Yo Reciclo Celebrates 7th Anniversary
Seven years on and you haven’t got with the program yet? Shame on you!

BY CATHY WATKINS

On April 7, the organization Yo Reciclo, (I Recycle), will celebrate its 7th year in Los Cabos. The birthday celebration will be in San Jose in the Centro de Aco- pio on Centenario Ave. from 1:00 to 2:00 pm. There will be a raffle and food. Raffle tickets cost $100 pesos. For more information call 624-175-3868.

Yo Reciclo sets up shop the first Thursday of the month in Cabo and San Jose from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm. They accept thick cardboard, only clear glass, plastic, metals (aluminum, brass and others), computer equipment except monitors, ink cartridges and toners (HP, Samsung, and Xerox only), cell phones and accessories, small home appliances except TVs, and edible vegetable oil. For exchange or donation, books, (not textbooks), music CDs, and movies on DVD are accepted. Items should be rinsed and sorted. Nothing with food on it or food residue is welcome.

The plastic collected is sent to Eco Innovacion Ambiental in San Jose where it is processed. The clear glass is sent to the Glass Factory right here in Cabo off the Bordo. It has the blue glass roof and looks like a temple. It’s a pretty neat place to visit, actually.

We Have A Blood Bank!
Now all we need is blood to put in it

BY FLO NIGHTENGALE

The new hospital with the pretty silly name of H+ opened just a few months ago and has already established itself as the most sophisticated facility in Southern Baja. And now they have finally opened their planned for blood bank. Seems they are doing things deliber- ately there, inaugurating each nodule of a well run hospital in its own good time. Well, now it’s time for the blood bank.

We briefly had a blood bank back a few years ago, backed financially by the Los Cabos Children’s Foundation, but there were irregularities in the book- keeping and the LCCF pulled their support. Since then, any- one running a quart low would have to fetch it in La Paz, and that was often a life threaten- ing wait.

One Canadian tourist fell through a plate glass window in her hotel room, and because there was no blood nor even a vascular surgeon to sew her back together, she lost her leg. That won’t happen now that H+ is on the scene. If they don’t have the appropriate doctor on staff, they will send to one of their sister hospitals on the mainland for the specialist. This happened recently when a Cali- fornia woman had a stroke and needed brain surgery to relieve the pressure. Her husband, who happened to be a OB/GYN in

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Que Pasa in Cabo?

BY DAVID FLORES

The cost, boss. The Federal Police have posted billboards throughout the country informing the population on the cost of fines for traffic infractions on federal highways. In our case that means the fourlane, the corridor, the highway from hell. We’re giving it to you in dollars, and because of the fluctuating exchange rate these are approximate. The fine is cast in stone in pesos, however.

Car speeding: $289
Truck speeding: $412
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Fines may be paid online, at http://www.ssp.gob.mx or at the federal police headquarters, located on the toll road to the international airport in San Jose.

Spring Break coincides with Mexico’s Semana Santa holidays, when schools take a 2 week vacation, as well as most government offices. But this year also marked a significant change in Cabo’s life, according to several local residents. Drunk driving, drug consumption, sex trade and nude exhibition on Medano beach were on the rise. A video posted on social media shows two apparently foreign female tourists naked and masturbating in front of local fishermen on Medano beach, a local family reported open drug consumption at one of the beach restaurants, and young women passing out on the sand, some who had to be picked up by paramedics and taken to the hospitals. That “what happens in Cabo never happened” way of partying, and it surely brings a huge tourist money flow every year.

Stay tuned.
Tourism becomes a priority. Finally, the Los Cabos city government has realized that our precious tourists are our most important source of income. Mayor Arturo de la Rosa has tripled the budget to care for those precious tourists, attract more of them, and expand their... CONTINUED ON PAGE 6

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U.S. Cops now checking registration. Many foreigners here in Baja bitch about how the Mexican police ticket them for driving a U.S. plated car with expired registration. They either don’t want to pay the cost of annual registration back home or don’t want to take the car back to get the smog inspection. But now the town of Patagonia Arizona is ticketing Mexicans driving Mexican cars with expired Mexican plates.

But the mayor wants it stopped. He said the practice hurts the reputation among Mexican nationals of Santa Cruz County as a place to visit. They come over the border to buy stuff. **More tourists.** Tourism accounts for about 9% of Mexico’s GNI and provides almost 4 million direct jobs. In 2015, Mexico welcomed a record 32.1 million direct jobs. In 2015, Mexico is so nice it sells itself. More tourists.

Tourism accounts for about 9% of Mexico’s GNI and provides almost 4 million direct jobs. In 2015, Mexico welcomed a record 32.1 million international tourists, making it the 10th most popular international destination in the world. They spent a combined $17.5 billion in the country. Almost 50% of these overseas visitors arrived by air; they accounted for 80% of total foreign tourism expenditures.

This year, tourism officials are predicting that 35 million international foreign visitors will holiday in Mexico, spending a total of 19 billion dollars. Officials believe, maybe optimistically, that Mexico can attract 40 million tourists in 2018 and maybe 50 million by 2030. They stress the need for policies that will result in more hotels, additional air routes, new attractions, and packages designed for niche markets including health, religion, and seniors-based tourism.

Did they not see the news over Easter that played in the U.S. in an endless loop? It was about the shooting in a girly bar in Acapulco. Maybe they should be putting their marketing dollars in cleaning up their resort towns. If it’s judged safe here, the people will automatically come, because Mexico is so nice it sells itself.

Cancun International Airport has opened a new terminal. The airport is the nation’s busiest for international traffic and second only to Mexico City for national traffic. The airport served more than 19 million passengers in 2015, 11% more than the previous year. According to federal officials, airport investments in the first three years of the current administration have exceeded $1.8 billion dollars. This has triggered the addition of 260 national and 186 international air routes. Passenger movements in the past three years have risen 33% (to 73 million), while air freight has grown 17%.

The new 60 million dollar, state of the art Terminal 3 is exclusively for international passengers, and increases operating capacity by 4 million passenger movements a year. An additional terminal is scheduled to open in 2017. And we can’t even get a reliable supply of toilet paper at our airport. Sigh.

You Can’t Make This Stuff Up. About 30 foreigners turned up outside the Altipiano prison to protest against the treatment of drug lord El Chapo. But they were only there for the tacos. One of the drug lord’s law-

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**The Benefits of Cosmetic Surgery**

**Blending surgical skills with artistic talent to create a more beautiful you!**

By Dr. Dick

The most common benefit of cosmetic surgery is that you will improve your appearance and self-esteem, as well as looking younger and feeling better. If you’ve been bothered about your appearance, cosmetic surgery can help improve the way you feel and look. A recent survey conducted by the AFPRS found that 85% of adult Americans would undergo cosmetic surgery if given the chance.

To celebrate the opening of their new medical facilities in Cabo San Lucas, Saint Luke’s Hospital offer special pricing for all cosmetic surgical procedures until 31st May of this year. The hospital specializes in cosmetic procedures such as breast augmentation, lift reduction or combination lift, buttacks augmentation or lift, surgery on the face, chin, eyelid, neck, nose and forehead; liposuction; tummy tucks and more. These procedures are at very affordable prices, usually less than half of the cost in the United States. For those who prefer non-invasive treatments, you can select from a range of skin care treatments such as Botox, chemical peels, filler substances and laser therapies using the most advanced state-of-the-art laser equipment.

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New Whale Museum

Nope, no live critters, but lots of bones and cool exhibits

BY HERMAN MELVILLE

There is a very interesting museum in La Paz, right on the malecón in front of the big kiosk, in the core of historic downtown. The Museum has 25 skeletons of the big guys, and it’s touted as one of the most important collections of whale paraphernalia in the world. It could be, it’s pretty complete. Of course this brings up the question of where you go to find a complete whale skeleton, or if they had to carve the meat off the bone, or maybe it was picked clean by sea gulls? Are we the only ones who wonder about these things? Must be, because this issue wasn’t addressed in the museum. All that was told was it takes more than a year to get a new skeleton dried out, assembled, and hung from the rafters. Executive Director of the museum, Francisco Gómez, bills himself as a master skeleton builder.

You can wander around the bone yard to learn about killer whales, regular plain vanilla whales, dolphins, porpoises, sea lions and a few other shirt tail relatives of the whale family. 45 species of marine mammals live in the four bodies of water that surround Mexico, and the Pacific Ocean and the Sea of Cortez have 35 of them; 30 of them are Cetaceans, and the rest are pinnipeds (sea lions, seals, etc.).

Some of the biggest exhibits are creatively lit and hung from the ceiling, giving us a guppy’s eye view of a fierce predator. The purpose of the museum is to spread scientific knowledge, to attract younger generations to engage in this field of science, and to promote the preservation of marine mammals and other sea life, especially here in the Sea of Cortez. The skeletons are pressed into service as an educational tool for kids, so they bring in lots of school groups you’re going to have to pick your way around.

If you want to know more about marine mammals and care for a fun and educational day in La Paz, you have to visit this place. The museum is open from Tuesday to Sunday, from 9am to 6pm. Adults $160 pesos and children $120 pesos. For Baja California Sur residents, the entrance fee is $80 pesos for adults and $60 pesos for children (bring an ID). If you wish, you may book a guided tour in English; just call or send a whatsapp message to Francisco Gómez (612 348 5238) to make your appointment for the language of your choice. 

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Itta Rodriguez is in charge
of community improvement at
del Tenario Av. and Ildenisson Green
until July. Starting in August,
they will be next to the Dorada
pharmacy in the new park.

In Cabo on March 3rd, cars
kept coming in one after another.
Adiel from Arcos del Sol showed
up with nine huge trash bags of
plastic bottles in the back of his
pickup. All the neighbors had
pitched in to clean up the neighbor-
hood.

Viviana from Public Services
was there helping out as part of
the new administration’s effort
to get more involved. They do very
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Real has been bringing items for
about a year. She’s worried about
so much trash in Cabo and tells
her neighbors about recycling.
It’s hard though she says because
it’s only one day a month. You
get busy sometimes or forget. It
shows, she believes, that people
in Cabo really do care about the
environment. It’s just sometimes
seems to be a slow process.

Itta Rodriguez is in charge
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involved. There really is no ex-
cuse not to.
They also have very interesting furniture made with local wood. There is a variety of food products as well as little pueblos that produce a variety of goods.

Daniel Uribe, who runs the local store in Santiago and Miraflores, quaint rural areas, which include those areas, is busy working to promote a visit to our more rural areas. He discovered that some restaurants do not have menus with prices in pesos, which is mandatory, and some that have a legend at their doors stating, “We reserve the right of admission,” which is a no-no in Mexico. We all know that’s code for no Mexicans.

Yes, you can turn away someone who is visibly under the influence or who doesn’t fit the dress code, (which has to be stated visibly at the entrance), but you can’t specifically reserve the right of admission for any reason, whether is religious, sexual, or related to skin color. Another no-no is that a restaurant or watering hole cannot “condition” your stay, as in setting a minimum consumption or, like many bars do down here, force you to buy a full bottle in order to get a table.

If you have faced any of these situations, file your complaint at www.profeco.gob.mx – there’s an English section for your convenience.

New mural A couple of foreign artists, Jorit Agoch from Italy and Leticia Mandrágora from Spain, were in town last week as part of their world tour to embellish towns with their artwork.
H+ is a state of the art facility with the most modern equipment. And, possibly more impressive, they have qualified personnel to operate it.

One was flown in on a jet he ponied up for. It saved his wife’s life. The doctor stayed several days and operated twice.

So, if you’re hit by a bus on the fourlane, try to wheeze out, “Take me to H+ before you pass out, and you have your best shot at waking up again on this side of heaven.

But right now H+ needs you. Yes, you, Bunkie, a foreigner. Because they need to get this blood bank filled with blood. Yours is sought after for two reasons:

One), North Americans and Northern Europeans are more likely than Mexicans to have the universal donor type O-. It is only found in 9% of North American donors and rarely found in Latin Americans.

Two) Trying to get a Mexican to donate blood is like trying to get blood out of a stone. They just don’t have a culture of donating their life’s juices. They are not so familiar with the procedure, and they think if they ever do need it, their family will pony up for them at that time.

So, Gringos, until this changes, as it surely will, you will need to get the ball rolling with your blood. And you can do this ev-

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Greg Edwards has spent his entire adult life toiling away for others, mostly for those not in his own country. This middle-aged American excels at non-profit administration, and he’s practiced his craft in such diverse countries as the Czech Republic and Argentina, before we in Los Cabos were able to snag him. His most recent post he has left was as executive director of the Los Cabos Children’s Foundation. Now he’s involved with three different aid organizations, working with adolescent boys and girls. This is a man with a variety of interests, but all driven by the desire to help.

Let’s take the hearts first. His interest in repairing hearts is a hold over from his days working with the Los Cabos Children’s Foundation, as that is one of their many programs. This spin-off is called Abrimos Corazones, or Opening Hearts.

Greg tells us that each year about 40 babies are born with defective hearts in our state. Of those, about 20 would be fixable, if they were born in a first world country, but the Mexican national health insurance doesn’t even tackle babies with these issues, so most of them would die by the time they are about 10. There are a few pediatric heart surgeons in Mexico but of course they are not in Baja, as this entire peninsula is considered the wild and wooly West by most Mexicans over on the mainland. The money isn’t good enough here, nor the equipment, nor the facilities. So the LCCF would send the children up to Nebraska where they had alliances. But that was expensive and disruptive to families already under stress. So Under Greg’s watch, Dr. Jim Hamel of Children’s Hospital of Omaha started coming down here to perform the tricky operations, bringing with him his entire team. It seems to be a good system, as average loss in this type of surgery is 12% to 20%, but out of 68 operations, Dr. Hamel has only lost two. And, it’s not as if they can cherry pick the easiest cases, as they have to take all comers in the state.

Each surgery is performed in La Paz because that’s where the politicians wanted it; in the capital city, not necessarily in the city where the donors are from. It is here that local doctors are being trained in pediatric cardiology. In this way Dr. Hamel and his team are trying to work their way out of a job. That is on track, and getting closer with every surgery. Greg Edwards’ second responsibility is with Mobilize Mankind, a program that distributes wheelchairs to locals. His wife Gail is a pediatric physical therapist by training so she works with these patients. Greg helps her with the business end of her mission, while she’s best dealing with the patients.

“An decent wheelchair that assists a long term patient costs $5,000 to $10,000,” he explains. “The chairs that some organizations hand out with a showy flourish are sometimes called in the industry, ‘the evil red chair,’” he tells us. “They’re good for short term broken legs or as a brief transport chair, but long term patients need more support at various points of their body.”

One Little Heart Patient’s Story

Oscar was born into a very poor, very uneducated, family. His parents were still teenagers and could not properly support themselves, much less a little boy.

When the Los Cabos Childrens Foundation discovered him, Oscar was about three months old and had a heart that was so badly damaged that he had barely added a few pounds since birth. He was listless, and fairly unresponsive. But lucky little Oscar was accepted into the Open Hearts program and received the open heart surgery he so badly needed.

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Does This Give You The Willies?

For starters, a squeaky clean sterile needle is used only once for each donor and then it’s tossed.

The whole process is a simple four-step deal: registration, medical history and mini-physical, the blood draw, and then the treats.

Every blood donor is given a little check up, looking at your temperature like your mom used to do when she thought you were faking the flu to get out of school. Then your blood pressure, pulse and hemoglobin are taken. The first two are no big deal, and the hemoglobin test is just a little needle prick, nothing like you’re going to get if you pass all the tests and they go for that pint of your blood they’re after.

The actual blood squeeze typically takes about 10 to 12 minutes. For the entire process, from the time you arrive to the time you leave, plan on about an hour and 15 minutes.

They don’t like you to squeeze and run, as you could become a little light headed. They ply you with cookies and juice and expect you to dawdle over that until they’re sure you’re up for driving home.

The average adult has about 10 pints of blood and they only take about one pint. That’s 10% Bunkie. A healthy donor can donate red blood cells every 56 days, or double red cells every 112 days and a healthy donor can donate platelets as few as 7 days apart, but a maximum of 24 times a year.

All donated blood is tested for HIV, hepatitis B and C, syphilis and other infectious diseases before it can be released to hospitals. But they do this later, so if you show up with any of these embarrassments, you don’t have to worry about a public shaming.

Donating blood is so safe that those who donate regularly may experience long term positive health benefits. Giving improves your health by reducing excess iron stored in your body and encourages your body to produce more, fresh blood.

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Letters To The Editor

Editor,
I just want to tell you I support your stand on this Politically Correct crap. I happened to see your original comment about Chinamen and it was humorous as you intended it.
I’ve just seen on this morning’s news, where students at Emory University had to have an emergency counseling, as someone had taken chalk and written “Trump 2016” around campus. They’re traumatized!!

We’ve raised a generation of pablum.
Gail Stanger
Aspen, CO

Editor,
Congratulations on writing the Amazing Grace of editorials on political correctness and racism. I read it this afternoon in front of the church in Todos Santos. First you forced me to find and read the offended letter, great move, your response made a lot of sense this way, although I think it could stand on it’s own. I think that your editorial should be memorized by every freshman class in the U.S. Oh dear I should have said “fresh person”.

Do you remember when people were serious about changing dogs into canine companions and they wanted to have classes in Ebonics at Berkley? Anyway back to the praise. Your argument was perfectly reasoned, well paced and ever so kind to your accuser. The clarity and accuracy of your thoughts gave me thrills. I loved it and fuck them if they can’t take a joke.

You are a diamond
Carlos Carlos de Carlos, AKA Carl Marsh
Via email

Gosh, thank you very much. We have never received as many letters for anything we have written before this. People are defenitely fed up with political correctness. For sure it is a tiny minority holding the clear headed pragmatic people who get things done hostage.

Thanks for taking the time to write, and just for that, you may continue on page 18.
I was watching a Ben Stiller movie the other day, a movie that was filmed right here in Cabo, in fact. It was about a guy who is spending his honeymoon in Palmilla when he falls in love with another woman. Anyways, in a scene he mentioned the word chimichanga as a typical Mexican dish and I go, say what? I didn’t even know what a chimichanga was so I though there must have been some mistake in the translation. I did some research and, shame on me! Yes there is something called chimichanga, and yes they are Mexican. Kind of. Ahá Ben! I knew that some Americanized bastardized iteration of my country’s cuisine was involved.

There is a lot of controversy about chimichangas’ origin, and I am not going to pick sides, so I will just write the facts and leave it up to you, my precious readers. I am not going to pick sides, so I will just write the facts and leave it up to you, my precious readers.

The chimichanga is a dish mainly consumed in the northern part of Mexico. Sonora to be exact. There are, as in many other Mexican dishes, different versions of chimichangas, depending on the region. How many times have I explained to you that Mexican food is regional? Lot it down!

In the state of Sonora, chimichanga is a deep fried burrito type of thing. The size of the flour tortilla varies; they can be as small as regular dessert plates (6” diameter) or as big as a family size pizza, it all depends on the cook. In Sonora they make the big one. They make the huge tortilla and then they spread on it the stew made from shredded beef, and they fold it all up into a rectangle, then it is deep fried as rectangle packages after being filled with a variety of ingredients such as lima beans, rice, cheese and meat. They are served with guacamole or more cheese and sometimes hot sauce. In Sonora it is very common to see that they serve them with mayonnaise and a salsa made of chopped tomato, chile and cilantro, with a sprinkle of lime juice. Another variation is with cabbage, shredded carrot, and cucumber, dipped with sour cream and shredded cheese on top.

Actually if it is not fried, it is a burrito and if fried it is a chimichanga. Well I was not 100% satisfied with this explanation so I dug deeper I found several explanation of origins and the controversy is ongoing.

According to one source; the founder of the restaurant El Charro in Tucson Arizona, Monica Flin, accidentally fumbled a pastry into the deep fat fryer in 1922. She immediately began to utter a Mexican curse word beginning with chi... (chingada) , but being a good church going, God fearing woman, she quickly stopped herself and instead explained chimichanga! That’s a Spanish word for thingamajig. This word I didn’t know either so I had to go look into a dictionary to learn it is a word used to refer to or address a person or thing whose name one has forgotten, does not know, or does not wish to mention.

Woody Johnson, founder of Macayo’s Mexican Kitchen, claims he invented the chimichanga in 1946 when he put some burritos into a deep fryer as an experiment at his original restaurant Woody’s El Nido. These fried burritos became so popular that by 1952 when Woody’s El Nido became Macayo’s the chimichanga was one of the restaurant’s main menu items. Johnson opened Macayo’s in 1952.
yrs bribed the 30 hungry men with 25 pounds of BBQ, tortillas, salsa and soft drinks. After the tasty lunch the farmers spent 10 minutes milling about with picket signs they were given that protested bad treatment given Shorty. The signs read, “I Love You Chapo” and “Free Chapo.” Chapo means Shorty in English.

When asked, one of the farmers said he had no idea who had taken them to the prison, nor who had provided such tasty tacos.

No homeless here. Starter homes have taken on a whole new meaning in the capital of Nayarit, where the municipality has built 14 new dwellings for desperate people. They measure just 177 square feet. For this reason the municipality of Tepic is now embroiled in a public relations scandal over the possibly well-intentioned but ill-devised housing development for a group of Wixáritari and Cora indigenous peoples who had been squatting in a park since 2012.

Of the 34 families, 20 owned land so they were given the materials necessary to build homes. For the remaining 14, municipal authorities purchased a $33,500 plot of land. This would be $2400 for the land for each home. Even for starter homes, they are small by any measure. They consist of one room 12 feet by 9 feet and an outside bathroom of 3 feet by 3.5 feet. The Tepic government invested a total of about $1,000 per home, half the total cost of $7,600 each, and claims they were built in accordance with standards set by Sedatu, the Secretariat of Agrarian Development and Urban Planning, which paid the other half. Although the 14 houses lack electrical power and sewage treatment, three families have already moved in, and all are thankful for having a shelter from the elements. The formal handing over of the rest of the houses is still pending.

The Tepic Mayor has said to back off, Bucko, the houses were built as an emergency measure in response to the poor conditions the indigenous people were living in, and it’s the best they can expect for free. But the state representative for Sedatu says the buildings “can’t be called homes” and the project is the result of a planning error. Planning error? As in reading the tape measure wrong and building them too small, or as in the money walked away before it could be spent on the poor people?

“At the beginning of President Enrique Peña Nieto’s administration, it was established that starter homes (pie de casa) should at least have two rooms, a multiple use room, kitchen and bathroom facilities. The flooring should be concrete slab and the surrounding terrain at least flattened. It’s a mistake to call them homes,” said Gerardo Aguirre. Under federal regulations they should be a minimum of 475 square feet. The families had been squating in the park since 2012.

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Cerritos, Pescadero & Todos Santos: A good way to spend a day

For those ready to escape the non-stop excitement of Cabo, consider a more relaxing pace, less than an hour’s drive north of downtown Cabo San Lucas. You’ll find an artist’s colony, an authentic Mexican town, laid back residential areas, and the best swimming and surfing beach on the south Pacific side of the peninsula.

Todos Santos offers a charming, authentic environment, with the traditional central plaza, dozens of art galleries, and small hotels. Some of the streets are torn up right now for utility upgrades, but the jewelry stores, galleries, cafes and restaurants are all still open and inviting. Visit the Hotel California (no connection to the Eagles song, despite their best efforts to promote that with T-shirts), browse shops full of handcrafted treasures, and enjoy some great Mexican cooking.

You’ll find an artist’s colony, an up-and-coming residential area, and the best swimming and surfing beach on the south Pacific side of Cabo, along with链sitting, chain stores, or fast food joints.

Speaking of food, Todos Santos has a full range of temptations. Try Alma & Manny’s or the Todos Santos Inn for breakfast, Bob Marlin or Hotel Casa Tota for lunch; Los Adobes, or the Santa Fe for dinner. South of town, near the Pemex, is Dana’s Diner, which has 13 TVs and 13 channel feeds for sports. The gourmet French restaurant Chez Laura is a bit difficult to find, but wow, is it amazing. You step off a dusty dirt road into another world. For fabulous chili rellenos try Miguel’s across from the Pemex. Next to the Pemex is the very sophisticated La Casita.

Want off beat? Go to the mask museum, called Faces of Mexico. Tucked on a side road in Todos Santos, the proprietor provides an enthusiastic tour of authentic masks from the various eras of Mexican history.

The cultural museum on Juarez Ave. also has interesting historic displays. Todos Santos is home to the annual music festival every January, an artist’s open studio tour in February, and the ever-popular GastroVino in April.

Many visitors extend their Cabo vacation and get to know the real Mexico by staying a few days in either Todos Santos or the nearby beach areas. Cerritos Beach is part of El Pescadero, but where the town of Pescadero is old Mexico, Cerritos has that vibrant beach vibe. Cerritos and its neighboring beach, San Pedrito, are both world-class surf spots. There are a couple of ways to get to the beach, either the old dirt road at km 65, or the new dirt road at km 67. Either way, it’s a bump, but what the hell, you’re in a rental car.

Cerritos is perfect for swimming and enjoying the sand and sun for a day, or a week. Take a surfing lesson or rent a boogie board. Kick back with your favorite refreshment and watch the surfers. There’s a beach club there with tables and beach umbrellas out on the sand, so you don’t even have to pack a lunch if you don’t want to.

El Pescadero is a small town on the way to Todos Santos. It has a rich history of agriculture, ranching and fishing. The lush poblano chili fields are everywhere, as well as strawberry, tomato and basil fields. The town is between the ocean to the west and the Sierra Laguna mountain range to the east. A modern four-lane highway runs right through it connecting Cabo San Lucas to Todos Santos, then north to La Paz. Stop at one of the many taco stands along the highway, or buy veggies or fruit along the road. In the afternoon when the fishermen come in with the day’s catch you can buy fresh fish off the boat at Punta Lobos. For a small propina (tip) they’ll filet it for you, too.

Turn off the dirt road just before the Pemex in Pescadero, left toward the ocean, to discover Hiersabuena, a huge vegetable garden with an open-air restaurant smack in the middle of it. They serve fresh organics from the garden, and a nice selection of wines. Stop by the little bakery on the road in and buy a pan dulce, a Mexican version of a doughnut. Duck into some of the little local shops, but be aware, there is no English spoken here.

Off the main street in Pescadero is a tiny backyard restaurant called La Pasidita that has, 1 kid you not, the best burgers on the planet. Drive around the baseball stadium, and turn at the first dirt road on the left past the first sleeping policeman, (speed bump).

La Pasidita is a locals place, though, and is only open after 6 p.m. Maybe 7 pm, sometimes a little later.

For a truly unique experience book a room at the Arriba de la Roca, (which means “top of the rock”) a high-end boutique hotel that specializes in personalized service and is perched on top of a cliff. For adults only (it’s on a cliff, after all). You’ll experience 360 degree views not matched anywhere else in Baja.

Visitors interested in hiking, horseback riding, surfing, charter fishing on a traditional panga, a Mexican fishing boat, adventure tours, or just experiencing Mexican village life, should head to Pescadero, Cerritos and Todos Santos. They are less than an hour’s drive north along the Pacific.
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These are homes built for the poor. No, these are not the house behind, the house these are the houses. For more info, read Santiago’s State and National news murals. While visiting Cabo, they painted a hyper-realist mural on a long wall of the Cabo San Lucas house of culture, located in downtown Cabo one block behind the now petite Aramburo supermarket.

The house of culture, which works as a community center, is open to the public seven days a week from 8:00 am, and you are welcome to visit it anytime. It was refurbished beautifully just this year. And do check out our new mural.

Can we be more famous than this? An unbelievable five of USA Today’s 10 Best Mexican beaches are to be found in our world famous Southern Baja. Four are in Los Cabos and two in La Paz.

In the top position is Balandra beach, just a little north of La Paz. The pearl white sands of Balandra frame a turquoise lagoon bounded by rust colored hills. It is a beautiful natural setting and also home to the famous El Hongo, a mushroom shaped rock that has come to symbolize La Paz in the same way the arch does for Cabo San Lucas. (The mushroom broke several years ago and city officials glued it back together, see if you can find the seam. You can get right up there close and personal with the rock).

In fifth place was Cabo Pulmo Beach, often called “the jewel of the East Cape. Closely followed by the very famous Lovers beach in sixth place. What? Divorce beach on the back side to Lovers didn’t make it? Maybe because too many people have drowned there, that’s kind of a downer.

The wildly popular and usually crowded to mad house capacity, Medano Beach sneak ed in at number eight.

And in tenth place was Teco-lote beach just north of La Paz. Geeze, that’s a surprise, as it’s not the best ocean bottom to walk into and the winds are often ferocious. But it does look out towards the island of Espíritu Santo three miles away, and that’s a pretty site, and there are some nice restaurants right on the beach and we get a kick out of the vestadores on the beach. Tiny changing rooms, where you can watch people changing from...
Gringos Seeking Asylum In Mexico

Some Mexicans are expecting a flood if Trump is elected

BY DIXIE NORMUS

The possibility of a Donald Trump presidency is already causing people to consider fleeing the United States.

According to Google, searches for “How Do I Move To Canada” spiked after the Republican front-runner won seven states on Super Tuesday. But Mexico is also getting inquiries, as Mexico is already home to about 1 million U.S. citizens (mostly retirees), and thousands of other expats from all over the world. It’s also home to a growing population of international refugees.

Mexico has had a long history as an asylum country. This country was a safe haven for thousands of Spaniards fleeing the Franco dictatorship in the 1930s, and became an adoptive country for more than a thousand European Jews escaping the Nazis during WWI. Further back in time, Mexico took in Americans—including U.S. soldiers—who were fleeing service in the U.S. Civil War. It also gave safe harbor to U.S. citizens accused of being communists during the dark days of Sen. Joseph McCarthy’s infamous witch hunt in the 1940s-50s.

Mexico currently receives refugee applications mostly from Central Americans fleeing gang violence and extortion. Last year alone the country got 3,044 applications, and approved 789, compared to the nearly 70,000 refugees who were admitted to the U.S.

So while Mexico doesn’t accept as many refugees as other countries, being American plays to your advantage. According to the Washington Post, a significant number of U.S. expats in Mexico are undocumented. (No shit, Sherlock.) Mexican immigration agents are mostly focused on nabbing Central Americans, so Gringos can usually fly under the radar. Until you try to get on a plane with no visa or a visa that’s more than 180 days old.

Take heart. Mexico hates Trump so saying you need asylum to get away from him might just fast track you into legal status here. Mexican law considers asylum requests from any foreigner who is persecuted on the basis of race, religion, nationality, or gen-

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most likely possibility, is that the chimichanga, or chivichanga, has long been a part of local cuisine of Arizona and Sonora, with its early range extending southward into Sinaloa. In Sinaloa the chimichangas are small. In any case, it is all but uncontroversial that within the United States, knowledge and appreciation of the dish spread slowly outward from Tucson, with popularity spreading and growing in recent decades. Though the chimichanga is now found as part of the Tex-Mex repertoire, its roots within the U.S. seem to be in Pima County, Arizona.

So, whatever the real origin is, (after all the research still not clear for me), I try them. Remember I didn't even know what they were, and I liked them, they are good, tasty and filling. (Besides the huge contribution of calories to your diet, but, once in a while they are OK.

Perhaps because of their funny name, or for its simplicity of preparation and how tasty they are, the chimichanga has taken a leading role among the contributions of the Mexican cuisine to the world. It is funny also to us, because changa means female monkey.

So without further ado, I give you my first chimichanga recipe. It was delicious.

**Ingredients for 18 chimichangas**

1. Chicken breast
2. 2 regular size tomatoes chopped
3. 1 more tomato (Keep reading, you will understand this)
4. 1 white onion
5. 1 clove of garlic
6. ½ onion finely sliced
7. 18 medium size flour tortillas
8. Oil enough to deep fry.

**Procedure**

Boil the chicken breast with a little bit of oil, just a little bit, a small piece of onion and salt. This way the chicken will have flavor itself. Once cooked, shred it and reserve for later.

In a pan, heat some oil and pour the sliced onion until soft and ad two of the three chopped tomatoes. After two minutes add the shredded chicken breast, stir well. Liquify the other tomato with the garlic clove and the chi...
1. Laura Alejandra Marin Garcia, 31, secretary.
I went to Taxco, Guerrero, to see my family and enjoy the town and the food. Then, I went to Puebla to my aunt’s house to rest. I am so tired though, I wish we had a vacation from my vacation. I am not very religious, so I didn’t do any traditional things.

2. Jorge Alberto Quintanilla Garcia, 60, dispatcher.
I had a great vacation, I went to a little town in Hidalgo that I love, it’s very traditional, and Friday I went to the via Crucis. You go up a hill and everyone does representations from the bible and since it’s a holy day you are not supposed to go out. The next day we had a barbecue and drank and ate until 5am.

3. Ximena Gutierrez Arias, 23, pharmacy worker.
I have to work, so I don’t get much vacation except for Friday, I stayed at home and cooked for my family, we went to see the procession, had dinner at my grandma’s house and Saturday we all got together, I played video games. I think it’s not fair for parents to force religion on their children.

I got plenty of sleep and caught up with my homework. My family is extremely religious, they wanted to drag me to the procession thing, but I made up an excuse so I could go to my friend’s house and that I had a pretty cool time, me and my cousins went on a small tour in San Luis Potosi and our parents stayed home and did whatever religious thing they had planned.

5. Carlos Ramirez Perez, 19, student.
I am an atheist, so it has hard to find good tacos during vacation. Besides that I had a pretty cool time, me and my cousins went on a small tour in San Luis Potosi and our parents stayed home and did whatever religious thing they had planned.

I don’t have any money to go anywhere so I stayed home and slept, organized my house, played with my puppies, and worked a little bit.

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While not exactly sailing through it, he did make it and by the time he was two years old he was zipping around like any two year old. But he needed a little adjustment so he went back into the hospital. This time it was tougher on him and his recovery took longer, but every day his parents would spend all their time they weren’t working at his bedside. His 17 year old dad was especially devoted to him. Finally, it seemed like Oscar was out of the woods and on his way to recovery, when the oxygen tank next to his bed caught on fire. Oscar died in the fire. It was determined that the fire was due to poor maintenance and the Open Hearts program has been instrumental in improving maintenance in that hospital in La Paz.

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Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog’s face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him for a car ride, he sticks his head out the window?

What a pleasure to see the visiting population enjoy their beaches, and leaving them clean when they departed. It would be nice to publicly thank all those folks.

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their knees down.

Holland America loves us. Holland America Line is strengthening its presence in Mexico for the 2016-2017 season by increasing the number of ships sent here. They are also sending their larger Vista-class ships.

From October this year through February 2017, the Westerdam will sail a series of 13 seven day cruises round trip from San Diego, including two special holiday departures in December. To kick off the season, the ship will depart from Vancouver, British Columbia, Oct. 18, 2016, on an 11 day itinerary. For the remainder of the season, Westerdam will sail a series of 13 seven day Mexican Riviera cruises.

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Meanwhile, the mayor is reported to be building a new home worth 30 million pesos (US $1.7 million) in the Lindavista neighborhood of the city.

What are we, chopped liver?

A large influx of Mexicans arrived from the mainland by ferry and airplane for Easter week and our city government was prepared. It's not a legal holiday but many people get it off, as schools are closed, and Mexicans love to go to the beach. Who doesn't?

To prepare, our city deployed life guards at 16 beaches, and smoothed rutted dirt roads to 40 beaches. Officials also cut barb wire fences that are illegally preventing access to public beaches. (All Mexican beaches are public). This work is going on from La Ribera on the East Cape, down around the Cape, and up the Pacific side.

Thousands of Mexicans camped on the beaches, as most of them are on a budget and unlikely to check into the Hyatt Regency at $400 a night. Porta potties were set up on some beaches, and trash cans as well.

Large rubber barrels of water were trucked to the beaches and left there, while officials walked beaches asking if sun bathers were comfy. Hey, those people are gone now, but we're all still here spending money at the beach. Is anybody asking after our comfort? No, sigh.

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Officials must conduct an interview with you and any applying family members to establish motives for seeking refuge and to corroborate claims. After the interview officials have 45 days to analyze your request and 10 days to notify you of their decision.

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Fish Report

BY GARY GRAHAM

Seems as if the banner fishing that had been anticipated for March was delayed a tad by some unexpected and unusual weather. Hopefully, it is all behind us now and better spring fishing is just around the corner.

March was delayed a tad by some unexpected and unusual weather. Although March is normally the prime saltwater fishing season, the fishing has been limited, with only an occasional wahoo or dorado landed. Tuna are being found on the Iman Banks towards Vinorama, drift fishing with strips of squid. Though hit or miss, a handful of yellowfin were landed each day, including fish to over 70-pounds; most common-sized tuna were in the 15- to 25-pound range, and anglers were fortunate to land one tuna in their combined catches. Inshore, there were a few larger-sized roosterfish hooked off the San Jose del Cabo hotel zone. East Cape. Cool in the mornings and warm in the afternoon. Sea temps around 73 degrees inside and up to 78 outside. The bait boats continue to provide great stuff including mackerel and caballito.

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Fish Killers of the Week

Nazira and Ralph Clock, from Newport Beach, stand alongside their 98 pound tuna along with their longtime friend Don Ringsby who’s from Denver.

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were out on a panga Thursday and boated three striped marlin while soaking bait off La Ribera. Targeting billfish has been successful by soaking bait with a weight but the fish seem to have dropped down into deeper water. We are still picking up a few yellowtail and amberjacks on the bottom off La Ribera. Don’t be surprised if you latch onto a
POOLE CHILE FROM THE SMALL CAN. After liquefying strain it and add to the rest of the mixture. Heat the tortillas a little bit so they won’t break. If they are cold they will, so just put the package inside the microwave for 10 seconds, this will be enough.

Pour about one tablespoon of the chicken dish right in the center of the tortilla and close it making a little package. Secure it with toothpicks. Keep on making packages until you are done with the tortillas.

While doing this, pour oil in a pan enough to cover completely the little packages. It has to be real hot. Fry the chimichangas one at a time and don’t take your eye from them, they golden real fast and you don’t want to burn them. As you go, place the ones already fried on a plate on a paper napkin to absorb the excess of oil.

To serve, you can make some cucumber salad or just lime juice and hot Mexican salsa from a bottle.

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Pour about one tablespoon of the chicken dish right in the center of the tortilla and close it making a little package. Secure it with toothpicks. Keep on making packages until you are done with the tortillas.

While doing this, pour oil in a pan enough to cover completely the little packages. It has to be real hot. Fry the chimichangas one at a time and don’t take your eye from them, they golden real fast and you don’t want to burn them. As you go, place the ones already fried on a plate on a paper napkin to absorb the excess of oil.

To serve, you can make some cucumber salad or just lime juice and hot Mexican salsa from a bottle.

Alegandra

GRINGO RUNS THREE...

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Que Pasá In Cabo?

Described as a “high end party oasis,” Drai’s Beach will feature luxury cabanas, a state-of-the-art lighting and sound system, celebrity DJs, tableside VIP service and a Mexican Riviera-inspired fine dining menu.

In other words, we’ve lost our reasonably priced and good eats restaurant Baja Cantina to some high end joint that’s going to be over the top snooty with over the top prices. Sigh. Well, they’re still going to have the out of control spring breakers passing out on their front yard. That might not make their Facebook page.

Have you seen the mainland of Mexico? Aerocalafia, our lo-

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Belgium French Fries, a Big Cabo Favorite

Have you tried the fries at Fritz Belgium Fries? The buzz around town is that they are delicious, they are awesome! Fritz is seeing several return and word of mouth customers as good news travels quickly, especially in a community like Los Cabos.

Fritz Belgian Fries are prepared with fresh cut potatoes and deep fried in zero trans-fat oil within a six-stage process making them simply wonderful; Golden crunchy on the outside and soft & chewy on the inside. Fries are served with a choice from ten dipping sauces which include Bacon Garlic, Lemon Parmesan and Chipotle Spicy Hot to name a few. And of course, you will find ketchup and vinegar if you prefer the more traditional dip.

Stop by to try them sometime, they are located at the corner/entrance of Giggling Marlin, downtown Cabo San Lucas and are open 7 days a week. You will be delighted you did stop by, as their slogan goes "Try our Fries, You’re Gonna Love Them!"

P.S. They also serve a Pizza Burrito with 3 types of meat and cheese, absolutely yummy!

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Baja California Sur, and in fact, the entire country, is eliminating all municipal police forces. But this doesn’t mean the police will all lose their jobs. Most officers will transition into a single local law enforcement agencies that in many cases are susceptible to organized crime, criminal gangs, or local officials abusing their power. According to one high-ranking member of Con-

There Will Be No More City Police
Will anybody really miss them?

BY JAMES BELL

first go through a rigorous vetting process that includes taking the dreaded confidence exam, otherwise known as the lie detector test, and the failure rates are high. Some of the reasons for failure may include substance abuse or behavioral problems, past acts of thievery, and misplaced loyalties.

The new arrangement means that city authorities must forfeit their power to police their own turf so of course most of them are not happy about this. Their authority is relinquished to state authorities, and to a degree, to the federal government which, truth be told, are not squeaky clean either.

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so new that their website doesn’t even show it yet. At least, at press time. The flight is a comfy one, aboard a 56 passenger Embraer ERJ 145, built in Brazil. Wow, our little puddle jumper airline has really come a long way from their Cessna days. They fly out of the Cabo San Lucas airport, beyond the city, way convenient for Cabenos.

Like groovy, man. Remember groovy? The Groove Cruise Cabo is billing itself as the world’s longest running floating electronic music festival with 120 continuous hours of music. That’s five days, ten sunrises and 10 sunsets. And it’s setting sail for the freakiest of holidays, Halloween. Groove Cruise will land overnight in Cabo San Lucas aboard the Norwegian Sun cruise ship. 120 hours of electronic music that close to the ocean could be trouble. I for one would be pitching myself overboard at about hour 50.

Todos Santos Music Fest.

This year’s festival raised a chingo of money. Best one ever, CONTINUED ON PAGE 39
Schooling in Los Cabos

BY NICK FONG

Quite a few people for quite a few reasons ponder a move to Los Cabos where the weather is ideal virtually year round. Los Cabos is growing every day and the opportunities for an excellent lifestyle are amazing. Homes in Cabo are priced to fit any budget. For golden-agers the move is a no brainer but what if the family has school age children? What are the academic possibilities? How does education work in Mexico? What kinds of schools are available in Los Cabos? Let’s discuss education in Los Cabos, Mexico.

Schooling in Mexico is governed by the Secretariat of Public Education (Spanish: Secretaría de Educación Pública). Education standards are set by this Ministry at all levels except in “autonomous” universities chartered by the government (e.g., UNAM). Accreditation of non-public schools is achieved by a compulsory approval and registration with this institution...

Basic schooling
In Mexico, basic education is typically divided in three steps: primary school (primaria), comprising grades 1-6; junior high school (secundaria), comprising grades 7-9; and high school (preparatoria), comprising grades 10-12.

Primary School
The terms “Primary School” or “Elementary School” usually corresponds to primaria, comprising grades 1-6, when the student’s age is 6 to 12 years old. It starts the basic obligatory schooling system.

Depending on the school, a bilingual schooling may be provided from the beginning, where 50 percent the day instruction is in Spanish, and the rest is in a 2nd language, for example, English or French.

In Spanish, the general term for “school” is escuela, but in Mexico, it is common to use escuela for state-owned schools, which are the majority, while the term colegio is kept for non-public schools, usually charging higher tuition fees.

Mexican President Felipe Calderon signed a decree Feb 14, 2011 that allows for tax deductions of non-public school charges for preschool to high school levels starting in 2011.

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The plan allows for deductions up to the amount the government spends on average per student in public schools for each level—from 12,900 pesos ($1,070) a year for primary school to MXN24,500 a year for high school.

Junior High
The terms “Junior High School” or “Middle School” normally corresponds to secundaria, comprising grades 7-9, when the student’s age is 12 to 15 years old. It is part of the basic compulsory education system; it follows primary school, and comes before proper “high school” (preparatoria).

At this level, far more specialized subjects may be taught similar to Physics and Chemistry, and World History.

High School
The term “High School” (United States) generally corresponds to preparatoria or bachillerato, comprising grades 10-12, when the student’s age is 15 to 18 years old, it must incorporate a national subject at least.

Preparatoria customarily consists of 3 years of schooling, divided into six semesters, with the first semesters having a typical curriculum, and the latter ones making it possible for some degree of specialization, either...
A History of RANCHO LEONERO

BY DEDE BACON

Somebody needs to write a book about Rancho Leonero, its rich history and stories!

The Baja peninsula was a rugged, remote area with few roads and even fewer tourists. Cabo San Lucas was a sleepy fishing village, and most Americans had never even heard of the East Cape. Wealthy sportsmen and adventurers would fly down in their private aircraft, land on rough dirt airstrips carved out of the desert, and return with wild stories of the big fish they caught here.

Gil Powell fell in love with the area. He was a wildlife cinematographer by profession and related to actor William Powell. Around 1950 he found and purchased a 300 acre piece of paradise located on the beach just south of Los Bariles. Gil was continually going off to Africa to shoot movies - hence the locals gave him the nickname “El Leonero”, which roughly translates to “The One Who Knows Lions”. During this time his ranch became known as “Rancho El Leonero”, and over the years has been shortened to “Rancho Leonero”.

During those wild west days before paved roads and civilization came to Baja, Hollywood’s “bad boys” would fly down in their private planes for some R&R where they could escape from the notoriety of their public lives and just hang out. The likes of John Wayne, Bing Crosby, and Errol Flynn were all frequent visitors here.

In 1979 John Ireland stumbled upon Rancho Leonero, instantly falling in love with it. John spent the next two years trying to acquire the property, and finally succeeded in 1981. In 1984 he started construction of the original five rooms of what was to become “The Inn at Rancho Leonero”. Today the Inn at Rancho Leonero is a charming resort surrounded by a lovely neighborhood of lucky homeowners.

This beachfront community has become the envy of many and now you too can buy a piece of this little East Cape treasure.

I would encourage everyone to visit Rancho Leonero to enjoy its charm and beauty. Take a stroll on the serene beach or a hike up to Flat Top, hire a fishing charter, view the current listings, and end your trip with a cool drink and delicious meal at the Inn. Become one of the lucky residents of this historic, lovely neighborhood and start living the dream of many and the envy of all!

Written by Dede Bacon, Baja Properties, dede@bajaproperties.com.

Visit Dede at Baja Properties in Los Barilles, the oldest and most respected office in East Cape, search listings at www.dedebacon.com, or call 530-545-3407 or 624-142-8990 to arrange a personal tour of current listings in Rancho Leonero.

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in physical sciences (electricity, chemistry, biology, and so on.) or social sciences (commerce, philosophy, law, etc.).

The term preparatoria is most frequently used for institutions which provide vocational training, in two or three, so the graduate student can get a job as a skilled worker, for example, an assistant accountant, a bilingual secretary or an electronics technician, are to do what they went to school for and what they want to be like to be a teacher, secretary, or anything else.

Los Cabos has no shortage of schools each public and private. Here are just some of the choices of non-public schools with fantastic English programs:

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Rancho Las Crucces, A hidden paradise

BY ANNIE ESPINOZA

Have you ever heard of paradise? Yes you have because you have found it! We all can consider ourselves very lucky people to live in the surroundings of the most amazing encounter between the ocean and the desert: the Baja Sur.

Even Hernan Cortés, the Spanish conquistador, was told about this paradise and decided to find it himself more motivated for a great treasure of gold and pearls however when he landed in Baja Sur on May 3rd, 1535 He found more than just astonishing natural beauty. In commemoration of his landings he shared the tranquil sea. He realized than there was not only history at Las Crucces but a true treasure that had to be shared with the world.

Mr. Abelardo L. Rodriguez Montijo saw more than just pearls in the magnificent color of the tranquil sea. He realized than there was not only history at Las Crucces but a true treasure that had to be shared with the world.

In time, the Cerralvo and Montijo families decided to turn Las Crucces into a small luxury resort. Some consider this was the birth of tourism in the state of Baja California Sur. The success of Las Crucces prompted Abelardo (Rod) to build other world class resorts in Baja such as Hotel Palmilla in 1957 and is still the shining star of Los Cabos: The One and Only Palmilla as well as Hotel Hacienda in Cabo San Lucas.

Many distinguished guests visited Las Crucces and even though Mr. Abelardo called it home, there was always room for others to enjoy its beauty. He built homes for friends and partners Robert Fisher, Desi Arnaz, Bing Crosby, Charles Jones and Roger Bacon. Casa Fisher is now called Hacienda Santa Cruz. Las Crucces offers the enjoyment of the place to everyone from the princes, celebrities, presidents, to those who only wish to explore its secrets. Accommodations start at $265 USD / night at Rancho Las Crucces and a variety of Cabanas and Casas are available to enjoy with family or your loved one. The rooms are surrounded by terraces, desert and tropical gardens with ocean views and famous ocean afternoon breezes. More information at www.rancholas-cruces.com/accommodations.

This paradise could be an enchanting getaway for those looking to reconnect with their inner self through the magic of nature; so by 1948 he and his beautiful bride, Lucille Bremer decided to turn Las Crucces into a small luxury resort.

Abelardo L. Rodriguez Montijo & Lucille Bremer

Plaza Calafia Condo Cabo Bello MLS 15-1339
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Plaza Calafia is located on the oceanside of the Cabo Corridor in the gated community of Cabo Bello which is just 4 short miles from downtown Cabo San Lucas. Unit #153 has two bedrooms and two baths, and a covered terrace with spectacular ocean views. It is just a short walk to a swimmable cove that is great for swimming and snorkeling. Amenities include two pools, a Jacuzzi, and a 24 hour security patrol. The complex has a tennis court for residents and is within walking distance to restaurants, medical services, grocery stores, etc.
New Construction VS Re-Sales?

BY CINDY WILLIAMS

A detailed look into the current buyer market reveals 50% of buyer’s in Cabo San Lucas are choosing to purchase newly constructed homes and condos. We reviewed the statistics for the Cabo San Lucas and Cabo Corridor areas reported sales and found the results enlightening. In the past 12 months 76 condos were reported sold. Of the 76 sales 42 were new construction, 34 were resale/pre-owned. Houses fared a bit better with 107 reported closings. Of the 107 sales 53 were newly constructed homes. There is no denying the Portus group is giving the market a run for its money. Leading the way in both condo and housing new construction is Ventanas (phase 3) and Cabo Eco Park (Phase 4).

Considering Portus currently has a waiting list of buyers with delivery dates as far out as 24 months, it is apparent buyers are leaning toward new, clean, secure developments packed full of amenities. The buying trend is moving away from the old rule of thumb, location, location, location and convenience of the downtown area and into the sprawling outer limits of town in either direction, the Corridor or the Pacific side. Sellers offering resale properties, especially those in older, original condition are experiencing the impact of new communities springing up. The statistics show older homes and condos remain on the market all most twice as long as new units. Of the 76 condo sales resales remained on the market for an average of 426 days with average final sales prices below 20% of the original asking price. New condos averaged 234 days on the market with reported sales prices only 5% below original list price. Single family homes reflect the same trend. Of the 107 reported sales in the last 12 months resale homes average 416 days on the market with the same 20%- reduction in sales price vs original list price. New construction reveals an average of 181 days on the market with under 8% reduction in sales vs list price.

A very small number of buyers are choosing to build versus buy new or resale. 33 land sales were

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For more information, contact Connie Meyerhoff at Snell Real Estate Centro Educativo Integrál (Cabo) 624-157-3170 or meyerhoff@snellrealestate.com.

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2) April 4 and 17, 2 to 4:00, Castillo de Arena Open House Tour, meet at Castillo de Arena Office and tour these beautiful homes: Casa McMahon, MLS# 15-1368, $275,000.00 Casa Glover MLS# 14-1216, $395,000.00, and Casa Clark MLS# 14-941, $799,000.00

3) Wednesday April 6th and Friday April 15th from 10:00 am - 1:00pm, Ground floor Mañana Condom - Cabo Corridor near to Walmart-MLS#15-16-557, Beautiful Ocean view condo, 1bdrm /1 full ba, Great balcony, Price $95,000 USD. Nick ph. 624 157-3170

4) Thursday April 7th from 10:00 am - 1:00pm, Maranatha 21, Cabo Corridor Near Walmart-MLS#15-228, 3bdm /2.5 Ba, Land’s end views and rooftop access. Price $190,000 USD. Nick ph. 624 157-3170

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6) April 8, Friday, Casa Serena Vista in Cabo. 3:00 - 5:00pm, with beer, wine and light snacks. Contact: Suzanne Bruinsma, caborentals@gmail.com

7) Friday April 8th from 12:00 am - 3:00pm Villa Estrella del Mar, San Jose Corridor Near H + Hospital-MLS#15-872, 3bdrm /5.5 Ba, Single Level house, Large outdoor terrace, Private pool and Jacuzzi. Price $1,495,000 USD. Nick ph. 624 157-3170

8) Saturday April 9th and Thursday April 14th, from 12:00 m - 3:00 pm, Casa Avila, Palmilla Single Level Home, MLS# 15-2254, 3bdrm /4.5 ba private pool/jacuzzi/fire pit, Large Outdoor Living Area, Furnished. Price $ 975,000 USD. Nick ph. 624 157-3170

9) Monday April 11th, from 11:30 am- 2:30 pm, Terraza 12 Rancho Cerro Colorado Condo Lives Like a House, MLS# 14-65, 4bdrm /4 ba, Outdoor entertaining area overlooking the pool, backyard for pets, fully Furnished. Price $ 5,450,000 USD. Nick ph. 624 157-3170

10) Tuesday and Wednesday April 12th and 13th from 12:00 am- 3:00 pm, Top Beachfront Condo Miravista 12, San Jose Corridor, MLS#15-652, 1bdrm /1full ba, Extraordinary Ocean view from balcony , Price $ 250,000 USD. Nick ph. 624 157-3170

11) Saturday April 16th, from 11:30 am- 3:30 pm,VENTas 25, Ventas Ph1, MLS#15-1739, 3bdrm /2.5 Ba, spacious backyard, large outdoor terrace, Near to Clubhouse, Unfurnished. Price $ 180,000 USD. Nick ph. 624 157-3170

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I n addition to these schools that cover primary through high school there are quite a few nursery schools for the pre-schooler.

Your Real Estate Agent can supply far more details on these and other schools as well as aiding you in your search for Homes in Cabo.

By Nick Fong, Broker, Los Cabos Agent, 312-725-3664 US Line, 624-157-3170 Cabo Line.

NEW CONSTRUCTION IN CABO!

reported in Cabo San Lucas and the Cabo Corridor in the past 12 months. Of the 33 land transactions the properties averaged 398 days on the market. 57% of all lots sold occurred in the elite, secure developments of Pedregal, Chileno Bay, Cresta del Mar and Rancho Paraiso. The trend of purchasing existing as opposed to constructing is expected to continue until the existing market sees more of a recovery and

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For the last 4 months we’ve kept ourselves very busy in La Paz. Even in our current high season the local top producers and AMPI LA PAZ professionals organize and gather on Saturdays once every two weeks or once a month at least to tour properties just listed, motivated sellers, Price reductions or new projects being introduced into the market.

I’ve been organizing the tours for quite a while and now we are able to have 20-30 agents attending, which usually take us 3-4 hours to go over 10-12 properties. Yes, I know it sounds crazy to be driving around looking at homes and condos that must of us already know, but it has helped us increase our number of sales, it has improved our market conditions, promote exclusive contracts, provide an accurate feedback to our sellers or agents strategies and increase online presence through agents social media. Sometimes while we are touring we are already calling our clients at the moment of being at the property to let them know about a great market opportunity or a founding something that matches their search criteria. You know it makes a HUGE difference to be sharing personal insight and getting a feeling of the neighborhood and local lifestyle instead of just looking at numbers and general info in the MLS. We are a not selling only a house through a phone call or e-mail, we are able to share confidence and a personal testimonial, which is key selling any product or service nowadays.

And trust us, you can ask any local realtor their seller’s feedback. Sellers LOVE to see a bunch of agents coming over to see their house and even sometimes we’ve been spoiled by ceviche or beers at the end of the tour. I know it is a hard job but someone’s got a do it.

As an Accredited Buyer’s Representative (ABR) I’m a huge fan of the tours. I know I’m responsible of finding my clients the best deals available and the tours are a great way to do it. And in addition to the social media our company sends feedback and comments through our newsletter. So when the buyers are not here or are not ready to make a decision at the moment they have the info to make the best decision with frequent updates or market comps through Baja MLS and even sign up for MLS alerts.

Recently one of this sellers sent me an e-mail with a personal thank you note since a couple of weeks after touring his property he was finally able to sell house through his agent and found a very nice family to make of his home theirs. And in another time two different agents, buyer’s and listing agent called me separately to let me know they had a closing on a house that had recently been listed and introduced through our MLS tour. I can’t help to feel happy to make this possible but again it wouldn’t be possible at all without our local realtors teamwork. Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.


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prices in existing inventory rise. Currently the average sales price per square foot for new housing is $131 USD and resale housing coming in at $132 USD. New construction costs are parallelizing or right on par with existing pricing. Until which time we see the building costs fall significantly below existing construction cost per square foot we expect lot sales to remain somewhat stagnant. The majority of buyers will simply select the convenience of purchasing existing turn-key housing. Currently there are 265 houses and 173 condos actively being marketed for sale in Cabo and the Corridor leaving buyers more than their share of purchase options.

The good news is that Cabo remains affordable and great deals are still out there to be made. With Cabo being known for its wealth and expensive Villas it might come as a surprise to most that of all of the inventory sold over the last 12 months only 2 of the 76 condos and 14 of the 107 houses brought sales prices of over $1,000,000. Proof that Cabo is still affordable to most.

Even better news, many sellers of resale properties are recognizing the need to either upgrade their properties to fit the wants and needs of our current buyers or are conceding to practical price reductions to balance the costs of renovation the new buyers will be faced with. It is simple, buyers do not desire to engage in the task of construction/remodel hassles unless the sales price warrants the task.

Sellers need to be aware of the current market conditions so that they can make educated decisions when pricing their properties for sale. If they truly wish to sell their properties in a reasonable amount of time they need to thoroughly evaluate the competition.

Agent Profile

Mike Kroeker

Mike Kroeker is originally from Vancouver B.C., Canada. He arrived in the Baja for the first time in 1975. Mike was enchanted by the place and the magnificent sunsets, as well as the spectacular combination between ocean and desert. He decided to visit Los Cabos again in 1986, since then he has been enjoying the Los Cabos area, until making it his home. He was drawn to the area because of the warm wonderful people, climate, health and opportunities. In Los Cabos is where he met his wife, who is a property manager in the San Jose area. They both feel very fortunate to live and enjoy this beautiful place.

Mike looks forward to welcoming you to Los Cabos Sotheby’s International Realty.

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Mike Kroeker is originally from Vancouver B.C., Canada. He arrived in the Baja for the first time in 1975. Mike was enchanted by the place and the magnificent sunsets, as well as the spectacular combination between ocean and desert. He decided to visit Los Cabos again in 1986, since then he has been enjoying the Los Cabos area, until making it his home. He was drawn to the area because of the warm wonderful people, climate, health and opportunities. In Los Cabos is where he met his wife, who is a property manager in the San Jose area. They both feel very fortunate to live and enjoy this beautiful place.

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Enrique Peña Nieto (PRI party), with a lot of issues on his plate, including international pressure to reign in violence, also took up the pressing task, and has done better, already succeeding in incorporating security reforms in many states.

While most states have already made the transition to the mando unico system, our state of Baja California Sur (BCS) is the last to get on board. Even so, our new governor, Carlos Mendoza, has stated his support for the new security policy. And why wouldn’t the governor be up for stiff opposition from rival parties and many of the country’s 2,400 mayors. Current president

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TROPIC OF CANCER AT MIRAFLORES
April 15. Friday. Around 7:00 pm at the Tropic of Cancer center on the road to Los Barriles. First time the Tropic of Cancer celebrates a full moon night with a bohemian festival with contemporary dance, live music, reading, poetry and more. The Cultural Institute of Los Cabos is looking for more artists who want to keep that celebration every full moon at this geographical point of interest. More info with Alan Castro email: axlxaxn@gmail.com.

TODOS SANTOS MAIN PLAZA

CABO SAN LUCAS CASA DE LA DANZA On De la Roca St. and Costa Azul St. At the barrio Hojazen
April 23. Saturday. 8:00 pm. Sleepover Dance. International Dance Day celebration. All night long performance, videos, conferences, video chat and more, all about dance. Elea Casiano mail: casadeladanza.loscabos@gmail.com Spanish. 624 171 9117.

CULTURAL PAVILION
April 6. Wednesday. 6:00 pm. The Consulting and Epitaph. Two short theatrical productions. Southern Baja State University’s (UABCS ) 40th anniversary. By Mascaras Independent theatrical group. Spanish. Free. April 29. Friday. 5:00 pm. International Dance Day celebration. Best known dance groups show some of their work and choreographs commemorating Dance Day. Coordinated by dance community and the city’s department of culture. Spanish. For teens and older audience. Free. Info and dance groups’ registration contact Fabiola Garcia Cel.: 624 122 3208. Email: didloscabos2016@hotmail.com

April 30. Saturday. 11:00 am. The Kids and the Dance. Celebrating International Dance Day, the city’s department of culture and the dance community bring to the kids a dance show by kids. Different academies participating with different styles of dance. Spanish. Free. Info and dance groups’ registration contact Fabiola Garcia Cel.: 624 122 3208. Email: didloscabos2016@hotmail.com

AMELIA WILKES PLAZA downtown Cabo main plaza on Hidalgo.
Every Friday from 1:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Handcraft market by the local craftsmen.

MACONDO BOOK STORE Above La Europea at Walmart
Every Saturday. 8:30 pm. Live music by different guest artists. Cafe showing every wednesday. 7:30 pm. Movie club. Some English. Free. https://www.facebook.com/macondo.cscl

NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM
Open Monday to Sunday. From 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Donations welcome.

SAN JOSE
CABO MARINA FRONT
Every Saturday. From 12:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Art exhibition by local artists, workshops, paint, sculpture, photography, food tasting, theater, live music and dance. Spanish. Free.

TODOS SANTOS MAIN PLAZA
April 24. Sunday. 5:00 pm. International Dance Day celebration. Main event with a different dance group and different styles shows a little of the dance talent of Los Cabos celebration. Main event with a different dance group and different styles shows a little of the dance talent of Los Cabos. Spanish. All audiences. Free. Info and dance groups’ registration with Fabiola Garcia Cel.: 624 122 3208. Email: didloscabos2016@hotmail.com

LA PAZ
ALIANZA FRANCESA
Every Tuesday. 6:00 pm. Different French film each week. Aliaa Francisco cultural center at 525 Gomez Farias St. between Republica St and Guerrero St. Esterito town, La Paz. facebook.com/alianzafrancesalapaz. Spanish, French, English and other languages. Free. Every Friday. 6:00 pm. International films movie club.

CENTRO CULTURAL LA PAZ
From Monday to Friday. 6:00 am to 8:00 pm. On permanent display, permanent photography collective exhibition that highlights the cultural identity of Baja California Sur. In the Codex Peninsula of the Centro Cultural La Paz, on 16 de Septiembre at the corner of Belisario Dominguez. Text is in English and Spanish. Free.

CENTRO DE ARTES Y CULTURAS POPULARES
From April 20 on. Monday to Friday. 6:00 am to 8:00 pm. Oaxaca pottery exhibition. Information in English/Spanish. On Madero St. between 5 de Mayo and Independencia, across the street from Velasco garden. Free.

This was the scene at the recent dance competition held at the cultural center in downtown Cabo San Lucas. It was a warm, magical night with 1200 people seated in the outdoor amphitheater overlooking the marina.

There are many activities like this that would be of interest even to people who don’t speak Spanish, as most shows, with the possible exception of plays, transcend the language barrier.
This page contains classified ads with various listings for sale and services, including properties for rent or sale, boats, restaurants, and upcoming job opportunities. The ads are in English and include details such as contact information, prices, and descriptions of the items or services being offered. The page also features a section for interested individuals to sign up for job opportunities at the Consular Agency in Los Cabos, with a deadline of April 11th, 2016.
Statute Of Limitations
Pretty Scary Stuff
You can’t even stop the clock by leaving the country

BY DON NELSON

1. Have you failed to file a return for any tax year on your worldwide income? The statute of limitations never runs out to assess taxes for that year. The IRS can come after you 10 from now and assess taxes if you never filed the required return or forms.

2. Have you failed to pay the taxes on past filed returns or something that has been assessed by the IRS? The normal statute of limitations is 10 years from the date of assessment and filing a tax lien (that may be a later date from the date you filed the return), to collect tax. However, if you leave the country or the tax is assessed while you are outside the USA, that statute of limitations is put on hold until you return, at which time it starts to run again. When you owe taxes and are outside the USA, the statute of limitations to collect those taxes never runs out.

3. Have you failed to file Foreign Bank Account Reporting Forms (FBAR or now form 114)? The statute of limitations to assess penalties for failing to file is six years from the due date of each year’s forms.

4. Three years from the date the return is filed is the normal statute of limitations for assessing additional taxes on your filed return. It’s six years from the date your filed if your return omitted 25 percent or more of gross income.

5. The statute never runs out if you fail to file forms 5471, 8938 8865, or 3520 —3520A. The penalties for not including these forms with your return can be $10,000 or more.

6. Criminal Tax Evasion - the statute for possible criminal prosecution is most often six years, but there are exceptions.

7. The statute of limitations for IRS action for civil fraud (this means an assessment of the 75% civil fraud monetary penalty)

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Every Wednesday. 7:30 to 8:30 pm. Bike ride in San Jose. Free if you bring your own bike, or rent from Sportia bike store. Form up at Plaza del Pescador in San Jose, across from the Royal Solaris hotel at 7:15 pm. (624) 130-7159. info@sportia.mx

First Thursday. Yo Reciclo sets up tents to receive clear glass bottles, metals, plastics (except Styrofoam), thick cardboard, computer equipment (except monitors), small home appliances (except TVs’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 Centenario corner with Ildefonso Green. In Cabo San Lucas at the parking lot off the baseball stadium. 8 am to 2 pm. info@yoreciclo.org.mx

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

Every Thursday. From 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Organic market. Historic downtown activities program. Postal Park, Constitucion and Madero streets. La Paz. Free.

Every Thursday. 12:00 – 8:00 pm. Art Walk. Historic downtown, San Jose. Visit galleries, many serve wine, they close down the street.

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

Every Friday Palmilla Farmers Market Every Friday 9 am to 1 pm in the parking lot of the Palmilla strip center

Every Friday Todos Santos Farmers Market. Music and fun stuff. James Black, merlo4u@earthlink.net, www.facebook.com/TodosSantos-Farmers-Market-937899742952014/?ref=hl, (612) 134-8728, Todos Santos. It moves around, so check where it is this week.

Every Friday night from 5:00 - 9:00 pm at the Amelia Wilkes Plaza in downtown Cabo. Arts and crafts market “El Colibri.” Original handmade jewelry, homemade food, arts, crafts and original live music.

For more info or if you are a vendor please contact in Spanish: Max – 624 108 2250, or in English: tomyrosa@gmail.com,hereThe Artisans Market. Nothing made in China here.

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. Info: Cell 624-165-3333

Every Saturday. 10 am to 1 pm. Children’s library open. Story tellers at 10:30 and 12:30. Looking for gently used books. theranchkidz@gmail.com, Todos Santos. Spanish.

Every Saturday. 9am to 3pm. The San Jose organic market behind downtown San Jose, off of Centenario St.

Every Sunday. 7 -11 am. Bicycle, walk, skate or drag your pet around downtown Cabo. The main drag in Cabo San Lucas closes to vehicle traffic. Great opportunity to exercise and mingle with local families. Each week a different activity, like spinning, aerobics, zumba lessons. clubcactusbike@gmail.com

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even if the most exciting part of it was the grand finale where Peter Buck, who worked so hard to make it all happen, got up on stage and possibly in an altered state, made a mess of things, resulting in his hasty run for the border. It couldn’t have been more entertaining if it had been planned as part of the show.

The entire point of the fun fest is to raise money for local youth, through the good works of the Palapa Society. This year far exceeded prior years’ take, raising a little more than $63,000 U.S. The money is especially important this year, as they are initiating a high school building program.

289 tickets were sold, bringing many out of town guests to pack into hotels and restaurants. Also benefitting is the Palapa Society’s art program to the tune of $3,000, which went to the existing program, as well as sponsoring students for special workshops, and will be a major contribution toward the materials and equipment necessary to create the center in the new Palapa Learning Center.

Food & Wine Festival! This year’s GastroVino Fest will be held April 22-24 in Todos Santos. It’s a wonderful celebration of the food and wines of Baja California, and you get to partake in plenty of both!

La Bodega restaurant is the main organizer of the event, and the main festival is in the town plaza on Sunday, April 24, with wine-pairing dinners at various restaurants on the preceding nights. There are live music performances throughout the day. It’s a great opportunity to get to know local chefs from Todos Santos and their food along with the wines from Baja’s Valle de Guadalupe wine-growing region. Large and small wineries such as Xecue, Shimul, Cavas Valmar, Cavas Maciel, Freixenet Queretaro y Vina Dona Dolores, Aztamia, L.A. Cetto, MD, Vinart y Torres Alegre & Familia will participate.

This year’s silent auction will benefit the local orphanage and the Todos Santos fire department. To date the auctions have raised $24,800 USD.

For more information go to www.gastrovino.mx or call 612-152-0181.

There will be no more...

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challenges facing the nation’s local, state, and federal governments, many global security experts believe Mexico is making real progress in areas of institution-building. Recent reforms of the judicial system, combined with a renovated and newly empowered police force, may help reduce serious crime and improve the quality of life for many. If the Mexican government succeeds in creating a stronger legal system and a robust and more honest police force that ensures greater transparency, much less impunity, and broader citizen participation, all things are possible.

Statute of Limitations...

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against a taxpayer plus other penalties and interest), is indefinite and never runs out. Therefore if you cheat on your tax return or fail to file, you are never safe.

8. If you owe $50,000 or more, the IRS can snatch your passport away when you enter the U.S. And without a passport you cannot leave until you work out a payment plan or pay the IRS in full.

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