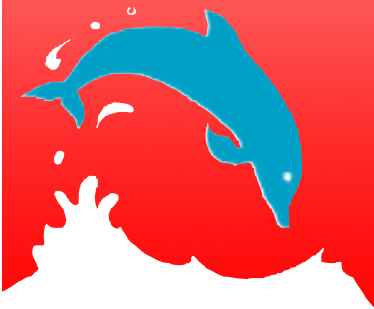


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Quite a change from sailing the Caribbean with friends! David and Mary Jo love the island and will be back for the wonderful food, fun and especially the friendly, warm people!

We'll be waiting to welcome you both back to La Isla Bonita anytime!

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Language can link us with other cultures, no matter how foreign the tongue may be. In an effort to share this form of communication with our



Week. This week, we will present a couple of words in Creole, and translate it to English, using the Creole/ English Dictionary released through the Kriol Council. Special thanks to Sylvana Woods for our copy of the dictionary. Enjoy!!!

Haad-haatid - *Hardhearted*.-. Oanli sohnbadi weh *haad-haatid* wahn lef ih pikni dehn fi staav (Only somebody who is *hard hearted* will leave his children to starve)

Halari- a loud rowdy, unruly person.-. Ah noh waahn yu di goh aan laik dehn *halari* pahnschreet, yu noa. (I don't want you to act like those *rowdy* girls on the street, you know.)

Dive El Pescador



The steep walls of this crevasse provide a maze-type feeling to this dive site.

San Pedro boasts some of the best diving in the world. Visitors marvel at the sights that are available just minutes from the shore of Ambergris Caye. *The San Pedro Sun Visitor Guide* continues to explore these wondrous destinations and share our experiences with our readers.

On Easter Sunday we joined the professional dive masters from the White Sands Dive Shop. For us, this was not only an Easter Sunday holiday excursion but a birthday celebration for our

son who received his diving certification from White Sands just a year ago.

Juan Carlos Montejo was our very professional dive master for the afternoon's descent. The weather was perfect. The wind from earlier in the month had finally died down with the waves barely casting their familiar frothy spray as they collided with the reef.

After getting suited with equipment from the dive shop, we headed to the
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ROBERT'S REASONS WHY...
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Coral cover the many canyons and crevasses that make up the barrier reef.

dock to join other divers and test our tanks and other equipment. Juan Carlos is diligent about proper connections and testing our gear. Once the equipment is loaded on the boat, we climb aboard. Here, Juan Carlos explains the itinerary of the upcoming dive to a location called El Pescador. He also describes the sign language he will use once below the surface. These include signs for animals we may see, as well as signs to use in case we have problems.

With preparations complete we head out to sea. In just minutes we are already through the cut in the reef. This will be a reef dive, which means once we are below the surface, we will travel in one direction instead of circling back to where the boat is buoyed. Instead, the boat on the surface will follow our bubbles and pick us up when we are finished.

One by one, the divers put on their
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Dive Master Juan Carlos makes sure all is well with a diver.

A huge variety of coral dot the reef as we dive.

equipment and gently back flip over the side of the boat. The water is warm with some of us not even wearing wetsuits. When all divers are in, Juan Carlos gives the signal to let the air out of our BCs and descend. Slowly, the coral crusted ground beneath the surface approaches. Sea fans wave in the current and other spectacular coral await our exploration.

After Juan Carlos again confirms that all divers are fine, he points us in the direction he wants us to travel. Soon we approach the highlight of the dive. A barely noticeable crevice appears in the coral encrusted landscape. Using sign language, Juan Carlos tells us to follow him as he descends. One by one,

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Coral of all shapes and sizes fascinate the divers.

we control our descent, dropping 20 feet into a narrow cavern. We ease down the narrow passageway as thin beams of light from above guide our way through this fascinating underwater maze. A large sea crab is among the many interesting creatures that call this cavern home.

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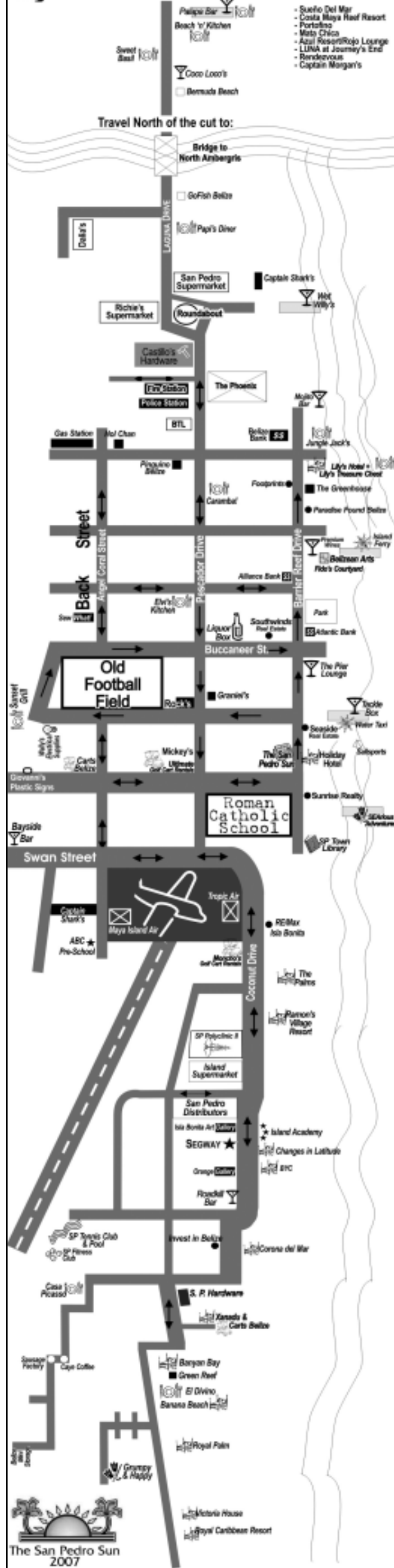
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Mexican Chicken Soup with lime

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Garnished with avocado and lime wedges, this Mexican delicacy is truly a wonderful taste sensation for your palate!

For the Chicken Stock:

1. Put the leftover bones and skin from a chicken carcass into a large stock pot and cover with cold water. Add veggies like celery, onion, carrots, parsley. Using a Fork deseed a Habanero Pepper and add to taste
2. Add salt and pepper, about 1/2 tsp of salt, 1/4 tsp of pepper.
3. Bring to a boil and immediately reduce heat to bring the stock to barely a simmer.

4. Simmer uncovered at least 4 hours, occasionally skimming off the foam that comes to the surface.
5. Remove the bones and strain the stock.
6. If making stock for future use in soup you may want to reduce the stock by simmering a few hours longer to make it more concentrated and easier to store.

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For the Chicken:

- *10oz Chicken Breast
- *Recado
- *Small Can of Achiote Peppers
- *Small amount of water
- *Cut the chicken into thin strips.

Combine the other ingredients in a little water and marinate the chicken for at least four hours in a refrigerator.

Using a frying pan and a little vegetable oil gently fry the chicken and set aside to cool. Once Cool pick into small pieces.

For the Salsa:

- *4 Ripe Tomatoes (Deseeded and Finely Diced)
- *1 Medium White Onion (Finely Diced)
- *8 Sliced Jalapenos Peppers
- *Bunch of Cilantro
- *1 Avocado (Diced but not mushy)
- *1 Cup of Lime Juice
- *1 Lime (Thinly Sliced)

Mix the salsa ingredients together keeping the sliced lime set aside.

Putting it all together.

Place the Salsa evenly in soup bowls. Heat up the chicken stock in a pan add the chicken and slices of Lime. Once to the boil, simmer for one minute and pour the soup over the Salsa.

Serve immediately and watch your taste buds explode.

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money by collecting a nominal levy or fee (typically BZ\$2 for each tank dive). The agreed fixed fees are forwarded to the chamber at the end of every month. This money is used to pay for some operating expenses, which include stand-by doctors, utilities, technical maintenance, upgrades, salaries etc. as well as to training to dive shop staffs in accident management situations and evacuation plans in case of dive accidents on a specific dive location.

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Diving is now considered a relatively safe sport; however, there will always be potential for emergencies. Immediate care for a victim often determines the severity of long-term effects. All divers should be aware of the causes, signs, and symptoms of potential diving emergencies and be prepared.

For more information about the San Pedro Hyperbaric Chamber or any dive accident or questions about diving, feel free to contact them at our emergency number available 24 hours 501-226-2851, email them at belize@sssnetwork.com or call Divers Alert Network (DAN) at the following numbers for advice 001-919-684-4326 Chamber tours are welcome, we are open from Monday through Saturday from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM.



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"It's a pleasure to meet you," I told her. "I'm glad to see Roger and Susan brought you out for country and western night."

"Aw, hell," she said. "I don't want to hear no country and western. I hear that crap all the time in Texas. I wanted to see this here punta that they keep talking about. Roger says he's going to take me across the street to that other bar to see it when that band strikes up. If I like it, I'm gonna give it a try."

"Grandma's a trifle salty," Roger said, pulling me aside to apologize. "She pretty much says what's on her mind."

"Don't worry about it, Roger," I said.

Our band started playing and by our first break, Roger and Susan were back with Grandma Glaze.

"Did you get to witness the punta, Mrs. Glaze?" I asked.

"I certainly did," she said.

"Did you give it a try?"

"No," she said. "I'm a little too old for that."

"What did you think of it?"

"Well," she said. "I reckon that kind of thing is all right if they really love each other."

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