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Fuerzas de la Naturaleza



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When the fireman tossed the first baby to her at about 1:00 am, Karina was dizzy with fear that she would drop the little girl. She didn't. By the time the fireman tossed the third baby to her she was confident in her skill, had an assembly line set up with hand offs to Lorena and Julio, and had the whole situation managed so brilliantly that by 10:00 am, 150 people who had lost all or part of their homes in the fury of Hurricane Odile were safe, dry and having breakfast in the *Casa del Estudiante de Todos Santos*.

Why on earth would a fireman toss a baby? Down the road in Pescadero Lalo and Pili were finding out. Pili is a pretty big guy, topping the scales at 250 pounds. Lalo is a little scrawnier, weighing in at 180. The 430 pounds of them were holding onto the inside beams of their roof with their hands, trying to keep it from blowing away. They succeeded for two hours before a particularly violent gust lifted the roof—with the two of them still attached—several feet off the ground. At that point they decided not to make the trip to Oz and let go. And that's why the fireman had to toss the children: the wind was blowing so violently through the door that Karina could not propel herself forward the two meters to take them, and the fireman had to anchor himself at the entrance or risk not being able to get back out to help others. Category 3? Category 4? Doesn't really matter. When it's blowing hard enough to take your roof, your home and your child's safety, it's blowing hard enough.

TODOS SANTOS, TODOS JUNTOS

Before Hurricane Odile hit on September 14 and forever changed the storyline of Baja California, the communities of Todos Santos, Pescadero and other BCS towns were already coming together to fight a manmade force with the potential for devastation far beyond anything a single

Cuando los bomberos le aventaron al primer bebé alrededor de la 1:00 am, Karina estaba aterrada de que pudiera tirar a la niña. Pero no la tiró. Para cuando el bombero le aventó al tercer bebé ya se sentía más confiada, ya tenían una línea de manos de Lorena a Julio, y tenían la situación dominada tan brillantemente que para las 10:00 am, 150 personas que habían perdido todo o parte de sus casas en la furia del Huracán Odile estaban a salvo, secos y desayunando en la *Casa del Estudiante de Todos Santos*.

¿Pero por que un bombero aventaría a una bebé? En el camino en Pescadero Lalo y Pili los estaban descubriendo. Pili es un tipo muy grande, marcando en las básculas hasta 125 kgs. Lalo es un pequeño flacucho, que pesa 90 kgs. Los 215 kgs de ambos, estaban deteniendo por dentro las vigas de su techo, con sus manos, tratando de evitar que este se volara. Lo lograron por dos horas, hasta que una corriente muy fuerte levantó el techo—con ambos aún sosteniendo el mismo—varios metros del piso. En ese momento decidieron no viajar a Oz y las dejaron ir. Y es por eso que el bombero tuvo que aventar a los bebés: los vientos soplaban tan violentamente por la puerta que Karina no podía acercarse dos metros para recibirlos y el bombero se tuvo que anclar a la entrada o arriesgarse a no poder regresar a ayudar a otros. ¿Categoría 3? ¿Categoría 4? Realmente no importa. Cuando está soplando tan fuerte como para volar el techo, tu casa y la seguridad de tus hijos, está soplando lo suficientemente fuerte.

TODOS SANTOS, TODOS JUNTOS

Antes de que el Huracán Odile pegara el 14 de septiembre y cambiara para siempre la historia de Baja California, las comunidades de Todos Santos, Pescadero y otros **FUERZAS continúa en página 18**



Community meeting at Baja Beans Roasting Co.

hurricane could unleash—an open pit gold mine in the Sierra de la Laguna mountains. The local and foreign communities had united at huge rallies and protests across the state, and even staged a multi-day vigil to prevent the mine from illegally drilling in connection with its planned desalination plant. A feeling of unity and empowerment permeated the air, and when that air was dramatically rent by Hurricane Odile, it only strengthened the feeling of community. No one was going to back down from a fight for home.

Karina, the administrator of the *Casa del Estudiante de Todos Santos*—or *albergue* as it is commonly known—was one of the first to witness that fighting spirit on a significant scale. She'd never met Marisol, the manager at Hotel Casa Tota in her life, but when she called her to ask for help, Marisol didn't hesitate and delivered food for 150 people in just a few hours. The grocery stores Supermercado El Sol and Guluarte's, the restaurants Landi's and El Zaguán—all made sure that Karina and the rest of the *albergue* staff could feed the people in their care in those first few

critical days, even as they were struggling with their own properties. Gabriela Guluarte sent along clothing for those who had lost everything, and Kappner from Tres Santos came with boxes of much needed personal items like shampoo, deodorant, underwear and baby food. Karina and Lorena spent 17 days working around the clock at the *albergue*, often with 150 sleeping under their roof and up to 200 mouths to feed at any given meal. Not only did no one miss a meal, but many others were sent home with "*despensas*," or care packages with several days worth of essential food items.

But the damage was extensive and the needs were great and a surfer named Justin Lindholm who spends his winters in Pescadero was among the first to grasp that significant funds were going to be needed to advance the recovery. "Pescadero and its people are beautiful and have made a huge impact on my life. People say hi to you on the streets, really listen to you when you're talking, and remember stories you might have told. They live day-

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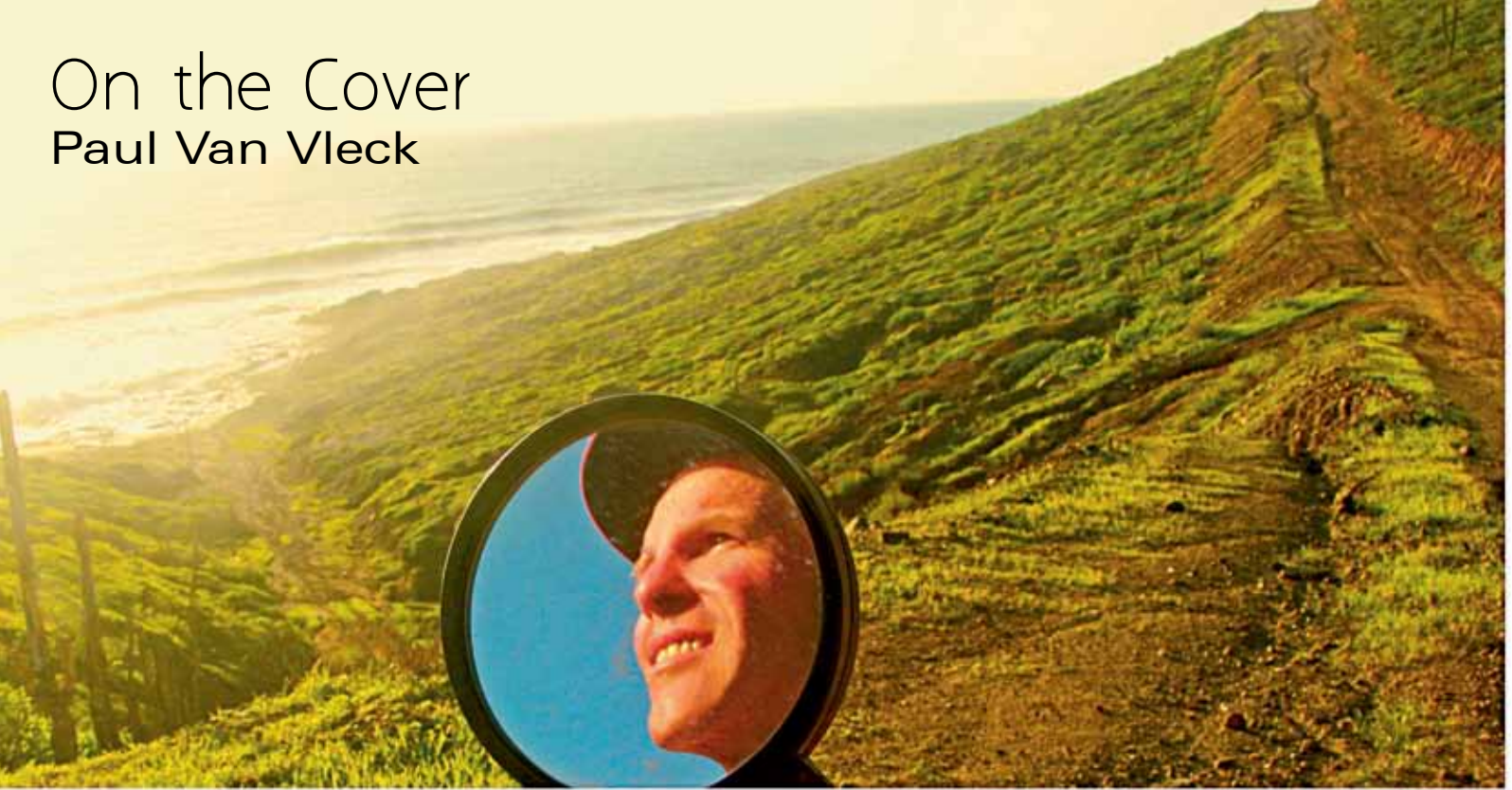
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On the Cover

Paul Van Vleck



Paul Van Vleck was born in Coronado, California, a beach town with a view of Tijuana. His father loved Mexico and traveling, and so in his youth, Paul was lucky to have lived and traveled extensively throughout Mexico. He also traveled to Europe, North Africa as well as behind the "Iron Curtain" with his family at age nine.

Different cultures have always fascinated Paul. He lived in Guadalajara, Jalisco and Tacambaro, Michoacan (near Patzcuaro) in the late 60s before his teenage years. Although he loves all of Mexico and its cultures, Paul has spent the majority of his time living and exploring the many isolated areas of Baja California Sur. At seventeen, traveling alone in Mexico, he made his first trip to Baja California Sur, crossing the Sea of Cortez on the ferry from Puerto Vallarta to Cabo San Lucas. It was during this trip that began his love affair of the rugged and wild desert peninsula. Paul surfed and so continued, regularly, visiting Baja California Norte. In the late 70s, he began his flying adventures with a friend in his small prop plane to Land's End, landing on beaches, camping

and surfing. These trips really inspired him creatively as a photographer.

Paul studied Art History and Anthropology at the University of San Diego then transferred to Brookes Institute of Photography in Santa Barbara. After graduation he moved to Europe, then New York City where he worked as a freelance photographer. Paul realized other passions while living in New York. He became a vegetarian, focused more on his yoga practice which he began when he was 16. Paul traveled to California and the Caribbean studying Eastern medicine, nutrition, herbs, massage and yoga.

With a vision of developing a Creative-Wellness-Adventure-Center in Baja California Sur, Paul camped in his VW Van on both sides of the peninsula before deciding to take root in Todos Santos. In the early 90s, he opened a gallery space in town, Mano A Mano, along with other artists, healers and adventurers offering hands on workshops, readings, yoga classes, musical gatherings, private healing sessions, a juice bar, bike rentals and nature expeditions. Back in

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De la Portada

Paul Van Vleck

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Paul Van Vleck nació en Coronado, California, un pueblo en la playa, con vista a Tijuana. Su padre amaba México y viajar, y por lo tanto, en su juventud, Paul tuvo la suerte de viajar extensamente por todo México. También viajó a Europa, el norte de África, así como detrás de la "Cortina de Acero" con su familia a la edad de nueve años.

Las diferentes culturas siempre le han fascinado a Paul. Vivió en Guadalajara, Jalisco y Tacámbaro, Michoacán (cerca de Pátzcuaro) a fines de los 60s antes de su adolescencia. Aunque que Paul ama México y todas sus culturas, ha pasado la mayor parte de su vida viviendo y explorando muchas áreas aisladas de Baja California Sur, cruzando el Mar de Cortés en el Ferry de Puerto Vallarta a Cabo San Lucas. Fue en este viaje que empezó su enamoramiento con la difícil y silvestre península. Paul practica surf y por lo mismo, visitaba con regularidad Baja California. A finales de los 70s comenzó sus aventuras volando al Final de La Tierra en su pequeño avión con un amigo, aterrizando en playas, acampando y surfeando. Estos viajes realmente lo inspiraron creativamente como fotógrafo.

Paul estudió Historia del Arte y Antropología en la Universidad de San Diego, luego se cambió al Instituto Brookes de Fotografía en Santa Bárbara. Después de la graduación, se fue a vivir a Europa, luego a Nueva York, donde trabajó como fotógrafo independiente. Paul tuvo otras pasiones mientras vivió en Nueva York. Se volvió vegetariano, se enfocó a la práctica del yoga, misma que empezó a los 16. Paul viajó a California y al Caribe, estudiando medicina Oriental, nutrición, hierbas, masaje y yoga.

Con una visión de desarrollar un Centro de Aventura Creativa y Bienestar en Baja California Sur, Paul acampó en su camioneta Volkswagen en ambos lados de la Península, antes de decidir echar raíces en Todos Santos. A principios de los 90s, abrió una galería en el pueblo, Mano a Mano, junto con otros artistas, sanadores y aventureros, ofreciendo ayuda en talleres, lecturas, clases de yoga, reuniones musicales, sesiones privadas de sanación, una barra de jugos, renta de bicicletas y expediciones a la naturaleza. En aquellos días, la vida en Baja era muy diferente, con menos "necesidades," pero la gente era más creativa e ingeniosa. Paul, también publicó el primer folleto de Todos Santos, una línea de postales y organizó una sección colaborativa de Todos Santos en la noticias de Los Cabos. Trabajó en Los Cabos y más tarde se mudó a San José del Cabo y abrió otra galería Mano a Mano. Paul fue uno de los primeros fotógrafos de bodas, de publicidad y editorial para negocios y aparecía en la mayoría de las publicaciones que surgían en el área.

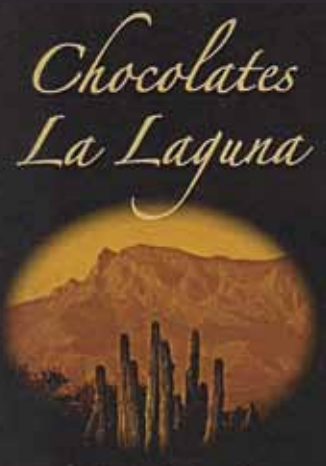
Después de muchos años aquí, decidió hacer un cambio y se mudó de la península a vivir en y alrededor de Puerto Vallarta, por seis años trabajando como fotógrafo

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Todos Santos Por Que 5K

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On Saturday, December 27th, hundreds of runners will line up, eagerly awaiting the 9 am starting pistol for the sixth annual Por Que 5K run in Todos Santos. The Por Que 5K race, presented by The Palapa Society of Todos Santos, A.C., has two main goals: to raise funds for the Chino Program, and to promote the value of healthy exercise for all members of the community.

The Chino Program assists children in Todos Santos and the surrounding communities who are 18 years of age or younger and who have medical issues, the cost of which is beyond the financial means of their families. Named for the first recipient of assistance—Chino, a boy with a cleft palate—the program assesses the child's medical needs and what the family can provide without assistance, and then fills in the gaps. Funds are used where they are most needed, whether it be for medical supplies, such as specialized glasses, hearing aids, back braces, or orthopedic shoes; for surgeries, or for expensive laboratory work and medical tests, such as MRIs; for speech and behavioral therapy for autistic children; for therapy for children who have been victims of sexual abuse; or for transportation. Sometimes, a family just needs money for bus trips to La Paz, but the program has also paid for family members to accompany their child to the mainland for treatment.

The Por Que 5K is The Palapa Society's only annual

Cientos de corredores en Todos Santos, se alinearán, el sábado 27 de Diciembre, ansiosos de que suene el disparo de inicio de la carrera "Por Que 5K" a las 9 am. La carrera Por Que 5K, presentada por La Sociedad de La Palapa de Todos Santos, AC, tiene dos objetivos principales: recaudar fondos para el Programa Chino, y promover el valor de ejercicio saludable para todos los miembros de la comunidad.

El Programa Chino apoya a niños menores de 18 años en Todos Santos y las comunidades aledañas con problemas médicos, ya que el costo supera las finanzas de sus familias. Nombrado así por el primer niño que recibió este apoyo—Chino, un niño con paladar hendido—el programa evalúa las necesidades médicas de los niños y lo que la familia puede hacer sin ayuda, y llena los huecos. Los fondos son utilizados en donde más se requieren, ya sea para material médico, como lentes especializados, aparatos auditivos, frenos o zapatos ortopédicos; para cirugías, o para análisis de laboratorio, estudios de gabinete, tales como Resonancia Magnética; para terapia de lenguaje y terapias para niños autistas; para terapias psicológicas para niños que han sido víctimas de abuso sexual; o para transportación. Algunas ocasiones, la familia solo necesita dinero para los camiones a La Paz, pero el programa también ha pagado para que los familiares puedan acompañar a sus niños al tratamiento en el interior de la República.

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fundraiser for the Chino Program. This year's fundraising goal is the equivalent of \$10,000 USD. The funds will be raised through business and individual sponsorships, as well as through race registration fees and the sale of race merchandise. Many local businesses proudly sponsor the race every year. Business sponsorships are available for as little as 3,000 pesos; these sponsors will have their business logo included on race t-shirts and race-day banners, on advertising materials, and on the Por Que 5K Facebook page. This year, The Palapa Society is also offering individuals the opportunity to become Chino Champions.

For a minimum contribution of 500 pesos, individual sponsors will be listed on a banner in the plaza where the race starts and finishes, as well as on the Por Que 5K Facebook page. Individual contributors, depending on the amount of the contribution, may also receive various perks: free race registration and merchandise selections, and breakfast on The Palapa Society at one of several restaurants and cafés in Todos Santos (Hotel Casa Tota, Caffé Todos Santos, La Esquina or Caféliz). But hurry! The deadline for becoming a Chino Champion is December 1, 2014.

Apart from being for a good cause, the Por Que 5K is simply a great race! Whether you're an elite runner, an occasional jogger or walker, you don't want to miss this race. A multitude of spectators turn out to cheer on the runners, and the spectators have nearly as much fun as the runners do. This year's race features a challenging course that will wind through the picturesque residential neighborhoods of the *otro lado* of Todos Santos with two water stations along the course. Prior to the race, drop your belongings at the *guardarropa* station (clothing check), and enjoy some pre-race yoga and stretching. After the race, medals will be awarded in a wide range of age groups, from under 12 to over 80. The overall male and female winners will receive plaques. Every runner is automatically entered in a door-prize raffle, featuring prizes donated by local merchants. Dinners, overnight stays at hotels, surf lessons, and ultra-light flights are just some of the door-prizes being offered. The general entry fee for the race is 150 pesos, with an entry fee of 50 pesos for local students. Register for the race at Caféliz on Calle Juárez in Todos Santos on December 22 or 26, from 10 am to 2 pm. And for those of you with children, prior to the 5K race there is a 1K fun run for the little ones!

For more information about the Por Que 5K race, about becoming a sponsor, or to volunteer to help with the run, please email Tim Doyle at timsudoyle@hotmail.com; or visit The Palapa Society's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/palapasociety.org

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La carrera Por Que 5K es el único evento anual para recaudar fondos para el Programa Chino. La meta del este año es equivalente a \$10,000 USD. Los fondos se recaudarán mediante patrocinios personales y de negocios, así como la cuota de registro de la carrera y la venta de productos promocionales. Varios negocios locales patrocinan orgullosamente el evento año tras año. Los patrocinios de negocios están disponibles desde \$3,000 pesos; estos patrocinios tendrán su logotipo incluido en las Camisetas, en la Meta, Cartelones y Material Publicitario, así como en la página de Facebook de Por Que 5K. Este año, La Sociedad de La Palapa, está ofreciendo a los individuos la oportunidad

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WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN?

End of July, determined to escape the heat of Tiny Town, three dogs and I drove up to Northern California to my new summer home, a 1955 Spartan "Royal Mansion" trailer. And as many of you know, I was also in California to say goodbye to my very close friend, Robin, who was in the final stages of Lou Gehrig's disease. So I had my own issues going on before the hurricane hit. Mentally, I can deal with loss or destruction of property, but there are other losses I discovered I was totally unprepared to deal with.

My dog, Caramela, was left at Punta Lobos (as are so many unwanted dogs and cats); she had distemper for which she was treated and cured, but it left her blind. After many months of distemper isolation, she finally joined our pack and was instantly one of the most loving, happy dogs I've ever encountered. Summer in Petaluma, we four lived happily on a hilltop surrounded by farm country. It was scenic, tranquil and cool so I was busy patting myself on the back when Caramela disappeared. When she wasn't at the door the next morning, I began a frantic search, covering the 40 acres where my trailer sat, walking the pastures and forests several times a day, obsessively calling her name between my tears and sobs. I drove the neighborhood roads back and forth, stopping on high hilltops where I scanned the vast landscapes for a small white speck. My mellow California days quickly turned to darkness, sadness and confusion. Why did my friend Robin get such a terrible painful incurable disease? And if that wasn't enough, You (whoever You are) had to take my dog too?

I'm fortunate, I've never had anyone close to me die except mom and dad, and you kind of expect that so it's something most of us are prepared for. And you would think doing dog rescue, I would certainly have experienced tragedies with dogs that can only break your heart. Yet not knowing Caramela's fate seemed unbearable to me and I couldn't stop looking or hoping or crying. But after two weeks friends told me to accept it, she was gone, time to move on. After all there are coyotes in these hills (when people said that I wanted to slap them) and where would she find water when there's a drought in Sonoma County? And so I reread the part of the *Tibetan Book of Living and Dying* that said my grief was keeping my loved ones from moving on to wherever it is they move on to. Guilt is everywhere, don't 'cha know. So I went out to Dillon Beach one day and said goodbye, I let them go—sort of.

Here's the nitty gritty. I have always had faith that this life was not just one big accident, one big bang. A lot of that has to do with how incredible nature is, the colors, the patterns, birds, flowers, a sand dollar for goodness sakes. It seems difficult to believe it all just came from a

big explosion. It's just my thing; I have to believe there is more to life than life, if you know what I mean. It's what has always kept me going in the most difficult of times that I gain some insight regarding these tragedies. But watching my friend die from ALS and then my dog, finally cured of pain and illness and blind to boot, now missing, boy howdy, all meaning was eluding me. Of course I regretted taking Caramela from Tiny Town because if your dog disappears in *my* town, everyone is looking, everyone knows your dog, and more frequent than not, a lost dog is always found. In Petaluma, I'm surrounded by ranches, people with guns who are permitted to shoot a strange dog on their property. A place where people drive so fast, of course they wouldn't stop to pick up a stray dog. If I were home it would all be okay.

On Facebook I read descriptions of the post-hurricane comradery of *gringos* and Mexicans in Todos Santos, everyone helping each other. I longed to return to the "good" people, the people who really cared. And then I had to stop myself from doing that thing I do. *My* town, Todos Santos, *my* country, Mexico, is full of good hearted caring people. In the States it's everyone for themselves. Oh dear, I do get carried away by my love for Tiny Town.

Sixteen days after Caramela disappeared, my phone rang and all I could hear was the word "Caramela."

"We have your dog," a woman told me, "we saw her running along the highway in Valley Ford." Valley Ford is about 12 miles from my trailer, fenced pastures and busy highway the entire distance. They had her in their van and would drop her off in a few minutes. Because she is blind, Caramela does not let strangers approach her, she runs. I wondered how they had ever been able to catch her. It was a grand reunion, complete with more tears and one happy dog. The women explained how her capture was a group effort. Once the ladies got out of their van and approached her, Caramela ran into the middle of the highway and as she darted back and forth, cars in both directions came to a halt. No one was able to grab her. Eventually, a few of the cars decided to herd her towards a nearby fence, at which time she was cornered but still running helter skelter. Then an older woman got out of her car and approached Caramela, talking in a sweet, loving voice, one, the rescuer explained, that sounded quite similar to my own (yes, the bordering on baby talk, high-pitched Minnie Mouse voice). And so, she stopped running and they were able to pick her up. Once in their van, she became relaxed and seemed to know she had been rescued. The ladies told me that traffic was literally stopped for 20 minutes in both directions but no one complained.

And so, I began the drive back to my beloved Tiny Town, but this time not complaining about those *gringos* up North not caring like *WE* care. As much as Facebook often annoys me, the stories of the aftermath of Hurricane Odile renewed my faith that life is good and inevitably depends on how I perceive it. I think that was the meaning I was searching for during my "what does it all mean?" quest this summer. If I am happy that Robin had such a fantastic life while she was here and Caramela had a good six months of love and affection, then life is good. Sounds way too simple doesn't it?

de convertirse Campeones Chino. Por una donación mínima de \$500 pesos, los patrocinadores personales estarán listados en un Cartel localizado en la Plaza, donde comienza y termina la Carrera, así como en la página de Facebook. Los patrocinadores personales, dependiendo de la cantidad de la donación, puede también recibir



varias ventajas: registro sin costo y selección artículos promocionales, y un desayuno pagado por La Sociedad de La Palapa, AC., en algunos de los restaurantes y cafés en Todos Santos (Hotel Casa Tota, Caffé Todos Santos, La Esquina o Cafélíx). ¡Pero apresúrate! La fecha límite para poder sur un Campeón Chino es el 1° de diciembre, 2014.

A parte de ser para una buena causa, la carrera Por Que 5K es simplemente una gran carrera! Sin importar si corres, trotas o caminas, no querrás perderte la carrera. Una multitud de espectadores que van a ovacionar a los participantes, y el público se divierte tanto como los corredores. La carrera de este año presentará una pista desafiante que pasará a través las pintorescas colonias residenciales del Otro Lado de Todos Santos con dos estaciones de agua en el curso de la misma. Antes de la carrera, deja tus pertenencias en la estación guardarropa, y disfruta de un estiramiento y yoga previo a la carrera. Después de la carrera, se otorgaran las medallas en un amplio rango de edades, desde menores de 12 y hasta mayores de 80 años. Los ganadores masculinos y femeninos de cada categoría recibirán sus placas. Cada corredor automáticamente entra a una rifa, presentando premios donados por los comercios locales. las cenas, habitaciones de los hoteles, lecciones de surf y vuelos en ultraligeros son solo unos de los premios ofrecidos. El costo de la entrada general para la carrera es de \$150 pesos, con cuota de entrada de \$50 pesos para estudiantes locales. Para registrarse para la carrera, en Cafélíx en Calle Juárez en Todos Santos del 22 al 26 de diciembre, de 10 am a 2 pm. Y para ustedes con niños, previo a la carrera 5K, ¡habrá una carrera de 1 km carrera divertida para los pequeños!

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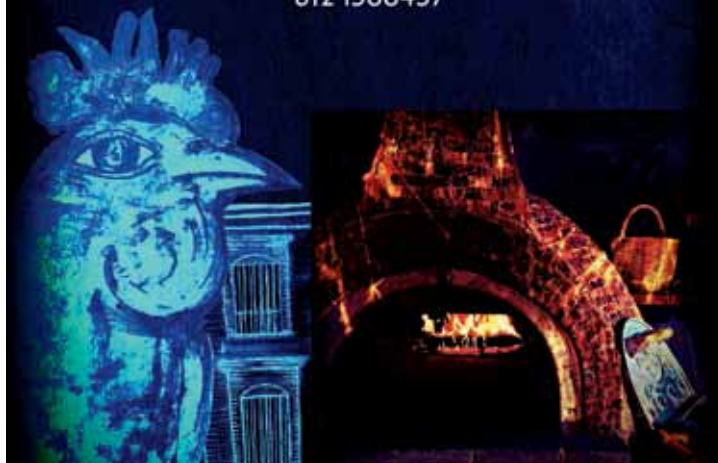
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For Plants and Wildlife, Hurricane Survival is Only Natural

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1. Hurricanes increase chlorophyll levels in the ocean by stirring up nutrients from the colder, deeper waters and bring them to the surface. *Los huracanes traen los nutrientes de las aguas frías más profundas a la superficie aumentando así los niveles de clorofila en el agua.*
2. Homeotherms—large animals who maintain a constant internal temperature—generally position themselves with hindquarters to wind, rain and debris thus protecting themselves under a thick layer of hide and fat along the topline. *Homeotermos (animales grandes que mantienen su temperatura corporal independientemente del ambiente) usan su parte trasera que contiene mayor cantidad de grasa para protegerse del viento, la lluvia o escombros.*
3. After a hurricane distributes excessive saline water from the ocean, halophytes—plants that live on dunes and estuaries along the coastline areas—benefit from this event as they excrete the excessive salt through their leaves and then utilize the extra nutrients and water. *Después de un huracán, las plantas halófitas (plantas adaptadas a vivir en las dunas y estuarios) se benefician de estos eventos excretando el exceso de sal y absorbiendo nutrientes del agua.*
4. The feet of birds have a fantastic locking mechanism that they alone can release. Once a bird has grasped onto a perch, he can survive high wind and storm conditions without being blow away. *Las patas de las aves tienen un fantástico mecanismo de agarre el cual pueden dejar “trancado” y solo ellas pueden liberar. De esta manera los pájaros pueden soportar fuertes vientos y condiciones de tormenta sin desprenderse.*
5. Lizards and other non-amphibious reptiles have an amazing sense of seeking shelter during daily and also adverse conditions by moving into hollow logs, rock formations and even climbing trees! *Lagartijas y otros reptiles, durante condiciones adversas cuentan con una impresionante capacidad para encontrar refugio en troncos huecos, formaciones rocosas o inclusive subiéndose a los árboles!*
6. Hurricanes often produce very different mini-environments that certain species of birds benefit from. Plovers for example, prefer open and clean environments while warblers like their area dense and tangled. *Los huracanes suelen producir diferentes micro-ambientes de los cuales*



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se pueden beneficiar las diferentes especies. Por ejemplo los chorlitos prefieren los ambientes amplios y limpios mientras que especies como las currucas eligen áreas más densas y enmarañadas.

7. Toads emerge from their burrows in the ground when the rain and wind starts up. Helping to protect them from predators, the newly formed ponds allow them to breed and lay eggs which in a few days turn into millions of tadpoles, then toadlets! *Los sapos emergen de sus cuevas en el suelo cuando los vientos y lluvias comienzan. Los estanques que se van formando les permiten reproducirse y liberar sus huevecillos los cuales en unos pocos días se transformarán en millones de renacuajos y luego ¡sapitos!*

8. Many species of butterflies emerge with the start of the rainy season to breed and lay eggs, often producing a second set of offspring. During the rain, they hide under rocks, large strong leaves and even sit in a head down position with wings tightly folded. *Muchas especies de mariposas emergen con el comienzo de las temporadas de lluvias para reproducirse, muchas veces produciendo doble descendencia. Durante la lluvia, se esconden debajo de las rocas, hojas grandes o inclusive posicionándose cabeza abajo con las alas fuertemente plegadas.*

9. Sea mammals have been observed to have higher birth rates after strong hurricane activity, possibly by creating a healthier environment for newborns. As the food chain progresses, starting with an abundance of plankton, fish and crustaceans, more food for the mothers makes their milk richer and more plentiful. *Mamíferos marinos muestran presentar mayor tasa de nacimientos después de fuertes huracanes posiblemente debido a que estos crean un ambiente más propicio para los recién nacidos. La mayor abundancia de plancton conlleva mayor abundancia de peces y crustáceos lo que hace que la leche que reciben los recién nacidos sea más abundante y rica en nutrientes.*

10. Wildflower blooms coincide with the extra water and energy generated by hurricanes. The extra water provided supports growth and the flood waters actually help with germination by weakening the shells on the seeds and also dispersing them in new locations. *La floración de flores silvestres coincide con la gran cantidad de agua y energía liberada en los huracanes. El agua extra que proveen los huracanes promueve el crecimiento mientras que los flujos de agua ayudan con la germinación debilitando las capas exteriores de las semillas y también facilitan la propagación de las semillas hacia nuevos territorios.*



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to-day and worry little about the future. I admire that. Starting a fund for Pescadero was something I knew had to be done. I spent the fall and winter months of 2005 with the cleanup effort after Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans. I saw what a hurricane is capable of and how helpless people are even in a powerful country like the US. I knew the people of Pescadero were going to need help to get back to normal." Odile hit on September 14 and on September 15 Justin opened a GoFundMe account to raise money for hurricane relief in Pescadero. \$6,000 USD was raised in the first few days alone, and people in desperate need of work were soon being paid fair wages to help clean the town and restore order.

In Todos Santos, The Palapa Society—a nonprofit whose mission is to help educate the children of the town—had an emergency meeting on September 20 to discuss what they could do to help the community. The meeting was over at 10:30 am, and by noon they had set up a GoFundMe account to raise money for hurricane relief for Todos Santos. By 2:00 pm, board members Oscar and Tori were with Karina at City Club in La Paz, where she was using the \$1,000 USD advanced by Palapa to great effect. And by 9:00 am on September 23 when the next meeting started, over \$30,000 USD had already been raised. Before long people were getting new roofs, remote ranch families were receiving food, and people in need of work were getting it. Outside the venerable old Todos Santos Inn a hand written sign appeared, *Todos Santos, Todos Juntos*.

VIVA MÉXICO!

The sight of Mexican troops crossing the US border to help Americans in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina discombobulated many US citizens ("poor"



The Palapa Society crews repairing roofs
Photo: Kaia Thomson

Mexicans helping "rich" Americans?), but disaster relief is actually a core competency of the Mexican military. Todos Santos woke up to Odile's handiwork on Monday, on Tuesday Army and Navy (*la Marina*) troops were in the neighborhoods handing out emergency food and water, and on Wednesday they were also handing out sleeping pads, clearing debris from the streets and parks, and helping to ensure that the looters from Cabo didn't make their way into town.

But in a democracy, military action is just an expression of political will, and on Thursday

a helicopter carrying Mexican president Enrique Peña Nieto flew over town. Skeptical gringos likened this to W's infamous flyover of New Orleans after Katrina and rolled their eyes. But this helicopter landed, Peña Nieto got out, and he went and met with Karina and Lorena at the *albergue*. He toured the town, he made a speech, he made promises and he left. By Friday morning the military was helping with the cooking chores at the *albergue*, and on Saturday 120 workers and dozens of trucks from CFE—the *Comisión Federal de Electricidad*—arrived to begin restoring electricity to town. Not only did they work around the clock to get the town running again, they stayed in hotels and B&Bs across town and paid for the service. Todos Santos is a town fuelled largely by tourism, and it is hard to know if people were more grateful for the restored

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electricity, or for the income provided at a time when repair costs were soaring, employee needs were escalating, and cash flow was crashing in the wave of cancellations that wiped out reservations for September, October and even some of November. The town swelled with gratitude for CFE, and the skim boarders started returning to Playa La Poza to enjoy the late summer afternoons.

GOD BLESS ROCK 'N ROLL

One of the reasons that it's not the end of the world as we know it is that Peter Buck loves Todos Santos. The lead guitarist of REM bought a house in town, and then started the Todos Santos Music Festival in 2012 to raise money for the Palapa Society; he believes in and wants to further its mission of serving the educational and health needs of the children of Todos Santos. So when Odile struck, Peter and the Todos Santos Music Festival immediately fronted the Palapa Society \$10,000 USD from ticket sales for the 2015 event to help with the rebuilding efforts in town. Said Peter, "We will donate all of the profits from the 2015 festival to help people in Todos Santos reconstruct their lives, homes and businesses. We also hope that the festival's return in January will serve as a symbol of Todos Santos' resilience and ability to bounce back from this terrible tragedy."

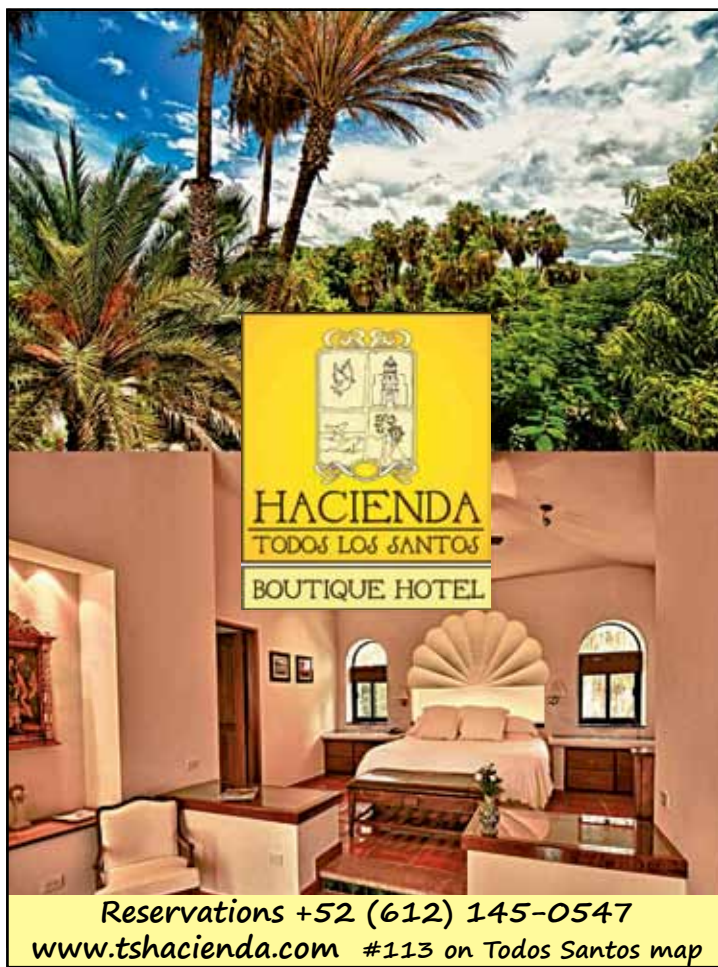
Peter Buck and his friends have shown Baja that insanely talented and successful rock stars can also set the gold standard for generosity, so perhaps the area was not that surprised to learn that one of Mexico's most-loved rock bands, Maná, was also pitching in to help in the aftermath of Odile. Maná's nonprofit, *Fundación Ecológica Selva Negra*, working with the large Mexican corporation Verde Valle and the regional director of WildCoast, arrived at the port of La Paz on October 5 with 15 tons of rice, lentils, beans and other food basics. In Todos Santos, 20 families in one of the hardest hit areas, Nuevo San Juan, directly received food from *Selva Negra*. They made sure that 50 families in their neighborhood benefitted from the bounty. Out at Cerritos, live music started flowing again.

THE BEATLES GOT IT RIGHT

When the communities of Todos Santos and Pescadero asked for help, the world answered. Americans, Canadians, Europeans. People for whom these communities are seemingly just vacation destinations reached deep, found their inner rock stars, and gave. They made their friends give. They held fundraisers in their communities and they showered social media with notes of support. As of this writing the fund for Justin's hurricane relief effort for Pescadero stands at about \$14,000 USD, and the fund for the Palapa Society's hurricane relief effort for Todos Santos is just shy of \$80,000 USD. And they're getting things done.

In Pescadero, Alec, April, Bridget and Hesed held a community meeting at Baja Beans Roasting Co., and 150 people showed up to see how they could help their neighbors. Sam, Ronnie, Epi, Mario and Ana Maria formed cleanup teams with the local teenagers, who have been competing to see who can clear the most debris. In Todos Santos, the Palapa Society hired two contractors, Oscar and Bennie, who are coordinating the work of three teams to put new roofs on homes. Nearly 70 houses have

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pueblos de BCS, se estaban acercando para luchar contra una fuerza humana con el potencial de devastación aún mayor que cualquier huracán pudiera desatar—una mina a cielo abierto en las montañas de La Sierra de la Laguna. Las comunidades locales y extranjeras unieron fuerzas para protestar a lo largo del estado, e inclusive, establecieron vigilancia varios días, para prevenir que la mina comience ilegalmente a excavar, en conjunto con la planeada planta desaladora. El sentimiento de unión y poder era perceptible en el aire, y cuando ese viento fue rentado por el Huracán Odile, solo reforzó el sentimiento de comunidad. Nadie nos hará dar marcha atrás de la lucha por un hogar.

Karina, la administradora de *La Casa del Estudiante de Todos Santos*—o *albergue* como es comúnmente conocido—fue una de las primeras en presenciar el espíritu de lucha en una escala significativa. Nunca en su vida había conocido a Marisol, la gerente del Hotel Casa Tota, pero cuando le pidió ayuda, Marisol no dudó y le entregó comida para 150 personas en cuestión de horas. Las tiendas Supermercado del El Sol y Guluarte, el restaurante Landi's y El Zaguán—todos se aseguraron de que Karina y el resto del personal del albergue pudiera alimentar a la gente a su cargo durante esos días críticos, aún cuando estaban sufriendo con sus pertenencias. Gabriela Guluarte mandó ropa para quienes habían perdido todo, y Kappner de Tres Santos vino con cajas con muy necesitados artículos personales como shampoo, desodorante, ropa interior y comida para bebés. Karina y Lorena pasaron 17 días trabajando todo el día en el *albergue*, con 150 personas durmiendo bajo su techo y hasta 200 bocas que alimentar en cada comida. No sólo nadie se quedó sin comer, pero aparte algunos se fueron con despensas, o paquetes con comida básica para varios días.

Pero los daños fueron extensos y las necesidades enormes y un surfer llamado Justin Lindholm quien pasa sus inviernos en Pescadero fue de los primeros en darse cuenta de los significativos fondos que se requerirían para avanzar hacia una recuperación. "Pescadero y su gente es hermosa y han tenido un profundo impacto en mi vida. La gente te saluda en las calles, realmente te escuchan cuando hablas, y recuerdan las historias que les hayas dicho. Viven día a día y se preocupan poco por el futuro. Admiro esto. Empezar un fondo para Pescadero fue algo que sabía que se tenía que hacer. Yo pase los meses de otoño a invierno del 2005

con un esfuerzo posterior al Huracán Katrina en Nueva Orleans. Vi lo que un huracán puede hacer y que tan indefensa se queda la gente aún en un país poderoso con EUA. Yo sabía que la gente de Pescadero necesitaría ayuda para regresar a la normalidad." Odile pegó el 14 de septiembre y el 15 de septiembre Justin abrió una cuenta "GoFundMe"

(DameFondos) para recaudar fondos para el rescate de Pescadero. \$6,000 USD se juntaron solo en los primeros días, y la gente desesperada por trabajo recibió pagos por limpiar el pueblo y reestablecer el orden.

En Todos Santos, La Sociedad de La Palapa—una asociación civil, cuya misión es ayudar a la educación de los niños del pueblo—tuvo una junta de emergencia el 20 de septiembre para discutir como podrían ayudar a la comunidad. La junta fue alrededor de las 10:30 am, y para el medio día habían establecido una cuenta "GoFundMe" para juntar dinero para el rescate de Todos Santos. Para las 2:00 pm, los miembros de la Mesa Directiva estaban con Karina en el City Club de La Paz, donde utilizaron un adelanto de \$1,000 dólares de La Palapa un gran efecto. Y para las 9:00 am del 23 de septiembre cuando la siguiente junta empezó, más de \$30,000 dólares ya se habían recaudado. Y casi inmediatamente la gente empezó a recibir nuevos techos, las familias de rancho remotos estaban recibiendo comida, y la gente con necesidad de trabajo, lo estaban obteniendo. Fuera del vulnerable



La Sociedad Palapa visitando con una familia de los ranchos.
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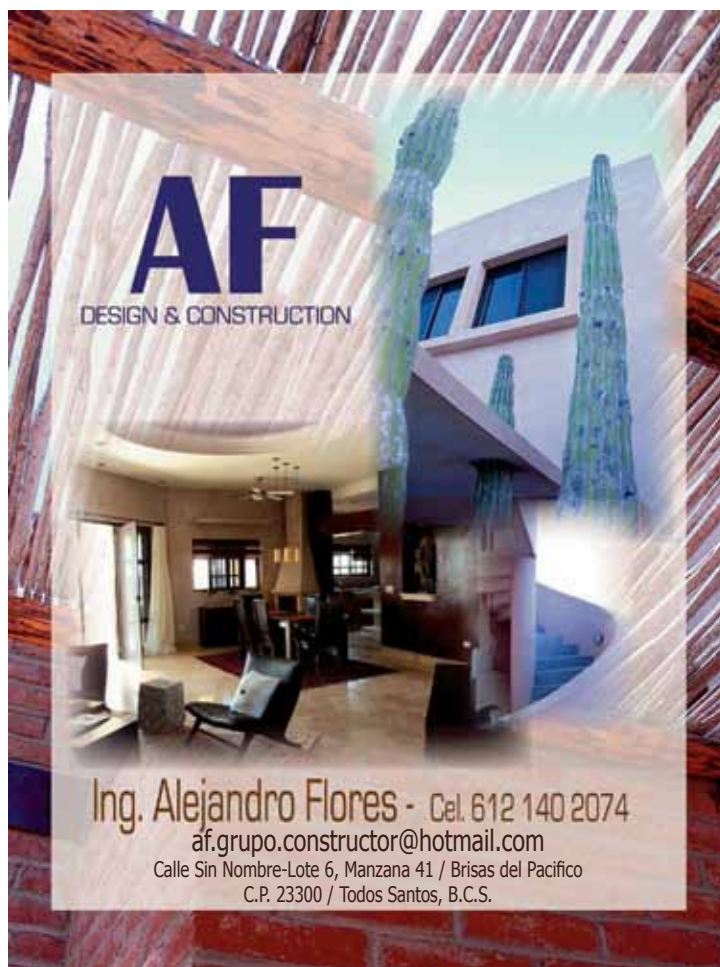
El ver a las Tropas Mexicanas cruzar la frontera de EUA para ayudar a los Estadounidenses en la secuela del Huracán Katrina confundieron a muchos ciudadanos de EUA ("pobres" Mexicanos ayudando a los Estadounidenses "ricos"?), pero la ayuda después de los desastres es de hecho una competencia de la milicia Mexicana. Todos Santos se despertó para ver el paso de Odile el Lunes, el Martes tropas de la Armada y la Marina estaban en los vecindarios ayudando y dando comida y agua, y el Miércoles también estaban repartiendo colchonetas, limpiando los escombros de las calles y parques, y asegurándose de que los maleantes de Cabo no llegaran al pueblo.

Pero en una democracia, las acciones militares son solo una expresión política, y el Jueves un helicóptero con el Presidente Enrique Peña Nieto sobre voló el pueblo. Los gringos escépticos como el famoso sobrevuelo de George W. Bush en Nueva Orleans después de Katrina, solo voltearon sus ojos en blanco. Pero el helicóptero aterrizó, Peña Nieto salió, y fue a entrevistarse con Karina y Lorena en el albergue. Hizo un recorrido por el pueblo, dio un discurso, hizo promesas y se fue. Para la mañana del viernes el ejército estaba ayudando con las tareas de cocinar en el albergue, y para el sábado 120 trabajadores y docenas de camiones de CFE—La Comisión Federal de Electricidad—llegaron para empezar a restaurar la electricidad al pueblo. No solo hicieron el trabajo durante todo el día para que el pueblo se funcionara de nuevo, se quedaron en hoteles, cuartos con servicio de desayuno, a lo largo del pueblo y pagaron el servicio. Todos Santos es un pueblo impulsado enormemente por el turismo, y es difícil saber si la gente estuvo más agradecida por la restauración del servicio eléctrico, o por el ingreso en un tiempo en que los costos de reparación se elevan, las necesidades de los empleados suben, y el flujo de efectivo bajaba críticamente con las cancelaciones que arrasaron para septiembre, octubre y también parte de noviembre. El pueblo se inundó de gratitud por la CFE y los visitantes empezaron a regresar a la Playa de La Poza para disfrutar de las tardes de verano.

DIOS BENDIGA EL ROCK 'N ROLL

Una de las razones por las que sabemos que "no es el fin del mundo como lo conocemos," es que Peter Buck ama Todos Santos. El guitarrista principal de REM, compró una casa en el pueblo, luego empezó el Festival de Música de Todos Santos en 2012 para recaudar fondos para La Sociedad de La Palapa; cree en y quiere extender la misión de servir a las necesidades educacionales y de salud de los niños de Todos Santos. Así que cuando Odile pegó, Peter y el Festival de Música de Todos Santos donaron \$10,000 dólares de ventas de boletos para el evento de 2015 para ayudar los esfuerzos de reconstrucción del pueblo. Dijo Peter, "Vamos a donar todas las ganancias del Festival de 2015 para ayudar a la gente de Todos Santos a reconstruir sus vidas, casa y negocios. También esperamos que el Festival regrese en enero y servirá como símbolo de resistencia y habilidad de recuperación de Todos Santos

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December 19 | 9 am, **YOGA WITH LIVE GUITAR MUSIC AND SINGER** at Baja Zen at Los Cerritos. Holiday party with complimentary snacks to follow. baja-zen.com Facebook/BajaZen (612) 142-5038.

December 27 | 7:30 am, **THE PALAPA SOCIETY'S POR QUE 5K RACE**. 5k race starts at 9 am, in the plaza in Todos Santos.

December 27 | **LIVE MUSIC WITH PURA VIDA** at La Esquina on the *Otro Lado* of Todos Santos. 50 pesos cover.

December 28 | **WABI SABI SERIES EXHIBITION** by Gloria Santoyo Ru-enitz at Galería de Todos Santos.

December 29 | through January 2nd, **HEAVEN ON EARTH 2015** in Todos Santos. This year's theme is printing on clay: monoprinting, screenprinting, decals, blockprinting, and mold making by artists Jos Sances of Alliance Printing in Berkley and Pam Stefl Toki. For more information contact Donna Billick at rockartus@aol.com or (530) 219-5918.

january 2015

January 15-17, 22-24 | **TODOS SANTOS MUSIC FESTIVAL**. In partnership with The Palapa Society of Todos Santos, A.C. and the Hotel California, this year's fundraising efforts will aid in recovery and reconstruction from Hurricane Odile. This year's festival will feature performances by the Old 97's, The Jayhawks, La Santa Cecilia, Conor Oberst, Dawes, M. Ward, Drive-By Truckers, Nortec Collective Presents: Bostich + Fussible, Peter Buck, Joseph Arthur, Chuck Prophet, Steve Wynn and Kev'n Kinney. For more information visit: <http://todossantosmusicfestival.com/>

January 26-31 | **2ND ANNUAL TODOS SANTOS WRITERS WORKSHOP** at Casa Dracula. This year is an exciting program of four special afternoon seminars with some very well-known speakers that will be open to the public (<http://www.todossantoswritersworkshop.com/january-2015-seminar-speakers/>) The Friday, January 30th seminar features Todos Santos' own Viviane Mahieux in a discussion of contemporary Mexican literature with La Paz poet/journalist/author Edmundo Lizardi. Spaces are available in the three workshops (Fiction, Non-fiction and Memoir) with special rates for BCS residents. Registration is now open at <http://www.todossantoswritersworkshop.com/application-and-tuition/>

January 30 | **LIVE MUSIC WITH THE MEXICAN WIERDOHS AND DJ NIGHT** at La Esquina on the *Otro Lado* of Todos Santos. 50 pesos cover.

february

February 3-7 | 7 pm, **LAS ESTRELLAS DE TODOS SANTOS PRESENTS TWO PLAYS**: *The Seventy-Fifth Year*, by Philip Bentley and *Pillow*, by Frederick Stoppel at La Gitana in **Hotel Casa Tota**. Ticket prices are 150 pesos, seating is limited. There will be a Wine & Nibble Mingle with the actors after opening and closing night shows. The hotel will be offering special packages for locals and out-of-towners. For tickets: lasestrellasdetodossantos@gmail.com

February 7 & 8 | **6TH ANNUAL OPEN STUDIO TOUR** in Todos Santos. The Open Studios Tour is now a two day event where visitors will be able to see more art, more studios and spend more time with the artist at each studio. With a map in hand, showing all of the studios,

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11 am, **NFL Football**, 2 fish tacos & a beer or chicken wings & a beer 75 mn at **Shut Up Frank's** in Todos Santos.

11 am – 11 pm, **NFL Football** at **Chill N Grill** in Todos Santos.

monday

9:30 am – 2:30 pm, Basilfield **ORGANICS** on calle Márquez de León across from **Alma y Manny's**, Todos Santos.

10 am – 1 pm, *Palapa Society of Todos Santos* **LIBRARY & RINCON DE CUENTOS** OPEN.

5 – 8 pm, **FLIGHT NIGHT** at La Bodega de Todos Santos. Featuring Baja wine tasting, live music and tapas.

MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL, All You Can Eat spaghetti with salad & bread for 100 mn and staying open late at **Shut Up Frank's** in Todos Santos.

tuesday

8:30 am – 1 pm, **LA PAZ FARMER'S MARKET** on calle Madero between 5 de Mayo and Constitución, La Paz.

1:15 pm, **FREE MEXICAN CULTURAL PRESENTATION** in easy Spanish. *Se Habla... La Paz* Spanish Language School, La Paz.

wednesday

7 am – 1 pm, **LOS CABOS ORGANIC MARKET** on Camino del Colegio, sn at the Pedregal, Cabo San Lucas.

9 am – 12 pm, **FARMER'S MARKET** (*Mercado Local*) at **La Esquina**, Todos Santos.

9:30 am – 2:30 pm, Basilfield **ORGANICS** on calle Márquez de León across from **Alma y Manny's**, Todos Santos.

10 am – 1 pm, *Palapa Society of Todos Santos* **LIBRARY & RINCON DE CUENTOS** OPEN.

5 – 8 pm, **BIG RED WEDNESDAY** at La Bodega de Todos Santos with live music.

thursday

8:30 am – 1 pm, **LA PAZ FARMER'S MARKET** on calle Madero between 5 de Mayo and Constitución, La Paz.

5 – 9 pm, **ARTWALK** in the San José del Cabo Gallery District. Takes place through the end of June.

6 pm, **LIVE MUSIC LOCALS' NIGHT** at **La Esquina** on the Otro Lado of Todos Santos starting November 20.

THURSDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL and All You Can Eat Pizza with salad for 100 mn and staying open late at **Shut Up Frank's** in Todos Santos.

friday

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February 12-17 | CARNAVAL 2015 DE LA PAZ.

February 21-28 | FESTIVAL DE ARTE TODOS SANTOS in the town plaza.

February 22 | OSCAR PARTY PRE-FESTIVAL KICK-OFF of the 12th Annual *Festival de Cine de Todos Santos*.

march

March 5-14 | 12TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL DE CINE DE TODOS SANTOS with events at venues across Todos Santos, Pescadero and La Paz. For more information visit: <http://www.todossantoscine.org/>

March 15 | 9:30 am – 3 pm, TODOS SANTOS HISTORIC HOME TOUR. Ticket sales from 9:30 am to 2 pm. Tour times from 10 am to 3 pm. Tickets can be purchased on the day of the event or by email at thepalapasociety@yahoo.com

March 20,21,22 & 26,27,28 | BAJA SHAKESPEARE'S 15TH SEASON presents an original comedy, Shakespeare's *Robin Hood*, at Buena Vista Beach Resort in their new, inside venue. March 22 will be a matinee. Details on ticket sales and more will be available closer to play dates.

may

GASTROVINO FESTIVAL in Todos Santos, dates TBD. For more information: <http://www.gastrovino.mx/>

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2x1 beer and well drinks.

Shut Up Frank's M W Th F 1 – 5 pm,
Food and drink specials.

La Esquina M T W Th F Sa 5 – 6 pm,
2x1 beer, wine and margaritas.

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friday cont.

9:30 am – 2:30 pm, Basilfield **ORGANICS** on calle Márquez de León across from **Alma y Manny's**, Todos Santos.

10 am – 1 pm, *Palapa Society of Todos Santos* **LIBRARY & RINCON DE CUENTOS OPEN.**

2 FISH TACOS & A BEER OR CHICKEN WINGS & A BEER 75 mn at **Shut Up Frank's** in Todos Santos.

3 X 2 PIZZAS at **Gallo Azul** in Todos Santos. Pay for two and get three pizzas.

6 – 9 pm, **LIVE DINNER MUSIC** at the Garden Restaurant at **Rancho Pescadero** in Pescadero.

6 pm, **ASIAN SPECIALTIES** at Michael's at the Gallery in Todos Santos.

7:30 pm, **LIVE MUSIC** with the Todos Santos Jazz Band at Kin's Lounge in Todos Santos.

saturday

8 am – 12 pm, **LOS CABOS ORGANIC MARKET** on Camino del Colegio, s/n at the Pedregal, Cabo San Lucas.

9 am – 1 pm, **MALECON TIANGUIS NATURAL (MARKET)** at the Callejon Cabezud in La Paz—the area between Esquerro street and the malecón at the location of the Wyland mural and the seashell musician statue.

9 am – 3 pm, **SAN JOSÉ DEL CABO ORGANIC MARKET** (Mercado Organico) just outside the San José historic district in Huerta Maria on the Camino a Las Animas. Look for the signs at the big arroyo off Avenida Centenario.

10 am – 1 pm, *Palapa Society of Todos Santos* **LIBRARY & RINCON DE CUENTOS OPEN.**

ALL COLLEGE FOOTBALL GAMES, 2 fish tacos & a beer or chicken wings & a beer 75 mn at **Shut Up Frank's** in Todos Santos.

4 pm, **TODOS SANTOS WEEKEND** with Wendy Rains radio program on 96.3 Cabo Mil FM.

6 – 9 pm, **LIVE DINNER MUSIC** at the Garden Restaurant at **Rancho Pescadero** in Pescadero.

6 pm, **ASIAN SPECIALTIES** at Michael's at the Gallery in Todos Santos.



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después de esta terrible tragedia."

Peter Buck y sus amigos le han mostrado a Baja que las locamente talentosas estrellas de rock también pueden establecer la regla de oro de generosidad, así que probablemente el área no se sorprendió al enterarse que una de las Bandas de Rock más veneradas de México, Maná, también se apuntó para ayudar después del paso de Odile. *La Fundación Ecológica Selva Negra*, de Maná, que trabaja con la gran corporación Verde Valle y con el Director de WildCoast, llegaron al puerto de La Paz el 5 de octubre con 15 toneladas de arroz, lentejas, frijoles y otras comidas básicas. En Todos Santos, 20 familias en la parte más dañada, Nuevo San Juan, recibieron comida directamente de *Selva Negra*. Ellos se aseguraron de que 50 familias en su colonia se beneficiaran del botín. Fuera en Cerritos, la música en vivo empezó a fluir de nuevo.

LOS BEATLES ESTABAN EN LO CORRECTO

Cuando las comunidades de Todos Santos y Pescadero pidieron ayuda, el mundo respondió. Americanos, Canadienses, Europeos. Gente a la que estas comunidades son supuestamente solo destinos para vacacionar, ayudaron mucho, encontraron a sus roqueros internos, y dieron. Hicieron que sus amigos dieran. Hicieron eventos de recaudación en sus comunidades y saturaron las redes sociales con notas de apoyo. Mientras se escribe este artículo, el fondo de apoyo por el Huracán para Pescadero de Justin alcanza cerca de \$14,000 dólares, y el fondo de apoyo por el Huracán de La Sociedad de La Palapa para Todos Santos tiene una tímida suma de \$80,000 dólares. Y están logrando muchas cosas.

En Pescadero, Alec, April, Bridget y Hesed sostuvieron una junta con la Comunidad en Baja Beans Roasting Co., y 150 personas se presentaron para ver como podían ayudar a sus vecinos. Sam, Ronnie, Epi, Mario y Ana María formaron equipos de limpieza con los adolescentes locales, quienes han competido para ver quien limpia más despojos. En Todos Santos, La Sociedad de La Palapa, contrató a dos contratistas, Oscar y Bennie, quienes están coordinando el trabajo de los tres equipos que instalan los nuevos techos en las casas. Casi 70 han recibido nuevos techos hasta ahora, y el trabajo no ha disminuido. Han creado dos diseños de casas simples de madera para las familias que perdieron todo, y pretenden empezar a construirlas muy pronto.

Estas historias son solo la punta del iceberg, y apenas empiezan a expresar la enormidad del esfuerzo en progreso para restaurar el refugio, comida, trabajo y vida normal que nos arrebató Odile. Es imposible relatar los innumerables actos de amabilidad, generosidad, altruismo, humor y gracias que se vio en nuestras comunidades durante las repercusiones inmediatas de la tormenta, y continúan reconstruyendo todas estas semanas posteriores. Robert may, el tipo del Dharma del pueblo y el líder espiritual no-religioso, dice que Los Beatles estaban en lo correcto a todo lo largo, "El Amor es todo lo que necesitas." Justo en altamar, las ballenas jorobadas han regresado para el invierno, cantando sus dulces serenatas Bajeñas.

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ACCEPTANCE

Acceptance seems particularly appropriate at this time. After the Baja peninsula suffered a direct hit from a category three hurricane, there is really not much else one can do but roll with the changes necessary to survive and make our world a better place.

In Chinese Astrology it is the year of the "Horse," which signifies, among other things, many changes. Mostly I believe the changes I see and feel in my life have been for the better. Not necessarily ones I want to happen, but ones that perhaps create more humility and a higher vibration in life. The hardest one is that for the first year since 2008 when the recession hit, last year was a fantastic upbeat and positive year for commerce here in Baja and in Todos Santos. I was excited to be able to put money aside and not be so worried about day to day living. Now we are definitely in the hands of the Gods, so to speak, as each day will reveal whatever it has to show for us in the world of commerce.

I have heard that not accepting things as they are is fight against reality and can be crazy making. Wanting things to be different from what they are creates inner tension and often outer tension with others.

There are many times I have said something that I wish I could immediately retract and erase as if it never happened. Thinking, "what in the hell was I thinking?" Regardless of my motive to protect or a knee jerk reaction to something, or to stop someone from doing something, once it is out of my mouth, really there is nothing I can do but apologize and try to make it right. Accepting the fact that it is a done deal pretty much puts me in the place to move out of being a victim of my words or thoughts and move to a proactive place to repair. In other words fretting over something is a waste of time. Take action to repair works.

Gail Brenner Ph.D. writes a daily blog (gailbrenner.com) and I am quoting some lines below from her site:

"Acceptance isn't passive. It doesn't mean that you're resigned to a life of unhappiness, just putting up with things. Yes, you may accept that you feel anxious or eat too much junk food or you're in a relationship that's not working. But it doesn't mean you're stuck in these situations forever. Accepting things as they are is a beautiful starting point that

opens up possibilities you may have never considered.

- It lets you build a foundation for your choices and actions based on truth.
- You're authentic and real rather than pretending or living in a fantasy about how you wish things were.
- It offers clear seeing and insight that you've overlooked by turning a blind eye or keeping your head in the sand.
- It empowers you.
- It's the path to a deep understanding that can guide you to the part of you that is whole, free, and untroubled.

Acceptance is the opposite of avoidance or denial. It's a full-hearted, all-encompassing, enthusiastic and curious "Yes" to things as they are. It is open, welcoming, and ultimately freeing—like a breath of fresh air.

Are you resisting life? Then consider dipping your toe into the ocean of acceptance. It's a beautiful place to be."

Rigorous honesty helps. Yes I wish certain people behaved differently but I cannot continue to focus on trying to change their behavior. The best I can do is to sink into true honest acceptance of who they are and probably will be for the rest of their lives and then I can let go of judging them. I can move into a place of compassion and understanding although this does not mean I keep people in my life who bring me down rather than lift me up, that takes up way too much energy. Best to let go and love them from afar.

Amazing that this all actually has been working. Not overnight, mind you, yet slowly but surely we have a developed a special pathway to our hearts and move quickly out of resentment and hurt.

I am sure there are many examples of the way you can honestly face your situation, move out of victim and find creative solutions to overcome what is not working. Stop procrastinating action. Well, I always wait until it fully feels right and then work to push through my resistance. Explore my fears and worst case scenarios, at times talk it over with a professional who has an objective ear, take time to meditate on it and be open to whatever answer comes in relation to this situation. Stop arguing with the intuition and stop the mental gyrations I go through with the answers. Keep it simple, make a plan and move forward.

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Welcome to the fall 2014 edition of *El Cielo*, highlighting the more visible movements of heavenly objects above the Pacific Coast of Baja California Sur. Keep this list close at hand and enjoy the sky.

NOVEMBER

- 12th Just after the sun sets, there is a chance to see Saturn and Venus together. You will need a super clear sunset, but give it a try. If you don't see them together, keep checking as Venus will become higher and more visible each evening throughout the period.
- 17th Maximum of the Leonid meteor shower. Waning crescent moon doesn't rise until 4 am on the 18th, and Leo rises around 1:40 am, so it will be worth watching all evening of the 17th until the moon rises.
- 23rd New moon visible.
- 28th Earliest sunset of the year.

DECEMBER

- 14th Maximum of the Geminid meteor shower. The constellation Gemini rises around 8 pm, the last quarter moon rises at 1 am, and the max is predicted early morning sometime, so the viewing will probably be good all evening until the moon rises, and maybe a while afterwards.
- 19th At 7 am look for the waning crescent moon to rise with Saturn.

- 21st Winter solstice 4:03 pm. Sun declination -23.435°
- 22nd Possible to see the new moon directly above the setting sun if the conditions are perfect. Also, look for Venus 6° to the left of the moon.
- 24th You can find Mars 5° to the left of the moon.

There are three very interesting space programs going on above us at this time.

The ESA (European Space Agency) has the Rosetta space probe following along and closely approaching the comet 67P. They are planning to let a lander named Philae fall from the probe and attach itself to the comet in mid-November. It should be very interesting.

NASA has two extreme probes currently in flight. The first to the target will be Dawn, planning to go into orbit around Ceres, the most massive asteroid belt object, arriving in April 2015. The second is way out there, past the orbit of Neptune now, aiming for a close pass by Pluto during July 2015, for the first ever close-ups of that far away icy world.

For more information on any of the above subjects, check out the web links below. To arrange a star party or for other astronomical questions, call me on my cell phone (612) 348-5468, or visit my office in Plaza Antigua, upstairs #9, **Pescadero Properties**, #16 on the Todos Santos map.

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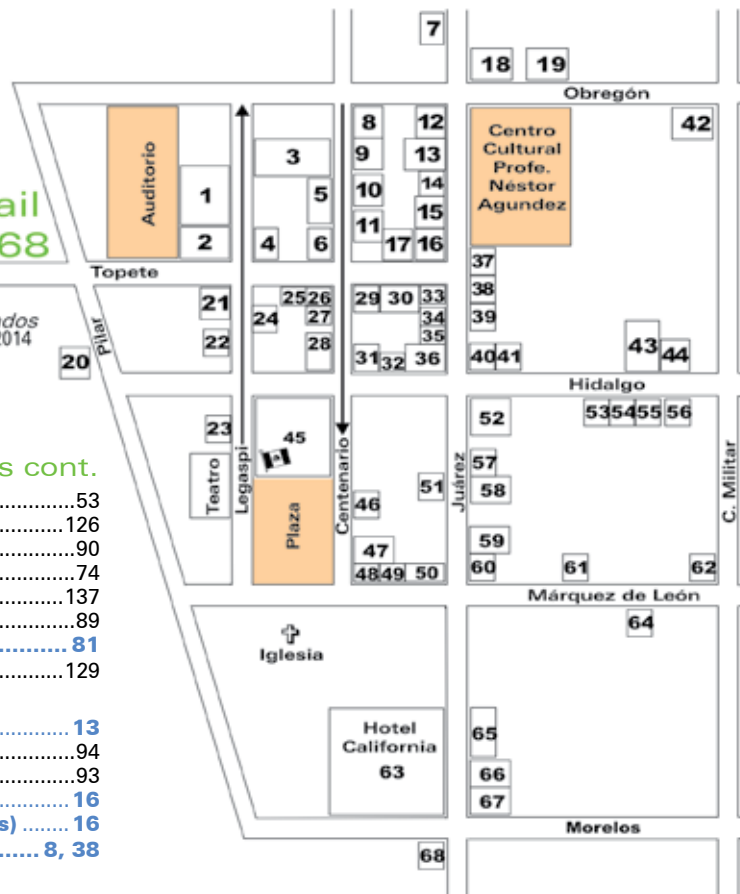
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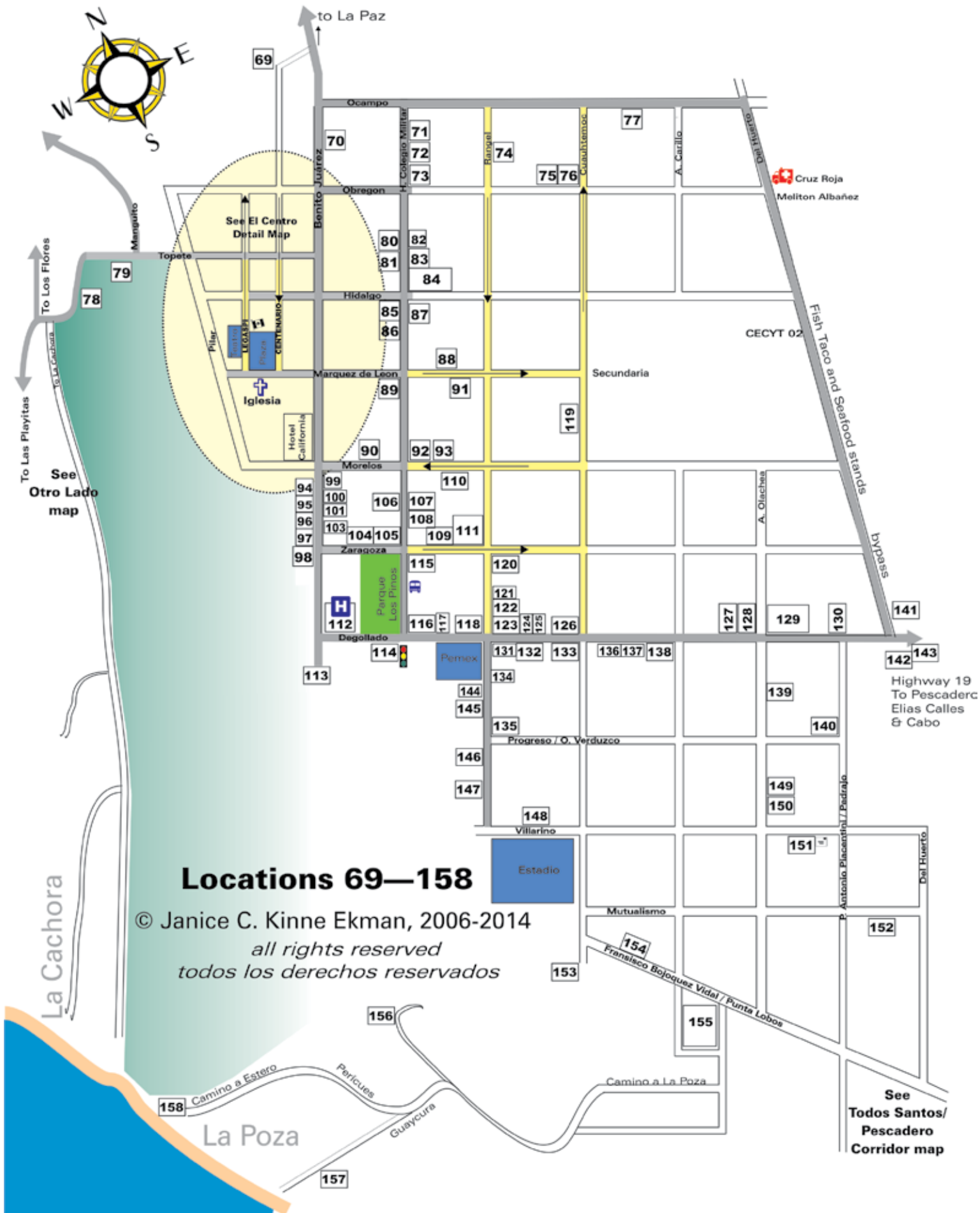


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Voces DEL PUEBLO

by Janice Kinne

Whew, we survived Hurricane Odile and are back for the new season! Our mission at Journal del Pacífico, through stories and photos, has always been to celebrate the natural beauty of Baja and the special qualities that make it both a great place to live and a wonderful place to visit. The rugged individuals that choose to call Baja home have been busy rebuilding their homes, businesses and pueblos and are ready to share the magic of the peninsula with visitors once again!

Tourism has always been an important part of Baja's economy and ecotourism is the fastest growing area. Local communities are continuing the hard work of preserving and protecting our *sierras*, water, beaches and the unique species that inhabit Mexico's last frontier. Our features, in this issue, talk about recovery and rebirth after the storm and illustrate the resiliency of this magnificent peninsula and its inhabitants.

For those who are in the process of restoring and repairing, **Galería Ida Victoria**, in the Gallery District of San José del Cabo, can help with art restoration—assessment of damage, cleaning, repair and/or reframe or replacement from their large selection of works or assist commissioning a new work.

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Lots of exciting new changes have been going on...

Sotheby's International Realty, Los Cabos is opening a new office, The Dooney Real Estate Group, serving the growing areas of Todos Santos and La Paz in addition to Los Cabos.

Todos Santos' newest gallery, **La Sonrisa de la Muerte**, is now open on the corner of Hidalgo and H. Colegio Militar—just up the street from **Gallery365**.

The **White Sand Hotel** rooms are now open above **White Sand Massage & Day Spa** on calle H.C. Militar in downtown Todos Santos. They are equipped with WiFi, TV and a/c.

Estudio Baja has moved to Plaza Antigua on the corner of calle Juárez and Topete in Todos Santos. Emily will be offering her Yamuna Foot Fitness/body rolling classes and Rhoda Jacobs will be teaching new beginning T'ai Chi and Gi Gong classes in this convenient location.

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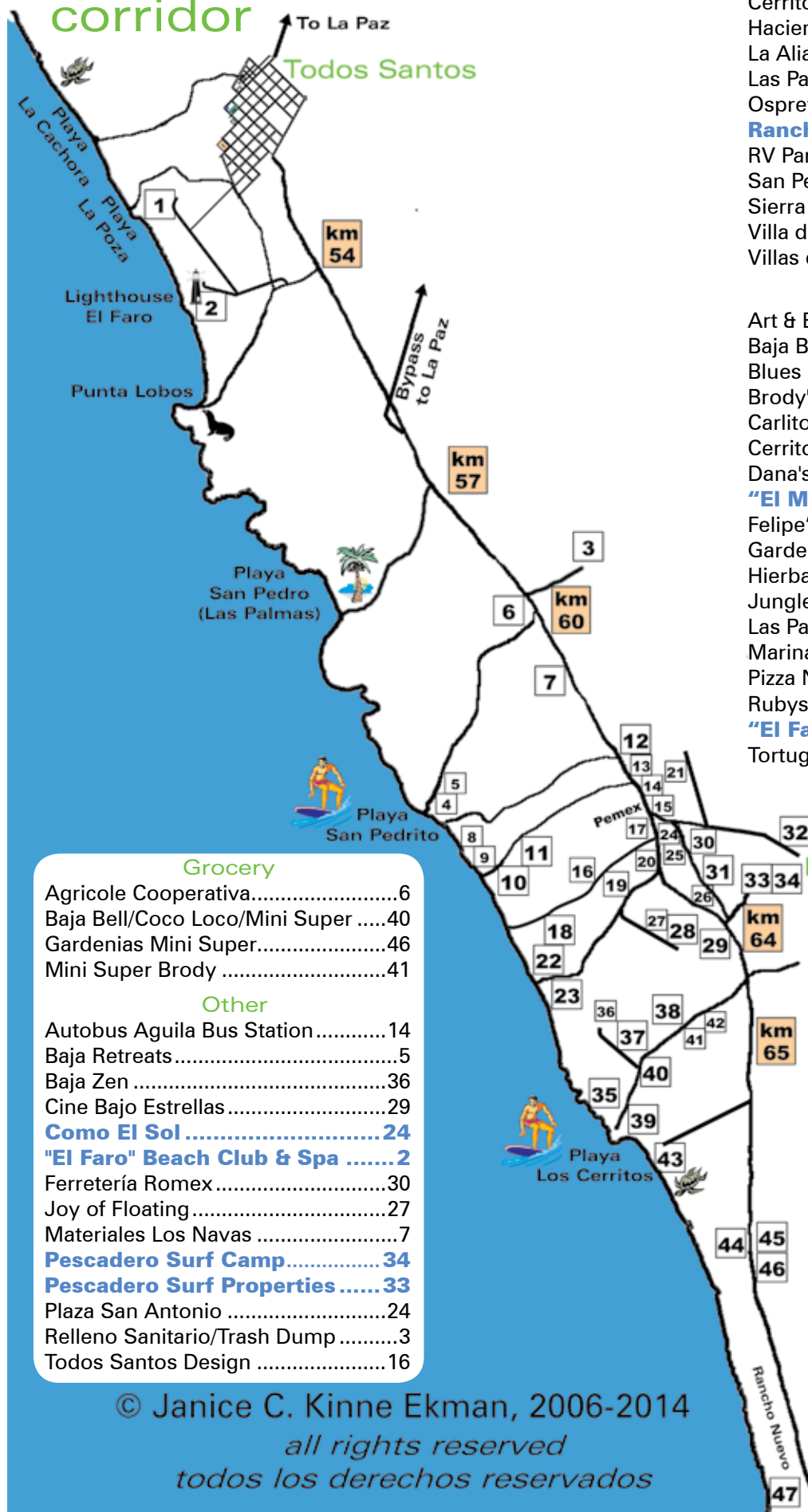
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PLAYAS

by Janice Kinne

Todos Santos lies inland along the rugged Pacific coast. There are miles of beautiful white sand beaches accessible down unmarked dirt roads.

This stretch of the Pacific Ocean is a very dangerous place to swim at any time of the year. Strong rip currents and backwash are common. People have drowned in waters near Todos Santos simply because they were too close to the ocean while on beaches with steep drop-offs. PROPLAYAS Todos Santos A. C. have placed warning signs at the most dangerous beaches and have lifeguards on duty daily from 9 am to 5 pm at Los Cerritos Beach.

You can access the **LA POZA** and **LA CACHORA** beaches via the La Cachora road. Both are suitable for walking, fishing, whale watching, relaxing or sunbathing. They are not swimming beaches. Because of the big waves breaking on the shore, La Cachora beach has become popular with skim boarders.

La Poza has a large freshwater lagoon that is great for bird watching.

When the lagoon is full, exercise extreme caution, especially if it has begun to overflow. People have drowned at La Poza beach in front of the mouth of the lagoon when the dune has broken and the lagoon flowed into the ocean.

- Do not attempt to surf or boogie-board the overflow.
- Do not swim in the lagoon when it is close to overflow; do not walk or drive across the mouth of the lagoon if it is even close to overflow.
- If you are going to swim in the lagoon be very careful. The lagoon may appear to be shallow, but has many sudden drop-offs and is actually very deep.

PUNTA LOBOS, named for a sea lion colony, is also known as the fisherman's beach. Simply follow Calle Francisco Bojorquez Vidal (formerly calle Punta Lobos) south out of town, or turn off at km 54 from highway 19. You will pass an old cannery from the days when fisherman could harvest sea turtles legally. There is a small freshwater lagoon at Punta Lobos with a shrine to the virgin.

The fishermen ride their panga boats on the waves onto the beach between 1 and 3 pm. Their return is exciting to watch and you can usually buy fresh fish from the cooperatives.

The two fishing cooperatives have exclusive rights to the "launch zone" at Playa Punta Lobos. For reasons of safety and due to past problems, boat launching at Punta Lobos is not permitted without their express permission.

The only recommended swimming beaches are outside of Pescadero. **SAN PEDRO**, also known as **PALM BEACH** (Playa Las Palmas) is near km 57. Its entrance is across highway 19 from the Campo Experimental—stay to the left as you pass the abandoned hacienda. Las Palmas is a beautiful, secluded beach surrounded by a palm grove with a fresh water lagoon that is home to a variety of plants, birds, and wildlife.

Due to strong currents (especially near the rocky point), swimming is safer 50 meters from the rocks (Swim with caution and always have a land reference). The property surrounding Palm Beach is privately owned. The gates are open from 6 am to 9 pm daily. Car break-ins have been reported at Palm Beach. Leave your valuables at home!

PLAYA SAN PEDRITO is a rocky surfing beach around km 60, about 4.6 miles (7.4 km) from Todos Santos. There is a large San Pedrito RV Park sign at the entrance off the highway. (The trailer park is closed but usually open to cars.)

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PLAYA LOS CERRITOS is located at km 64 about 8 miles (12.8 km) south of Todos Santos. Look for the turnoff after the hill, south of Puente El Pescadero. Los Cerritos is a popular spot for surfing, boogie boarding, swimming and fishing. Swim with caution due to strong riptides near the rocks. It is recommended to stay at least 50 meters from the rocks. The most secure swimming area is in front of the restaurant/bar. (Swim with caution and always have a land reference). There is a long stretch of beach to the south that is perfect for walking or running. Surfboard rentals and other services are available.

Baja Zen #36 on the Pescadero map, offers morning and evening yoga classes overlooking Playa Los Cerritos.

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La Paz Beaches

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The *malecón* along the bay of La Paz is the perfect place to walk, run, people watch or enjoy gazing across the water. Crews clean the beaches and walkways daily, fresh sand has been imported and there are *palapas* to offer shade. Locals and tourists visit the beaches north of downtown to swim, snorkel, or kayak. There are several adventure companies along the *malecón* and at the marinas offering panga rides, bay and island cruises, snorkeling, scuba diving, fishing, sailing and kayak rentals.

EL MOGOTÉ is the spit of land that separates the harbor of La Paz from the *Bahía de La Paz*. This natural treasure used to be, for the most part, accessible only with 4WD. Now driving onto the peninsula is restricted due to the construction of golf courses, homes and hotels.

PLAYA EL COROMUEL (4.5 km): is the first beach north of town and an easy walk from downtown. It is within the harbor boundaries, has shaded *palapas* and food / beverage services. The water here gets much better flow with the tide change and is suitable for swimming. The bottom is clean sand and rock. Snorkeling is good further out.

PLAYA EL TESORO (approx. 13 km): is a great little beach for children. The shallow, clear waters allow you to walk out for close to 100 meters. Tesoro has about 25 shaded *palapas*, two small restaurants and kayak rentals.

PICHILINGUE (19 km): Home to the La Paz ferry terminus and a large commercial harbor. There are pleasant, small beaches just north of the deep water port, on the *Vieja Bahía de Pichilingue*. Beachfront food and beverages service and kayak rentals are available and there is a restaurant with an upstairs view. The *palapa* bar is popular in the hot summer afternoons.

PLAYA BALANDRA (23 km): is known for its famous balancing rock formation landmark that resembles a prehistoric mushroom. You can view the rock formation and *playa El Hongo* by walking in the water around the cliff to your right. The large beach and surrounding area are beautiful. The waters surrounding Balandra are shallow and safe for children. Sheltered from wave action from nearly every direction, the water warms early and is very safe for swimmers and kayaking. There are also several little beaches (coves) and mangroves to explore. The beach has no services, so pack your own lunches and drinks for the day. There are vendors renting chairs, selling fruit and drinks, beach *palapas* for shade and BBQ pits to the south.

PLAYA EL TECOLOTE (26 km): is by far the largest and most visited beach in La Paz. Two restaurant/bars offer shade *palapas* and a large number of beach vendors offer refreshments. RV camping is available, along with a wide variety of water sports rentals. Usually there are no lifeguards on duty, but they may be present during *la semana santa* and in the summer. The beach has a beautiful view of Isla Espiritu Santo and panga rides to the island are available—a 6.5 km crossing across the San Lorenzo channel. Bus service from the station on the *malecón* to playa El Tecolote is available for a nominal charge.

Sting rays are the biggest hazard at the playas and tend to be present on the bottom in shallow waters during the summer. When walking in the water, shuffle your feet on the bottom to avoid stepping directly on a resting ray.

those days, Baja life was quite different, with a fewer "necessities," but people were creative and resourceful. Paul also published the first Todos Santos brochure, a line of postcards and organized a collaborative Todos Santos section in *Los Cabos News*. He worked in Los Cabos and later moved to San José del Cabo and opened another Mano A Mano gallery. Paul was one of the first destination wedding photographers in the area, shot advertising and editorial for businesses and was featured in most of the publications in this booming area.

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26 al 31 de Enero | 2º TALLER DE ESCRITURA TODOS SANTOS ANUAL en Casa Drácula. Este año tiene un programa emocionante de seminarios de cuatro tardes especiales con algunos muy conocidos oradores que se abrirán al público (listados completos estarán disponibles en: <http://www.todossantoswritersworkshop.com/january-2015-seminar-speakers/>) El seminario del Viernes 30 de Enero presentará a Viviane Mahieux de Todos Santos en una discusión de la literatura contemporánea mexicana con el poeta/reportero/autor de La Paz Edmundo Lizardi. Cupo disponible en los tres talleres (Ficción, Narrativa y Memorias) con cuotas especiales para residentes de BCS. Registro abierto en <http://www.todossantoswritersworkshop.com/application-and-tuition/>

31 de Enero | MÚSICA EN VIVO con los Mexican Wierdohs y DJ en la noche en **La Esquina** en el Otro Lado de Todos Santos. \$50 pesos la entrada.

febrero

3 al 7 de febrero | 7 pm, LAS ESTRELLAS DE TODOS SANTOS PRESENTA DOS OBRAS DE TEATRO: El Año Setenta y Cinco, de Philip Bentley y **Almohada**, de Frederick Stoppel en la Gitana en **Hotel Casa Tota**. El precio de los boletos es de \$150 pesos, cupo limitado. Habrá vino y podrán departir con los actores después de abrir y cer-

rar las noches de las representaciones. El Hotel ofrecerá paquetes especiales para los locales y los visitantes. Para boletos: lasestrellasdetodosantos@gmail.com

7 y 8 de febrero | 6º RECORRIDO ANUAL DE LOS ARTISTAS DE TODOS SANTOS. Febrero 7 y 8, 6º Tour Anual de Estudios de los Artistas. El Tour de Los Estudios Abiertos es ahora un evento de 2 días donde los visitantes podrán apreciar más arte, más estudios y pasar más tiempo con los artistas de cada estudio. Con un mapa a la mano que muestra todos los estudios, los visitantes tendrán una mirada de cómo es la vida de los artistas. El precio del boleto para el El Tour de Los Estudios Abiertos es de \$200 pesos por ambos días. Los boletos se pueden comprar en-línea a través <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/785415> Para mayor información: www.artistsoftodosantos.com o en Facebook/Artists of Todos Santos

12 al 14 de febrero | CARNAVAL 2015 DE LA PAZ.

21 al 28 de febrero | FESTIVAL DE ARTE TODOS SANTOS en la plaza pública de Todos Santos.

28 de febrero | FIESTA DE OSCAR PREVIA al 12º Festival Anual de Cine de Todos Santos.

marzo

5 al 14 de marzo | 12º FESTIVAL DE CINE DE TODOS SANTOS, con eventos en lugares a lo largo de Todos Santos, Pescadero y La Paz. Para mayor información: www.todossantoscine.org/

15 de marzo | 9:30 am a 3 pm, RECORRIDO DE CASAS EN EL CENTRO HISTÓRICO DE TODOS SANTOS. Venta de los boletos a partir de 9:30 am a 2 pm. Recorrido a partir de 10 am a 3 pm.

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domingo

11 am, **Football de la NFL**, 2 tacos de pescado y 1 cerveza o alitas de pollo y 1 cerveza a \$75 pesos en **Shut Up Frank's** en Todos Santos.

lunes

9:30 am a 2:30 pm, **FRUTA Y VERDURA ORGÁNICA** en Márquez de León enfrente de **Alma y Manny's**, Todos Santos.

10 am a 1 pm, *Palapa Society* **BIBLIOTECA y RINCON DE CUENTOS ABIERTO.**

5 a 8 pm **DEGUSTACIÓN DE VINOS DE BAJA** en la Bodega de Todos Santos. Sirve una selección de tres vinos diferentes de Baja.

Football de la NFL, Todo lo que puedas comer Espaguetti con ensalada y pan por \$100 pesos y quedándose tarde en **Shut Up Frank's** en Todos Santos.

martes

8:30 am a 1 pm, **EL MERCADO ORGÁNICO DE LA PAZ** en calle Madero entre 5 de Mayo y Constitución, La Paz.

9 am a 12 pm, **MERCADO ORGÁNICO** en **La Esquina** en el Otro Lado de Todos Santos.

miércoles

8 am a 12 pm, **EL MERCADO ORGÁNICO DE LOS CABOS** en Camino del Colegio, s/n entrada a Pedregal, Cabo San Lucas.

9:30 am a 2:30 pm, **FRUTA Y VERDURA ORGÁNICA** en Márquez de León enfrente de **Alma y Manny's**, Todos Santos.

10 am a 1 pm, *Palapa Society* **BIBLIOTECA y RINCON DE CUENTOS ABIERTO.**

5 a 8 pm **MIÉRCOLES DE "BIG RED" VINOS** en la Bodega de Todos Santos con música en vivo.

jueves

8:30 am a 1 pm, **EL MERCADO ORGÁNICO DE LA PAZ** en calle Madero entre 5 de Mayo y Constitución, La Paz.

5 a 9 pm, **CAMINATA DEL ARTE** en San José del Cabo, en el distrito de las galerías. Todas las galerías que participan estarán abiertas hasta las 9 pm y muchas tienen recepciones y eventos especiales. Noviembre hasta el fin de Junio.

6 pm, **MÚSICA EN VIVO** en la noche en **La Esquina** en el Otro Lado de Todos Santos empezando el 20 de noviembre.

viernes

El Primer Viernes de cada mes, Reciclaje en Multiservicios Miró en calle Rangel (#135 en el mapa de TS). Aceptan plástico (aunque no esté limpio), papel, cartón, metal y electrónicos. Por favor separe los materiales. Mayores informes: msm_ts@hotmail.com

9:30 am a 2:30 pm, **FRUTA Y VERDURA ORGÁNICA** en Márquez de León enfrente de **Alma y Manny's**, Todos Santos.

10 am a 1 pm, *Palapa Society* **BIBLIOTECA y RINCON DE CUENTOS ABIERTA.**

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received new roofs so far, and the work is not slowing down. They've created two designs for simple wooden homes for the families who lost everything, and hope to have those under construction soon.

These stories are just the tip of the iceberg, and scarcely begin to convey the enormity of the effort underway to restore the shelter, food, work and normal life ripped away by Odile. It is impossible to relate the countless acts of kindness, generosity, selflessness, humor and grace that saw our communities through the immediate aftermath of the storm, and continue to rebuild it all these weeks later. Robert Hall, the town dharma dude and defacto non-religious spiritual leader, says that The Beatles had it right all along. "All you need is love. Odile was so powerful that it was able to tear the fabric of our lives, but the healing is love. Love is what makes it possible when we barely have the saliva to swallow these big bites of reality. Love is all you need." Just off shore, the humpbacks returned for the winter, singing their sweet Baja serenades.

WE'RE NOT DISTRACTED

It was about 2:00 am, when the French doors in Wendy's bedroom started banging so violently that she had to throw her body weight against them to try and keep the storm out of her house. As the doors heaved and she pushed, a side length of her nightgown swept between the two doors, which then promptly slammed shut. She was pinned against the frame, completely unable to move. At first she was gripped by panic, but then she started to laugh. Because really, a tiny woman fighting a huge storm being trapped by her nightie is really kind of funny. And while she waited for the rhythm of the storm to shift so she could retrieve the trapped material, she thought about all the wonderful water the storm was bringing, and how it needed to be protected from the lethal chemicals connected to the gold mine. She thought about the next steps the citizens of Baja California Sur plan to take to protect our water and our lives. Because really, a tiny woman fighting huge

corporation as part of a determined community is really pretty serious indeed. It's a force of nature. Love is all you need.

*Jamie Sechrist,
Tori Sepulveda,
S e r e n a
S a l t z m a n ,
Erick Ochoa,
Alec and April
Tidey, Ana
Maria Peters,
Sam Sitkin,*

Ronnie Barkas, Ivo Mondragen all contributed to this story.



photo: Kaia Thomson

GET INVOLVED!

If you would like to contribute to the continued reconstruction of homes and lives in Todos Santos and Pescadero please donate to the following funds (and don't be shy about getting your friends to contribute too!):

Pescadero Hurricane Relief, started by Justin Lindholm:
www.gofundme.com/ej76xg

Todos Santos Hurricane Relief, started by The Palapa Society of Todos Santos, AC:
www.gofundme.com/eskrns

International Community Foundation, for making a US tax deductible contribution: <http://icf-xchange.org>

To learn about and contribute to the fight against open pit gold mining in Baja California Sur please visit: defiendelasierra.org

To receive more of Dr. Robert K. Hall's remarkable wisdom on Hurricane Odile please visit: roberthalldharma.talks.wordpress.com/2014/10/01/baja-hurricane-dharma



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Odile Angels

by R.J. Archer

Here is a list of just a few of the many "heroes" in La Paz.

Yacht Aid Global and Superyacht M5 organized and carried out the first large scale water delivery since hurricane Odile hit La Paz, pumping fresh water ashore as fast as they could make it. Water went into tanker trucks then was driven to the local La Paz hospitals, Cabo San Lucas and San José del Cabo.

FANLAP (Fundación Ayuda Niños La Paz, A.C.) collected food items, articles for hygiene and clothing for impoverished neighborhoods on the outskirts of La Paz. **Judy Peterson** compiled and provided a list of appropriate items and managed their delivery with the help of FANLAP volunteers through the installations of FANLAP in Colonia Laguna Azul.

DIF (Desarrollo Integral de la Familia) collected donated items from the general public at their offices on Abasolo and distributed them throughout the community as needed.

Club Cruceros organized a La Paz Cruiser Hurricane Fund. The La Paz cruisers combined in a monstrous effort to refloat damaged boats that could be salvaged, recover possessions from those that couldn't and remove wreckage. They made a full listing and photo catalog of their findings.

Tailhunter International Sportfishing helped collect items donated by arriving fishermen. Items such as new shoes for kids and all kinds of school supplies were transported to La Paz in ice chests to help with the hurricane relief. These efforts were spearheaded by Jillene Roldan via PackForAPurpose.org

Susan Ross joined **Barbara Spencer** and employees of Agua Santorini to help dispense drinking water purchased by Barbara's charity, Care for Kids La Paz. Two hundred

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and forty 20-liter jugs of drinkable water were distributed to the outlying community of La Pazion.

Las Tres Virgenes Restaurant gave free hamburgers to CFE workers who had no time for lunch. When the worker stopped in front of the restaurant in their work vehicle and honked the horn, someone from the restaurant would deliver their burger curbside! The program was later expanded to other work crews and the restaurant staff also began going out into the neighborhood in search of deserving workers.

Artist **Lila Magallon** converted her "mobile art show" camper into a relief vehicle and delivered nearly 3 tons of food, water and medicine that was donated by friends in Mexico City. The items were distributed to those in need in Mulege, La Paz, Boca del Alamo and El Cardonal. Lila's "La Camper" will continue relief work as long as the need exists.

*R.J. Archer is the author of the Seeds of Civilization and Parallel Ops series of books. They are available at **El Tecolote Bookstore** in Todos Santos and at **Allende Books** in La Paz. <http://www.rjarcherbooks.com/>*

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have created a plan to get my gallery and house in order, make repairs, removed dead palms, trees and debris, paint the walls, and clean and clean...

This has created a better space for me to be in. I am happy to greet people coming in the gallery. And yes they are here and want to see our special town. I feel more peaceful. Well, I still wake up at night in a sweat with my mind running (just how will I get through the next year financially?), but hey, I have to put it to rest and just do what is right in front of me to do. One step at a time. One dollar at a time. With a good attitude.

I am grateful there were no broken windows or doors on my house or gallery. I am very grateful for my wonderful employees who cleaned up the water that did get in and kept my places clean and neat for my return. I hope the spirit of kindness continues in our small community and it uplifts everyone who ventures to Baja.

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Era alrededor de las 2:00 am, cuando las puertas Francesas del cuarto de Wendy se empezaron a azotar tan violentamente que tuvo que recargarse sobre ellas para tratar de mantener la tormenta fuera de su casa. A medida que las puertas se aventaban y ella se empujaba, todo un lado de su camisón se atascó entre dos puertas, que repentinamente se cerraron. Se quedó atrapada en el marco, sin poderse mover en absoluto. De momento entró en pánico, pero después se empezó a reír. Por que una pequeña mujer, luchando contra una enorme tormenta atrapada por su camisón, es realmente cómico. Y mientras esperaba el ritmo de la tormenta cambiara, para que pudiera recuperar su tela, pensaba en el agua maravillosa que la tormenta traía, y como con la necesidad de estar protegida de los químicos letales asociados a la mina de oro. Pensó acerca de los próximos pasos que los ciudadanos de Baja California Sur planean tomar para proteger su agua y sus vidas. Por que realmente, una pequeña mujer luchando contra una enorme corporación como parte de una comunidad determinada es muy serio en verdad. Es fuerza de la Naturaleza. Amor es todo lo que necesitas.

Jamie Sechrist, Tori Sepúlveda, Serena Saltzman, Erick Ochoa, Alec y April Tidey, Ana Maria Peters, Sam Sitkin, Ronnie Barkas, Ivo Mondragen todos contribuyeron a esta historia.

¡INVOLUCRATE! Si quieres contribuir para continuar la reconstrucción de casas y vidas en Todos Santos y Pescadero, por favor dona a los siguientes fondos (¡y no seas tímido en invitar a tus amigos para que ellos contribuyan también!):

Apoyo del Huracán de Pescadero, comenzado por Justin Lindholm: www.gofundme.com/ej76xg

Apoyo del Huracán de Todos Santos, comenzado por La Sociedad de La Palapa de Todos Santos, AC: www.gofundme.com/eskrns



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Para conocer más y contribuir con la lucha en contra de la mina a cielo abierto en Baja California Sur favor de visitar: defiendelasierra.org

Para recibir más de la extraordinaria sabiduría del Huracán Odile del Dr. Robert K. Hall favor de visitar: roberthalldharmataalks.wordpress.com/2014/10/01/baja-hurricane-dharma

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20,21,22 y 26, 27, 28 de marzo | 15ª TEMPORADA DE BAJA SHAKESPEARE presenta una comedia original, *Robin Hood de Shakespeare*, en Buena Vista Beach Resort, en su nuevo lugar interior. Marzo 22 habrá una matinee. Detalles de la venta de boletos y más estarán disponibles cerca de la fecha de la obra.

mayo

GASTROVINO FESTIVAL en Todos Santos, fechas y hora por determinarse. Para mayores informes: <http://www.gastrovino.mx/>

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2 TACOS DE PESCADO Y 1 CERVEZA O ALITAS DE POLLO Y 1 CERVEZA por \$75 pesos en **Shut Up Frank's** en Todos Santos.

6 pm, **ESPECIALIDADES DE ASIA** en Michael's at the Gallery. Requiere reservación.

7:30 pm, **TODOS SANTOS BANDA DE JAZZ** en Kin's Lounge.

sábado

8:30 am a 1 pm, **EL MERCADO ORGÁNICO DE LA PAZ** en calle Madero entre 5 de Mayo y Constitución, La Paz.

9 am a 3 pm, **EL MERCADO ORGÁNICO** en San José del Cabo está ligeramente afuera del distrito de arte histórico en la Huerta María en el Camino a las Ánimas. Busque la señal para el gran arroyo junto a la Avenida Centenario.

9 am a 1 pm, **Tianguis Natural Malecón** (Mercado) en el Callejon Cabeza de Vaca en La Paz—el área entre calle Esquerro y el Malecón ubicado en el mural Wyland y la escultura del músico tocando el caracol.

10 am a 1 pm, **Palapa Society BIBLIOTECA y RINCON DE CUENTOS ABIERTO.**

JUEGOS DE FOOTBALL COLEGIAL, 2 tacos de pescado y 1 cerveza o alitas de pollo y 1 cerveza por \$75 pesos en **Shut Up Frank's** en Todos Santos.

4 pm, **TODOS SANTOS FIN DE LA SEMANA** con Wendy Rains programa de radio en 96.3 CaboMil FM, ó lo puede escuchar en www.cabomil.com.mx

6 pm, **ESPECIALIDADES DE ASIA** en Michael's at the Gallery. Requiere reservación.

HORA FELIZ

Chill N Grill, Lu Mar Ju Vi 4 a 6 pm, 2x1 cerveza y well drinks.

Gallo Azul, Lu Mar Mier Ju Vi Sa 3 a 6 pm, 2x1 cerveza y margaritas.

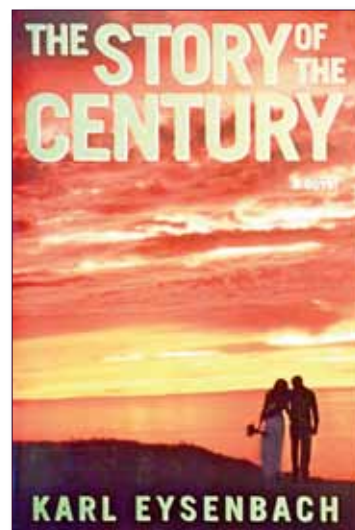
Hotel Casa Tota, Lu Mar Mier Ju Vi Sa 3 a 6 pm, 2x1 cerveza y well drinks.

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Angeles de Odile

por R.J. Archer

Aquí hay una lista de algunos de los muchos "héroes" en La Paz.

Yacht Aid Global and Superyacht M5 organizó y llevo a cabo la primera entrega de de agua a gran escala desde que el Huracán Odile pegó en La Paz, bombeando agua dulce desde la orilla tan rápido como pudieron. El agua iba directo a las pipas y luego se llevaba a los Hospitales locales de La Paz, Cabo San Lucas y San José del Cabo.

FANLAP (Fundación Ayuda Niños La Paz, A.C.) recolectó comida, artículos de higiene y ropa para los empobrecidos vecinos de las afueras de La Paz. **Judy Peterson** recopiló y proveyó una lista de artículos apropiados y administró la entrega con la ayuda de voluntarios de FANLAP a través de las instalaciones de FANLAP en la Colonia Laguna Azul.

DIF (Desarrollo Integral de la Familia) recolectó artículos donados del público general en sus oficinas en Abasolo y los distribuyó en la comunidad según las necesidades.

Club Cruceros organizó un Fondo Crucero de Apoyo a La Paz por el huracán. Los cruceros de La Paz combinaron un esfuerzo monstruoso para salvar las embarcaciones que tuvieran arreglo, recuperar posesiones de los que no tenían arreglo y remover los escombros. Hicieron una lista completa con fotografías tipo catálogo de lo que encontraron.

Tailhunter International Sportfishing (Cazadores de Pesca Deportiva Internacionales) ayudaron a recolectar artículos donados por pescadores que estaban llegando. Artículos tales como zapatos nuevos para niños y todo tipo de artículos escolares fueron transportados a La Paz en hieleras para ayudar con el apoyo del huracán. Estos esfuerzos fueron liderados por Jillene Roldan a través de PackForAPurpose.org (Organización de Paquetería para un propósito).

Susan Ross se unió a **Barbara Spencer** y sus empleados de Agua Santorini para ayudar a repartir agua potable comprada por el Centro de Caridad para Niños de La Paz, de Bárbara. Doscientos cuarenta garrafones de 20-litros

cada uno con agua potable fueron distribuidos por la comunidad de La Pazión.

El Restaurante Las Tres Vírgenes regaló hamburguesas a los trabajadores de la CFE quienes no tenían tiempo para comer. Cuando el trabajador se detuvo en frente del restaurante con su vehículo de trabajo y tocó el claxon, alguien del restaurante le entregaba las hamburguesas en la banqueta! El programa se expandió a otros equipos de trabajadores y el personal del restaurante también empezaron a buscar a los meritorios trabajadores.

La Artista **Lila Magallon** convirtió su camper "show de arte móvil" en un vehículo de apoyo y entregó 3 toneladas de comida, agua y medicinas que fueron donadas por amigos en la Ciudad de México. Los artículos fueron distribuidos a aquellos necesitados en Mulegé, La Paz, Boca del Álamo y el Cardonal. "La camper" de Lila continuará su apoyo por el tiempo que sea necesario.

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Mexican food and are open for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Shut Up Frank's, The Original Sports Bar home of the Best Burgers in Baja in Todos Santos, has added new menu items and daily specials—Fettuccine Portofino in butter, garlic & white wine sauce, with chicken or shrimp, fresh fish of the day and coming soon—lobster and a new Italian menu.

Once again, Peter Buck has assembled an epic lineup of artists for the next **Todos Santos Music Festival**, January 2015, and the proceeds will benefit Hurricane Odile Relief. Look for our feature story next issue. If you can't wait, visit: todossantosmusicfestival.com

The second annual **Todos Santos Writer's Workshop** at Casa Dracula will also take place in January 2015. This year is an exciting program of four special afternoon seminars with some very well-known speakers that will be open to the public. Spaces are available in the three workshops with special rates for BCS residents.

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