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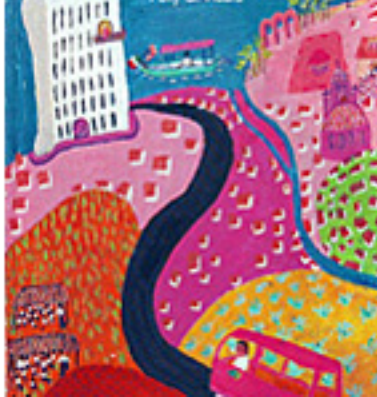
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**El Arrayán Announces Final Cooking Classes of the Summer***Robin Noelle*

Owner Carmen Porras and Chef Mariano Valdés are offering two final Summer Cooking Classes for residents and visitors wishing to learn authentic Mexican recipes and cooking techniques at Puerto Vallarta's favorite Mexican restaurant, El Arrayán.

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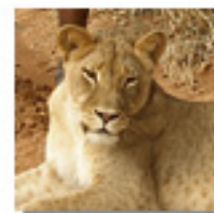
I still love summer in Puerto Vallarta, but for those of us who live here year-round, summertime in paradise can be difficult. But, where there are problems, there are solutions. Here are a few ideas to help pick us up and keep us cool.

**Fall Teaching Opportunities Available at School of Champions***Robin Noelle*

Local charity and after-school program School of Champions, operated by the Children of the Dump Vallarta, is currently hiring English, Computer and Math teachers for the 2008-2009 school year, which begins in September.

*Twila Crawford*

If you want to know what's going on in Vallarta this summer - from a great new place to eat to what everyone is reading on the beach to the latest news and local gossip - be sure to read this week's edition of Out and About in Puerto Vallarta.

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Carlos Hidalgo, the director for Wekaf in Mexico, was overjoyed to hear of his country's win in the bidding over Reunion Island. He promised an amazing time at Puerto Vallera, where he plans to hold the event.

Puerto Vallera, is a pristine white-sand tourist destination facing the Pacific Ocean and is considered to be Mexico's equivalent to the Philippines' Boracay.

He added that the event should be in Puerto Vallarta because it is a tourist spot and most people speak English.

Hidalgo, a Psychology professor in University of Guadalajara, said that he will tap the University Sports Department. "When I get back home, I will then ask the Sports Department to fully support the world championship. The Sports Department is very experienced in hosting sporting events," added Hidalgo.

Team Philippines' promising bid for the title it last held in 2000 got off to a rousing start as they captured 20 gold medals in the first day of action.

However, the Pinoys eventually lost steam and ended up with just 35 gold medals, nine shy of the United States, who cruised to their third consecutive title with 44 gold medals.

The Wekaf Congress also saw Master Gerald Canete elected as the new vice-president of the organization. Australian Sharon Burns was elected as the new president.



What is WEKAF? The World Eskrima Kali Arnis Federation (WEKAF) was formed in 1989 in Cebu, Philippines, to promote the Filipino martial arts (FMA) via a sporting version of eskrima (stickfighting) throughout the world.

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