

# The Voice



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## Discoveries

### Boca 21 Deli

As a person who avoids shopping at any cost, it is a rare occasion that finds me at Plaza del Sol. The only thing that can make such an outing bearable is finding a good place to eat and rest my weary feet. I discovered such a place recently. It is called *Boca 21 Deli*. Although it is small as eateries go, it is well worth a visit for the abundance of choices. You can order salads; mouth-watering sandwiches with four choices of bread and dozens of fillings; pasta; “los woks” with a choice of chicken, shrimp, beef, and vegetables. They also serve breakfast and a wide selection of drinks including fruit juices, wine and beer. Everything is prepared before your eyes in an immaculate service area by cheerful young servers. *Boca 21* is located opposite the Hippo Bar and Grill, not far from *Gigante*, and is open from 9:00 am to 10 pm every day. (V.W.)

### New Dentist

Debbie Weissman sent in this information about a dentist she and Martin discovered recently. Thanks, Debbie.

The new dentist is fluent in English, has the latest equipment and charges realistic and modest prices. Martin and Debbie were both very satisfied with the cleaning he did using the sonic system.

His name is **Dr. Jose Luis Llamas Vargas**, CENTRO DENTAL, Plaza Tepeyac local J-6, Avenida Patria N 1150, Mirador Del Sol. **Telephone 1368-4636 and 1368-4637**

His treatments are 100% esthetic, he does not use amalgams for fillings, and he offers a free preliminary consultation

Cleaning 100 pesos

Extractions 100 pesos

Bleaching 600 pesos

## Global warming

by Vicki Wootton

A few weeks ago, I started writing a new novel about what the future may be like if we do nothing about global warming. Since then, I have been researching the subject and what I have discovered is very, very scary. For example, the polar ice-caps are melting far faster than previously thought. One of the consequences will be a catastrophic rise in sea level, which will drown many coastal areas by the year 2100. Say goodbye to New York!

I know it is a depressing subject; I almost wanted to give up, but picture this:

Could you sit down face-to-face with your grandchild and say, “I love you, but not enough to change my lifestyle so that your future will not be a living hell”? or would you rather be remembered for saying, “I love you, and because I care so much, I am going to stop driving my gas-guzzling car—in fact I may give up driving altogether and use public transit—I’ll stop taking fifteen-minute showers every day, and I’ll cut down on the amount of meat I consume.”

You can do something—I can do something—to make a difference, even if governments won’t. It has to start somewhere; why not here, now, with us?

In the next few editions, I will outline some of the most serious problems the Earth is facing, and offer some possible solutions, both at the civic level, and on a personal level. This is not a matter for partisan politics, neither is it a matter of opinion. It is scientific fact, proven and verified by scientists all over the world. We’ve got to stop burying our heads and hoping it will go away if we don’t think about it. The survival of our planet is at stake. It may be already too late!

# Mother's Day Luncheon

Wednesday May 17, 2006

Bar opens 12 noon  
Lunch served at 1:30

## Menu

Sweet & Sour Pork with Fried Rice  
Salad & Desert

## Helpful hint for English keyboards

### Non-keyboard Characters

Computer users often find themselves at a loss when it comes to writing Spanish characters such as ñ with an English keyboard\*, and there are some non-keyboard punctuation marks they also may find useful.

These characters can be created relatively easily with ANSI codes.

Following is a table of the most commonly used non-keyboard characters. To obtain the desired character, hold down the ALT key while typing the numbers.

á	Alt 0225	Á	Alt 0193
é	Alt 0233	É	Alt 0201
í	Alt 0247	Í	Alt 0205
ó	Alt 0243	Ó	Alt 0211
ñ	Alt 0241	Ñ	Alt 0209
Ü	Alt 0220	—	Alt 0151 (m-dash)
¿	Alt 0191	¡	Alt 0161
™	Alt 0153	©	Alt 0169

\* Please note: this will not work with a Spanish keyboard

## Profile: Vicki Wootton

I was unable to schedule a profile interview this month, so I'm afraid you'll have to make do with my own.

Q. Where were you born?

A. In my grandparents' bedroom during a thunder storm. They lived in a small village called Little Eaton near Derby in the center of England.

Q. What kind of a childhood did you have?

A. I remember air-raid sirens and bombs falling from the sky, blue skies and meadows full of wild flowers and woods carpeted with blue-bells.

Q. How about your family?

A. Mother, father (a chef), three brothers and three sisters all younger than I. We fought constantly.

Q. What was your favorite subject in school?

A. Art.

Q. What about your career?

A. Career! I was a jack-of-all-trades (or a rolling stone). I finally decided to be a writer when I was about fifty-five.

Q. What is the worst thing that ever happened to you?

A. It was the year the Vancouver Canucks were in the Stanley Cup playoffs. After a winning game, 20,000 cars drove around my neighborhood honking their horns for eight hours. I lived in the most densely populated square mile in North America, which has hundreds of high-rise apartment buildings, natural sound amplifiers. I couldn't speak the next day.

Q. What is your happiest memory?

A. Giving birth ... four times. I loved having babies, but I didn't care much for raising them.

Q. What are you most proud of?

A. My children survived their upbringing in pretty good shape, in fact, they're rather nice people.

Q. Is there anything you wish you hadn't done?

A. There isn't room enough here to list everything.

Q. If you had it to do over, what would you change?

A. Almost everything. But most of all, I would have continued my education instead of leaving school at fifteen. I gave up the greatest opportunity of my life.

Q. What quality do you wish you had?

A. Patience.

Q. What is your pet peeve?

A. Cruelty to animals, honking horns, bad grammar in books.

Q. What is your favorite music? Book?

A. Mozart's *Laudate Dominum* (Praise ye the Lord) from the Confessori Vespers. My favorite books are *War & Peace* by Leo Tolstoy and *The Poisonwood Bible* by Barbara Kingsolver.

Q. Do you have a personal philosophy?

A. Yes. Forgive. Grudges are terrible burdens.

Note: These are the questions I usually ask interviewees. (VW)



# Technology

## A better light

*From an Article by Tom Simonite on  
NewScientist.com news service*

A light that lasts 20 times longer than a conventional bulb and is 75% more energy efficient has been developed by researchers.

The light is based on organic light emitting diodes (OLEDs) that use a novel combination of photon-emitting compounds to convert more energy into light than existing versions. It was created by Stephen Forrest from Princeton University in New Jersey, and colleagues at the University of Southern California, both in the US.

OLEDs can easily be printed onto different surfaces and could therefore be used to illuminate buildings and homes in completely new and more energy efficient ways, experts say.

John de Mello, who works on OLEDs at Imperial College London, UK, and was not involved with the work, is impressed by the new development. "The beauty of this approach is that it harvests energy in a near-optimal manner," he says.

De Mello adds that the OLEDs could make new methods of lighting possible. "The industrial interest in these materials stems from their ease of processing," he says. "They can be deposited over large areas at relatively low cost."

## Announcement

*(This is an example of shameless self-promotion.)*

On April 24, 2006, your humble editor published her second novel, written under the pen-name Sam Marshall.

The book is called *Forbidden Worlds* and is a family story about a group of people from Earth who travel to another world in search of peace and to make a new start away from the chaos and insanity of their home-world.

The colonists encounter many obstacles, aliens and other strange beings, and undergo inexplicable physical and psychic changes. In addition, they learn some startling things about the Earth and the universe in which we live.

Below is a website where the book can be pre-viewed and purchased. You can even download it! [www.lulu.com/marshall-wootton](http://www.lulu.com/marshall-wootton). It will be available on Amazon.com soon.

## Notices & Ads

### Wanted

**2 BR unfurnished** apartment with fridge & stove. Clean & quiet. Close to AmSoc. Not more than \$4,000 per month. Call Vicki: 3634-9421.

### Reliable Mechanic

**Salvador**, located behind Plaza del Angel. Speaks English. Recommended by Bob Field who has known him for 3 yrs. Honest, reliable & reasonable. **Tel: 3124-3023 / 1259-0424**

### Good Dentist

**Dra. Livia** Speaks English. Reasonable. Good location in Chapalita. (Recommended by Bob Field) **Tel: 3122-7195 Cell: 044-333-171-1615**

### Optical

Luz Maria. Speaks English. Very good. (Recommended by Bob Field) **Tel: 3640-2272, Cell: 044-333-456-2857**

### The Voice by email

If you would like to **receive your copy of the Voice by email**, please send your request to this address: [la.inglesa@gmail.com](mailto:la.inglesa@gmail.com)

### Help Wanted

I am in desperate need of English teachers for my school as well as workers for our new marketing and real estate business. [www.RentGlobe.com](http://www.RentGlobe.com)  
**Email: michaelraye@rentglobe.com**

### English AA

Meeting times: Mon., Wed., Fri. at 6:00 pm  
Address: Alcamo 3077 between Yaquis & Pablo Cassals, Col. Providencia.  
**Tel. Group - 3601-1179, Info. - Matt 3944-6430**

## Quotes

*Peace is the social yardstick measuring civilization's advancement.*

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*The argumentative defense of any proposition is inversely proportional to the truth contained.*

*The Urantia Book*

## MAY CALENDAR

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>1</b>	Aerobics 9:00 Spanish lessons 11:00 Lunch 12:30		<b>3</b> Aerobics 9:00 Spanish lessons 11:00	<b>4</b> Lunch 12:30 Games 1:00 – 4:00	<b>5</b> Aerobics 9:00 US Mail pickup 11:00 Social Friday 7:00
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