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What people are saying about the Gringo Times

"As you know I am abandoning Number 10 and I want to, before I abandon it completely to say thank you to all of you for the work that you're doing and I know it's a time of immense pressure and change but you do a fantastic job and at some point for all the pressure someone should say thank you so I'm principally here to sav thank vou.." Prime Minister Tony Blair

"I stand for freedom of expression, doing what you believe in, and reading the Gringo Times." Madonna

"As far as the Gringo Times is concerned, they're going to say what they want to say. Probably about 10-15 percent of the time it's accurate." Justin Timberlake

"I think one of my main moments of inspiration was when I first read the Gringo Times." Ben Kingsley

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Welcome to the third issue of the Gringo Times and our cover story about the new developments in Sosua. It sure is interesting what our reporters manage to dig up! Obviously we could have had a cover story about the political parties, who's leading the polls, and other boring stuff happening in the big smoke.. But we like to think we know our readers. In fact our readers are similar to us - they're people too. And people want real informational type stories, about stuff.

I had a chin-wag the other day with the editor of Listin Diario, and he was of the same opinion. Reading between the lines, he indicated that they were thinking of taking a change of direction with their paper. He said he'd recently written to Leonel asking if the government would fund a space mission to check if Elvis was on the moon. At least, that's what I think he said, but that's the problem with reading between the lines. I'm if he had any advice, but Mrs read it, a bit like Viagra. Not that off to see him again next week, so I'll double-check.

We weren't able to get confirmation from Trump Towers about the story. But we know that Donald likes to sit down before he goes into the TV studio for 'The Apprentice' filmings with a glass of whisky and the Gringo Times. One to sip and the other to read. So if he isn't the 'unnamed buyer', I'm sure he'll be on the phone to me.

On another note, a couple of readers have emailed to tell me about a new newspaper that's just started up by our erstwhile friend' (I use the term loosely), Gringo Bailey. Seems after we sacked him as Editor here, he ran off and started his own paper. Hombre, there must be some law against that?

I rang Rupert Murdoch to see



Murdoch kept answering the phone. I don't like talking to her, so I just said "Sorry, wrong number", like you do, and put the phone down.

So I urge you, be a good citizen and don't read Bailey's newspaper. It's called 'The Adscene' or something. What nonsense! What does the name even mean?

He's even taken to putting his rag in our nice shiny red stands in the supermarkets – the cheek of it! If I catch him, I have a few choice words I'll be letting

Allegedly, his advertising rates are a bit cheaper, but so what? Who wants cheap? If I want a car – I want quality, not some cheap Chinese import. Not that I'm saying Gringo Bailey is Chinese – I don't think he is. And not that I've got anything against the Chinese – they're all really nice people, and I really like their food. Not their toothpaste though.

What I'm trying to say is that quality counts. People look forward to the Gringo Times coming out every month. I was talking to a dear old lady the other day, and just before she died, she looked into my eyes and said with that weak, weak voice and a last little breath the single word, 'Medicine".

You see, in her eyes, the Gringo Times was like medicine to her. It pepped her up when she I take Viagra – so I wouldn't know, but that's how people view it.

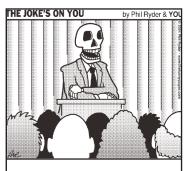
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Editor: Gringo Muttley



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New Newspaper Takes North Coast by Storm

The Gringo Times is now into its third issue, beating (with a wet fish) the doomsayer pundits who said it would never work!

The eclectic mix of news, humor, articles and information have already attracted a worldwide base of fans who share a common interest in the Dominican Republic. And we're dedicated to increasing that base. Don't let the name fool you – its not just gringos who read the Gringo Times!

To set the record straight, the Gringo Times is now available at nearly 100 different distribution points covering the North Coast. To see a list of the main distribution points, see the list on page 6, or check our website.

Local residents can pick up their free copy at most of the supermarkets in each of the towns, such as Playero in Sosua, and MSM Multicentro in Puerto Plata. We have big red stands located in certain supermarkets, on the Cabarete main street and Sosua Beachway Plaza, so wherever you are, it's easy to collect your copy.

For tourists who may only be here for a couple of weeks, ask at your hotel reception, as most of the hotels in Playa Dorada, Costa Dorada, Sosua and Cabarete are also offering the Gringo Times free to their guests. You can also read it when you go home on the internet for free!

Many gifts shops such as the Larimar Museum in Puerto Plata are also offering the Gringo Times free to tourists. We've also even taken the time to personally dish out free copies to tourists relaxing on the beach!

And last but not least, ask at your favourite bar. Most of the local bars also have a small stack of free copies available for their valued customers.

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Dominican Engineer Invents Stress Relieving Mouse

A Dominican engineer, Juan Jose Lantigua Navarro has patented a new computer mouse designed to help prevent Carpal Tunnel Syndrome.

Tunnel Syndrome.
52 year old Navarro who emigrated to the US in 1984, now works for the EDO Corporation who design and manufacture equipment for the US Department of Defence.

The new mouse design is known as the 'Stress Relieving Mouse (SRM) and is protected by US patent 6847352

Although Santo Domingo born Navarro has spent more than half his life in the United States, he has said that he still feels very Dominican and has deep roots in the DR. He has more products he is inventing and seeking patents for and would like to manufacture them locally here in the Dominican Republic. In May, he was given news that this would be possible, and that the Dominican authorities would welcome this. He will be looking to set up advanced training and production facilities, and would appreciate any assistance from the authorities.

News of the World

One-legged Driver Outruns Cops -Again

A driver in Florida was able to get away from cops – even though he had no arms and just one leg. Amputee, Michael Wiley, aged 40 had taught himself to drive with his stumps.

The eight minute long high-speed pursuit down Interstate 75 which reached speeds of up to 120 miles per hour, ended when Wiley successfully evaded the police. Apparently, this is just one of his many brush-ins with the law, and he's reported as being one of Pasco County's most prolific traffic offenders, according to the St Petersburg Times. He is awaiting trial on separate drug and illegal-driving charges and faces up to five years in prison. According to court records, Wiley has stolen a car, kicked a state trooper and attacked his wife headfirst.

This latest chase started when a police officer in New Port Richey, Miami, spotted Wiley in a suspicious vehicle - a blue Ford Explorer - outside a convenience store.

When the officer went to investigate, the Explorer took off, leading police on an eight minute chase before losing its pursuers.

"He is one of the best drivers I've ever seen in my life," said Lee Michie, a longtime acquaintance. "But he's the worst person I've ever met."

Police are now seeking an arrest warrant for Wiley.

Happiness to be Taught

Manchester city council in the UK is spending £25,000 to send teachers to the US to train them in giving happiness lessons.

The 25 British teachers will fly to Philadelphia this summer to learn about the scheme, which has apparently already been adopted by hundreds of US schools.

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Antifreeze Toothpaste

The customs department have been chasing down shipments of two particular brands of toothpaste that have been found to contain the toxic substance diethylene glycol. The Chinese manufactured Mr. Cool and Excel brands were shipped in from Panama some months ago and have been on sale in various small supermarkets, shops and warehouses in Santo Domingo and other places. Unsuspecting staff in shops have been selling the two products, not knowing that there was a problem. Some of the toothpastes, 'Junior Excel and 'Papitas' were bubble gum and strawberry flavoured aimed specifically at children.

Authorities are not sure how much of this product is in the country but are actively tracing shipments to track down any remaining contaminated prod-

So far, around 10,000 tubes of the tainted toothpaste have been seized in the National District, Samaná, Barahona, Independencia and Elías Piña provinces.

Diethylene glycol had previously been identified as the cause of over 300 deaths in Panama when it was substituted for glycerin in children's cold medicines.

This toxic substance is used in solvents and is a prime ingredient in some antifreezes. When consumed by humans, it results in difficulty breathing, renal failure and death.

Over the years, certain amoral manufacturers have been substituting the cheaper diethylene glycol in drugs, food, toothpaste and other products for the more expensive glycerine, as both are sweet tasting.

In this latest scare, the toothpaste entered the country, not

through the usual regulated channels, but camouflaged in with dog food and other products for animals.

It is not thought that the effects of these toothpastes will be anything like as severe as the previous case with the cold medicine

in Panama, as toothpaste is not generally swallowed, but obviously it's a concern as children often do.

Chinese authorities investigating the suspected manufacturer of the products, Danyang City Success Household Chemical Company, and also questioning another toothpaste maker, Goldcredit International Trading, in Wuxi. The Danyang factory has been shut down pending further investigations.

Both companies are denying any direct involvement with manufacturing this particular batch of toothpaste. Executives from Goldcredit and Danyang stated that the Mr. Cool brand has been heavily copied by other companies and that numerous other traders could be exporting

Ms Shi Lei, a manager at Danyang City Success said they

did not export to Panama, although she did admit that her company has used diethylene glycol in its toothpaste, and that the government does not have a clear regulation on how much can be added.

Ms. Shi and other toothpaste makers in this region said that diethylene glycol had been used in toothpaste in China for years and that manufacturers believed



Excel Toothpaste

it was not very harmful.

Mr. Hu at Goldcredit also denied being involved in this batch of toothpaste but also indicated that diethylene glycol had been used for years at very low levels in Chinese toothpaste as a glycerin substitute. "If diethylene glycol were poisonous," he said, "all Chinese people would have been poisoned."

He also identified the motivation for substituting diethylene glycol for glycerine.

"You know, if you're in the export market, the margins are small, so people use the substi-tute," he said. "Even one percent or half a percent price difference

can matter to people here."
Similarly tainted toothpaste has been found recently in Panama and even Australia. So far, there have been no reports of deaths or illness resulting from use of the toothpaste.

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The move has triggered criticism in a city that has the worst truancy rates in the country, reports the Daily Telegraph.

The new lessons are to be given to 11-year-olds in nine Manchester schools before being adopted by all the 22 secondary schools in the city. Schools in South Tyneside and Hertfordshire are also taking part, and the project is being jointly paid for by the Department for Education and Skills, the three councils involved and The Young Foundation, a London-based think-tank.

Criticism has come from Nick Seaton of the Campaign for Real Education, who said: "There is considerable doubt that you can teach happiness. Schools already teach citizenship and drugs education but this is a step too far."

defence. Andrews, the council's assistant chief education officer and scheme administrator, said: "Research shows that resilience to setbacks can actually be learned and it can be a huge benefit for children in later life."

Hair Dress



A Croatian model stunned the crowds at a fashion show in Zagreb when she appeared on the catwalk wearing a dress made entirely of human

Designers at Artidjana, the company who made the dress company, used 165ft of blonde hair in the process.

It's not known whether the model, Simona Gotovac was wearing anything else underneath.

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Trump's Caribbean Investment Sets New Records



Real-estate tycoon, Donald Trump has another success on his hands with the recently launched US\$2 billion Cap Cana project, Trump Farallón Estates.

This exclusive development achieved record sales of \$300 million within 4 hours of the launch and is believed to be a record for a new tourist development, not just in the Dominican Republic, but the entire Caribbean.

The Cap Cana project is a more than 120 million square

Checkpoint Pub, Sosua

Beach Way Plaza, Sosua

meters development, situated on a 3km stretch of shoreline on the East Coast of the Dominican Republic. The first phase includes 68 plots of between 6,000 and 24,000 square meters, priced from US \$3 million to US \$12 million in a gated community on the edge of 200m high cliffs

Later phases are planned to increase the project to over 5,000 residential units and four luxury hotels, with 5 golf courses, including three Jack Nicklaus-designed courses, the first of which, Punta Espada, was opened last November.

The first phase of an extensive marina with over 1000 slips for yachts has already been built and will have facilities for the biggest mega yachts.

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investors feel confident in the country's economy and the government who have facilitated and supported the development.

"I am excited to be building Trump at Cap Cana for several reasons. Not only is the Dominican Republic an exceptionally beautiful place with a wonderful history, but the allure of Cap Cana makes this a unique destination in the Caribbean," said Trump.

"This is going to be a mag-

"This is going to be a magnificent project, and we look forward to developing thousands of spectacular acres into an elite destination that will be known worldwide in the years to come. I look forward to visiting often with my family."

Trump has now said he

intends to continue investing in

the Dominican Republic. He indicated that he and his

The winner of Trump's "The Apprentice" TV show, Stefani Schaeffer will be overseeing the project in the DR. When she was asked if she'd prefer to work on the Cap Cana project or Trump Towers Atlanta, a new 47-story luxury condominium complex, she said her decision was an easy one.

easy one.
"Did you see the pictures of Atlanta and of the Caribbean? Did you see the color of the ocean?" she said

ocean?" she said.
"It is about the work, but there's a golf course!"

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Sex Toy is 'threat to national security'

Cypriot military have banned a British vibrator from



being sold in Cyprus after being concerned the sex toy's electronic waves will disrupt the army's radio frequencies on the island.

Ann Summer, the makers of the radio-controlled vibrator known as the Love Bug 2 have confirmed that it has been withdrawn from sale in Cyprus. A spokesman for the company said, "The remote control only has a range of six metres. We have still been selling them in Cyprus, but with a warning urging Cypriots not to use it unless they travel abroad."

Lizzie Eddleston from the Ann Summers press office in the UK said: "It is a shame but we have to honour he request and have made it clear that the Love Bug is not for sale in Cyprus."

"We have been told the electronic waves given off by the 'Love Bug' would affect military frequencies, but we have told locals that we have a lot of other devices that are not banned which will satisfy their needs. After all, it's better to make love, not war."

Military officials in Cyprus refused to comment on the ban, but a government spokesman said it was purely a military decision.

"We never even saw them, they were banned before we even had a chance to check them, but if issues of national security are at stake then that is not surprising."

"The military does operate on a different frequency to the general frequency, but they do not share that information for continued on next page

continued from previous page obvious reasons, only they would have been able to decide what SRD's (Small Range Devices) might be a threat and what to do about it."

Drunk Nude Woman in Petrol Buying Shocker

Police were called to a German gas station after a naked 38 year-old woman drove up and asked to be filled

The station manager, Jan Matthausen said. "I was surprised when I saw a car drive onto the forecourt beeping its horn and flashing its lights to get my attention.

"I went out and saw this woman, completely naked, sitting behind the wheel.

"She wound down the window. leaned out and asked me to fill up her tank. I called the police straight away."

Police later breathalysed the woman and found her to be seven times over the drinkdrive limit.

YouTube Used to **Catch Thieves**

Two teenage thieves who robbed store Grieskirchen, Austria, were later caught in Linz after being recognised when CCTV footage from the store was put on the internet website, YouTube.

The two teenager asylum seekers from Georgia and Armenia were recorded stealing a \$2000 laptop. The video shows how one of the pair kept watch and covered what his pal was doing as the second teenager slipped the computer under his jacket.

The store owner, Thomas Karer, had only recently installed the surveillance gear after a spate of thefts at his

Imaginary Drug Squad Chase Man Up Tree

Police in St. Cloud, Minnesota were called by a 30 year-old man up a tree with his mobile phone after the drug squad allegedly chased him there.

Police arrived at the scene

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the last scene of Pagliacci, Canio stabs Nedda who is the one he really loves. Pretty soon Silvio also gets stabbed, and they all live happily ever after.

continued from across page and quickly realised that he was under the influence of drugs and in fact hallucinating.

They tried to talk him down, but he lost his grip and fell out of the tree.

He was taken to hospital but found to be uninjured, whereupon he was taken to

Pet Computers
A Los Angeles inventor has come up with a Compubeaver. Kasey McMahon, 34, spent 3 months



building a computer into a real (dead) beaver. She said, "I started thinking about the most ridiculous thing to put a computer into and decided it had to be a beaver."

"It looks at how nature relates to technology."

The beaver was apparently purchased already dead and stuffed. Once she removed the foam insides with an electric kitchen knife, she was able cut space for the computer tower, and reinforce it with fibreglass.

Two more US inventors.



biologist Christy Canida and environmental studies graduate Noah Weinsrein came up with a real computer 'mouse'. After purchasing a dead rodent from a local pet shop, they made a computer mouse housed in a real mouse.

Beauty And The Beast Wedding Dress

Disney have announced a new range of 34 themed wed-

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continued from previous page ding dresses based on backcatalog cartoons such as Sleeping Beauty and Beauty And The Beast.

Designer, Kirstie Kelly unveiled the dresses in New York with price tags of \$1500 to \$3000.

Disney are already offering Disney-themed weddings with rides in a Cinderella carriage and appearances by Mickey and Minnie Mouse in formal attire.

Packages start at \$4,000 but average about \$27,000. Disney's new line of wedding gowns is aimed at couples with a tighter budget.

"We are enticing them to step up without breaking the said Jim Calhoun, executive vice-president for global apparel at Disney Consumer Products.

If successful, the gown collection could be extended to include other Disney Princess-branded fashions and home furnishings for adults.

"If it really is the lifestyle opportunity we think it is, then it opens up possibilities beyond the day of the wedding," added Mr Calhoun.

'Oh my God, they killed Kenny! the Oueen!'

The US farcical cartoon, South Park as gone one step further with a new episode depicting the Queen Elizabeth II of England shooting herself.

The scene, shows the Queen putting a pistol in her mouth and pulling the trigger.

Her cartoon body slumps to the floor by her throne with her fallen crown beside her.

It is expected by the show's creators that the episode will generate a barrage of complaints when it is shown in the UK later this year.

A spokesman from US Comedy Central network said: "South Park has never shied away from offending people in the name of comedy."

"Scriptwriters say nobody is off-limits to be poked fun at - including the Queen."

The episode, shown in the US this week, centres on a terror threat and parodies drama series 24.

The Queen is shown trying to regain control of the US for

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Dominican Customs Using Internet to Collect Payments

The Dominican Customs Agency (DGA) is pushing ahead with plans to use the internet to collect payments.

So far this year, the DGA has collected RD\$600 million via its online electronic payment system, most of it through Banco Reservas and Banco Popular.

71 import companies are paying using the new method

and the DGA wants to encourage other companies to check with their bank as to whether they can do the same. Obviously in the long term, this is a big time saver for both the DGA and companies using the online system.

The DGA's website at www.dga.gov.do now has the facility for importers to look at their tax payments online.

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Funeral Shows Up Friends

Amir Vehabovic, a 45 year old Bosnian faked his own death so he could hide in the bushes and watch his own funeral. Unfortunately, the only attendee to his burial in the north Bosnian town of Gradiska was his elderly mother.

In the letter to the 45 friends he invited to the funeral he said: "I paid a lot of money to get a fake death certificate and bribe undertakers to deliver an empty coffin."

"I really thought a lot more of you, my so-called friends, would turn up to pay their last respects. It just goes to show who you can really count on."

Ewe've been had

In the latest con, rich Japanese women are being conned into buying lambs in the belief they are valuable miniature poodles. An internet company, Poodles As Pets based in Sapporo were offering poodles for sale at just \$1250, half the \$2500 price poodles usually sell for.

The con first came to light when movie star Maiko Kawakami complained on a talk show that her new poodle refused to bark or eat dog food.

She showed photos of the animal and was devastated when informed that it was not a valuable pedigree poodle, but a baby lamb.

Hundreds of women have now contacted police to say that they had also been sold lambs instead of pups by the conning company.

One couple found out the truth only after a dog beautician told them she could not trim their poodle's claws because they were hooves.

The company has since been shut down, and a police spokesman said: "We launched an investigation after we were made aware that a company were selling sheep as poodles."

The company were importing the sheep from the UK and Australia to sell online as poodles, and were able to take advantage of the fact that sheep are rare in Japan and

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Dominican **Ethanol Production to** Attract **US\$100** million in **Investments**

Long-term plans to replace fossil fuels with ethanol developed from sugar cane took another boost when it was announced that a large Brazilian company is interested in producing sugar cane based ethanol in the Dominican Republic for export to the US.

Talks took place last month between ex-Dominican basketball player Jose Vargas, representing Brazil's Carmen company and the Colorado Group, and Salvador Rivas, the Industry and Commerce Ministry's director for Non-Conventional Energy.

Rivas has indicated that the Brazilian companies would be looking to invest over US\$100 million in developing ethanol in the DR.

New **Shopping** Center Planned for Santo **Domingo**

Dominican firm Allard Industries has announced that they have an agreement with a Venezuelan company, Gestión Integral de Valores Inmobiliarios to build a new retail shopping center in the intersection of the busy Winston Churchill and Gustavo Mejía Ricart avenues.

Allard are being very bullish about the new development, which they say will become a landmark in the country, with an exciting atmosphere and the best shopping and entertainment environment in the Dominican Republic.

The Venezuelan firm have been contracted to construct, manage and market the new development which will cost more than US\$60 million and will create 1500 new jobs in the

continued from across page most people do not know what they look like.

Saving Garbage In China a man hid his savings in his garbage bin to hide them from burglars before going out on a business trip with his wife.

"We looked around our home and finally decided to hide the money in the garbage bin, where we believed it was safest from burglary," said Mr Cui from Qingdao city.

Unfortunately, when they came back from the trip, they forgot and promptly threw out the garbage with the equivalent of \$6500 in notes.

"I threw away the garbage the day after I came home, since the bin was full," he said

Two days later and Mr Cui remembered about the money and rushed to check the garbage room - but it had already been taken away.

"Our last hope was the city garbage treatment centre, but the landfill was so vast that we knew our money was lost forever," he said.

Bush Queen Wink Slip

President George Bush recently gaffed again, this time with the Queen, after getting his dates strangely mixed up at an official welcome ceremony on the south lawn of the White House

The 7000 people attending heard Bush age the Queen by 200 years when he said,

"You helped our nation to celebrate its bicentennial in 17... 1976."

To compound the gaff, as the crowd started laughing, he paused, turned to the Queen and winked at her.

He then declared: "You gave me a look that only a mother could give a child.'

Toad Sex Frenzy Kills Prize Carp

In the UK town of Pickering, North Yorkshire. randy toads killed prime carp worth \$40,000 at a fishing lake by dragging them underwater.

The fish weighing up to suffocated amorous toads, mistaking them for lady toads, jumped on them in a mating frenzy as

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they basked in the shallows. The rotting fish carcasses led to further deaths as roach. rudd and bream were killed by the pollution.



Mike Heelis, 49, who manages Wykeham Lakes, said: "It was a horrendous sight.

'From a distance it looked like the fish had some sort of fungus on their heads. Then I realised they had these toads clamped to their heads.

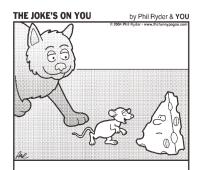


"Toads have always come to our lakes to do what they do naturally - but this year there were thousands of them, jumping on anything that moved.

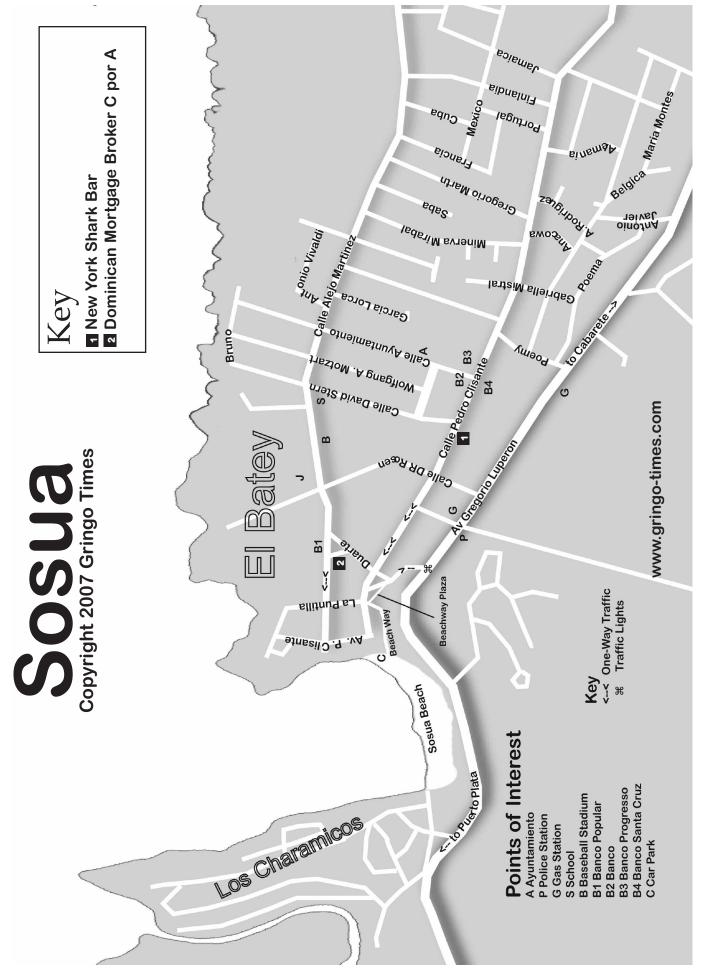
"The creatures were covering their gills and mouths. They just sank to the bottom and died.

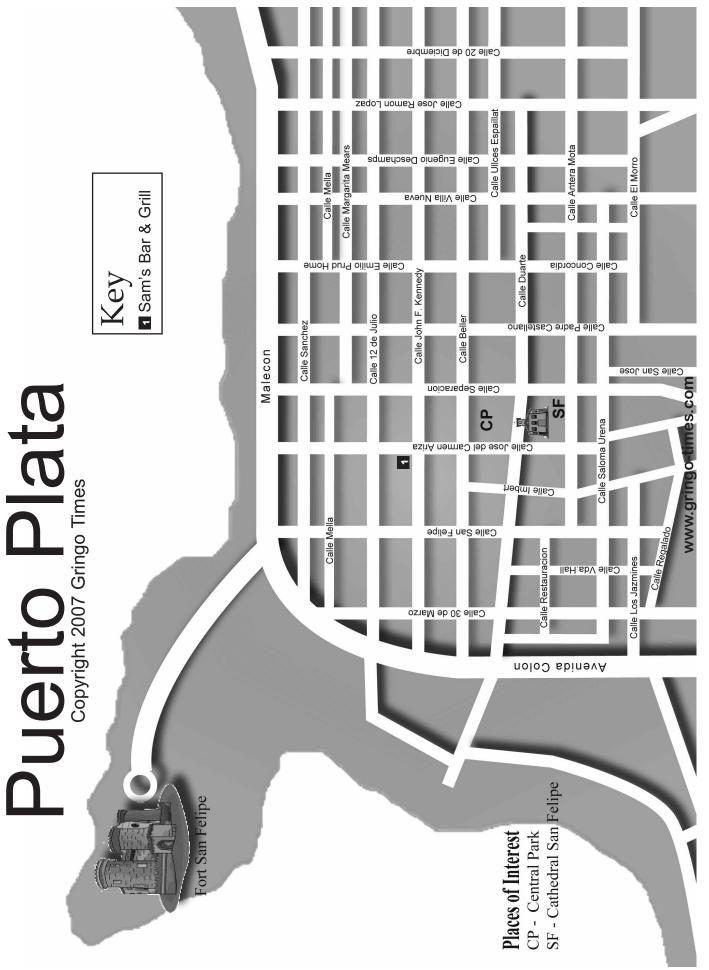
"We used to have catches of 100lb in competitions but weights will be a lot lower now."

The Environment Agency said toad mating was a "natural phenomenon" and Mr Heelis could be prosecuted if he attempted to move them.



"What a relief to finally be out of that maze." - edberger • NY, NY





Hats are a great way to keep the sun off your face. Try out one of these snazzy Gringo Times Palm Hats made to order on our very own Sosua beach. Costing less than \$10 (if you mention the Gringo Times, Garcia Rosario can knock you one up in less than 10 minutes, and you get to watch a true artist at work.

These are the latest headgear in most of the top, trendy nightclubs, so wearing one will identify you as a cool dude (or dudette).



Step 1: Find bits of palm fronds as they are the main component of the Gringo Palm Hat. Palm fronds can normally be found hiding in palm trees.



Step 2: Start twisting bits of aforementioned palm fronds together.



Step 3: Make palm fronds into shape as shown above. If shape is not correct, have anoth-



Step 4: Keep twisting palm fronds.



Step 5: Make shape as shown above. If shape does not look correct, order another beer or make something else.

Step 6: Work slowly and methodically to ensure the palm fronds remain docile.



break down the fronds' resistance. Use mind-control to isolate any troublemakers.



Step 7: Keep weaving to



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er beer and go back to previ- Make your own Palm Hat





Step 8: Take periodic rests to reserve energy for the frenzied finishing steps.



Step 9: Hat should now look hat shaped. If it does not, order a







cuba-libre, and go back 3 steps. Step 10: Making Gringo Palm Hats is fun, so remember to enjoy it.



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the added advantage of having

some of the lowest priced real-

estate in the Caribbean. This is

due in part to it's large size, and

the fact that other islands have

bargain, the Dominican Republic

is the place to investigate. As

with all ventures, it makes sense

to have a good look around

So if you are looking for a

been promoted for far longer.

The Dominican Republic has

ating in value.

Searching for your dream home in the sun

before you make any decisions. Not all property is a good buy and that's where comparisons

such as kite-boarding and windsurfing. Puerto Plata is an old. histor-

ical and working city, first discovered by Columbus in the 15th century and has its own unique charm with its culture and architecture.

Costambar and Cofresi are smaller residential areas, but again attracting their fair share of tourists looking for a more peaceful holiday.

For those looking to make a permanent move to the island, there are good schools in both Puerto Plata and Sosua. There are a number of good medical facilities and hospitals particularly in Puerto Plata

The second largest city in the country, Santiago is located less than an hour's drive from Puerto Plata. In Santiago, you will find larger supermarkets, a variety of



shops and department stores, and other important facilities such as hospitals and schools.

For relaxation and entertainment, there are a number of golf courses in the area, and even a marine park, Ocean World, with a variety of attractions guaranteed to keep the tourists visiting.

Property in the area starts from less than US\$100.000 (€75,000) for a condo or apartment that you can rent out while you are not using it. If you want something a little bigger, it's possible to find nice 3 bedroom vil-

las with a garden and pool for than less US\$200,000 (€150,000). And of course, if you want real luxury, there are stunning seafront villas with price tags going up as high as you can imagine.

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As the area is growing, a number of reputable developers are designing and constructing luxury residential communities. In some cases you can even



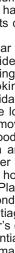
have your dream house adjusted or designed to suit your own unique personal requirements.

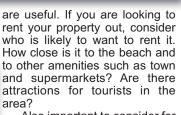
Whatever type of property you are looking for, it's a pretty



sure bet that the North Coast has something suitable and within your budget.

Look out for next month's edition of the Gringo Times, when we will be featuring some tempting properties available in the area.





Also important to consider for investment is the likely resale value. Is the area growing and are more people moving in? Are there good schools, doctors and medical facilities in the vicinity? How safe is the location? Does the property have good security, reliable electricity, water and other services?



The North Coast of the Dominican Republic has an attractive mix of all the aspects that make buying a good proposition.

Sosua has long been a favourite for tourists looking for a relaxed holiday in the sun, with its great sheltered bay and a variety of good restaurants, bars and nightlife.

Cabarete has grown a lot recently and attracts a slightly different crowd of people flocking to engage in sports and activities



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Crossword - Crucigrama

Across

- 1. Female name
- 4. Produces eggs
- 7. Not an original
- 10. Dominant window
- 11. Beat at chess
- 12. Flows
- 16. Tetraethyl lead
- 17. Commander
- 20. Perceive as fact
- 21. Horizontal bar of wood
- 22. Sketch
- 23. Ailing
- 24. Expel
- 27. She is
- 29. Pollen gatherers
- 30. Sticky substance
- 32. Flesh of a hog
- 33. Litigating
- 35. Experimenting until a solution is found
- 36. Slender part of the leg
- 37. Longest river in Europe
- 38. Stretching out

Down

- 2. Musical percussion instru-
- 3. Charge with gas
- 4. 1984 novelist
- 5. Empty
- 6. Electric discharge
- 8. Petroleum engineer
- 9. Whirl
- 13. Unwarranted
- 14. Norwegian
- 15. Hits
- 17. Brittle
- 18. Manly
- 19. One who drains
- 24. Death notices
- 25. Lizard
- 26. Caress
- 28. Garment worn by women
- 31. Hog sound
- 33. Coal waste
- 34. Strange person

Answers to crossword on page 18

10 12 13 14 15 16 18 19 21 20 22 23 24 28 30 31 32 29 33 34 35

Football Quotes

or 'Soccer' to those chaps (and chapesses) who watch the NFL

"What will you do when you leave football, Jack - will you stay in football?"

Stuart Hall - Radio 5 Live

"Unfortunately, we keep kicking ourselves in the foot."

Ray Wilkins, speaking on BBC1

"I've got a gut feeling in my stomach. . ."

Alan Sugar, speaking on BBC1

"The new West Stand casts a giant shadow over the entire pitch, even on a sunny day." Chris Jones, Evening Standard "I would not say he [David Ginola] is the best left winger in the Premiership, but there are none better."

Ron Atkinson, in a TV interview

"Johnson has revelled in the 'hole' behind Dwight Yorke. . ."

Carling FA Premiership web page

"An inch or two either side of the post and that would have been a goal."

Dave Bassett, speaking on Sky Sports

Competition

Win two free tickets worth \$70

Fancy an evening's entertainment with a difference? Well the Gringo Times in association with our friends at Ocean World are giving away two great tickets for Ocean World's Las Vegas style Bravissimo Show. Talented dancers, music and a taste of Las Vegas glamour await one lucky couple.

All you have to do to win the tickets is write a witty limerick that contains - wait for it - the words 'Gringo' and 'Times', not necessarily in that order.

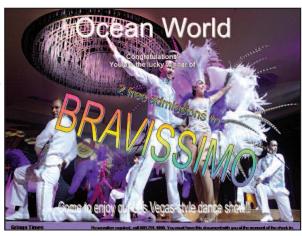
There once was a **Gringo** from Maine Whose son looked exactly the same They struggled at **times** to make up good rhymes

So emotional distress they would feign.

Can you do better?

The best limerick as judged by the Gringo Times editor gets the prize. To send us your entry, log on to our website, and enter your details on our competition page. The winner's limerick will be published in the July edition.

Note: Entrants must be aged 18 or over. The editor's decision is final. No alternative prizes will be offered. Winners will be required to collect the tickets from our Sosua or Puerto Plata office.



Sudoku

Fill in the blanks so that each row, column and 3x3 each have all numbers 1 to 9. Answer to the hard one on page 18

				Easy				
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Hard

- Q: Did you stay all night with this man in New York?
- A: I refuse to answer that guestion.
- Q: Did you stay all night with this man in Chicago?
- A: I refuse to answer that gues-
- Q: Did you ever stay all night with this man in Miami? A: No.
- Q: Doctor, did you say he was shot in the woods?
- A: No, I said he was shot in the lumbar region.
- Q: Now, Mrs. Johnson, how was your first marriage terminated? A: By death.
- Q: And, by whose death was it terminated?
- Q: How did you happen to go to Dr. Cheney?
- A: Well, a gal down by the road had had several of her children by Dr. Cheney and said he was really good.
- Q: Do you know how far pregnant you are right now? A: I will be three months November 8th.
- Q: Apparently then, the date of conception was August 8th?

Lawyers in action

- A: Yes.
- Q: What were you and your husband doing at that time?
- Q: Mrs. Smith, you do believe that you are emotionally unstable?
- A: I used to be.
- Q: How many times have you committed suicide?
- A: Four times.
- Q: Doctor, how many autopsies have you performed on dead people?
- A: All my autopsies have been on dead people.
- Q: Were you acquainted with the deceased?
- A: Yes, sir.
- Q: Before or after he died?
- Q: You say you're innocent, yet five people swore they saw you steal a watch.
- A: Your Honor, I can produce 500 people who didn't see me steal it.
- Q: When he went, had you

gone and had she, if she wanted to and were able, for the time being excluding all the restraints on her not to go also, would he have brought you, meaning you and she, with him to the station?

A: MR. BROOKS. Objection. That question should be taken out and shot.

- Q: At the time you first saw Dr. McCarty, had you ever seen him prior to that time?
- A: Judge: I rarely do so, but for whatever purpose it may serve, I will indicate for the record that I approached this case with a completely open mind.
- Q: Did the lady standing the driveway subsequently identify herself to you?
- A: Yes, she did.
- Q: Who did she say she was?
- A: She said she was the owner of the dog's wife.
- Q: I understand you're Bernie Davis's mother.
- A: Yes.

- Q: How long have you known him?
- Q: Now, I'm going to show you what has been marked as State's Exhibit No. 2 and ask if you recognize the picture?
- A: John Fletecher.
- Q: That's you?
- A: Yes, sir.
- Q: And you were present when the picture was taken, right?
- Q: Please state the location of your right foot immediately prior to impact.
- A: Immediately before the impact, my right foot was located at the immediate end of my right leg.
- Q: Where were you on the bike at the time?
- A: On the seat.
- Q: I meant where is the street.
- Q: Was that the same nose you broke as a child?
- Q: Now doctor, isn't it true that when a person dies in his sleep, in most cases he just passes quietly away and doesn't know anything about it until the next morning?

TRUMP BUYS US\$56 BILLION PLOT IN SOSUA

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Donald Trump the well-known US realestate mogul and Apprentice TV star.

Max did confirm that the price the land achieved was something of a shock, albeit a pleasant one.

"I'd originally priced the 500m2 plot at what I thought was a fair market valuation of

US\$17,500," he told us.
"We hadn't had any interest in this particular plot as it had no view, no facilities and no access road. But last week some guy came on the phone saying he wanted to buy it immediately. We forwarded the relevant paperwork and the money transfer details. Then I forgot about it until I was notified by my bank manager a couple of days later that US\$56 billion was sitting in my account. It was actually nearly 1800 billion in pesos, which is quite a lot. Thinking about it, I the plot was priced in pesos on my website, which was about RD\$560,000. Maybe he took that as US\$ and added a few zeros, but hey, who's counting?"

Our roving reporter tried to contact Mr Trump in New York, but was turned away from his downtown penthouse by security. Thankfully, the first class flight, hotel bills and travel expenses only amounted to US\$17,000, and our reporter was able to catch a Broadway show so the initial disappointment was alleviated.

What did Max think Mr Trump would do with the land?

"I hear that he's planning a resort with a casino, but he'll need to buy some neighboring plots as well if he serious about it. Hey, I didn't confirm it was Donald who's buying

We asked some other realtors in the area if they thought that Trump's purchase would affect the price of other plots in the area, perhaps causing a dramatic surge?

"Yes I can see a possible drop when residents hear who's moving in," said Tom Key Hote, proprietor of Tom Key Realty.

"But that can only be good, as real-estate is much easier to sell when it's ridiculously cheap."

Jane Waldorf had a different take on the situation. "I think it will be great. He's such a nice man, and I live in Sosua so I could pop round to see him."

Our reporter didn't have the heart to tell Jane that Mr Trump was planning a casino development and wasn't planning to live there.

Local opinion on Mr Trump is mixed. Fredrico Martinez who owns the local colmado where I buy my beer suggested that he has a neighbour that might be interested in selling his land to Mr Trump as well.

Another local, Rodrigues Ambar, partner in Rodrigues Ambar, Ambar & Amber indicated he'd seen Mr Trump in Sosua on several occasions before.

"I'm pretty sure it was Trump", he stated. "But a lot of these gringos look pretty similar to me."

Ramon Pascueles from Ramon's Rent-a-Car said that he'd rented a corolla and a moto to Mr Trump late last year.

"When he brought the car back, it was a mess!" he added. "It had dents and scratches.

Word Search

Find the following Top 50 selling band and solo singers in the grid. Words can go diagonally forwards and backwards. This is a list of best-selling artists in the United States according to the Recording Industry Association of America. Makes for interesting reading.

Hootie and the Blowfish - is that for real??																						
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I think he's too aggressive to drive around Schwarzenegger." here. I won't be renting my car out to him again."

We asked Ramon if he'd seen Mr Trump's driving license and could he confirm it was actually Mr Trump he'd rented the car to.

"Yes, most definitely, it was him. Actually I may still have the license. I sometimes forget to give them back."

We asked Max if this was the biggest sale he'd made this year.

"Not really", he replied. "I recently sold this story are fictional. iti to a Californian guy called Haiti to

Mr Dout excused himself at this point as he had to sort out a little issue with the ATM machine swallowing his card while he was trying to withdraw the \$56 billion.

Note: If anyone in the Sosua area spots Donald Trump, we'll be happy to hear from them. Our office will pay for quality photos of Mr Trump if taken in Sosua, on a Wednesday, with a Nikon 350 SLR.

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Air Dominicana Buys New Airbus

The new Dominican airline, Air Dominicana has recently taken delivery of three new 'Flying Duck' airbuses. The new planes are the latest models from the European manufacturer and can reportedly carry 15% more passengers, 25% more luggage, and 18 more stewardesses, 19 if they are particularly slim or if they agree not to eat during the flight.

The Flying Ducks, officially known as the A381's are the latest innovation designed to cut into sales of Airbus's main rival Boeing. So far, sales have been slow, and Air Dominicana is the first client to take a risk on

the new model.

Air Dominicana's president, Juan Jose Hidalgo was very confident that the new planes would be a boost to the new company's image and efficiency.

"We know that tourists love ducks, and so they will love our planes. Even ducks like the new planes!" he said.

The one chief advantage of the new shape, is that the long, flexible neck allows the front of the plane to adjust up or down. This means that when the plane is flying through clouds, the cockpit can be lifted out of the clouds so the pilot can get a clear view of the path

ahead, while the main body of the plane remains in the clouds collecting and filtering moisture through specially designed airintakes for the air-conditioning and coffeemaking system.

Christian Streiff, chief executive of Airbus, was keen to talk about the new

planes to our reporter.

"Thirty years after launching the world's first twin-aisle, twin-engine jetliner, we've introduced the A381 as the first true double-duck passenger airliner for the long-range market. The A381 offers unprecedented levels of productivity, efficiency and economics in passenger service, while the A381-800F cargo version is to be the first commercial freighter with three full cargo ducks."

The Dutch airline KLM is also rumored to

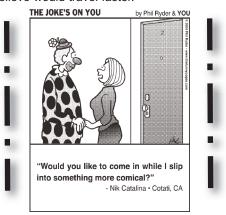
be interested in trying out the new planes. If they do make a purchase the 'Flying Dutch Ducks' would fly into Puerto Plata once a week.

Rumors regarding Lufthansa's interest in operating 'Flying Deutsche Ducks' out of Frankfurt have also surfaced

Virgin Airlines in the UK have also had some discussion with Airbus and are looking to test out some 'Virgin Ducks'.

American Eagle Airlines are unsure about the new planes as its unclear whether 'American Eagle Ducks' would perform better

Air Canada have said they will definately not be buying the A381's, as there is nothing vaguely funny in the term 'Canuck Duck'. They have indicated that they would however be interested in a "Canuck Puck" plane shaped like an ice-hockey puck which they believe would travel faster.





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"The inhabitants of Egypt were called mummies and they all wrote in hydraulics. They lived in the Sarah Dessert and traveled by Camelot. The climate of the Sarah is such that the inhabitants have to live elsewhere, so certain areas of the dessert are cultivated by irritation. The Egyptians built the Pyramids in the shape of a huge triangular cube. The Pyramids are a range of mountains between France and Spain."

"The Bible is full of interesting caricatures. In the first book of the Bible, Guinesses, Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree. One of their children, Cain, asked "Am I my brother's son?" God asked Abraham to sacrifice Issac on Mount Montezuma. Jacob, son of Isaac, stole his brother's birthmark. Jacob was

The Pupils' History of the World

a partiarch who brought up his twelve sons to be partiarchs, but they did not take to it. One of Jacob's sons, Joseph, gave refuse to the Israelites."

"Pharaoh forced the Hebrew slaves to make bread without straw. Moses led them to the Red Sea, where they made unleavened bread, which is bread made without any ingredients. Afterwards, Moses went up on Mount Cyanide to get the ten commandments. David was a Hebrew king skilled at playing the liar. He fought with the Philatelists, a race of people who lived in Biblical times. Solomon, one of David's sons. had 500 wives and 500 porcupines."

"Without the Greeks, we wouldn't have history. The Greeks invented three kinds of columns - Corinthian, Doric and Ironic. They were a highly sculptured people, and without them we wouldn't have history. They also had myths. A myth is a female moth. One myth says that the

mother of Achilles dipped him in the River Stynx until he became intolerable. Achilles appears in "The Illiad", by Homer. Homer also wrote the "Oddity", in which Penelope was the last hardship that Ulysses endured on his journey. Actually, Homer was not written by Homer but another man of that name."

"Socrates was a famous Greek teacher who went around giving people advice. They killed him. Socrates died from an overdose of wedlock. After his death, his career suffered a dramatic decline. In the Olympic Games, Greeks ran races, jumped, hurled the biscuits, and threw the java. The reward to the victor was a coral wreath. The government of Athen was democratic because the people took the law into their own hands. There were no wars in Greece, as the mountains were so high that they couldn't climb over to see what their neighbors were doing. When they fought the Parisians, the Greeks were out-

numbered because the Persians had more men."

"Eventually, the Ramones conquered the Geeks. History call people Romans because they never stayed in one place for very long. At Roman banquets, the quests wore garlic in their hair. Julius Caesar extinguished himself on battlefields of Gaul. The Ides of March killed him because they thought he was going to be made king. Dying, he gasped out: "Tee hee, Brutus". Nero was a cruel tyrany who would torture his poor subjects by playing the fiddle to them."

"Then came the Middle Ages. King Alfred conquered the Dames, King Arthur lived in the Age of Shivery. King Harold mustarded his troops before the Battle of Hastings, Joan of Arc was burnt to a steak and was cannonized by George Bernard Shaw, and the victims of the Black Death grew boobs on their necks. Finally, the Magna Carta provided that no free man should be hanged twice for the same offense."

High School Science Test Excerpts

This is a list of comments from elementary, junior high, high test papers, essays, etc., submitted to science and health teachers

school, and college students: "It is truly astonishing what by weird science our young

scholars can create under the pressures of time and grades."

When you breath, you inspire. When you do not breath, you expire.

H2O is hot water, and CO2 is cold water

To collect fumes of sulphur, hold a deacon over a flame in a test tube.

When you smell an oderless gas, it is probably carbon monoxide

Water is composed of two gins, Oxygin and Hydrogin. Oxygin is pure gin. Hydrogin is gin and water.

Three kinds of blood vessels are arteries, vanes and caterpillars.

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Blood flows down one leg and up the other.

Respiration is composed of two acts. first inspiration, and then expectoration.

The moon is a planet just like the earth, only it is even deader.

Artifical insemination is when the farmer does it to the cow instead of the bull.

Dew is formed on leaves when the sun shines down on them and makes them perspire.

A super-saturated solution is one that holds more than it can hold.

Mushrooms always grow in damp places and so they look like umbrellas.

The body consists of three parts--the brainium, the borax and the abominable cavity. The brainium contains the brain, the borax contains the heart and lungs, and the abominable cavity contains the bowels, of which there are five - a, e, i, o, and u.

The pistol of a flower is its only protection against insects.

The alimentary canal is located in the northern part of Indiana.

The skeleton is what is left after the insides have been taken out and the outsides have been taken off. The purpose of the skeleton is something to hitch meat to.

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A permanent set of teeth consists of eight canines, eight cuspids, two molars, and eight cuspidors.

The tides are a fight between the Earth and moon. All water tends towards the moon, because there is no water in the moon, and nature abhors a vacuum. I forget where the sun joins in this fight.

A fossil is an extinct animal. The older it is, the more extinct it is.

Equator: A managerie lion running around the Earth through Africa.

> Germinate: To become a naturalized German.

Liter: A nest of young puppies.

Magnet: Something you find crawling all over a dead cat.

Momentum: What you give a person when they are going away.

> Planet: A body of Earth surrounded by sky.

Rhubarb: A kind of celery gone bloodshot.

Vacuum: A large, empty space where the pope lives.

Before giving a blood transfusion, find out if the blood is affirmative or negative.

To remove dust from the eye, pull the eye down over the nose.

For a nosebleed: Put the nose much lower then the body until the heart stops.

For drowning: Climb on top of the person and move up and down to make artifical perspiration.

For fainting: Rub the person's chest or, if a lady, rub her arm above the hand instead. Or put the head between the knees of the nearest medical doctor.

For dog bite: Put the dog away for several days. If he has not recovered, then kill it.

For asphyxiation: Apply artificial respiration until the patient is dead.

For head cold: Use an agonizer to spray the nose until it drops in your throat.

To keep milk from turning sour: Keep it in the cow.

Sign outside a new town hall which was to be opened by the Prince of Wales:

Strange Signs The town hall is closed until opening. It will remain closed after being opened.

Open tomorrow

Outside a photographer's studio: Out to lunch: if not back by five, out for dinner also

Sign on a farm gate: Dogs found worrying will be shot

In a restaurant:

Customers who find our waiting staff rude should see the manager

Seen at the side of a Sussex road: Slow cattle crossing. No overtaking for the next 100 yrs.

> Outside a smart shop: No children aloud

Seen outside a travel agency: Why don't you go away?

> Notice in a pet shop: Birds going cheep!

> > Outside a disco:

Smarts is the most exclusive disco in town. Everyone welcome

Sign in a picture shop: Let us put you in the picture and frame you

In an electrical shop:

Why smash your plates washing up? Let one of our dishwashers do it for you

Sign at a garden fete:

Baby show. All entries to be handed in at the

In a cafe window:

Waitresses required for breakfast

Found in a butcher's shop: These scales are accurate no two weighs about it

Seen in a shop selling calculators and computers:

You can always count on us

Notice in restaurant:

Our cutlery is not medicine so please do not take it after meals

Seen in an American department store at Christmas:

Visit Santa's grotto. No waiting - we're the only store in New York with three Santas

> Seen at an American undertaker's:

Oscar's Funeral Parlour where you'll always find a smile

Notice in a London park: No walking, sitting or playing on the grass in this pleasure park

Seen in a Coventry Factory:

Any member of staff who needs to take the day off to go to a funeral must warn the foreman on the morning of the match

Sign warning of quicksand: Quicksand. Any person passing this point will be drowned. By order of the District Council

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HAVE VIAGRA. Need woman. Any women between 18 & 80. PO Box 1151, Boise, ID 83701.

Observations

Contributed by A. Townsend

Everyone is well aware of the hazards of driving on the island. However, I am sure we have all equally noticed things that make us smile. One of the things I like about driving or walking around here is, however stressed you are when you set off, there is always something on the road to make you laugh. Here are just a few of the many things we see:

Live Animal Transport

Done slightly differently here, involving two men trying to work out how to get themselves, plus a large pig in an old TV box loaded onto a moto. This took some time as their efforts were not helped by a small dog constantly barking and jumping up at the pig. They got organized eventually and I hope didn't notice me pointing and laughing.

Road Construction

You may think the roadworks in Puerto Plata are taking forever. But they are working hard to train new workers. Like the boy of around 8 – 10 years of age, still in his school uniform driving a road roller (presumably his dad's) on the main roadworks in Puerto Plata. Traffic happily piled up alongside the man's yelling and waving of arms as the kid backs the thing down the new road surface!

Breakdown Recovery

What do you do when your moto breaks down? Pick it up and get on the back of a passing moto with it of course.

THE JOKE'S ON YOU

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"One of these days, I'm going to lay it on the line."

- Craig Carter • Hazelwood, MO

Dodgy Dave's Guide to Spanish

Dave has kindly agreed to offer us the benefit of his linguistic skills (again) with some really useful phrases which you can learn. Try to practice saying them out loud to strangers you meet - it's a great way to make new friends and impress people!

> I am very tired Soy muy casado

Would you like a lift in my car?

¿Usted tienen gusto de un paseo en mi burro?

I have run out of gas Yo tiro un pedo

I'm the King of England ;Soy la reina de Inglaterra!

My other car is a porshe Mi otro carra es un corolla

You are very good-looking Hombre, usted es muy feo

Would you like fries with that?

¿Usted tienen gusto de las papas con eso?

Can I have two beers, please? ¿Puedo tener dos viagra, por favor?

My favorite pets are dogs, but I don't like them barking. Mis animales domésticos preferidos son pollos, pero no tengo gusto de ellos crudos.

Do you think I'm sexy? ¿Usted me piensa es acre?

Please note: Dave is not a qualified Spanish tutor, and the Gringo Times cannot be held liable for any altercations you may get into using Dave's phrases.

Readers' Letters

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Your paper is fantastic. I just finished reading it online from my apartment in Montreal.

Rene - Canada

Thanks people... Real nice! Keep up the good job. *Gary*

I thoroughly enjoy the Gringo Times, it is a nice refreshing change to have a publication that is not just all news!

Tony - Sosua

I wanted to let you know the great response I had from my classified ads in your paper.

I had several calls for the ads I placed and managed to get everything I wanted. I hope the classifieds will grow and develop as it should. It's a great way to locate stuff and I can't wait to see more items for sale.

Thanks again. *Ali - Costambar*

I have never been an avid birdwatcher, but cannot help but notice the large variety of birds while I have been living in the area.

It has been lovely for me to see hummingbirds and woodpeckers up close, but most of the birds I see I don't recognize.

I have attempted to do some research online, but as time is limited, I have only found either a small selection of photos with no species names, or, a long list of names with no photos. So unfortunately, I am none the wiser as

to the identity of some of the wonderful sights I see each day.

I wondered if I could appeal to your readers, either long standing residents or birdwise visitors to enlighten us less bird educated ones with the names of some of the local birds. Or Or maybe the Times could print an article on the subject? I'm sure I, along with other readers and visitors, would appreciate the help.

Jean - Puerto Plata

After reading If that what you can call it, This is a poor excuse for a "newspaper" whats with the jokes, It like a smoke screen for not knowing what to print, "I think we will make some jokes for the Gringos, they wont know the difference. I got an idea, why dont yu write about the blackouts, robberies of gringos, prices of stuff to eat, drink etc. Thats probably beyond your competence. anyway I talked to some other gringos who think your newspaper is ludicrious, and silly.

James P Russo

Ed's reply.

Shucks – you sussed us out! We didn't think the gringos would figure out that some of the articles were jokes. I don't know what we're going to do now? Writing about prices of stuff to eat is well beyond our competence!

Ok, let's get serious - the

Announcements

Notice

The state of Massachusetts is looking to locate the Father of 12 year old Stephanie Rodriquez born in 1994 to parents Edgalina and Ruben. If father is interested in guardianship of child he must contact the Probate and Bristol family court in Taunton, Massachusetts at 508-824-4004 before July 27, 2007 at which time permanent guardianship will be awarded to another family member.

news. Last week there were some robberies. Gas and beer prices went up again. The price of mondongo went down (but I still can't stomach it!). Another political poll showed that the leading presidential candidate is ahead followed by the trailing candidates who are predicted to get less votes. The electricity went off twice yesterday, 3 times on Tuesday, and once so far today.... Yawn..... Yawn.....

P.S. I also talked to some other gringos who think that the newspaper is ludicrious, and silly. Maybe it was the same ones?

P.S.S. What does ludicrious mean?

Aaron
Copland is one of your most
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they are dead.

Notice

New British Ambassador visiting the North Coast

Thursday 2nd August, the H.M. British Ambassador to the Dominican Republic, Mr. Ian Worthington, will be coming to Sosúa to meet with fellow Brits in an effort to get to know many of the local residents and advise on how the Embassy can be of help in many ways such as passport renewal, registrations etc;.

North Coast Brits are arranging a venue for that date to stage an informal drinks party with the new Ambassador to give residents the chance to ask questions, get the know the faces behind the title and generally meet fellow residents.

Space will be limited and we would like to be able to accommodate all those who wish to attend. If you are interested in joining us for this late afternoon event and would like to receive an official invitation, please contact: Judith at

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