday. You guess which one. Los Cabos Tomatoes, ladies’ social group. All women who aspire to be a tomato are welcome. Email loscabostratos@gmail.com for more information.

Every Friday. 6:00 p.m. Friday Night. Todos Santos Brewing.

English and Spanish with short rounds and prizes available each round. Alvaro Obregón (between Militar & Rangel). Facebook @TodosSantosBrewing. Ph 612 1452023 or email info@todos santosbrewing.mx

Every Friday. 11:00 a.m. Al-Anon Family Group. Next to Calvary Chapel Corner of Degollado and Margarita Maza de Juarez in San Jose. Call 624-165-3333 for more information.

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Every Saturday. 7:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The Organic Market at Pedregal. Fresh, organic produce, coffee, fish, seafood, eggs, whole lamb, (Little Bo Peep) pigs, (Porky? Is that you?) & handicrafts.

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Every Saturday. 1:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Children’s library open.

Every Saturday. 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Free. Looking for gently used books. The ranch kidz@yahoo.com, Todos Santos, Spanish.

Every Sunday. 6:00 p.m. Sunday Sessions Live Music. Todos Santos Brewing. Enjoy the beautiful star filled Baja sky, live acoustic music, fabulous handmade craft beers and delicious food. Alvaro Obregón street (between Militar & Rangel). Facebook @TodosSantosBrewing for more information. 612-145-2023 or email info@todos santosbrewing.mx

Every Sunday. 12 to 4 p.m. 1 acre secured park like setting open to all dogs. Off leash, but please be friendly. Email info@map at cabok-wwral.com 624-136-2971

Every Sunday. 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. “Live Jazz Sunsets”, featuring pianist Bill Levine. At El Mirador Restaurant in Todos Santos. Amazing mother of all palapas on the cliffs gives view to China. Facebook@GuaycuraHotel E-mail reservacion@guaycura.com Ph +52 (612) 175 0800. Hard to find, but worth it.

Every Sunday. 7:00 to 11:00 a.m. Bicycle, walk, skate or drag your pet around by emailing Nancy Naigle at info@padrino.org

May 17 to 19. Gastronvo Festival. Todos Santos. For a good cause. Kicks off with a blind tasting contest on Saturday May 19, from 12:00 to 1:00 pm. Ticket buyers will enjoy 9 different wines to choose 3 winners. Then at 6:00 pm, the Gastronvo will take place departing from the Hotel California. The tour takes 3 hours visiting some of the best restaurants in Todos Santos and sampling their gastronomic creations. The fest closes with a fun filled party in the main plaza o Todos Santos, with food booths from all over. Enjoying wine from different wineries from Valle de Guadalupe in Northern Baja, live shows and live music. Silent auction to raise money for a nonprofit organization (each year a different organization). For information and tickets visit: www.gastronvo.mx

June 1 – 4. The Proombres Mexico (Let’s taste Mexico) national congress of Gastronomy and the first food fest with recipes of the 32 states of Mexico, featuring 32 traditional female chefs who will prepare the most iconic meal of their state. The lady chefs will present more than 192 traditional dishes and beverages at the Delmar international school located here in El Tzel. Folk music and 200 exhibitors selling Mexican traditional products, workshops, conferences and free tastings.

July 18. Thursday. 15th Annual Bikers Convention. For information and to sign up, go to Face book Baja Bikers.


August 24, Saturday. Annual Gold Cup Wahoo Jackpot. At Hotel Palmas de Cortez, Los Barriles, East Cape. The heaviest Wahoo (well, the angler) will win a SUV. Entry fee $500 per team. Registration at Baja Mark, Call 877-777-8862. www.owormerresorts.com

October 27, Saturday. Tuna Shoot Out. At Hotel Palmas de Cortez, Los Barriles, East Cape. $21,000 purse based on 60 teams. $500 per team. Call 877-777-8862 or visit www.owormerresorts.com

November 30, Saturday. Sabor a Cabo food fest. Al lessig the largest food fest in Mexico. Live music, over 30 restaurants showing off their specialties. Stay tuned, look up www.caboracabo.com

To get your event listed here, email the details to daviddirginogazine.com There is no charge.
Every Tuesday from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Garden of the Arts. More than forty local artists show and sell their works, including paintings, sculptures, photography and engravings. Open area. Spanish with some English. Mijares Main Plaza in downtown San Jose. More info on Facebook: Jardin del Arte Los Cabos.

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Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday. 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. permanent display. Man, Nature and Culture. A permanent photography show of cultural identity of Baja California Sur. Video also. Text is in English and Spanish. Free. CODEX Peninsula salon at The Centro Cultural La Paz. The old city hall on 16 de September at the corner of Belisario Dominguez, across from the Sears store. Downtown La Paz.

Monday and Wednesday 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Short Film Script Writing Work Shop. For 13 to 18 years old. Spanish. 300 pesos/month. Hierro St. corner with Cobre St., El Dorado neighborhood, La Paz. Tel: 612 128 1612.


Every Thursday 5:00 p.m. Art Walk, at the Art Galleries district in Downtown San Jose. Art, paintings, photography, sculpture, live music and more form national and internationally recognized artists. San Jose.

Monday to Saturday. Different hours. Arts, crafts, and other cultural workshops at San Jose’s Cultural House. Ballet, Polynesian dance, folk dance, singing, painting, literature, theater, guitar, and more. facebook.com/casadelcultura/call 624 146 9836 in office hours. Spanish. Alvaro Obregon St. Downtown San Jose.

Wednesday to Monday. From 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Ruta de Plata Museum at El Triunfo. Discover the rich mining history and settlement of the Cape Region. Enjoy exciting, interactive exhibits. Explore the complex, the gardens, the museum, the cafe and the gift shop. Spanish. Playa Migriño area. Playa Migriño.

May 12. Sunday. 5:00 p.m. The Stages will be visible around the Convention Center. From Monday to Friday. From 7:00 am to 9:00 pm. Reading club. Books available to all. Lazaro Cardenas one block before to the main park in Cabo San Lucas. Spanish and some in English. Free.

At AMELIA WILKES PLAZA. Main plaza downtown CSL. Every Saturday from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Herman Ita de Ysabela Reading club has a different book to read and comment. Saturdays starting April 9. Spanish mostly. Book donations are welcome. More info and special activities with Nixania email: todossomoselotro@gmail.com Free.

At PLAZA COTA. From Monday to Friday. From 7:00 am to 9:00 pm. Reading club. Books available to all. Lazaro Cardenas one block before to the main park in Cabo San Lucas. Spanish and some in English. Free.

At HOLLIDAY DANCE CAFÉ. Leona Vicario St. And 12 de Octubre St, 2nd floor, downtown Cabo.

From Monday to Friday. From 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm. Tropatumondos Reading Club. Spanish mostly. More info and special activities on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/saladelectrutropatumondos/timeline

At KINESIS GYM. El Chimaltir barrio near the Convention Center.

From Monday to Friday. From 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. La Maroma Reading club. Books available. More info and special activities on Facebook: facebook.com/ Sala-de-lectura-La-Mar%C3%B3n Kinesis Fabuladanza-691039797610803/timeline.

At LA CIRCO. Libroteka Reading Club.

From Monday to Friday. From 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Books available and circus style reading on Thursdays at 7:00 pm. More info with Sara Flores on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/ LaCirco-577897035553737/timeline

The stages will be visible around downtown San Jose. Spanish and some help in English. Free.
Ask a Mexican
What is your favorite type of street food?

Daniel Chavez, 23, waiter.
My all-time favorite is and will always be tacos, but not only tacos, pastor tacos (the red meat that is on the vertical trompo similar to kebab meat). Tacos are not meant to be eaten anywhere, we all have our favorite restaurants and street places, and every taco has a perfect salsa pairing. I also like gringas, both kinds. Just kidding, but the gringas that are like a meaty quesadilla are really good too.

Jose Juan Alvarez, 38, doctor.
I am not a huge fan of street food, but my job makes me have to eat around the corner once in a while. My favorite food is sopes, they’re a little bit greasy but I love the balance with the lettuce and sour cream, and they are one of those dishes that make you feel nice and full, like you had a whole meal in just one dish. I also really like tacos but I can only eat so many tacos per week.

Hector Gutierrez Nuño, 40, chauffeur.
I don’t think I have a favorite food rather than a favorite place to go, and there is a place in my hometown in the mainland where they make killer burgers and hot dogs and put half of an avocado in each. They are always busy, but man, it’s worth the wait. And it’s not any kind of burger, the meat is really good despite the thin patty, the cheese is also great and melts amazing, and they use only the very best avocados.

Lucia Hernandez, 24, graduate.
I would have to admit that I’m a sucker for tortas (sandwiches). It’s such a hearty meal, you have the bread, meat, veggies and everything in there. It’s not so great for my abs, but once in a while, I like to go crazy, especially when I was in school and didn’t have time to eat anything, you just grab it and eat it on your way to class or whatever. I think Mexican street food is huge though, I also love tacos, especially at night when I’m too lazy to make myself some dinner, asada tacos (plain meat) are my favorite.

Adriana Lopez Santo, 52, caregiver.
Gorditas de guisado (a thick corn dough patty stuffed with Mexican stew or beans or cacti) are definitely my favorite. They are not as unhealthy and greasy and you have a ton of choices when it comes to the stuffing. I especially like nopales (cacti, usually prepared with tomato and onions) and cheese, there’s something about them that reminds me of my grandma throwing them on the fire for us on Saturday mornings when we all went to her house.
Cabo has reported solid, though not spectacular, fishing recently. The best, striped marlin fishing remained on the Pacific side with most boats lucky to scratch out one fish per day. The yellowfin tuna bite for mostly football-sized fish picked up a bit, also mostly on the Pacific side.

The dorado were scarce, though a few more wahoo did appear in the counts and a few boats spotted acrobatic makos off the San Jamie and Golden Gate Banks.

Inshore fishing was solid with some nice catches of large sierra along Migrino. Roosterfish have been spotty again recently. Quality-sized yellowtail up to 30 pounds were hitting on live bait off Migrino, and some very nice catches of red snapper and grouper were reported fishing close to the rocks around El Arco as well.

Cabo Climate: The forecast is mostly sunny to partly sunny skies with zero chance of rain through late April. Winds are expected to continue a bit higher than normal from 11- to 17-mph range into late April, mostly out of the West and SW. Humidity is expected to run in the mid-60s.

Sea Conditions: As the breeze increases, the Pacific side sea temps have stabilized considerably with an average temperature range running from 72 to 74 degrees.

Best Fishing Areas: The Golden Gate has been the hotspot for billfish, and yellowfin were found around the Golden Gate Bank, the San Jamie Bank and to the south at the Herradura.

Los Arcos and Migrino were the choices for inshore fishing with some nice catches of sierra coming off Migrino along with some quality yellowtail.

Favorite Bait: The favorite method of catching the billfish has been slow-trolling live mackerel; cedar plugs were the favorite for tuna. Hoochies were by far the preferred and most productive lures for the Sierra. Poppers near the surf were the most successful bait for the jack crevalle and roosterfish.

Dead bait was the ticket for the red snapper and grouper. Live Caballito were the best for the yellowtail.

Bait Supply: Live bait is available at $3.00 per bait upon exit from the harbor; mackerel, when available, are popular with the captains.

Puerto Los Cabos

Not as many tourists have been arriving for the holiday as were expected -- not sure why. The numbers seem to be much lighter than usual. Weather is back on a warming trend with highs of about 85 degrees. There were some squall-like winds coming from various directions, and ocean water temperatures cooled down to 68 degrees; also, greenish current pushed in, all of which is not uncommon as winter exits and spring begins.

This is the time of year ocean conditions can vary greatly from week to week. It should settle down in coming weeks as warmer weather prevails.

Some quality-sized sardina showed up in the local marina channel area. They are the nicest seen in a long time, along with some moonfish and caballito. Best action was found from various baits.

Los Barriles caught this nice size yellowfin during on a recent trip aboard the El Regalo. Sheila Giovanna Verduzco and Judith Ruiz, both from the San Jamie Bank and to the East Cape

Spring seems to be settling in as the thermometer has begun to creep up toward the 80-degree mark and the vicious north winds have finally begun to subside. After too many weeks of windy days, it feels like the corner has been turned and the late spring/summer mode with hotter temps and less wind are just around the corner.

With the wind and colder-than-normal water, there has not been much local fishing to hang your hat on. Sure, there have been a couple of tuna caught, along with some wahoo and yellowtail up around Isla Cerralvo.

Fish Killers Of The Week

Spotty catches of yellowfin tuna in the 30- to 50-pound class were caught early in the month with even fewer dorado, wahoo or marlin. As conditions settle into the normal spring pattern, they will begin to appear more regularly in the daily fish counts.

Sierra counts improved as more sardina moved in along the beaches; sizes were also impressive, as many fish exceeded the 5-pound mark. The Palmilla/Red Hill area was one of the better locations to find the schooling sierra. With the cooler water, it was hard to find any roosterfish. This should improve as sea temps climb.

It’s late in the season now, but the cold is not uncommon as winter exits and spring begins. Sheila Giovanna Verduzco and Judith Ruiz, both from Los Barriles caught this nice size yellowfin during on a recent trip aboard the El Regalo. Sheila Giovanna Verduzco and Judith Ruiz, both from Los Barriles caught this nice size yellowfin during on a recent trip aboard the El Regalo.
Walk It In
You can bring them into our office which is on the marina in Cabo San Lucas, second floor in front of the Cultural Center over Captain Tony’s. Office hours: 9:30 am – 4:30 pm. Mon-Fri.

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This is as Mexican mom cooking as any dish can go. Comfort meal at its best. And, it’s one of those dishes which recipe goes back as far as grandma’s time, it’s highly secret and valued. Chiles Rellenos are simple, but the steps take time and lots of paying attention and patience. Roasted poblano chiles stuffed with loads of cheese, battered with a fluffy egg coating, and fried until crispy are the Mexican stairway to heaven. Chiles Rellenos fillings can range from ground or stewed meats to seafood, vegetables and refried beans, but this recipe sticks to classic cheese. The roasted tomato salsa is the perfect topping, and white rice and sour cream on top are Chile Rellenos’ best friends. Even though the main ingredient here is chiles, it is not a spicy dish, depending on which chile you use.

Su origen se remonta a la época colonial; el chile relleno es fruto de la conquista española, el vínculo entre el viejo continente y el nuevo mundo, la mezcla de ingredientes indígenas y europeos. Chiles Rellenos are said to have been born in the state of Puebla, near Mexico City, during the colonial times. They have a mix of prehispanic and Hispanic ingredients, chiles rellenos are a perfect mix of indigenous and European.

Before I continue, here’s my mother in law’s tips: Separate the eggs while they’re still cold, which will make them easier to handle; then let them come to room temperature and make sure there are no traces of yolk in the whites or the whites will not whip properly. Removing the seeds and veins from the peppers is easier before roasting and keeps the peppers from tearing while stuffing in the cheese. Roasting over a gas flame keeps the peppers’ shape and texture intact during frying.

**INGREDIENTS**

**For the salsa:**
- 1 lb. of tomatoes, cored and halved
- 1/2 medium white onion, cut into 1/2-inch slices
- 2 medium garlic cloves, peeled and smashed
- 1 medium serrano chile, stemmed (Optional for heat)
- Salt and pepper to taste

**For the chiles rellenos:**
- 4 medium poblano chiles (about 1 pound) Now, you can also try ancho peppers which are dry, you just have to soak them in hot water before.
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 3 cups Oaxaca shredded cheese (about 8 ounces) you can get creative here, use a mix of cheeses, and maybe even try with goat cheese!
- 4 large eggs, separated and at room temperature (as explained above)
- Salt to taste

**INSTRUCTIONS**

**For the salsa:**

- Place the tomato halves skin-side up on a Comal over high heat. Scatter the onion, garlic, and serrano around the tomatoes. Cook until the tomato skins start to blacken and blister, about 7 minutes. Transfer the vegetables to a blender, add salt, and blend until a chunky consistency.

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to thank her for coming to Cabo and share her Instagram pics with her 10 million followers, making us even more famous.

And then, the U.S. Women’s alpine ski team took some time to celebrate their careers alongside their teammates in Cabo. Lindsey Vonn, Julia Mancuso, Leanne Smith, Stacey Cook, Laurene Ross, Alice McKennis, and their physical therapist, Lindsay Winninger all gathered to spend some much-needed time reflecting on their careers and celebrating their successes as a team. Vonn, Mancuso, Smith, and Cook have all retired within the past few seasons.

“There are four of us kind of born around the same year that aren’t ski racing anymore. So we’ve decided we should get together and celebrate because if you follow any of us on Instagram, you know that it’s a crazy tour. We’re always busy and we never get to hang out,” said Mancuso. “Then for the last 18-20 years, we’ve been competing against each other. Most of us have been competing against each other since we were kids. I first met Stacey Cook was when… probably when I was 7 or 8. We competed against each other. So I’m 35 now, that’s going on almost 30 years. And Lindsey was really similar, I think I was 9 or 10 when we first met at ski camp. So that’s 25 years, and we never really spent any time together.”

Vonn treated the women to a stay at the Montage Los Cabos resort on the four-lane between Cabo and San Jose, hoping the time would give the women a chance to catch up as friends and reminisce on the times they were competitors.

Following the ski-racers was Miles Teller, who stars in the highly anticipated sequel, Top Gun: Maverick, along Tom Cruise. Miles went shirtless while fiancee Keleigh Sperry rocked a cheeky floral bikini on a yacht in Cabo.

He showed off his muscular upper body while tanning and wore a pair of black swim trunks with an electric red and yellow print, while Keleigh was revealing in some time off as she put her model figure on display in a tiny triangle top.

If you don’t recognize the name Keleigh Sperry by now, it’s due time to get to know this up-and-coming force in Hollywood. Not only is she a truly stunning model, but she’s also an aspiring actress. But most importantly, she’s a humanitarian. Sperry recently partnered up with Wells of Life, whose mission is to bring clean water to the villagers of Uganda. Plus, she just became the first woman ambassador and advisor to the Prime Minister of Uganda, Ruhakana Rugunda. Damn, girl! 🌟
When the weather smiled, there were some banner fishing days with lots of variety that included some fantastic inshore fishing. This included trophy-sized cabrilla and pargo (big mullet snapper and barred pargo) as well as yellowtail, yellow snapper, several species of bonito and jack crevalle. Most were caught either with live bait or by slow-trolling Rapalas over the shallow rocky areas close to shore. Additionally, blue water fish such as dorado and wahoo also bit, and one angler nailed a huge 108-pound yellowfin tuna (he had a scale) on a caballito that he fought for two hours. On the days when the winds slammed, bait was impossible to obtain, and the fleet was reduced to trolling. Winds also prevented boats from getting to some of the hotter fishing spots. Fortunately, weather prospects are beginning to appear more promising as May arrives. Cabo San Lucas Tracy Ehrenberg www.piscesportfishing.com San Jose del Cabo Gordo Bank Pangas Eric Brichtson, www.gordobanks.com East Cape Jen Wren Sportfishing www.jenwren.com Rancho Leonero, https://rancholenero.com/ La Paz Jonathan Roldan’s Tailhunter International www.tailhunter-international.com

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Thus did a Zambian man I knew once argue that African colonization was good; it’s why a fellow from India I knew despised Mohandas Gandhi (who was phony, but that’s a different issue), condemning the Indian leader for driving experts and expertise from the country. Shocking? These men understand how civilization spreads.

Consider also that when Europeans resettled the World and Africa, the natives were generally living stone-age existences. “Noble savage” suckers may romanticize this, but have no intention of withdrawing into the wilderness to live like the Sentinelese. They love the modern conveniences, luxuries, and prosperity the West birthed far too much. Thanks, anyone?

Moreover, whether it was the dominance of other tribes by the Aztecs, Africa’s Shaka Zulu, North America’s Lakota, Asia’s Attila the Hun, or some other entity, conquest, killing, and subjugation had ever been part of man’s history.

That is until the West finally put an end to it. In fact, as of late, Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein’s 1990 invasion and annexing of Kuwait is evidences it likely would still be occurring today were the West not around to uphold Western standards.

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into a smooth runny salsa. Taste and season with additional salt as needed.

- Transfer to a small saucepan and keep warm over low heat.

For the chiles rellenos:
- Lay 1 chile on a work surface so that it sits flat naturally without rolling. Using a paring knife, make two cuts forming a “T” first by slicing down the middle of the chile lengthwise from stem to tip, then making a second cut perpendicularly to the first about a 1/2 inch from the stem, slicing only halfway through the chile (be careful not to cut off the stem end completely). Carefully open the flaps to expose the interior of the chile and, using the paring knife, carefully cut out and remove the core. Scrape the inside with a small spoon to remove the seeds, ribs, and any remaining core. Repeat with the remaining peppers.

- Turn on the gas on your stove to medium-high heat. Place 1 chile directly on each burner and roast until the skin cracks, about 5 minutes.

- Place chiles in a plastic bag slightly moistened with water. Let sit for 10 minutes. This helps the skin come off easily.

- With a small spoon, remove the skin and discard.

- Heat the oil in a large skillet to medium-high heat. Place the egg whites and a pinch of salt in a clean, dry bowl. Beat until stiff peaks form, about 1/2 minutes. Remove the bowl from the mixer, add the egg yolks, and fold with a rubber spatula until just combined (do not deflate the egg whites); set aside.

- Heat the oil in a large frying pan over medium-high heat until hot, about 4 minutes...

- Using a flat spatula, carefully flip to brown, about 2 to 3 minutes. Using a spatula or tongs to turn it onto each side to brown.

- Serve on a plate, cover with the warm salsa and top with some sour cream! I recommend serving these with white rice and let the salsa soak the rice. Warm some tortillas, too!

- Pro tip: you will have some bits and pieces of egg and chile and some grains of rice swimming in salsa. When you’re done eating, grab a quarter of tortilla and scrape the plate. Damn, my mouth is watering!
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