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GHS Students Wow Audience In “Once Upon a Mattress”

Giff Hill School students, including Alex Ray and Mariah Scheer, above, wowed audiences over the weekend with their production of “Once Upon a Mattress,” which tells the tale of the “Princess and the Pea.” The play was produced by New England Youth Theater officials who spent two weeks working with GHS Upper School students. **STORY AND PHOTOS ON PAGE 9**

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DOH Set To Fog for Mosquitoes Jan. 17

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The Department of Health will begin fogging of neighborhoods next week to decrease the population of nuisance mosquitoes.

Cruz Bay and Coral Bay are set to be fogged between 6 and 9 p.m. on Thursday, January 17.

DOH officials cautioned those with compromised immune systems to stay indoors and close windows at the time that fogging is being conducted.

Fogging will be conducted in addition to other mosquito abatement efforts like Larviciding, which involves the treatment of water sources that hold mosquito eggs, or Larvae, to kill off the immature mosquito before it becomes a flying mosquito, explained DOH Commissioner Darice Plaskett.

This method of mosquito abatement was chosen because it is deemed more environmentally friendly and more effective in controlling Aedes mosquitoes, Plaskett added.

Dengue Fever is caused by a virus transmitted by the female Aedes Aegypti mosquito. These mosquitoes lie in and around houses and buildings and are active during the daytime. They lay eggs around where people live in containers that hold water. These include old tires, plant containers, empty drums and even food containers for animals.

Fogging helps to kill off the increase in mosquito population that normally comes with heavy rains but residents are reminded that fogging by itself does not effectively reduce the risk of Dengue transmission.

The Health Commissioner reminds residents of steps that they can take to effectively protect themselves and their families from the Dengue virus:

- Avoid mosquito bites by closing windows and doors without screens; repair or install screens;

- Wear clothing that protect from mosquito bites (long sleeves, long pants, closed shoes, hats);
- Apply insect repellent only to exposed skin or clothing, follow product instructions carefully. Do not use repellents on babies less than two months of age;
- Protect infants: cover cribs, strollers and baby carriers with cotton mosquito netting at all times, day and night, both inside and outside of your home. Dress babies in loose cotton clothing that covers arms and legs;
- Empty water out of old drums, tires, plants in water, plastic containers, and other items that are not being used. Turn outdoor containers upside down when not in use to prevent water collection or drain them weekly;
- Make sure cisterns are tightly covered so that mosquitoes cannot get inside and lay eggs;
- Place fish in stored or standing water that cannot be drained or emptied easily. Small fish eat mosquito larvae; and
- Repair broken septic tanks and cover vent pipes with wire mesh.

Residents can help by contacting DOH's Environmental Health Division at (340) 715-5111 to report standing pools of water near their homes and in their communities that cannot be emptied by residents and that may benefit from larviciding.

Plaskett also reminded healthcare providers that dengue is reportable by law and that all suspected cases must be reported to the Health Department using the VI Notifiable Disease Form and submitted via confidential fax at 713-1508. Copies of the form, which have been distributed to health care providers, can also be found on the home page of www.healthvi.org under Forms and Applications.

CBCC Marine Uses Planning Meeting for Phase Two Set for January 15

One of the Coral Bay Watershed Management Project: Phase 2 activities will be to develop a community-based Marine Uses Plan for Coral Bay's waters and shoreline.

As has been long rumored, there are two proposals for marinas in Coral Harbor in their early stages of concept development, although it will take many years for the planning and permitting processes to play out.

Want to have a say in how Coral Bay's beautiful blue waters are used and enjoyed? Join the Planning Team!

The second Marine Uses Planning meeting will be on Tuesday, January 15, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Room 6 at Guy Benjamin School. After a general discussion of progress to date, the group will break into four small groups to discuss key issues identified at the first meeting: short-term public boating access issues like boat ramp, parking, dinghy docks; marina planning; water quality issues; and moorings and anchorage planning.

The Marine Uses Plan will be developed by residents and stakeholders in the community, in conjunction with federal and territorial government representatives knowledgeable about environmental, economic and regulatory concerns.

It is part of the Coral Bay Watershed Management Project Phase 2, being coordinated by the Coral Bay Community Council. Everyone in Coral Bay is encouraged to participate. More information about the overall project can be found at the CBCC website at www.coralbaycommunitycouncil.org.

STJ Film Society Kicking Off Season with "Once Upon An Island" Jan. 15

The St. John Film Society kicks off its 2013 season with its premiere film on Tuesday, January 15.

"Once Upon an Island," is an 80-minute documentary film directed by Briar March about the rising sea levels associated with climate change and islanders will be very interested to learn about this important topic.

The January 15 screening takes place at 7:30 p.m. at the St. John School of the Arts. Local climate change subject experts will be in attendance and there will be a prize raffle. St. John Film Society screenings are free to the public. For more information visit www.stjohnfilm.com.

ACC's Winter Gala Set for January 19

The committee for the St. John Animal Care Center's winter gala, formerly known as "Christmas for the Animals," is delighted to announce that this season's gala will be at L'Autre Monde, Helen Simon's home in Great Cruz Bay.

The winter gala has always been the major fundraiser for the ACC. This winter it will feature "An Evening in Paris" as its theme. The gala will be from 6 to 9 p.m on Saturday, January 19.

L'Autre Monde will be decorated as a Parisian cafe. Favors will echo the theme, and guests are encouraged to dress to reflect a Parisian flair.

Kelly Cruikshank, gala committee chairwoman, announced that once again tickets will sell for \$100 for each person. After December 31, however, they will be sold at \$125.

Plans are for tickets to be available at the ACC shelter, Connections East and West, St. John Hardware, Nest & Co. at Mongoose Junction, St. Johnimals, Chelsea Drug Store and the Catered To office on the second floor of The Marketplace.

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St. John Residents Question DOH's Plan To Fog for Mosquitos

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

With cases of Dengue fever reportedly continuing to climb across the territory, Department of Health officials recently announced a plan to release a chemical fog this month to target the mosquito population.

Several St. John residents, however, aren't convinced the chemical fog will make much of a difference, and they want to know more about possible effects.

"We need to re-think the whole idea," said St. John environmental scientist Gary Ray. "It's the sort of thing that was deemed acceptable 50 years ago, but long since discontinued everywhere in the modern world in which science informs public policy."

DOH is using a chemical called Permanone 30-30, which the department has used in years past. The focus of the fogging, scheduled for Thursday, January 17, from 6 to 9 p.m. in Cruz Bay and Coral Bay, is to kill off "nuisance mosquitoes," which are not necessarily the species which transmit Dengue fever, explained Senator at Large Craig Barshinger, whose office has received complaints about DOH's fogging plans.

"The *Aedes aegypti* mosquito which carries Dengue fever generally likes to hide inside the house," said Barshinger. "So if you are going after 'nuisance mosquitoes' I'm not sure how effective that is going to be in reducing the risk. There are two things; it's poisonous and it's non-targeted so it could kill a lot of beneficial species without making a big impact."

Fogging will impact the public and millions of native and beneficial insects, according to Ray.

"On St. John there are two main risks areas: acute exposure of the public and the machinery operators; and natural communities," said Ray. "St. John is mostly Park, and spraying will kill millions of native, beneficial insects that pollinate plants, control herbivory of natural communities, and so forth."

DOH does not plan to monitor residue after fogging, Ray added.

"Residues will likely not be monitored," he said. "Spray and Run' is more likely. Nature and

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— According to the chemical's warning label produced by Bayer Environmental Science

"The technology is primitive and the price paid is steeper than any positive effect."

— Gary Ray, environmental scientist

humans in their homes are targets, not merely *Aedes aegyptii* mosquitoes."

Dengue fever is caused by a virus transmitted by *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes, which are most often found in and around the home and are active during the daytime. In order to reduce the number of mosquitoes, residents are urged to empty any containers which could collect water like plant pots, empty drums and food bowls for pets.

In a prepared statement, DOH officials explained that the fogging would be conducted in addition to other mosquito elimination efforts.

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The DOH statement, however, also noted that fogging by itself does not reduce the risk of Dengue fever.

"Fogging helps to kill off the increase in mosquito population that normally comes with heavy rains but residents are reminded that fogging by itself does not effectively reduce the risk of Dengue transmission," according to the DOH statement.

If the fogging doesn't make a difference in the battle against Dengue fever, then why fog at all, asked Barshinger.

"People need to be able to weigh the risks versus the benefits of fogging," said Barshinger. "If it's only to get rid of nuisance mosquitoes, then it should be discontinued immediately, because who cares about that. If you could take a small risk and eliminate the danger of Dengue fever, that would be a pretty good trade off, but that doesn't seem to be the case here."

"There needs to be some natural expectations because you don't just shoot blind folded," said the senator at large. "If you want to fog you have to have a clear health

benefit and cost benefit."

With so little scientific information about the risks and rewards of fogging with Permanone 30-30, DOH's program seems like a "feel good" response, explained Barshinger.

"With so little information, this program almost smacks of a feel good response," he said. "The government says, 'See, we did something; we paid money to get rid of those nuisance mosquitoes.' But the problem is that we don't know more about this."

What is known about Permanone 30-30 is that it is "extremely toxic" to fish and aquatic invertebrates, according to the chemical's warning label produced by Bayer Environmental Science.

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areas where adult mosquitoes are present, and weather conditions will facilitate movement of applied material away from the water in order to minimize incidental deposition into the water body."

The label also details that the chemical is highly toxic to bees exposed to direct treatment on blooming crops or weeds.

Even the DOH prepared statement cautioned "those with compromised immune systems to stay indoors and close windows at the time that fogging is being conducted."

What residents want is more information, explained Ray.

"Will we reduce cases of Dengue by fogging," said Ray. "Perhaps; perhaps not. It's rather ill-advised to risk injury to hundreds or thousands of Virgin Islanders who breathe the aerial spray for an uncertain outcome on the Dengue end."

"The technology is primitive and the price paid is steeper than any positive effect," Ray said.

DOH officials fogged St. Croix last week and were scheduled to fog St. Thomas on January 15 and 16 and St. John on January 17.

Residents with questions about the DOH's fogging plan should call the department at 774-0117.

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Virgin Islands Point in Time Homeless Count Set for Jan. 26

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The Virgin Islands Point in Time Count will take place on January 26.

The count is a tally of who is homeless on a given night and provides a snapshot of who experiences homeless throughout the year. Volunteers are needed to help serve breakfast and conduct interviews on Saturday, January 26, from 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Cruz Bay.

Volunteers will also be needed to canvas the community for individuals who are experiencing homelessness from Cruz Bay to Coral Bay. There will be a volunteer training session on Thursday, January 24, at 5:30 p.m. at the Nazareth Lutheran Church. To volunteer, please call Celia Kalousek at the St. John Community Foundation office at 693-9410 or email at celia@sjcf.org.

The Point-in-Time Count is a one-day, statistically reliable, unduplicated count of sheltered and

unsheltered homeless individuals and families in the country.

St. John needs to be included in this count because accurate data is needed in order to determine the size and scope of homelessness in the community. There is a grave misconception that the streets of St. John are paved with gold, but everyone knows that the majority of island residents are living paycheck to paycheck and some are not even able to make that happen.

Proof is needed that we do in fact need the funding, programs and services that are out there to help individuals in need.

St. John Community Foundation is a member of the Virgin Islands Continuum of Care, and all CoCs must conduct a PIT count during the last 10 calendar days in January to be eligible for funding.

Not only does it raise public awareness of the plight of homelessness, but it is a data source for reports used by Congress and the administration, as well as HUD,

who uses PIT data to make informed funding decisions.

The PIT data is useful to better understand the characteristics and needs of homeless people in our community. It is used for planning and program development efforts, and to measure progress toward eliminating homelessness and to ensure accountability of the programs addressing the issue in the territory.

The St. John Community Foundation has successfully been carrying out the mission of providing services and supporting programs that positively engage people, build resources and strengthen the St. John community since 1989.

SJCF continuously looks for ways to fill service gaps and cultivate community assets including people, organizations, programs, and resources to effectively respond to changing needs of the community now and for future generations.

For more information call 693-9410 or visit www.sjcf.org.

Randy Fish Is Guest Speaker at Audobon Meeting on January 15

Join V.I. Audubon Society members on Tuesday evening, January 15, on the second floor of The Marketplace to hear from Randy Fish.

Fish, the operations manager at the V.I. Environmental Resource Station, will speak on "Bees! Bees! Bees!"

Audubon's next meeting will get one and all excited about this under-appreciated and understudied insect, according to Fish.

This talk will be a basic introduction to bees, their biology and species diversity, some economic and environmental impacts, and a light intro to beekeeping.

Fish promises there will be many great pictures and some beekeeping equipment to play with.

V.I. Audubon Society Screening "Rare Birds" for Movie Night Jan. 21

The V.I. Audubon Society will be hosting a free movie night on the second floor of The Marketplace on Monday, January 21, at 7 p.m.

The group will screen "Rare Birds." Starring William Hurt, the independent comedy tells the story of a down-and-out restaurateur who fakes a rare bird sighting, which draws bird watchers and more.

Friends of the VINP Annual Meeting Set for January 27 at Cinnamon Bay

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Friends of Virgin Islands National Park will host its' Annual Meeting on January 27 at the T'ree Lizards Restaurant in the Cinnamon Bay Campground from 2 to 4 p.m.

This year's meeting will feature the Director of the National Park Service Jon Jarvis as the keynote speaker.

Also on the agenda are Mike Anderson, VINP Acting Superintendent, who will give the State of the Park address and Joe Kessler, the president of the Friends, who will report on the Friends' accomplishments in 2012 and plans for 2013.

Friends members and interested members of the community are invited to spend the afternoon with us learning more about the Friends and the National Park.

Join the group and browse the Friends Store items on display, sign up for the 2013 seminars, shop at the mini Friends pop-up store, purchase a set of Friends license plates, and update those annual memberships.

Light refreshments will be served after the meeting.

Parking is always limited at Cinnamon Bay so a free shuttle service will be provided from the NPS maintenance area by Mongoose Junction.

Love City Live To Feature Steel Pulse and More

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As the ultimate winter getaway, Love City Live! gains its major momentum from the high-energy Main Event Concert on Saturday night, January 26.

But the concert is only part of the full Love City Live! experience, which includes boat excursions, beach and outdoor parties, liming (island-style hang-out), duty-free shopping, savoring authentic cuisine, dancing and simply relaxing while taking in local beauty and culture.

Join in and indulge!

Thursday, January 24, is Lime 101. It's a Caribbean Art, Food and Rum Experience from 4 to 9 p.m. at the V.I. National Park ball field in Cruz Bay. There is no cover. Come out and see local art, savor local cuisine, sample local cocktails and experience the local vibes. Come early for workshops and cooking classes.

On Friday, January 25, it's Strictly Rockers Reggae Party from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Dance the night away at this outdoor island extravaganza while enjoying premium cocktails, local treats and the "One Love" atmosphere.

Saturday, January 26, is Steel Pulse "Live" in concert. Also performing are Duane Stephenson, Inner Visions and Reemah at Winston Wells ball field in Cruz Bay. Gates open at 6:30 p.m. The event will feature arts and crafts vendors, local and Ital food vendors and premium bars.

Sunday, January 27, is The Ultimate Power Boat Party to White Bay, Jost Van Dyke from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. It's a beach party only accessible by boat. As one writer put it, "A late night of live music and quality rum deserves a proper cool down the next day."

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Each year, the Broadway Comes to St. John performance wows the audience with students showcasing singing, dancing and even puppetry skills.

Broadway Comes to St. John: "Once World, One Heart" Set for February 16

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Mark those calendars!

The most-anticipated original musical production on St. John is only about a month away.

Five professional Broadway actors John Tartaglia, Laura Barnao, Rhonda Miller, Michael Shawn Lewis and Donna Drake, begin to arrive on island January 24.

The actors will kick off three weeks of intensive training with fourth graders at Julius E. Sprauve School, Guy Benjamin School and Giff Hill School on Monday, January 28.

The production "One World, One Heart" will take the stage at the Westin Resort and Villas' ballroom on Saturday, February 16. The "Broadway Comes to St. John" event is a fundraiser for the St. John School of the Arts.

"One World, One Heart" marks the third time Tartaglia, Barnao, Miller, Lewis and Drake will spend three full weeks teaching dancing, singing, set production and more

to the island's fourth graders as a fundraiser for SJSA.

While details of this year's show were unavailable last week, the production is expected to be just as impressive as in years past, when audiences were literally brought to tears by the level of skill on display.

"Broadway Comes to St. John has brought tears of joy in the past and this year's production looks to better the previous two," said Ronnie Lee, SJSA board of directors member.

As in years past, SJSA is offering the public the chance to purchase "Angel Tickets" to the 6 p.m. show. Tickets are \$200 each and include dinner and dancing on the beach at the Westin, explained Lee.

"While we've certainly valued the great support of the leading restaurants on the island, this year the Westin has kindly and graciously offered to host us for dinner," he said. "The Angel Tickets this year will include seats in the 6

p.m. show and dinner immediately following on the beach with a live band and dancing."

"There are only 150 Angel Tickets available and, as in the past, a sell-out is anticipated," said Lee.

There will also be an 8 p.m. performance of "One World, One Heart," which is open to everyone. There is a suggested donation for that show of \$25, or more, and attendees are encouraged to arrive early as seats usually fill quickly.

The "Broadway Comes to St. John" event each year also features an exciting raffle drawing. This year's raffle prize, St. John Goes to London, includes round-trip airfare for two to London, three nights in the city, tickets to two West End productions plus an additional three nights in either Scotland or Paris.

Raffle tickets are \$100 each and there will only be a total of 150 tickets sold. Raffle tickets and Angel Tickets are on sale now at SJSA. Call 779-4322 for more information or to purchase tickets.

St. John Relay for Life Less Than a Month Away Register Now for the February 9 Event

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

The count down is under way!
The American Cancer Society fundraiser Relay for Life is set to kick off at 4 p.m. Saturday, February 9, at the Winston Wells ball field.

The event will run all night and wrap up at 10 a.m. on Sunday, February 10.

The major ACS fundraiser of the year, funds from the event will help to ensure that the organization can continue to offer free cancer screenings and more to local residents.

Teams of 16 members each will set up an area around a make-shift track in Winston Wells ball field and settle in for the duration of the night. While the event is not a race, at least one member from each team must be on the track at all times during the night.

Each team member raises at least \$100 each, and more if possible, through pledges and the sale of luminary bags. Luminary bags are sold either in memory of someone who has lost their life to cancer or to honor someone who continues to battle the disease.

Luminary bags are \$5 each and residents can attach pictures and messages to personalize the bags. During the Relay for Life, the bags will be placed around the perimeter of the track and lit at dusk. A special survivor's lap will lead the entire group in attendance around the track for the luminary ceremony.

Bags are for sale on the third floor of The Marketplace on most days.

Ahead of the big day on February 9, volunteers have been busy raising funds, but there is still time to register new teams, explained Loren Abramson, St. John Relay for Life team development chair.

"It's coming around, but people can still register teams," said Abramson. "I don't know the exact number of teams that we have, but I know that we do still have space left."



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Jaime Elliott

Luminary bags to honor survivors or those who have lost their battle to cancer are available to purchase most days at The Marketplace.

Teams are encouraged to register as soon as possible, however, in order for volunteers to order the proper number of T-shirts, Abramson added.

Relay for Life organizers can also still use help from additional volunteers, explained Abramson.

"We could use help selling luminary bags at the gate, collecting donations at the gate, helping the teams to find their spots on the field and more," she said.

An exciting lineup of entertainment will keep team members going around that track all night long and a special Survivor's Dinner will be served during the event.

To register a team for the St. John Relay for Life call Abramson at 513-2159 or email lmabramson@hotmail.com. Teams can also register online at <http://www.relayforlife.org/getinvolved/signupvolunteer/index>.

See you on the field February 9!

GBS Students Snacking on Fresh Fruit and Veggies

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Students attending five public elementary schools in the territory will get an early start to a heart, healthy life-style when they get the chance to snack on fresh fruits and vegetables during the school day.

State Director of the Office of Special Nutrition Programs Angela Frett is proud to announce that the five schools will be participating in the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) for

the remainder of School Year.

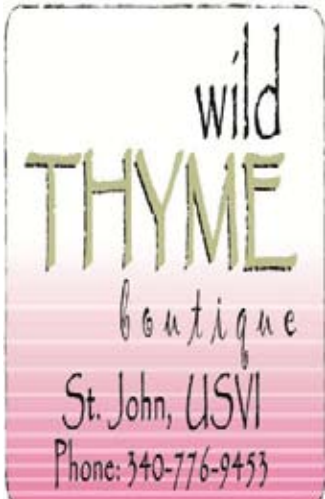
Late last year elementary school administrators in the school districts were encouraged to apply for participation in the \$28,113 funded program.

"Through FFVP children at your schools will get the opportunity during the school day to snack on free, fresh fruits and vegetables," said Frett. "It's an effective and creative way to introduce fresh fruits and vegetables to children as healthy snack

options at an early age."

Ulla F. Muller Elementary, Emanuel Benjamin Oliver Elementary, Jane E. Tuitt Primary and Guy Benjamin Elementary schools will participate in the FFVP in the St. Thomas/St. John District and Ricardo Richards Elementary School in the St. Croix District.

For more details on the FFVP or to apply for participation in SY 2013-2014, call Belinda Sander-son at 774-0100 ext. 2816.



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Special to St. John Tradewinds

Delicious food from the island's famous caterers, restaurants, and resorts; live music from Linda Grace's island band, mystery raffles, party favors, and a roving portrait artist await guests at "An Evening in Paris."

St. John animals need help, and the Animal Care Center's annual winter gala enables residents to give help while enjoying a fabulous party.

Island residents and visitors to the island alike are invited to attend the gala on Saturday, January 19, and can purchase tickets at the entrance to this year's featured villa.

"An Evening in Paris" will be hosted at L'Autre Monde starting at 6 p.m. Tickets are only \$125 and Elaine Campbell, ACC's publicity chairwoman, reported last week that tickets were selling so well that ACC had to print more.

"We are a small shelter with a small budget, but St. Johnians know how hard we work to provide food, medical care, and housing to our island's homeless cats and dogs," said Campbell. "And they know that attending ACC's winter gala is a delightful way of

donating support to our efforts."

Fabulous Food

St. John restaurateurs and caterers also donate to the gala. Visitors and residents of the island know St. John as a small island with a wide array of incredibly good lunch and dinner spots.

Among the chefs and caterers donating their specialties to "An Evening in Paris" are Caneel Bay Resort, East/West Catering, Farm to Table, Fatty Crab, High Tide, Lime Inn, Lone Star Taqueria, Morgan's Mango, Ocean Grill, Queen of Tarts, Rhumblines, Spyglass, Ted's Supper Club, the Westin Resort, Woody's and ZoZo's.

Theme Parties

In recent years, the ACC's major fundraiser has delighted guests with such imaginative theme parties as "A Walk on the Wild Side" at the Hall House, "Arabian Nights" at Kismet, last year's "Snow Ball" at A La Mer, as well as Roaring Twenties and Swinging Sixties theme parties in earlier years.

A special feature at this year's Parisian café scene will be the talented Livy Hitchcock as a roving portrait artist. Hitchcock, owner of Bajo el Sol gallery with her husband Tom, will be drawing



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The beautiful L'Autre Monde in Great Cruz Bay, above, will be the perfect setting for "An Evening in Paris."

complimentary pencil portraits of party guests.

Expecting to complete each sketch in approximately 20 minutes, Hitchcock will capture the likeness of as many guests as possible during the party's 6 to 9

p.m. timeframe. The sketch will be Hitchcock's gift to the guests and her matchless donation to the animals. Look for the woman in the black sequined beret!

Raffles and Music

Debby Duplisea is collecting

raffles to be available at the gala. The list is still incomplete, but one exceptional raffle prize will be a large painting of the winning guest's own beloved cats or dogs by Livy Hitchcock. Attendees at Pirate Bill's recent party at Bajo el Sol know how fetching are the two kitties that Hitchcock painted into her portrait. Hitchcock's pet portrait will be one of a long list of raffle prizes.

Throughout the evening, music will be provided by Linda Grace and her band. For many St. John residents, this will be a first opportunity to dance to the music of Grace's group.

For more information about the gala, contact Kelly Cruikshank at kellec1@aol.com or Monica Munro at monica@cateredto.com.

To drive to "L'Autre Monde" from Cruz Bay, take South Shore Road past the Westin which will be on the right. Turn right onto Great Cruz Bay Road. There is a road sign. Go approximately one-quarter mile and the villa will be on the right. The villa will be well lit.

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St. John Rotary Past President Bruce Munro and Flavors Best Dessert winner Lori Dudkin.

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Dudkin Accepts Flavors Best Dessert Award from Rotary

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Rotary Club of St. John members began officially awarding winners of the group's November 2012 fundraiser Flavors.

Best Dessert winner Lori Dudkin, of Just Desserts by Lori, ac-

cepted her certificate from Rotary members on Wednesday afternoon, January 9, at the group's weekly meeting at the Westin Resort and Villas.

Dudkin took home best dessert at the Rotary culinary competition

for her hazelnut caramel and bittersweet chocolate ganache tartlets with Frangelico whipped cream and hazelnut pralines.

Rotary officials will continue to distribute certificates to Flavors winners throughout the month.

Merry Stockwell Speaks at UU Meeting

The Unitarian Universalists of St. John meet every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the Great Room at Giffit Hill School Lower Campus.

The guest speaker for Sunday, January 20, is Merry Stockwell who will speak on "A Year Of Living With Reckless Abandon — and How that Has Been Working For Me."

Childcare is available. For transportation from the Cruz Bay ferry dock call 776-6332 in advance.



A huge crowd enjoys the free annual vow renewal.

Free Vow Renewal on Valentine's Day

Reverend Anne Marie Porter for a free vow renewal on Valentine's Day, February 14, at Trunk Bay beach at 5 p.m.

For more information call Porter at 626-4658.

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The cast and crew of "Once Upon a Mattress"

"One Upon a Mattress" Wows Audiences

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Take one over-bearing mother, expertly played by Mariah Scheer, one scheming wizard, played to perfection by Alex Ray, add one hilarious narrator, the unparalleled Nadia Dudkin, one spunky princess, played with great skill by Lena Crume, one eager prince, played by a nuanced Lloyd Joseph, and an impressive cast of ladies in waiting and courtly knights and you have the delightful production of "Once Upon a Mattress," by Giffit Hill School.

Working with New England Youth Theater officials, GHS Upper Campus students spent their two-week mini-mester creating everything from the well-designed costumes to the castle set which transformed the school's auditorium.

The show premiered on Friday evening, January 11, with two additional productions on Saturday, January 12. Played to sold out crowds, the students displayed impressive talent.

Great music accompaniment and expert lighting helped to create the professional feel of the production. Audiences loved the singing, dancing and acting on display and awarded the cast with thunderous applause.



Lena Crume and Lloyd Joseph

Good-bye Jack



My partner, Jack Wallace, passed away suddenly by my side in our home on December 25th.

So many wonderful people have been here for me, it is no wonder our beautiful island is called Love City. Jack's bright smile, infectious laugh, and kind spirit are deeply missed. I would like to express my deep gratitude to the caring responders and to all that have supported and held me during this difficult time.

A celebration of Jack's life is being planned and details will be announced as soon as finalized. I have been blessed with many things, one is to have been fortunate enough to share my life with Jack, and another is to call St. John my home.

With much gratitude,
Steve St. Onge



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Fight off bugs the natural way with Love Me Not and find itch relief with Quit It.

Island Massage Company Offers All-Natural, Hand-Made Solutions to Island Pests

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

After whipping up a few batches of massage oil for partner and massage therapist Dave Borrer to use on his clients, Kate Reed realized she was onto something.

"I started making really simple massage oils for Dave's clients and I began playing with these essential oils," said Reed. "I started doing some research and realized how therapeutic they could be and how bad so many cosmetics are for us."

With the inspiration to create all-natural products, made locally by hand that are actually good for the skin, Island Massage Company was born.

Borrer, a licensed massage therapist for more than 20 years, has been based on St. John since 1997. Borrer puts the "massage" in Island Massage Company and is available for in-house, in-villa or in-hotel room massages across the island.

Reed is also a long-time St. John resident who works as a conservation biologist at Coral World Ocean Park.

The duo has spent the last two years developing Island Massage Company and so far the product line includes a bug repellent for adults, a bug repellent for kids, two massage oils, an anti-itch lo-



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Island Massage Company owners Kate Reed and Dave Borrer.

tion, an antiseptic toner, a natural vapor rub and an after-sun treatment.

Like many great products, Reed's first concoction was created out of necessity, she explained.

"I suffer really bad from bug bites; they just love me," said Reed. "So I decided to make a bug spray. I did a bunch of different formulas and created one that even works on no-see-ums."

"Not even DEET works for no-see-ums," she said.

Not only did Reed create an all-natural bug spray which actually works, she put it to the test.

"When we test our products, we

literally go stand on the beach at bug time and see if it works," said Reed. "I put spray on half of my arm and left the other half alone and you could see the no-see-ums bouncing off the part that had the spray."

After friends heard about Reed's bug spray, the requests started pouring in, she added.

"People started asking me where they could buy the bug spray and then we were off and running," said the Island Massage Company cofounder.

Reed and Borrer began by hand-cutting each label and sell-

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Take in Sunset from the Decks of Kiote with Captain Jimmy Kujawa

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

There are few things in the world better than soaking up the sea air while cruising along on a beam reach and watching the sun sink below the horizon.

Captain Jimmy Kujawa loved that experience so much he recently launched the island's newest sail boat charter business out of Coral Bay, Kiote Sails.

"It's just so peaceful and beautiful out there," said Kujawa. "I've been sailing around local waters for the past 11 years and I just love it. I started with a 30 foot Pearson without an engine and learned to sail here."

"When I got my new boat I decided to start the business," he said. "I love being out on the water and decided it would be great to make some money while doing something that I love."

Kiote Sails promises "A unique sailing experience with a local feeling," and that is exactly what Kujawa delivers. Based in Coral Bay harbor, Kujawa's Kiote is a 36-foot Pearson ketch with an expansive cockpit which makes the vessel feel even larger.

"It's a great boat for charters," said Kujawa. "There is plenty of room for people to lay out on the decks while we're sailing and the cockpit is really roomy too. It's really comfortable for six people."

Guests interested in tugging on a line are welcome to join the fun as well, Kujawa added.

"It could be a hands-on experience if that is what someone wants," he said. "Or you could just sit back and relax and watch us do it. Either way; we just want people to have fun."

And with several different charter op-



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Kiote Sails cruises out of Coral Bay harbor and offers sunrise, sunset, half-day, full-day, full moon sails and more.

tions, Kiote Sails offers something for every sailing enthusiast. Early risers will want to join Captain Kujawa for a peaceful, morning Sunrise Sail.

"It's so beautiful on the water in the mornings and we have these gorgeous sunrises in Coral Bay," said Kujawa. "I figured, let's take advantage of this."

The night owls out there will not want to miss a Full Moon cruise, offered two days prior to the full moon each month as well the night of the full moon.

"We're also offering a sail the night after

the full moon when the moon comes up a bit later," said the Kiote captain. "It's a bit darker and the stars are really bright. Last month we watched the moon rise up out of the water off Virgin Gorda."

Kiote Sails also offers full day charters from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. which include a snorkeling stop at a beach only accessible by boat.

"We always include a snorkel at a location you can't get to by land," Kujawa said. "Sometimes it's Flanagan or Newfoundland Bay; it depends on the weather."

Half day sails on Kiote run from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. or from 1 to 4 p.m. and promise a relaxing harbor cruise.

To get the biggest bang for the buck, book Kiote's late afternoon to sunset cruise, which basically combines a half day and sunset sail in one, Kujawa explained.

"Our best deal is our five hour late afternoon sail," he said. "That would normally cost about \$100, but we offer it for only \$75. You get a late lunch, a snorkel stop and a sunset cruise."

Half day sails are \$60, full day sails are \$100, sunset sails are \$50 and full moon sails are \$85. All sails include bottled water, ice and snacks and guests are asked to bring their snorkel equipment and their own drinks of choice.

What all of Kiote Sails' charter options offer is plenty of sailing action.

"We truly sail," said Kujawa. "It's not a sail boat that motors around, it's a sail boat that sails. We use the wind for our power."

Kujawa is also offering free sails each Wednesday and Friday afternoon for local residents. Meet at Skinny Legs at 3:30 p.m. and join Kujawa in the weekly Wednesday races in Coral Bay or for a Friday evening cruise around the harbor.

"We don't stop anywhere; just cruise around the bay," said Kujawa. "Bring your own drinks and let's go have a good time. Tips are appreciated as well."

Kiote Sails can only accommodate six passengers, so local residents interested in heading out on the free sails are asked to RSVP.

To book any charter, or RSVP for the free sails for locals, call Lora Koehler at (340) 344-4341.

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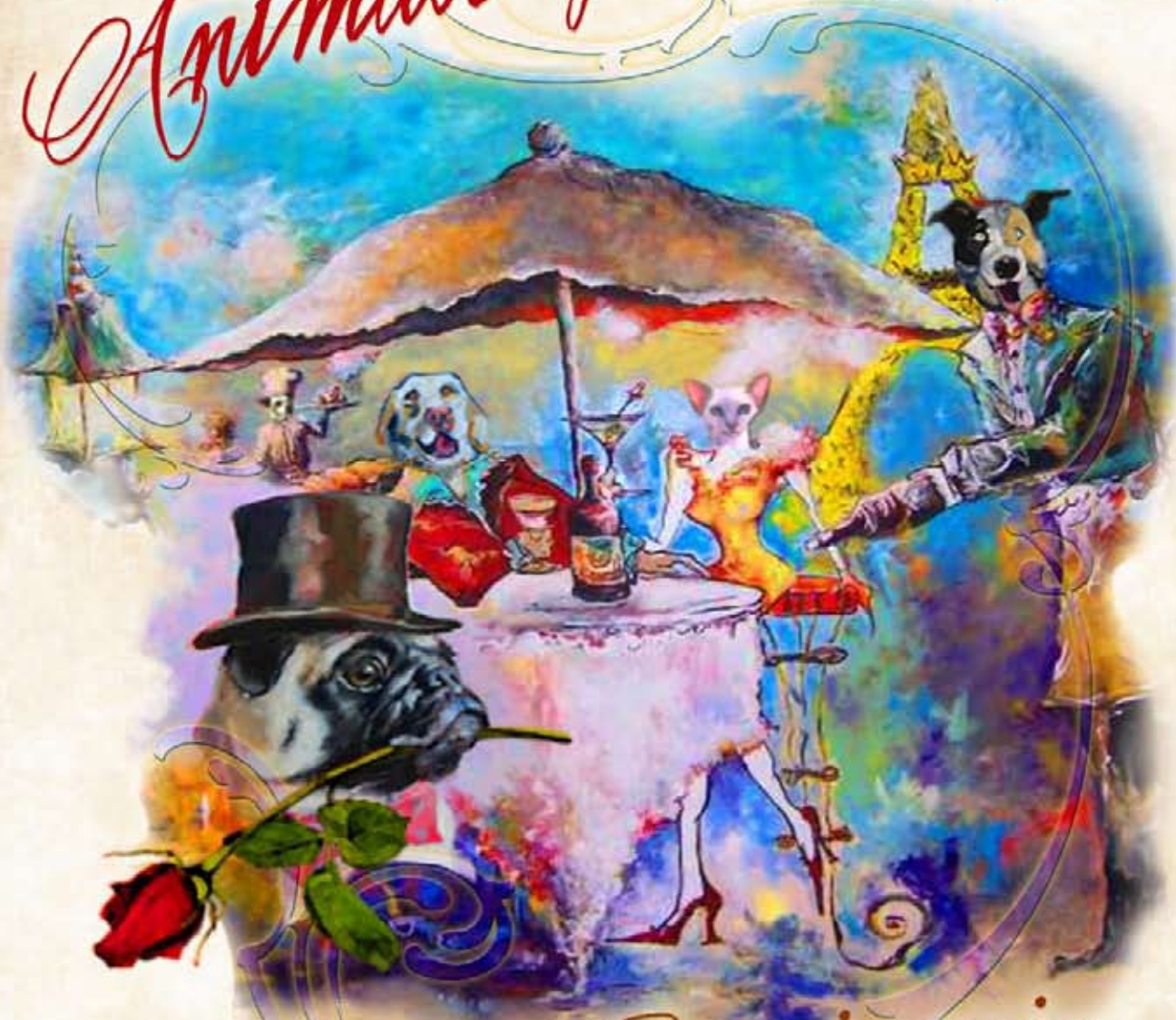
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Dept of Agriculture Dedicating New St. Thomas Farmers' on Market Jan. 16

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The Virgin Islands Department of Agriculture and its partners cordially invite all farmers and the general public to a dedication ceremony to commemorate the official opening of the new farmers' market facility in Estate Bordeaux on St. Thomas at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, January 16.

"This latest accomplishment is the result of the dedication and collaboration between many partners from the public and private sectors, including the Virgin Islands Housing Finance Authority, the Department of Public Works, We Grow Food, Inc., and the Virgin Islands Department of Agriculture," said Dept. of Ag Commissioner Louis Petersen.

The market facility consists of a 60,000 gallon cistern, a large bungalow for vending, sales tables with lockable storage units, sinks for washing produce, and a dining pavilion.

"It is our hope that this new facility will encourage increased farm production, and stimulate economic development — an area of priority for the deJongh Administration," said Petersen. "Project partners also anticipate that the new Bordeaux Farmers' Market will serve as a model site for agritourism initiatives via networking with the hotel and taxi associations and the Department of Tourism to arrange year round market days that showcase our local culture and agriculture."

Petersen expressed his deep appreciation to all the public and private sector partners and collaborators for their support and numerous contributions toward this milestone achievement.

"This new market facility represents part of a broader initiative to improve farmland infrastructure in support of agricultural productivity and marketing in the Territory," he said.

The scheduled ceremony will celebrate the opening of this marketplace, and will provide an opportunity to publicly recognize and thank all government agencies, private businesses and individuals who contributed toward this successful outcome.

Petersen encouraged everyone to "save the date" and plan to celebrate this important event with the Department of Agriculture and its partners.

For more information contact the Department of Agriculture at 774-5182 or 778-0998 ext. 228.



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On *the* Market

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Stunning views, a lagoon shaped pool and plenty of space are available at Mermaid Falls.

Unparalleled North Shore Villa Mermaid Falls Offers Utmost in Luxury and Privacy

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

With jaw-dropping views spanning from St. Thomas across Jost Van Dyke all the way to the West End of Tortola, Mermaid Falls is one of the most impressive properties for sale on St. John.

This five bedroom, five and half-bathroom home is located in the exclusive luxury home neighborhood of Peter Bay and listed for \$7.5 million, explained Holiday Homes broker associate Jan Courlas.

Perched on a hillside on the famed North Shore Road of St. John, Mermaid Falls is located between Trunk and Cinnamon Bays, two of the most stunning beaches on the island.

"The home would be perfect for someone seeking luxurious seclusion and privacy along with one of the most beautiful views on St. John," said Courlas.

Be sure to enjoy some of the nearby beaches just a few minutes away or while away a day lounging out by the unique pool at Mermaid Falls.

"The lagoon pool is a unique design and even has a cooling waterfall," Courlas said.

Several indoor and outdoor living and dining spaces make Mermaid Falls ideal for entertaining guests. Enjoy meals al fresco on the expansive deck overlooking the alabaster sands of the North Shore.

Indoors, find a professional grade kitchen with stainless steel appliances and custom hardwood cabinets. Mermaid Falls also offers a spacious and comfortable

living room and a formal dining area, explained Courlas.

"The chef's kitchen and comfortable seating and dining spaces throughout the home will surely be enjoyed by all in residence," said the Holiday Homes broker associate.

Each of the five expansive and well-appointed bedrooms features an en suite bath. The luxurious master suite also boasts a spacious outdoor verandah with sweeping views.

Find additional shaded, outdoor seating areas off each of the guest bedrooms as well. The home also features central air conditioning, a spa area and beautiful coral stone floors.

Mermaid Falls is currently operating as a successful high-end short term rental, which is just one



of the possibilities for a new buyer, explained Courlas.

"The buyer could easily maintain Mermaid Falls in its successful rental program," said. "Or a family could happily fit into its five bedrooms each with en suite bathroom."

Above all, Mermaid Falls offers unparalleled views from its private North Shore Road setting, for the discerning home buyer.

"The buyer of this home will

enjoy the Virgin Islands National Park boundary surrounding Peter Bay and their own private access to the beach," said Courlas. "They will enjoy many fine features including masonry construction with mahogany doors and windows, barrel tile roof, terra-cotta and coral stone flooring."

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Letters To St. John Tradewinds

Capitol-ism

We have to understand that Capitol-ism can be a good way for human beings to grow. It can better our lives, help us develop our special gifts and it can have a positive effect on our lives and those around us.

We must also remember that life is not about seeing who is going to be the richest. It is a way of bettering our lives by using our own special gifts and turning our gifts into something good for the growth of humanity. It is not a way to see how much money we can make or a race to see who can be the richest person in the cosmos.

If you become a billionaire while doing it, that's great. Good for you and good for everyone else. Becoming a billionaire by killing everything else around you is not a good way to use Capitol-ism.

It is time that we told the gun industry in America that we want to stop selling guns to bad guys. They are rich enough now and we don't like the idea of a gun in every teacher's desk draw.

If you want to stay in business, you better change your business model before you lose all your customers to an Atomic holocaust. I suggest that we tell the NRA we want them to stop trying to destroy the world with their product, at least our kids in their schools.

The next challenge is the energy (petroleum) industry. We cannot survive as a species if these guys are allowed to get rich while they make the planet unlivable for human beings. Climate change is a reality and until we stop polluting the environment, the risks get greater and greater. It is going to take a lot of our energy and effort to stop them from killing all of us.

One way to help solve this problem and get us out of this economic swamp would be for Obama to construct a nuclear power plant in every state in America as part of his alternative energy program. Just think of the amount of carbon emissions we could reduce in the future and at the same time put a lot of people to work today.

I suggest that we start by being nice to each other and stop being afraid of each other. It really does make a difference in your day if sometime during it you are nice to someone. We can do this while trying to become billionaires; it still works — you really still can. When we do it, people start being individuals to us; they become a person. It can change the value of our lives, to us. It can change the value of all life we come in contact with.

Capitol-ism, trading, bartering, buying, like being nice to some people in our clan, is an animal thing, genetically inside us so we could grow to what we are. At this point in humanity it is much easier to get rich saying "buy this" and disregard the damage we

are doing to people and the planet in the process of making and selling it, than it is to get rich by helping people and the planet.

It is a lot easier to promote, sell and buy stuff than it is for us to stop being controlled by the drive to do it. It is really time that we all start to learn that with the knowledge we have gained comes a lot of responsibility. We cannot continue to grow as individuals and as a species if we don't change the way we are living on this planet.

It is entirely possible that we could create John's visions in the Bible. We can make this planet so polluted that either no one survives and some come back as holy spirits or we create a seismic transition that so few people survive that the ones that do survive start taking care of each other and the planet.

Even now we will definitely lose some people and some generations because there are just too many people on the planet to continue in the direction that we are going in. Shouldn't we at least try to save as many people as possible?

Everyone, everywhere is being affected and adjusting. From the people in the Amazon to the people on the coast of New Jersey, people are being affected and adjusting. The problem is that the direction is wrong. This direction does not work. The way that we have allowed our innate pleasure in buying and having things is beginning to threaten our species. Try to be nice to each other.

We each have to develop and enforce our boundaries, because when we become too overwhelming the environment reacts to it. It is like the growth of wolves in the western U.S. in the 1800s. When the farmers brought great numbers of sheep to the west in the 1800s, the wolves thrived and multiplied. The farmers corrected the problem with guns. Luckily for the wolves, now we have categorized them as an endangered species in many areas to protect them from extinction.

There is only one way to for us to balance this and that is to become an animal on earth that becomes one with the cosmos. Each one of us can do this by being nice to each other. It's not easy. but all we have to do is be persistent and we can learn how to do it. It is the way to become one with the cosmos, or to become connected with God, which ever way of thinking about it works for you.

This is it and until we really understand that all life is precious we are going to continue destroying this planet.

Greg Miller

Crossword Answers — Puzzle on Page 20

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**SEND LETTERS, GUEST OPINIONS
& OBITUARIES:**

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Letters To *St. John Tradewinds*

New Solid Waste Removal Program for 2013

There must have been an announcement about a new St. John solid waste removal program that was missed over the holidays.

Dead refrigerators and other appliances are frequently being left beside the dumpsters. By the next day they are gone. Could they possibly have been taken away by the island trash hauling contractor? Or are they being added to the pile at the Susannaberg Transfer station? Whatever, we are glad that the new "leave it by the dumpster" program is working well!

In all seriousness, this publication did a story last June about the solid waste buildup at the "transfer station."

Many responsible government agencies, from the EPA to DPNR, were quoted as saying they had inspected the station, were having discussions with Waste Management Authority and Public Works with goals of getting Susannaberg compliant and removing the solid waste to Bovoni, and blamed broken equipment and a contractor not on island for the continued buildup.

Other than keeping the "transfer station" area cleaner of loose trash and debris (for which we are enormously grateful!), nothing visibly has been done, the machinery is still idle, and the solid waste continues to pile up.

More area has been cleared and they are pushing

the waste into yet another pile, very close to land possibly still owned by the Jackson Hole Preserve. Does anyone else care about this environmental threat? Do any of our government officials care to report here about impending actions or solutions?

Get the machinery fixed, get the contractor back on the island, or, pay the company that does an excellent job hauling trash from our dumpsters to attack these huge piles of solid waste. It's already way out of control.

Somebody who has the power to do something, please do something! The health and safety of your citizens depend on it. Never mind the atrocious appearance of Susannaberg.

Meanwhile, thanks to those at Waste Management and Public Works who have worked to keep the roadside and area around Susannaberg cleaner. And thanks to the guys who weed-whack our island roads. And kudos to the trash hauling company guys who keep the areas around the dumpsters cleaned up. And thanks to any citizen who stops to pick up trash, and who does not throw it out the window, or pile it up in their yard.

Please, keep St. John beautiful, and environmentally safe for us all.

Name withheld by request

Lies + Cheat + Steal = Scandal

It seems like everyone today has a secret sin. From pastors to politicians, general to grunts, everybody's lives are one click away from exposure.

Where does that leave us in a world saturated with news? No more private conversations when there's wire tapping, no more secret rendezvous when there are cameras, no more deleting when the phone companies have records.

Ask ourselves the question - do we really care or are we glad it's not us? Will we really stop and check ourselves or will we continue hoping that our passions won't make the island gossip?

Nevertheless, we tune into a new season of reality

TV, pick up the latest tabloid and receive the latest updates on Twitter. If we were to expose the whole truth on this island, a lot of us would talk less and forgive more.

The true test of a scandal is whether the person admits guilt and takes responsibility. Only then can loved ones assist the person in starting over.

Sometimes a new beginning is good for someone. The individual can face and fix the flaws in one's character. And then trust and restoration can take place.

Until that time, work out your own salvation.

Emmanuel Prince

Obituary

Memorial for Red Beard set for Jan. 27

St. John Tradewinds

Evan T. Johnson, better known as Red Beard, passed away on December 15, 2012.

He was born on November 3, 1944 in Poughkeepsie, New York. He moved to St. John in 1982 and established a bar called Red Beard's Saloon in Coral Bay, which is now the home of Skinny

Legs.

Red Beard was also the proprietor of Monkey Fist Studios art gallery which he opened in Coral Bay and then moved to Wharfside Village.

He was also a real estate broker with Holiday Homes and American Paradise Realty, a bartender at Paradiso and the manager of the

Serendip Condos.

He is survived by two sons, Shane and Lance Johnson of New York and many, many friends.

There will be a memorial service for Red Beard on Sunday, January 27, at Skinny Legs at 3 p.m. Friends are encouraged to bring their best Red Beard story to share.

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779-1230

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Giff Hill School 774-8617

Obituaries

Patricia Miller

St. John Tradewinds

Patricia Miller was born December 24, 1946, and she passed on October 6, 2012. She was a long-time resident of St. John, VI.

Pat as known to all, was raised in Chicago and was preceded in death by her parents. Pat had been a resident of St. John for many years and was a valued member of the east end community.

She came to St. John as an employee of the Hyatt Organization where she was an employee in several locations. She had no children or spouse but was a Sister

to many and a valued friend to all who knew her.

To all who knew Pat they knew that the love of her life was her dog Ernie. So the St. John community is grateful that Ernie has found a new home but he will always miss Pat. To all who knew and loved her we know our world was a better place with her in it and she will be missed by many.

Friends will scatter her ashes off the East End School House Beach at 10 a.m. on January 16. Please do not block the road. Ginny Knalund has invited friends up to her



Patricia Miller

house afterwards.

Friends can contribute to the St. John Animal Care Center memorial fund for Pat and Ernie Miller.



Bob Wilmer smiles during a broadcast from WSTA's station on St. Thomas.

Bob Wilmer

St. John Tradewinds

Robert Leon Wilmer, better known as Bob Wilmer, passed away peacefully at the Roy L. Schneider Hospital on Sunday, January 6, 2013.

Bob was born in New York, and spent his formative years in an area affectionately known as "Hell's Kitchen." He came to the United States Virgin Islands, settling on St. Thomas in 1971.

A former Rotary President and member, Bob is best known for hosting the "Sports of All Sorts" broadcasts on WSTA, Lucky 13, and he lived a rich and exciting life with a varied career.

Bob has been a U.S. Postal worker and taxi driver in New

York, and became known by his actor pals in New York's Central Park as "Robot" for his skill on the ball field. He had maintained contact with some of them until shortly before his passing.

Bob's many talents extended to sales, writing, editing, photography, production, flying planes and broadcasting on WVWI Radio One, parlaying his exhaustive musical knowledge into programs that ran the gamut, from Rhythm and Blues, to Classical, to Jazz.

He spent time at St. Thomas this Week, and was a multi-talented sportscaster. He enjoyed softball and tennis, and was honored by the West Side Tennis Club in 2006 for his service to the sport.

Bob was the Editor in Chief of Caribia Digest, a Virgin Islands music magazine in the early 90s. A die-hard Mets fan, he seemed to love broadcasting baseball games most of all. He tirelessly shined a light on all local athletic endeavors, from Little League to 40-plus and beyond.

Anyone who knew Bob, knew that he loved life, music, sports, and service...and that was also an inveterate prankster, with a clever quip always at the ready.

He is survived by many, many friends and relatives all over the world, and too numerous to mention.

Arrangements are pending and are by Turnbull's Funeral Home.



So far, 15 different projects, from New York State to Hawaii, have been certified as “Living Buildings.” The likely 16th is Seattle’s Bullitt Center (pictured here in progress), a six-story solar-powered “net zero” building designed to make extensive reuse of rainwater and day lighting and which features many other green amenities.

St. John Tradewinds News Photo



St. John Tradewinds News Photos by Jaime Elliott



Living Building Challenge

Dear EarthTalk:

What is the Living Building Challenge and how does it differ from the LEED certification program?

Jason Marshall
Richmond, VA

Both Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) and the Living Building Challenge (LBC) were created with the same goal in mind: to encourage more sustainability and resource conservation in architecture, design, construction and building operations.

LEED, a program of the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), is well known in architecture, building and design circles as the standard for certifying the green attributes of new and retrofitted structures (and even entire neighborhoods).

Developers can reference LEED’s 110-point rating system to inform choices regarding design, technology, siting, landscaping and other elements of building or renovation processes.

Structures using the greenest versions of each element would qualify for the highest LEED rating, Platinum (followed by Gold, Silver, and just plain Certified).

In general, a project gets certified the day its ribbon is cut — as long as developers followed through on implementing what they committed to on the LEED checklist. Upwards of 7,000 projects spanning some 1.5 billion square feet of development area across the U.S. and 30 other countries have qualified for some kind of LEED certification so far.

Meanwhile, LBC, created in 2006 by the Seattle-based non-profit International Living Building Institute (ILBI), is a performance-based standard where a building only qualifies if it achieves its energy, water

and waste efficiency goals moving forward after the ribbon is cut. In fact, since LBC certification is based on actual, rather than modeled or anticipated performance, projects must be operational for at least 12 consecutive months prior to evaluation by the ILBI.

Given the focus on performance, LBC does not provide as much detailed guidance, let alone a checklist of green attributes, instead letting the developers of each individual project decide for themselves how to best achieve their efficiency and conservation goals via means appropriate to the project and to the region.

That said, each project vying for LBC status must follow 20 general imperatives arranged under a system of seven general performance areas (or in the lingo of LBC, “petals”): Site, Water, Energy, Health, Materials, Equity and Beauty.

Given that the imperatives are general, they can be applied to any conceivable project type, be it a building, infrastructure, landscape or community development. But whatever type of project, if it is to meet the exacting standards of LBC it must live up to each one.

One of the imperatives under the Energy petal, for instance, is “net zero energy” meaning the structure must harvest or generate as much power as it needs via alternative renewable sources. Within the Materials petal, another imperative is avoiding any of hundreds of building materials on ILBI’s “Red List” of banned materials and substances. Yes another imperative, under the Site petal, is “car-free living.”

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EARTH Students at GHS Share “Slow Down and Smile” Tasting

Giffitt Hill School’s EARTH program students wrapped up their mini-mester with a special tasting event on Friday evening, January 11, at the home of GHS head Judy Chamberlain. During the week-long mini-mester, students visited a farm on St. Croix and worked with Mathayom Vacharat of St. John Catering/Mathayom Private Chefs to create a farm to table inspired menu. The appetizers were harvested, created and prepared by the EARTH students. Offerings ranged from a Kingfish and Moringa pod Callaloo with green papaya hot sauce to a passionfruit creme brulee, and all were delicious. For more information about GHS’ EARTH program, email coordinator Sarah Haynes at sarahhaynes@gmail.com.



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ISLAND GREEN LIVING

by Lovango Cay resident Dan Boyd

Global Warming and Carbon Footprints

St. John Tradewinds

We have all heard the cries about global warming and how it is affecting our planet.

Last month I attended a seminar hosted by the Friends of V.I. National Park about the state of our coral reefs by fisheries biologist Jeff Miller.

Mr. Miller presented documented data that the temperature of our surrounding waters has risen almost one degree in the past 10 years. The most alarming fact is that our water temperature in the summer months is about 85 degrees.

Coral reefs start to bleach out and die when the temperature rises above 85 degrees. In 2005, our water temperature reached over 86 degrees, and we lost more than 61 percent of our corals!

Our waters and reefs are what bring most of us and our visiting tourists to the islands. If our reefs

die, our fisheries will die, and our tourism will suffer greatly as well.

Much of global warming is caused by emissions we have put into our atmosphere. Power-generating plants are a very large contributor to these emissions. WAPA's power plants are not efficient at all.

If you compare their power output with how much fuel they consume, they would be around 60 percent efficient. Now you can start to see why we are paying such high electrical rates!

You can help our environment by using less energy and decreasing your carbon footprint. You can find out how much carbon you yourself are responsible for by using one of the online carbon footprint calculators. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has one at www.epa.gov/climatechange/ghgemissions/ind-calculator.html. You answer questions

about your energy consumption, style of living, driving habits, and so on, and it will estimate how much carbon you are responsible for emitting into our atmosphere.

My current household emission is 8779 lbs yearly. I hope to bring that number down by 25 percent by doing more recycling and conserving even more. What is yours? The average US household emission is 20,750 lbs.

Using less energy is not only a smart monetary move; it's also reducing your impact on our environment. When you can achieve a smaller and smaller carbon footprint, our planet benefits. It's a win, win for all!

Dan Boyd of Island Solar is a Virgin Islands Energy Office authorized vendor. For more information contact Boyd on his cell phone at 340-626-9685 or by email at islandsolarvi@gmail.com.

All-Natural, Hand-Made Solutions to Island Pests

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ing their formulas at Friends of V.I. National Park Store in Mongoose Junction. Today, their products are available across the island from Estate Concordia Preserve, Keep Me Posted and Jolly Dog, to Nest, Gallows Bay Gourmet Store, Maho Bay Camps and St. John Spice Company.

Just like the impressive bug spray, each of the additional formulas in Island Massage Company's eight product line was created to address a particular issue, Reed explained.

"Each time I make a new product, it's because someone needs something," she said. "The after sun treatment I made because Sunny from the Beach Bar burned herself badly in her kitchen. She had third-degree burns on her chest and neck and I thought I could make something to help."

Although she was told by doctors that her burns would take at least a month to heal, after using Reed's concoction, she was healed up in a just a over a week.

"So I adapted the formula slightly to use for sunburn treatment,"

said Reed. "It has aloe and olive oil and essential oils for healing, so it's really nourishing and cooling. I also use it as my moisturizer and even as a leave-in conditioner in my hair."

Unlike most after-sun treatments, Sunny's Original Natural Sunburn Relief contains no alcohol, Reed explained.

"What most people don't get is that the normal after-sun stuff that we buy at the pharmacy is toxic," she said. "It's almost entirely made of alcohol, which is considered toxic. It feels really cooling, but it's really drying out your skin."

And after-sun treatments are far from the only harmful products out there, Reed added.

"It's scary how these things are not good for us," she said. "There are known carcinogens in many cosmetics. The FDA doesn't require any kind of product testing if the product is considered a cosmetic."

"When you put these carcinogens onto your skin, 60 percent of it is absorbed into the body," she said. "The more research I did, the more I wanted to create all-natural

products that are good for us and effective."

All Island Massage Company products, which range in price from \$8 to \$16 depending on the size and item, are made by hand by Reed and Borrer in their Estate John's Folly cottage. The duo are committed to using all-natural, and when possible, organic plant products.

The products are also available online at www.islandmassagecompany.com. And as island residents, Reed and Borrer offer free shipping to all U.S. addresses, including territories.

"We understand the pain of having things shipped here even though we are in the U.S.," said Reed. "So we wanted to throw a bone to all the other island territories out there."

Check out Island Massage Company's full line at www.islandmassage.com, or email Reed at kate@islandmassagevi.com for more information.

To book a massage with Borrer check out his website www.islandmassagevi.com or call (340) 693-3341 or (530) 318-3310.

St. Thomas Man Arrested for ATM Theft

St. John Tradewinds

Members of the V.I. Police Department Intelligence Unit on St. Thomas are credited with the recovery of a stolen ATM and the arrest of the suspect, explained VIPD Chief Darren Foy.

The ATM was stolen from a Smith Bay business and recovered from a private residence in the downtown area.

Police officials said they were advised of an activated alarm at about 3:15 a.m. January 8. When they arrived at the business, officers observed that unknown persons shattered the south western glass door. An ATM was unbolted from the floor inside the business and taken away. Witnesses in the area told police they saw an older model white Ford Escort leaving the scene.

Members of the Intelligence Unit received information indicating where the ATM was being housed and also information on a suspect. Unit members, as well as detectives from Major Crimes, were able to recover the ATM — which was damaged — and make an arrest.

VIPD officers arrested Anthony Davis, age 26, of Lemon Strade. He was charged with Possession of Stolen Property and Grand Larceny among other charges. Davis was placed on a \$35,000 bail which he was unable to post. He was remanded to the custody of the Bureau of Corrections.

Learn About College Application Process at Giff Hill School Jan. 22

St. John Tradewinds

All St. John 10th and 11th graders and their families are invited to join Director of College Counseling Meghan Duffy for a Junior Student/Parent Night at Giff Hill School on Tuesday, January 22, at 5:30 p.m. at the school's Upper Campus.

This informative evening will help students and parents understand the college application process, standardized test schedule, roles of students, parents, and counselor, application timelines and terminology and much more.

This event is not limited to students enrolled at GHS. While this program is geared specifically for current juniors, sophomores and their families are welcome to attend as well.

Call Duffy at 776-1730 with any questions.



Police Log

Friday, January 4

10:50 a.m. - An Estate Carolina resident p/r that his ex girlfriend made contact with him via text message and phone calls. Disturbance of the peace, D.V.

12:00 p.m. - An Estate Fish Bay resident p/r that she was in an auto collision. Auto collision.

1:44 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident c/r that someone broke the hinge lock off of the front door. Destruction of property.

3:39 p.m. - A Calabash Boom resident p/r that a male is constantly cursing and harassing her. Disturbance of the peace.

6:30 p.m. - A St. Thomas resident p/r that he was assaulted in the area of Cruz Bay. Assault in the third.

10:29 p.m. - An Estate Grunwald resident requested police assistance for a disturbance. Disturbance of the peace.

Saturday, January 5

9:41 a.m. - A citizen c/r requesting police assistance with his daughter in the area of Estate Catherineberg. Police assistance.

3:27 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident p/r that someone hit her vehicle while it was parked. Auto collision.

Sunday, January 6

2:51 a.m. - A security official from the Westin Resort and Villas r/ a disturbance. Disturbance of the peace.

4:44 a.m. - A Cruz Bay resident r/ loud music coming from a vehicle with several suspicious males. Suspicious activity.

4:00 p.m. - An Estate Pastory resident p/r that her ex coworker was verbally abusing and threatening her. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

4:05 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident c/r a disturbance between her mother and several other family members. Disturbance of the peace, D.V.

Monday, January 7

9:23 a.m. - A visitor from CT p/r someone broke into her vehicle and removed \$136 from inside. Grand larceny.

3:5 p.m. - An Estate Pastory resident c/r a disturbance. Disturbance of the peace.

8:14 p.m. - A citizen c/r hearing shots fired in the area of Giff Hill. Illegal discharge of firearm.

Tuesday, January 8

9:30 a.m. - An Estate Contant resident p/r a disturbance between her and her ex boyfriend. Disturbance of the peace, D.V.

1:18 p.m. - A Cruz Bay resident p/r a disturbance. Distur-

bance of the peace.

5:44 p.m. - An Estate Pastory resident c/r having a verbal altercation with his son. Disturbance of the peace, threats, D.V.

10:45 p.m. - An Estate Adrian resident p/requesting police assistance to speak to a male who removed an item from his property. Police assistance.

Wednesday, January 9

12:57 p.m. - A V.I. Fire Service official from Zulu Command c/r a bush fire in the area of Estate Grunwald. Police assistance.

9:46 p.m. - A Coral Bay resident c/r a disturbance with his roommate. Destruction of property.

11:52 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident c/r that a male damaged the telephone line to her house. Destruction of property.

Thursday, January 10

3:11 a.m. - A V.I. Fire Service official from Zulu Command c/r that a male was making a disturbance. Disturbance of the peace.

1:45 p.m. - A visitor from MA p/r that his credit card was stolen and charges were found on it. Grand larceny.

10:45 p.m. - A citizen c/r that he was assaulted by another male. Assault in the third.

Crime Stoppers — United States Virgin Islands

Crime Stoppers is asking the community continue to help law enforcement control crime. If anyone knows something, they should say something as the cost of all crime is ultimately paid by the law abiding citizens of the community via higher prices and higher taxes.

Even the smallest bit of information may be just what law enforcement needs to solve these cases.

St. John

On Sunday, December 23, at 4:45 p.m., a man went to the restroom at Trunk Bay and placed his wedding band on top off the hand dryer while washing his hands. He forgot to take the ring with him; when he remembered shortly after, he ran back in to get it but it had been taken. The wedding band is white and yellow gold with five small diamonds in the white gold portion. When you look at the ring on the top it looks like a triangle and

from the side view it looks square. The minimum reward for the return of this band is \$300.

St. Thomas

On Saturday, November 3, at 11:45 a.m., a man discovered that his car, parked in the area of the Dutch Reform Church, had been broken into. His 15-inch gray Toshiba Tablet and carrying case was stolen.

Continue to help make the community become a safer place to live by telling what you know at www.CrimeStoppersUSVI.org or by calling 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or by texting "USVI" plus your message to CRIMES (274637).

If a tip leads to an arrest or the recovery of stolen property, illegal drugs, or weapons, tipsters will receive a reward to be paid according to their instructions. Only anonymous callers to Crime Stoppers are eligible for these cash rewards.

Community Calendar

St. John Tradewinds welcomes notices of community-oriented, not-for-profit events for inclusion in this weekly listing. Call 776-6496, e-mail editor@tradewinds.vi or fax 693-8885.

Tuesday, January 15

— One of the Coral Bay Watershed Management Project: Phase 2 activities will be to develop a community-based Marine Uses Plan for Coral Bay's waters and shoreline. As has been long rumored, there are two proposals for marinas in Coral Harbor in their early stages of concept development, although it will take many years for the planning and permitting processes to play out. The second Marine Uses Planning meeting will be on Tuesday, January 15, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Room 6 at Guy Benjamin School.

— Join V.I. Audubon Society members on Tuesday evening, January 15, on the second floor of The Marketplace to hear from Randy Fish.

— The St. John Film Society kicks off its 2013 season with its premiere film on Tuesday, January 15. "Once Upon an Island," is an 80-minute documentary film directed by Briar March about the rising sea levels associated with climate change and islanders will be very interested to learn about this important topic. The screening begins at 7:30 p.m. at the St. John School of the Arts.

Saturday, January 19

— The Animal Care Center's Winter Gala will be hosted

ed on Saturday, January 19, at "L'autre Monde," Helen Simon's home Great Cruz Bay.

Monday, January 21

— The V.I. Audubon Society will be hosting a free movie night on the second floor of The Marketplace on Monday, January 21, at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, January 22

— All St. John 10th and 11th graders and their families are invited to join Director of College Counseling Meghan Duffy for a Junior Student/Parent Night at Giff Hill School on Tuesday, January 22, at 5:30 p.m. at the school's Upper Campus.

Sunday, January 27

Friends of Virgin Islands National Park will host its Annual Meeting on January 27 at the T'ree Lizards Restaurant in the Cinnamon Bay Campground from 2 to 4 p.m.

Saturday, February 16

— The Third Annual Broadway Comes to St. John — the St. John School of the Arts Fundraiser of an original musical featuring fourth graders from across St. John — will be Saturday, February 16, 2013.

Saturday, February 23

— The 9th Annual Friends of VINP Gala at Presidio del Mar in Estate Peter Bay on February 23.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

Alcoholics Anonymous meets as scheduled: Sundays, 9:45 a.m. at Hawksnest Bay Beach; Closed meetings for alcoholics only at Nazareth Lutheran Church in Cruz Bay at 6 p.m. on Tuesdays; Open meetings on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6 p.m. at Nazareth Lutheran Church; Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 6 p.m. at Moravian Church, Coral Bay.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

Narcotics Anonymous has open meetings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. every Saturday at St. Ursula's Church.

AL-ANON MEETINGS

For Al-Anon meeting location and times, please call (340) 642-3263

Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

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PLUS FOURS

ACROSS

- 1 Hank Williams' " — at the Moon"
- 7 Office tablets
- 15 Bichon — (dog breed)
- 20 Capital ESE of Istanbul
- 21 Added for good measure
- 22 Gillette razors
- 23 Barbershop group trying very hard?
- 25 Oreo's filling
- 26 Cher and Madonna, e.g.
- 27 "Tell — was dreaming!"
- 28 Actress Davis
- 29 Universal donor blood type, briefly
- 30 Google a synonym for "trembling"?
- 35 Musical sign
- 38 Nepali, e.g.
- 40 Uncle's mate
- 41 Employer of spies: Abbr.
- 42 "Rain Man" star is dormant in the summer?
- 47 Pt. of NCAA
- 48 Bozo
- 49 Tiny power source
- 50 Saddler's tool
- 51 Try to rip open
- 53 Ukraine city
- 55 "Kaboom!"
- 58 The Donald's first wife, after being canonized in Spain?
- 61 Church offshoots
- 62 Levi's fabric
- 64 Itty-bitty
- 65 Noted Deco artist
- 66 Part of a sentence

- written in script?
- 69 Carpet cleaners, in brief
- 73 Seasoned rice dish
- 75 Bible song
- 76 Singer with the 2009 #1 hit "Tik Tok"
- 77 Eve's jubilant cry after a hurricane hit Eden?
- 82 Chorus bit
- 83 Dog variety
- 84 Apia native
- 85 Gas suffix
- 87 Bygone ruler
- 89 Govt. rule
- 90 Flower part
- 91 Response to the aroma of good food?
- 97 Poetic "always"
- 98 Roman 2,002
- 99 Pro at transcription
- 100 Corrosive alkalis
- 101 Attorney specializing in petty cases?
- 105 Sitar player Shankar
- 108 Squirrel's bit
- 109 Ripper Ripken
- 110 Talk down to
- 114 Currently broadcasting
- 115 Yearnings to ride Ferris wheels, see sideshows, etc.?
- 119 Gymnast-like
- 120 Obsession
- 121 Fight against
- 122 Kel's TV pal
- 123 Depressed
- 124 Diffuse slowly

DOWN

- 1 Lockable fastener
- 2 Fooled by
- 3 Old TV's " — in Cincinnati"
- 4 Pink-slipped
- 5 "The Empire Strikes Back" director Kershner
- 6 Easily duped
- 7 Cosmo and GQ, e.g.
- 8 Atty.'s title
- 9 Egyptian — (cat breed)
- 10 Ardor for Bush's successor
- 11 Careful studier
- 12 Shenanigan
- 13 Payable now
- 14 Mach 2 jet
- 15 Come out of denial
- 16 Title for high eccl. officials
- 17 "Fame" star
- 18 Good — (helpful sort)
- 19 Suffix with Canton
- 24 1998 Olympics site
- 28 Rifle rack
- 30 Female sib
- 31 Enjoy dinner
- 32 Fez, for one
- 33 Doris Day's " — Sera, Sera"
- 34 Ukraine city
- 35 Opt
- 36 Dump truck filler
- 37 Outcome
- 39 USMC motto
- 43 Bulk
- 44 — loss
- 45 Cars called Bugs, e.g.
- 46 Pie — mode
- 47 Ex-admiral, say
- 52 " — for Evidence" (Grafton novel)
- 54 She's not a birth parent
- 56 Put- — (hoaxes)
- 57 Rival of PlayStation 3
- 59 Science journal language
- 60 Tenure

- 62 Two-part
- 63 Series VIP
- 66 Tribal group member
- 67 N.C. hours
- 68 Serious fight
- 70 In error
- 71 Tilsit or feta
- 72 GIs' drill leaders
- 74 "When — door ..."
- 76 "The King and I" co-star Deborah
- 77 Useful quality
- 78 Span between two calendar spots
- 79 Café — (where Ilsa says "Play it, Sam")
- 80 Rock guitar great Steve
- 81 Ltr. enclosure
- 83 Small pouch
- 86 Problem-free existence
- 88 Slept noisily
- 92 Feel lousy
- 93 Like Abner
- 94 GPS display
- 95 " — out!"
- 96 Snobbery
- 98 2006 Oscar winner Helen
- 102 "Presto!"
- 103 Owning much land
- 104 Declined
- 106 Old Olds
- 107 Clamps
- 110 Felt pity (for)
- 111 Threesome
- 112 Minus
- 113 90 degrees from sur
- 114 Bucket wood
- 115 " — for Cookie"
- 116 Toothpaste box abbr.
- 117 Coq au —
- 118 Hatchet, e.g.

Classifieds

Employment

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Program Manager

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Requirements: BS/BA in environmental studies or other relevant field; project management and office administration experience, ideally in a non-profit organization; experience with volunteers, strong computer skills; excellent written and oral communication ability, and a solid understanding of, and commitment to, conservation and environmental issues. We seek a creative, detail oriented, and enthusiastic team player.

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**DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND NATURAL
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PROPOSED ZONING MAP AMENDMENT TO
THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OFFICIAL DISTRICT
MAPS FOR ST. JOHN U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS**

**Marketplace, Cruz Bay
St. John
Tuesday, January 15, 2013**

Application

ZAJ-12-2: Daniel Kevin and Donna Mary Smith for Parcel No. 15C-10 Estate Rendezvous and Ditleff, No. 15 Cruz Bay Quarter, St. John from R-1 (*Residential-Low Density*) to R-2 (*Residential- Low Density- One and Two Family*). The purpose of this request is to consolidate with an R-2 zoned lot and create three new lots of record.

Files can be reviewed on St. Thomas at DPNR's Division of Comprehensive and Coastal Zone Planning, Cyril E. King Airport, Terminal Building Second Floor or on St. John at DPNR's Office (*in front of the Elaine Sprauve Public Library, Cruz Bay*) between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

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"Amorita" is a beautiful, all masonry home in upscale Chocolate Hole North with large pool deck, spa & southeast exposure to catch the tradewind breezes. Water views of Hart Bay and the South Shore and a short walk to the Westin Resort. Features include mahogany trim, hand painted bathroom sinks, stone arches and vaulted cypress ceilings, screened gallery, fruit trees, and deeded beach access. **\$815,000.**

"Samba Azul"- an exquisite new rental villa with sunset views overlooking Chocolate Hole bay & beyond to St. Thomas with 2 spacious, air conditioned bedrooms each with its own Jacuzzi tub and private deck. The great room has a well-equipped gourmet kitchen, granite counters & a large living area that opens to an outdoor, covered dining area. Exceptional craftsmanship throughout this unique home. **\$1,495**

"Surfside" - This is a rare chance to own a home in the exclusive Reef Bay enclave. Surfside is a beautifully appointed Mediterranean style three bedroom, three bath pool villa situated on the edge of undeveloped park land with fabulous ocean views and breezes. Stroll via pathway to secluded white sand beach from this oversized lot. Very successful rental home with plans for another 2x2 villa with separate entrance. Price reduced to **\$1,495,000**

"St. John Livin" - Enjoy the fabulous views and the St. John lifestyle in this furnished villa built in 2006. Big views of Coral Harbor, BVI, and the Caribbean Sea, a paved driveway with easy access, underground utilities, photovoltaic solar system, bamboo floors, over 700ft. of trex decking, and room for a garden. Successful short term rental! Buyer to honor current reservations and some owner financing possible. This picture perfect home is your next right choice. **\$649,000**

"Reef Bay Waterfront" -1.32 acre lot adjoining national park with 270 feet of shore front on pristine Reef Bay. Easterly trade winds, a vest pocket beach & sweeping views to St. Croix and St. John's undeveloped south shore. With park land on the south this parcel affords a privacy seldom found in a waterfront property. A short drive to Cruz Bay. If you love stargazing this is the perfect property as there is no light from other homes to interfere. **\$2,499M.**

"Splendore" - Sculptured high on a magnificent bluff overlooking the Caribbean Sea the architectural design of this elegant residence combines Antillean style with European charm. Completely screened & connected by breezeways, 2 private bedroom suites sit on either side of a large great room that opens onto expansive porches with pool & a spa. A 2nd story loft office doubles as a 3rd bedroom. Located in the well established neighborhood of Great Cruz Bay. **\$1,695**

"Milkmoon Cottage" - Breathtaking views, privacy, tranquility and cooling breezes make this charming 2 bedroom home in Privateer Bay Estates very special. Large masonry pool, native stone work, tasteful furnishings and tropical landscaping. Excellent vacation rental potential. Paved roads and underground utilities. Views to the British Virgins from Tortola to Virgin Gorda and Norman Island. Ownership includes access to 2 deeded beach parcels and use of the Newfound Cottages. Recently renovated. **\$995,000**

"Cruz Views Condos" - feature beautiful water views to St. Thomas, gorgeous sunsets, lush landscaping and walking distance to town. 2 units located near pool & sundeck are air-conditioned corner units for privacy. Popular short term rentals. New flat screen TVs & Internet access. Cruz Views has undergone many improvements including new stairs, decks, parking and landscaping. **\$445,000 and \$549,000**

DEVELOPMENT/COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES: Hansen Bay 7A is an 18 acre parcel with studies done and a 15 lot sub division permit. All lots have water views and breezes and 4 lots are on the flat top of a ridge with almost 360 degree views. Reduced from **\$3.18M to \$2.49M**; **Estate Zootenvaal** 20 acres over looking the marine preserve at Bork Creek and Hurricane Hole just east of Coral Bay **\$7M**; **Group Dwelling permit for 6 apartments** and a driveway permit have been issued for this 0.9 acre lot in Estate Rendezvous & Ditleff. With sunset and water views to St Thomas from this gently sloping lot, this is a perfect parcel for development or for a single family home with lots of privacy. **\$499,000, Rendezvous Bay Waterfront** at Boatman Point - **\$730,000.**

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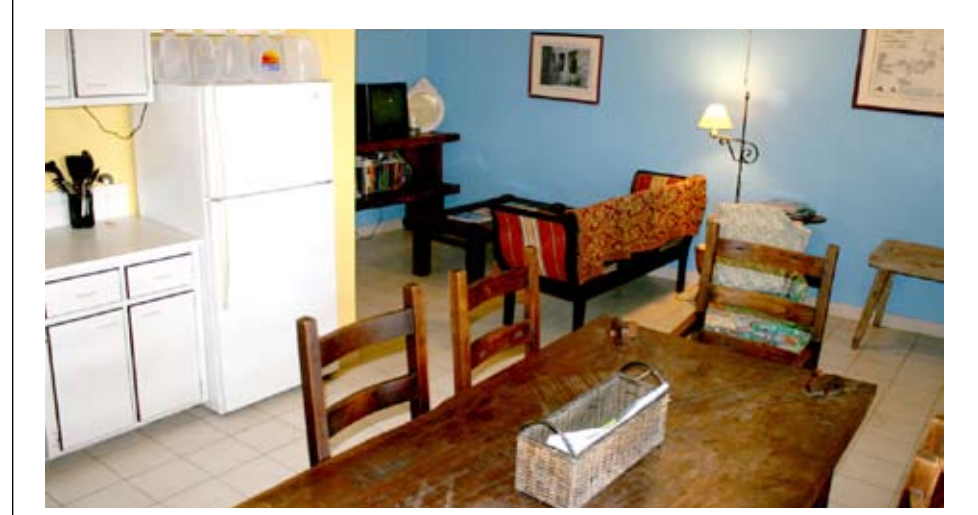
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EPA Launches Caribbean Coral Reef Protection Group

Public Listening Session on St. Thomas February 25

St. John Tradewinds

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency last week announced that it has formed an inter-agency effort to protect coral reefs off the shores of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The Caribbean Coral Reef Protection Group, which will consist of the EPA and other government agencies, will coordinate efforts to protect coral reefs. This will ensure that resources are used wisely and work from one agency complements the work of another.

"The coral reefs of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands are renowned for their beauty, and their ecological and economic value," said EPA Regional Administrator Judith Enck. "Unfortunately, these treasures are being destroyed. By working with our fellow governmental agencies, the EPA will help make sure coral reefs continue to contribute to the region's economy and ecology for generations to come."

Coral reef ecosystems throughout the Caribbean are being damaged by a growing number of problems such as overfishing, sediment runoff, pollution, disease and



Officials recently formed an inter-agency effort in order to help protect the health of local waters and avoid the once common run-off events.

climate change, which causes the water to become warmer and more acidic. By implementing measures to reduce those stresses that can be controlled locally, coral health can be improved and reefs can become more resilient.

The Caribbean Coral Reef Protection

Group, led by EPA Region 2, will facilitate a closer working relationship among its member agencies to coordinate more effective government strategies in protecting coral reefs.

On February 25, the Caribbean Coral Reef Protection Group will be hosting a

public "listening session" on St. Thomas.

Representatives from the EPA and the Coral Reef Protection Group's other member agencies will be in attendance to hear the discussions and concerns of community groups and citizens regarding the state of coral reefs throughout Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Details of the meeting, which is open to the public, will be announced in February.

In addition to the EPA, the Caribbean Coral Reef Protection Group includes the following governmental agencies: V.I. Department of Planning and Natural Resources, Puerto Rico Environmental Quality Board, Puerto Rico Department of Natural and Environmental Resources, National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration Coral Reef Conservation Program, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service, National Park Service, and U.S. Geological Survey.

To sign up to speak at the February 25 listening session, or for more information, contact Charles LoBue at (212) 637-3798 or lobue.charles@epa.gov.

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MLS 11-67
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MLS 09-271
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"VILLA KALORAMA" Panoramic views from classic modern 5 bdm, 4.5 bth rental villa in Virgin Grand Estates features native stone, ipe hardwoods, glass walls & a secure property. Dramatic great room opens onto 40 foot pool and large verandas for spectacular indoor-outdoor living.

MLS 11-340
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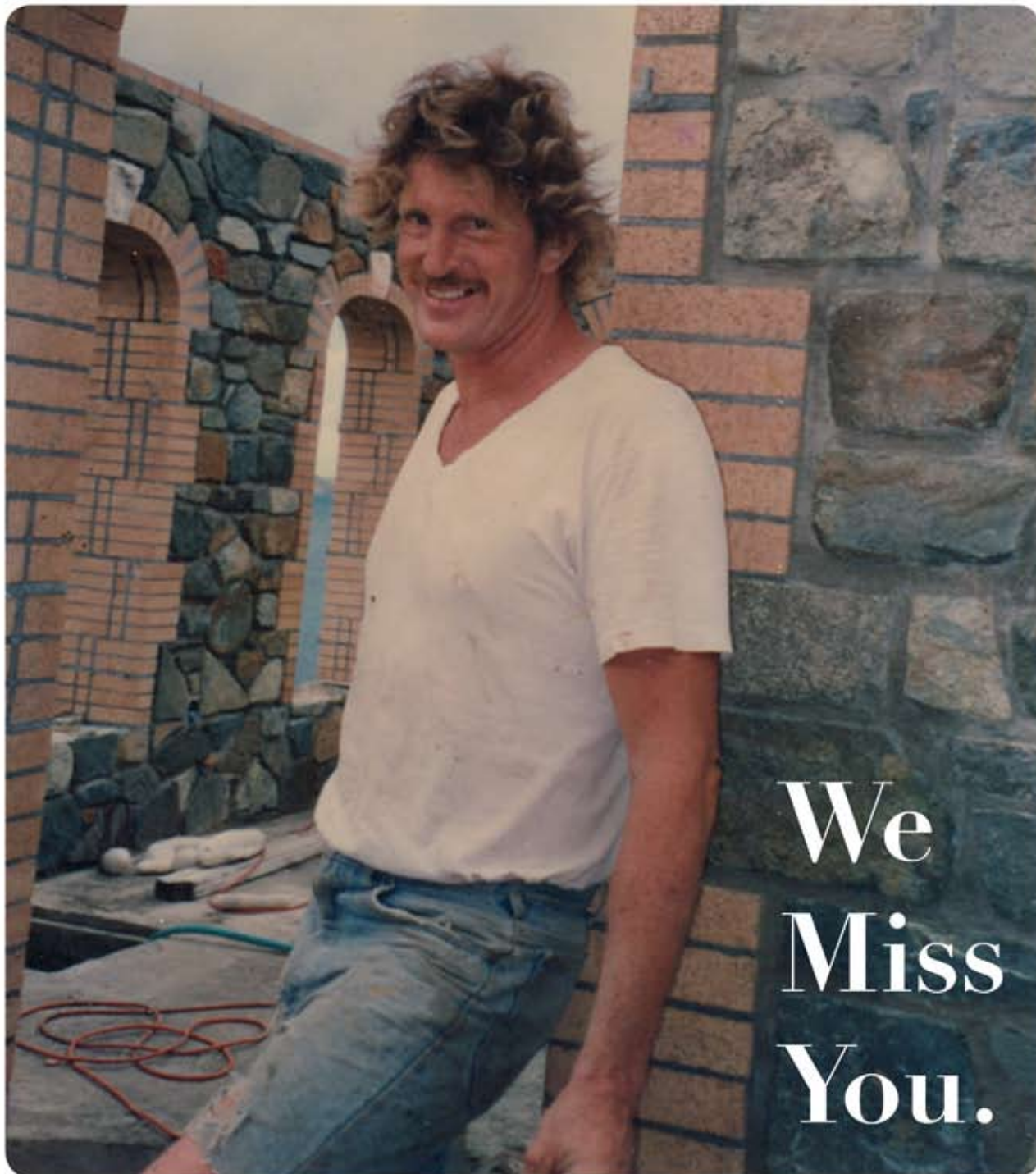
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EMMAUS	hillside \$85,000	SAUNDERS GUT	hillside & WATERFRONT from \$179,000	VIRGIN GRAND ESTATES	from \$295,000
CAROLINA	from \$115,000	CHOCOLATE HOLE	from \$180,000	CONCORDIA	from \$335,000
FISH BAY	from \$153,000	GLUCKSBERG	\$245,000	CALABASH BOOM	hillside \$475,000
				UPPER MONTE BAY/RENDEZVOUS	from \$799,000
				PETER BAY/NORTHSHORE	from \$1,800,000
				WESTIN TIMESHARES	from \$500 per week
				ONE MONTH FRACTIONALS	from \$54,000

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