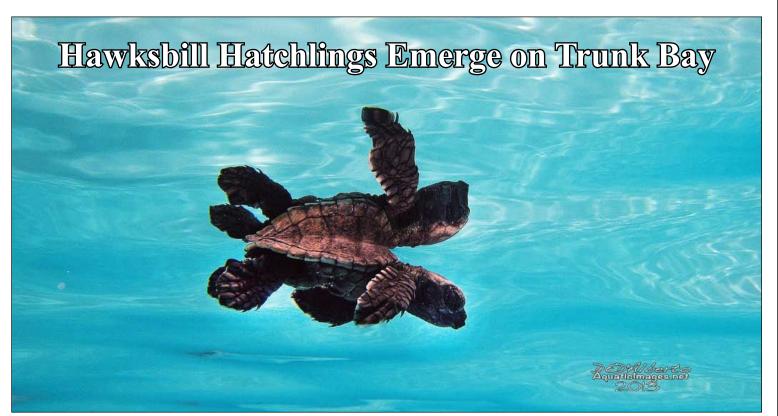
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Amid the swimmers and snorkelers on Thursday morning, April 4, several Hawksbill sea turtle hatchlings, each about three inches long, made their way out to sea. The endangered sea turtles normally hatch after dark, but can be fooled by a rain shower to emerge from their nest, explained former V.I. National Park Chief of Resource Management Rafe Boulon.

"Their cue is sand temperature and if it drops due to rain it can trigger the emergence," Boulon said. "Obviously, they can suffer much higher mortality during the day as they are more visible to birds and fish. This nest must have gotten the wrong cue."

These hatchlings may have actually hatched from their eggs a day or two earlier and were waiting just below the sand surface for the temperature cue, Boulon explained.



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After an outcry last year when the V.I. National Park first unveiled the blinking billboard sign near the maintenance area in Cruz Bay, park officials removed the sign. The unpopular flashing sign, however, was spotted again recently warning residents of the North Shore Road speed limit, high surf conditions and more.

CBCC Hosting AIA Sustainable Design Workshop May 29 and 31

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Coral Bay Community Council is hosting an American Institute of Architects (AIA) Sustainable Design Workshop focused on community visioning Wednesday, May 29, to Friday, May 31.

The workshop will offer public meetings on the evenings of May 29 and May 31 as well as smaller group special purpose meetings during the days. The

meeting times and places will be announced.

All residents and property owners in Coral Bay are encouraged to participate in these community visioning sessions. Please mark those calendars. More information will be available soon. Volunteers are being sought to assist with the logistics.

Anyone who would like to help with the workshop should call CBCC at 776-2099.

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SJHS Wraps Up 2012-2013 Season; Potluck at Cruz Bay Battery on April 9

The St. John Historical Society will wrap up its 2012-2013 season with a potluck gathering at the Cruz Bay Battery on Tuesday, April 9, at 6 p.m. Noted Virgin Islands historian George F. Tyson will present his thoughts on the anniversary of Transfer Day, March 31, with his presentation "The Failed Transfer of 1899-1902 and its Consequences for 1917 and Beyond."

Please bring a dish to share. All are welcome to attend this fun social event set at a very special historic site on St. John. Note that the time and location are different than regular in-season membership meetings. For more information on the SJHS, visit www. stjohnhistoricalsociety.org, or like the organization's Facebook page.

Marine Uses Planning Meeting April 9

The Coral Bay Community Council will host the fifth Coral Bay Marine Uses Planning Meeting on Tuesday, April 9, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Guy Benjamin Elementary School in room six.

The goal is to develop a community-based Marine Uses Plan for Coral Bay's waters and shoreline, over the next several months.

The meeting agenda includes a review of information to be included in the written plan document. The group is focusing on four areas: near term public boating access issues - 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 CBCC. Everyone in Coral Bay is encouraged to participate. Currently, CBCC has no grant funds to underwrite this marine planning project — volunteers, dues and donations support it.

For more information contact CBCC at 776-2099.

Next St. John Farmer's Market April 13

The next St. John Farmers' Market will be on Saturday, April 1, near the entrance to the second level of The Marketplace from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fresh fruit, herbs, plants, preserves, hot sauces, books, crafts and more are available. The market is hosted the second Saturday of every month.

St. John Singers To Present Spring Concerts on April 19 and 21

The St. John Singers will present two concerts to celebrate the spring season, one on St. John and one on St. Thomas.

The St. John Concert will be at the Emmaus Moravian Church in Coral Bay on Friday evening, April 19, at 7:30 p.m.

The St. Thomas Concert will be at the Wesley Methodist Church in Estate Tutu on Sunday afternoon, April 21, at 4 p.m.

The performances will feature choral music representing a variety of genres, including classical and contemporary sacred music, spirituals, popular standards, Early American music and a traditional Zambian piece

Guest instrumentalists will accompany the choir on trumpet, double bass, and percussion. The featured guest vocalist is Dr. Lawrence Benjamin.



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St. John residents, right, join JFLI officials in celebrating the institute's 17th anniversary on Saturday afternoon, April 6. St. John Montessori School students along with artistan Ital Anthony, above, peform for event goers during the ceremony.



Residents Young and Old Celebrate 17 Years of John's Folly Learning Institute

"This is not just a field trip, this is something specific to St. John. In 1733, there was a revolution here and those people, we call them St. Johnians, but they were from Ghana. Eighty percent of the medicinal plants we have here are from there."

> Alivis Christian Jr., Summer Program Executive Director John's Folly Learning Institute

By Jaime Elliott St. John Tradewinds

Residents old and young, including some of the territory's top brass, gathered on the grounds of the John's Folly Learning Institute on Saturday afternoon, April 6, to celebrate 17 years of education on

the island's remote south shore.

Invited guests included V.I. Senate Majority Leader Donald Cole, V.I. Field Officer for the Department of Interior and former V.I. Senator Basil Ottley and V.I. National Park Superintendent Robert FitzGerald along with St.

John senior citizens, JFLI and St. John Montessori School students.

Guests took their seats in the shade of several tents while Carl Freeman played steel pan on the site of the former Horace Mann School, which educated south shore children on St. John until the early 1960s. The building was then used by the V.I. National Guard and Peace Corps until it fell into disrepair in the early 1970s.

When JFLI Founder and Director Alvis Christian decided to reclaim the site and create a learning institute in 1996, the building was little more than an animal shed. Seventeen years later, JFLI officials continue to provide summer camp opportunities and more while the thriving St. John Montessori School occupies the building during the school year.

The VI Senate will continue to support JFLI's financial needs, Cole told the crowd.

"I remember working in the legislature when Alvis came to us 17 years ago to get funding to open this institute," said Cole. "His dedication to the children, the culture

and the island of St. John is strong. We are going to support funding for JFLI and we look forward to another 17 years."

Master of ceremonies Amos Carty reminded Cole that St. Johnians will not forget his Continued on Page 16

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at Trunk Bay

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MARCH AVERAGE

1.76 Inches

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New York Empire Trio Performing April 12

New York Empire Trio will be performing at St. John School of the Arts on Friday, April 12, at 8 p.m.

This classical trio — back again by popular demand — adds individual artistry, bringing their sound to a whole new level in both favorite classical pieces and obscure, less known pieces.

Tickets are \$30. Please make a reservation today by calling 779-4322 or www.stjohnschoolofthearts.org.

New York Empire Trio will also offer a free master class on Saturday, April 13, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Everyone from beginners to advanced players, both young and old are welcome!

Seniors Learn About Poison Control Center at AARP Meeting

By Jaime Elliott St. John Tradewinds

About 25 senior citizens learned about the most common types of poison exposure, how to avoid them and more at a meeting hosted by the St. John Chapter of AARP on Thursday morning, April 4, at St. Ursula's Multipurpose Center.

Children under six years old are the most likely to be victims of poison exposure, explained Phyllis Bell-Davis, media relations and education associate with the Florida/USVI Poison Information Center in Jacksonville, Florida.

"The number one victim of poison exposure is a child under six years old," said Bell-Davis. "The senior population is quickly coming up to that as well."

There are Poison Information Centers across the country and three alone in the state of Florida. The Jacksonville center runs a hotline at 1-800-222-1222, which is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, all year long.

The center services 42 counties in the state of Florida as well as the USVI, which covers about 6 million people. The center received a total of 233 calls from the USVI last year, 11 of which came from St. John residents, according to Bell-Davis.

"Do you think there were only 11 incidents of poison exposure on St. John last year," she said. "That seems unlikely, so we're trying to



St. John Tradewinds News Photos by Jaime Elliott

Phyllis Bell-Davis, standing, shared information about the Florida/USVI Poison Information Center with seniors at St. Ursula's Multipurpose Center.

get the word out about the hotline. Call us."

Any resident who suspects they have been exposed to poison should call the hotline immediately, before even going to an emergency room, Bell-Davis explained.

"Call us first with your poison emergency," she said. "Your call is not answered by a machine or a secretary; we have certified specialists, registered nurses and physicians who answer the phone. It's just like going to a doctor over the phone, but we don't charge anything."

Often poison exposure can be treated at home, saving residents the time and effort of traveling to the emergency room, Bell-Davis added.

"We save you time and we save

you money," she said. "Across the United States last year, the Poison Control system saved \$1.8 billion in health care costs. Seventy percent of the calls we receive from people at home, can be monitored and treated at home."

"Keeping patients at home also allows EMS to be available for those in real need," said Bell-DaThe call to the Poison Center will be answered by someone who can help, Bell-Davis explained.

"When you call you will talk to a pharmacist, physician, registered nurse or certified consultant," she said. "The person will determine the severity of the incident and either recommend treatment at home or they'll call ahead to the medical center and tell them you are coming and what you ingested."

To avoid poison exposure for young children, seniors should be sure to keep their medications out of sight, Bell-Davis explained.

"We're asking seniors to put their medication out of sight when kids come to visit," said the Poison Control Education Associate. "Medicine can look like candy and you never know what kids are going to do."

With many seniors on different medications, poison among the elderly is all too common, Bell-Davis added.

"Poison is the seventh leading cause of death for seniors and that number is rising," she said. "A total of 70,000 seniors across the US are poisoned each year; enough to fill a football stadium. The most common poisoning exposure is from medication mistakes."

Bell-Davis also shared tips for seniors to avoid exposure to poison including reading all labels, putting on eyeglasses and turning

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Columbus School for Girls Coming Back To Teach Computers at JESS

Public asked to drop off old XO laptops

By Jaime Elliott St. John Tradewinds

For the fourth year in a row, a group from the Columbus School for Girls in Columbus, Ohio, will be spending a week teaching computer lessons at Julius E. Sprauve School, and they need the public's help.

Working with the One Laptop Per Child organization, CSG teacher Christine Murakami will bring down six sophomores and juniors in her OLPC learning course. The students will distribute 40 XO laptops to JESS students and teach the students how to use them, Murakami explained.

"We'll be distributing about 40 laptops to the younger kids and we'll teach them EToys computer language," she said. "The program is very creative; you make everything from scratch so the kids really will gain a lot."

Older students at JESS will have the opportunity to learn computer repair by working on broken XO laptops, and that is where the public can help, Murakami explained.

"Last year a lot of kids mentioned that they had laptops at home that weren't being used or weren't working," said the CGS teacher. "We'd love to have parents or kids or anyone with an old XO laptop that they aren't using or that isn't working to bring them to JESS so we can work on them."

The CGS students will use the broken XO laptops to teach older

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- Christine Murakami, CSG teacher

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Residents can have their repaired XO laptops returned or donate the machines to the OLPC program.

Over the past several years, Murakami has seen the OLPC teaching program impact both her students and St. John students, she explained.

"There are a lot of things that I like about the program," said Murakami. "I like the changes that I see in my students; they feel like they are contributing stuff to the

world. I also see changes in the JESS students who really like learning from our group."

"The older students saw computer science as a viable career choice for them to not have to leave the island," Murakami said.

The CGS group will be on St. John May 19 through June 1. The group will stay at Cinnamon Bay during their trip and spend their weekdays at JESS teaching computer science and computer repair. The CGS students will also keep a blog, at www.csgolpc2013.weebly. com, which will share details of their trip.

Anyone with an XO laptop which is not working or not being used, should drop it off at the JESS main office before May 19.

"We keep bringing more and more laptops down there and they kind of disappear," said Murakami. "This year we'd like them to reappear and get them back into use."





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Friends of VINP Scholarship Available

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Friends of V.I. National Park's annual Scholarship Program is again being offered to Virgin Islanders at the university level studying in fields related to marine biology or natural resource management and protection.

Eligible students must have Virgin Islands residence, have completed high school in the Virgin Islands (or are currently in their last semester of high school senior year), and have attained a B (3.0) average during their previous three semesters of high school or university.

In addition, Friends is offering a scholarship for

children of VINP staff at the university level. Eligibility requirements are the same as those listed above. Priority will be given to students pursuing a degree related to cultural or natural sciences. Both scholarships will be in the amount of \$1,000 per academic year.

Applications for Friends' scholarships can be obtained from the organization's office or from all high school guidance councilors. The deadline for applications is May 3.

Contact Karen Jarvis at Friends for more information at (340)779-4940 or kjarvis@friendsvinp. org.

"We always need donations. We are completely non-profit so everything we get goes directly to the general fund to keep the shelter open. People here and in the states can also send care packages of treats, toys, medications, anything is appreciated."

- Ryan Moore, Animal Care Center Shelter Manager

Ryan Moore Is New ACC Shelter Manager

By Jaime Elliott St. John Tradewinds

As the new shelter manager for the Animal Care Center of St. John, Ryan Moore is overseeing the care of 13 dogs and about 30 cats in the organization's Estate Enighed no kill shelter, as well as organizing adoptions and volunteer help and more

Having already worked for the ACC for more than a year, however, Moore knew exactly what he was signing up for, he explained.

"I've always loved animals and I started working here part time walking dogs and cleaning kennels in December 2011," said Moore. "Then I started working full time as a kennel tech and helping out [former shelter manager] Kate [Webster] with whatever she needed."

Originally from Connecticut, Moore previously worked at the Mystic Seaport Museum and at kennels in his home state. He first applied for the ACC shelter manager position a year and a half ago when the group decided to hire Kate Webster.

When Webster recently returned to Buffalo, New York, Moore applied for the job once again, he explained.

"I applied for the job before and then told them that I still wanted the job when Kate was leaving," said Moore. "I started right away and it went pretty smoothly."

In addition to intimate knowledge of the shelter operations, Moore brings a love for animals and years of experience working with animals to the shelter manager post.

Moore's favorite part of the job, however, is finding new homes for the shelter resident animals.

"I love dealing with the animals," said Moore. "But my favorite part of this job is actually find-



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Jaime Elliott

Ryan Moore, above, is excited to build new bridges between the ACC and the community as the group's new shelter manager.

ing homes for the animals. Many of these animals come from pretty crappy backgrounds."

Moore is offering free pet registration for the entire month of April. While registering pets is required by law in the Virgin Islands, not many pet owners actually comply. The process only takes a few minutes and usually costs \$10.

Anytime during April, however, residents can stop by the ACC shelter and register their pets for free, Moore explained.

"You just have to fill out a quick form and you'll get a tag with an identification number which you put on your pet's collar," he said.

Registering pets also allows ACC officials to identify a dog which is brought to the shelter, which has already occurred, Moore added.

"It's already worked this week," he said. "We had someone whose dog got loose and someone brought it to us. The owner came by to get his pet and registered the dog and then this next week the dog got loose again."

"Since the dog was registered, we were able to identify the owner and get in touch with him right away," said Moore.

The ACC's new shelter manager is also trying to help the organization develop more partnerships with the community, he explained.

"I'm trying to broaden our hori-Continued on Page 16

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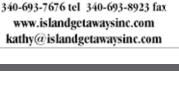




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SJFS Screening "Jean-Michel **Basquiat: The Radiant Child"** April 17 at Cases by the Sea

St. John Film Society will screen "Jean-Michel Basquiat: The Radiant Child," on Wednesday, April 17, at 7:30 p.m. at Cases by the Sea in Coral Bay.

There is a suggested donation of \$5 for the movie and food and drinks will be on sale

The documentary tells the story of the painter Jean-Michel Basquiat who grew up in Puerto Rico before emerging on the Brooklyn streets in 1970s as a locally acclaimed graffiti artist.

Farewell Party for Veterinarian Dr. Jan Perkins Fielding Is April 18 at Skinny Legs

By Jaime Elliott St. John Tradewinds

Since she moved to St. John more than a decade ago, Dr. Jan Perkins Fielding has been tirelessly helping the island's four legged friends.

Whether from her Mobile Vet van, at her own home or making house calls, Dr. Fielding would respond to any animal need, large or small, for any ani-

Later this month Fielding and her husband are returning to live in the states and friends and fans on St. John want to make sure the veterinarian knows just how much she is loved.

The public is invited to Fielding's leaving island party on Thursday, April 18, from 4 to 7 p.m. at Skinny Legs in Coral Bay.

The event, which is intended as a thank you to Fielding for the all that she has done and to wish her all the best in her future endeavors, will feature live music, story-telling and community.

"For more than 10 years, island residents have known they could call Dr. Jan day or night to help an animal in need," said Paula Myles, who is helping to organize the soiree. "Dog or cat, donkey or deer, turtle or bird, everyone had the same loving care from Dr. Jan who gladly made house-calls or saw patients in her Mobile Vet van, sometimes at no charge or at an adjusted rate."

Anyone with good pictures of Fielding or the critters who have loved her, are asked to email JPeg images to Judy Buchholz at judybuchholz@me.com, or

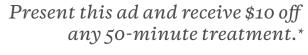


Dr. Jan Perkins Fielding cuddles Blake the deer, just one of the many animals she has tended to on St. John over the past 10 years.

leave actual photos at Keep Me Posted or at Connections in Coral Bay or Cruz Bay by Tuesday, April. 16.

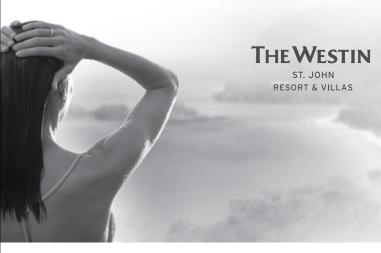
Thank-you notes and cards from Fielding's many animal friends, past and present, may also be left at the mail sites or taken to the party to be presented and displayed.

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As residents gear up for the 10th Annual Beach-to-Beach Power Swim on May 26, Friends of VINP officials are hosting a series of practice swims starting on Sunday, April 14

Friends of VINP Practice Swims Set To Gear Up for Beach-to-Beach Power Swim

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Friends of VI National Park officials last week announced a series of practice swims to help participants prepare for the upcoming 10th annual Beach-to-Beach Power Swim which will be on Sunday, May 26.

The first practice swim will be on Sunday, April 14, and will be from Maho Bay to Cinnamon Bay, a distance of about one mile. There next practice swim will be on Sunday, April 28, from Maho Bay to either Cinnamon Bay or Trunk Bay, a distance of about two and one quarter miles.

The final practice swim will be on Sunday, May 12, from Maho Bay to either Cinnamon Bay, Trunk Bay or Hawksnest Bay, a distance of about three and one half miles.

All practice swims will start at 8:30 a.m.

at the northern end of Maho Bay beach, near the dinghy channel. Swimmers should arrive by 8:15 a.m. for sign up and a briefing. Kayaks, stand-up paddlers, a dinghy and a VINP patrol boat will accompany swimmers for their safety.

Swimming Sponsorships Available

Have a favorite swimmer? Sponsor them! Or just donate to help the event.

The entire community can get involved to support VINP by visiting Friends' Race for a Reason website at www.active.com/donate/B2B2013.

The website is secure, fast and easy to use. Supporters will be able to choose an amount to donate or a swimmer to sponsor, and both will receive email confirmation of the donation. Swimmers who have already

registered can go to the site to create a web page, add photos, post updates and invite friends.

It is just over seven weeks to the 10th annual Beach-to-Beach Power Swim on Sunday, May 26, in the beautiful protected waters of VINP. For full information about the swim please visit www.friendsvinp.org/swim

Friends of VINP reminds potential participants that early registration runs until Friday, May 3. So save a few bucks and register now. Early registration for adults is \$40 and general registration, which starts on May 4, is \$50. For youths, ages 17 and below, both early and general registration is \$25.

For this year, registration will be limited to 300 swimmers and there will be absolute-

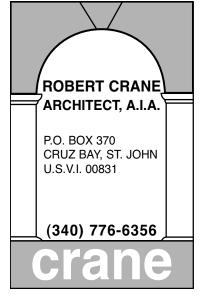
ly no registrations on the day of the event.

To register go to www.friendsvinp.org/swim. Once registered, go to www.active.com/donate/B2B2013 to set up a web page and be sponsored or invite others.

Residents can also register in person at the Friends of the Park store in Mongoose Junction, or Connections in both Coral Bay and Cruz Bay. On St. Thomas register for the swim at Caribbean Surf Company in Red Hook or Havensight.

Anyone who is not up to swimming a mile, or more, should consider volunteering for the event and be a safety kayaker or help on one of the beaches. For more information about the practice swims, sponsorhip or volunteering, call (340) 779-4940 or email swim@friendsvinp.org.





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Chef Anderson Allen of La Plancha del Mar Named to "Best Chefs America"

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Chef Anderson Allen of La Plancha del Mar restaurant has been honored as one of the country's top culinary talents in the inaugural edition of "Best Chefs America."

This is the first-ever peer review guide of U.S. chefs, who were chosen after extensive interviews between their fellow chefs and "Best Chefs America" analysts. Chef Anderson is among the chefs showcased in the informative and exquisitely produced 386-page coffee table book which was released on March 1.

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Chef Anderson Allen outside La Plancha del Mar in Mongoose Junction.

the country.

The interviews consisted of a series of proprietary questions, and software was used to aggregate the data. Chefs earning the highest scores among their peers in their region were included in the guide. The results were compiled into a 386-page coffee table book, complete with chef listings broken

down both geographically and alphabetically.

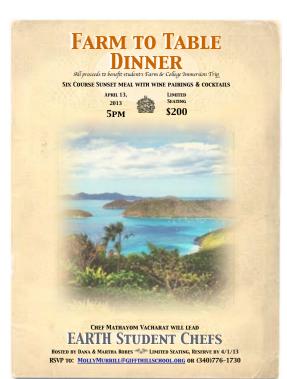
"Best Chefs America" also features stunning photography and highlights emerging culinary trends and ingredients uncovered during the interviews. The book costs \$75 and can be purchased online at http://bestchefsamerica.com/book/







GHS EARTH Farm to Table Dinner April 13



By Jaime Elliott St. John Tradewinds

Don't miss the chance to enjoy a six course dinner with wine pairings while supporting the Gifft Hill School's Education and Resiliency Through Horticulture program on Saturday, April 13, at 5 p.m. at the home of Dana and Martha Robes.

The Farm to Table dinner will highlight local produce and more used in imaginative and creative ways.

The menu is being designed by the students under the guidance of Chef Mathayom Vacharat of St. John Catering and Mathayom Private Chefs.

Vacharat is working with the GHS EARTH students to create recipes using locally sourced produce, meats and seafood. The courses will be paired with wines supplied by Dionysis. Seating is limited to 40 people.

The dinner costs \$200 per person with the proceeds going to support the EARTH program students' upcoming college immersion trip to Iowa.

For more information or to RSVP, call 776-1730 or email mollymurrill@giffthillschool.org.

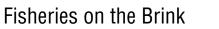






Many of the world's fisheries are in crisis today due to years of overfishing, pollution and habitat destruction. Some of the most popular fish including cod, pictured here, snapper and tuna, are dangerously depleted yet continue to be overfished, according to the Natural Resources Defense Council.





Dear EarthTalk:

I understand that many of the world's fisheries are on the brink of collapse, "fished out," to put it bluntly. How did this happen and what is being done about it?

> Mariel LaPlante New Orleans, LA

Many of the world's fisheries are indeed in crisis today due to years of overfishing, pollution and habitat destruction.

At total of 57 percent of global fish populations are "fully exploited" and another 30 percent are "over-exploited or collapsed," according to the United Nations' Food and Agriculture Organization.

This leaves just 13 percent in the "non-fully-exploited" category, down from 40 percent less than four decades ago.

The non-profit Natural Resources Defense Council reports that many of the most popular fish, such as cod, snapper and tuna, are dangerously depleted yet continue to be overfished.

Fishing operations have only been able to satisfy rising demand for fish and shellfish in recent decades by using increasingly high-tech strategies like onvessel refrigeration and processing, spotter planes and GPS satellites.

"Industrial fishing fleets initially targeted the northern hemisphere's coastal fish stocks, but then as stocks were depleted, they expanded progressively southward on average close to one degree of latitude annually since 1950," said Matthew Roney of the non-profit Earth Policy Institute.

"The escalating pursuit of fish...has had heavy ecological consequences, including the alteration of marine food webs via a massive reduction in the populations of larger, longer-lived predatory fish such as

tunas, cods and marlins," said Roney.

In addition, sophisticated fishing techniques aimed at maximizing catches, such as longlines and bottomscraping trawls, kill large numbers of non-target species such as sea turtles, sharks and coral, he added

Roney is optimistic despite the trends.

"In several well-studied regional systems, multiple fisheries have bounced back from collapse after adopting a combination of management measures," he said. "These include restricting gear types, lowering the total allowable catch, dividing shares of the catch among fishers, and designating marine protected."

Roney cited an example of Kenyan communities removing beach seine nets and creating "no-take" zones leading to an increase in total fish, fish sizes and fishing income. And no-take reserves established around parts of Australia's Great Barrier Reef led to a doubling of fish stocks and size within the boundaries of protected areas and larger populations throughout the region.

"It's not too late to get our fishing practices back on track," according to NRDC. "Using smart laws, policies, incentives, and market demand, we can help sustain fish populations at healthy levels for years to come."

The decisions of policymakers play the key role in marine protection, but individual choices and consumer advocacy also make a difference.

"We can all support sustainable fishing by wisely choosing which fish to eat, spreading the word to friends and family, and contacting our lawmakers to make sure they support responsible policies," reported NRDC.

Consumers can learn which fish are okay to buy by consulting with the Monterey Bay Aquarium's Seafood Watch program, available for free at www. montereybayaquarium.org/cr/seafoodwatch.aspx.





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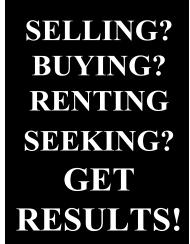






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Kenny Chesney Launches Blue Chair Bay Rum

St. John Tradewinds

When Kenny Chesney decided it was time to find the rum he'd always wanted to drink, he didn't approach the various distillers who'd offered him lucrative deals to lend his name and likeness to a brand created for him.

No, the man who oversees every aspect of giant stadium productions and listens to myriad songs beyond what he writes for his albums, decided he wanted to do it himself.

So with a handful of dedicated professionals, Chesney began thinking, then researching, then seeing if it was possible. For a young man who didn't dream of rocking football stadiums, but for whom the University of Tennessee's Neyland Stadium was holy ground, the impossible never seemed to be something out of reach.

"Everybody's always expected this from me," said Chesney. "There have been people who've approached us, stories that have gone around over the years. But rum is what I drink, and I always told myself; if I was going to do this, I wanted to create something I could be really proud of."

"Not just take a check and a piece of a company, but make the rum I truly wanted to drink," he said.

When a team of unique individuals collected around the singer, the four-time Academy of Country Music and four-time Country Music Association Entertainer of the Year decided it was worth looking into

Next thing he knew, he was in Barbados with master blender Mike Booth at one of the Caribbean's oldest rum distilleries tasting various notes and striving to create a rum that stood out.

It was not an overnight process, but they kept tasting and tweaking. Before they were done, Chesney had not only a Coconut flavored rum, but a Coconut Spiced and a premium White Rum that's already received an impressive score of 90 from the prestigious The Ultimate Spirits Challenge, unheard of for a pre-launch spirit.

"Anyone who knows me knows I've drunk a lot of rum in a lot of places," Chesney said. "And the more you drink, the more you know what you wish you could have. I finally decided there was no reason not to."

"I'd met some incredible business people who think outside the box like I always have; they also believe in realizing impossible dreams," he said. "All I had to do was decide once we started tasting what that flavor that truly felt like the end of the day in the islands was."

Though Blue Chair Bay Rum won't be available until May, a few select people in the beverage industry – and some key people along the road – will be among the first to sample what has been Chesney's focus for the last year.

"You know me, when I get my heart set on doing something, I will give it my complete attention," said Chesney. "I didn't know I was building a company or making a rum until I was waist deep, but I'm glad we did. I think anyone who enjoys rum is gonna love this."



ISLAND GREEN LIVING

by Lovango Cay resident Dan Boyd

Sun Dream Solar System

St. John Tradewinds

A new type of solar hot water collector called the SunDrum installs right under your photovoltaic (PV) solar panels.

These units capture the heat emitted through your PV panel and turn that heat into hot water. Not only does this system deliver hot water from heat wasted by the PV solar panel, it also helps cool your PV panels, allowing them to work more efficiently.

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credit for 30 percent of solar equipment costs, and the Modified Accelerated Cost-Recovery System allows businesses to recover investment in solar technology through accelerated depreciation schedules.

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A typical solar system would reduce your carbon footprint by more than 2 tons of carbon dioxide per year, but a hybrid system such as SunDrum's would lower it by three times as much — a significant positive impact on the environment.

I was so impressed by this technology that my company, Island Solar, is now the authorized dealer for this system in the Virgin Islands. SunDrum has some YouTube videos that demonstrate this striking new technology; check them out online.

For a greener tomorrow!

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

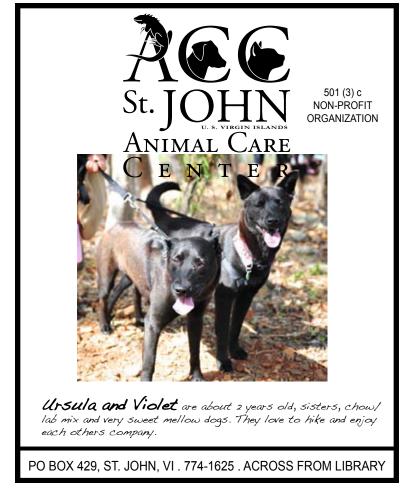
Bethany Moravian Movie and Dinner Night Set for April 19

The Bethany Moravian Church is hosting a spaghetti dinner and movie night on Friday, April 19.

Come out and watch "The Might Macs," the true story of 1971-72 basketball team from the obscure all-girls Catholic school of Immaculata College in Philadelphia who came literally out of nowhere to win the first women's college basketball championship.

Dinner, for \$5, will be served at 6 p.m. and the movie will be screened at 7 p.m.













Tradewinds News Photos by Jaime Elliott

Local Art and Artists Showcased at Bajo el Sol Gallery's April Reception

Glass artist Greg Lee and painter Denise Wright, below, mingled with guests during an opening reception featuring their art on Friday evening, April 5, at Bajo el Sol Gallery in Mongoose Junction.







Kids First! Awards Grant to Gifft Hill School for Early Learning Program and Summer Camp

St. John Tradewinds

Kids First!, a VI based non-profit that supports education on St. John, has awarded \$33,000 of financial aid so that needs based children can attend Gifft Hill School's Early Learning Program and Camp Barracuda.

This is the sixth grant Kids First! has made to Gifft Hill School for a total of \$146,000 awarded over the past four years.

Commenting on this award, Bruce Claffin, President of Kids First! said

"The most important time in a child's development is from birth to age 8," said Kids First! President Bruce Claffin. "If during that time children are exposed to fun, stimulating learning experiences, their chance of success in school and life beyond increases greatly. Gifft Hill School offers that type of learning environment for our younger children but the cost of attending has often been too much for St. John families."

"By providing this financial aid, more children can attend Gifft Hill School programs while generating much needed revenue for the school," Claffin said.

This is the second grant Kids First! has made to support summer learning activities for island children. Research shows that gains students make during the school year are often lost if they are not exposed to stimulating experiences over the summer. GHS' Camp Barracuda provides exactly that kind of experience.

"Early childhood is the most important period in a child's life for the development of intelligence, personality, and social behavior," said GHS Head Judy Chamberlian. "The foundation established between birth and age 8 is crucial, and Kids First's support of our ELC enable Gifft Hill School to provide more children access to our wonderful school community and resources."

Parents or guardians who are interested in applying for financial aid should complete GHS enrollment documents, FACTS Grant and Aid application and Scholarship Application. Contact Angelita Bolques in the Lower Campus office for assistance with the process at 340-776-6595.

For information about Kids First! go to www.kidsfirststj.org.

Scholarship Available for V.I. Student To Attend Two Week World Ocean School

St. John Tradewinds

A scholarship for a Virgin Islands student to spend two weeks at sea with the World Ocean School this summer, according to V.I. Senate President Shawn-Michael Malone.

Students aged 12 to 16 are eligible to take part in the 2013 Summer Ambassador Program. Students will live aboard the classic schooner *Roseway* and learn seamanship, navigation, maritime history and other skills. The program is hosted in Maine.

The scholarship covers the full \$3,500 tuition for the program. Students would be responsible for transportation and any special clothing or supplies they need to complete their two weeks at sea.

"This represents an excellent opportunity for a young person considering a career in the marine industry," Malone said. "I urge anyone interested to apply as the deadline is April 15."

For more information about World Ocean School's Summer Ambassador Program, check out www.worldoceanschool.org/our-programs/summer-ambassador-program. For information about the scholarship, email Malone at senatormalone@gmail.com.







St. John Tradewinds News Photo

By Jaime Elliott St. John Tradewinds

Remarkable modern design and luxurious Caribbean living go hand in hand at Casa Mare.

The four bedroom, four and a half bath home with soaring glass windows is for sale for \$3.79 million, explained Holiday Homes broker owner Miles Stair.

Casa Mare is an exciting contemporary home located in the quiet residential neighborhood of Estate Chocolate Hole, just a short drive to the dining and nightlife in Cruz Bay.

The home is situated a short walk to the laid back beauty of Hart Bay beach or a quick drive to the alabaster beaches on the North Shore of St. John.

The first thing you'll notice at Casa Mare are the exquisite views enjoyed from this marvel of modWith walls of windows and a serene decor, Casa Mare offers contemporary island living in true luxury.



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"The view across the south shore of St. John is breathtaking, and from Casa Mare you won't miss a second of it," said Stair.

With stark angles and seemingly endless windows, you'll be able to soak up all those breath-taking water views, Stair added.

"With the Caribbean sun pouring in through what seems like

acres of glass, this villa has a sleek modern aesthetic that beautifully frames the surrounding vistas," said the Holiday Homes broker/

Inside find four expansive bedrooms, each with en suite baths, affording the utmost in privacy. And for those entertaining occasions, Casa Mare's living spaces can't be beat.

"The four bedroom suites are private and richly furnished, while the luxurious main living areas are equipped with every modern convenience," said Stair. "The massive state-of-the-art kitchen also makes Casa Mare the perfect choice for culinary enthusiasts."

The kitchen at Casa Mare includes custom finishes, stainless steel appliances and a sleek design.

The living area has towering ceilings and soaring windows which literally bring those water views right inside.

Those vistas, however, are sure to pull you outside, where you'll enjoy elegant outdoor living spaces, Stair explained.

"The outdoor living spaces are an elegant extension of the indoors at Casa Mare," he said. "There is a comfortable dining area, a large pool for hours of happy drifting and plenty of space for just enjoying the sun and the breeze."

Soak up the rays on the expansive deck and cool off in the refreshing pool. Watch the tropical sun dip below the horizon as you sip a sundowner while enjoying the cooling trade winds.

For more information on Casa Mare, call Stair at Holiday Homes at 776-6776.



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Where: St. John School of the Arts When: Tuesday, April 9, 2013 Time: 6:00-7:00pm

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Using Sport For Social Change, in conjunction with the St. John Community Foundation and the St. John Parks and Recs Department, invite the public to attend this social gathering at The St. John School Of The Arts. During this fun, casual event, an update will be given on what USFSC is, what we have accompished in the past 5 years and what we are hoping to accomplish in the 2013-2014 year with your support. We will also be unveiling our sponsorship levels and budget for the 5th Annual FREE "Just Play" event for the youth and community of St. John/St. Thomas to be held on October 14, 2013 Please drop by, even for a few minutes.



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Homicides: 1

Shootings: 1

Stabbings: 0

Armed Robberies: 1

Arsons: 0

1st Degree Burglaries: 3

2nd Degree Burglaries: 3

3rd Degree Burglaries: 40

Grand Larcenies: 72

Rapes: 1

2013-TO-DATE

Homicides: 0

Shootings: 0

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Letters To St. John Tradewinds

Criminals Are Using Pellet and Paint Guns in Robberies

Good day. I would like to bring the following to everyone's attention because I believe awareness goes a long way in any community.

Virgin Islands Police Department Officers are finding that more and more that pellet guns and paint guns are being carried around as if they were actual firearms throughout the territory.

As recent as this past weekend a pellet gun was used to rob a business and patrons in Christiansted, St. Croix. The perpetrators were arrested minutes later, and a pellet gun was recovered, along with items taken in the robbery. The recovered pellet gun closely resembled a real firearm. This scenario could have turned out much differently.

Manufactures are making pellet guns and paint ball guns to resemble, as close as possible, almost all makes and models of real firearms; handguns and long guns. This is a nightmare for law enforcement personnel, and should also be a serious concern for parents, friends and family who purchase them as a gift, or for any other reason.

It is not uncommon to hear of incidents of police involved shootings where the suspect had a firearm which turned out to be a pellet gun, or some other firearm replica.

No police officer, especially in these modern times is going to stop and ask anyone with anything resem-

bling a firearm if what they have in their possession is a real firearm or not. Any person holding what appears to be a firearm and brandishes it in what an Officer deems as a threatening manner, could result in that Officer or Officers taking necessary action that could result in serious injury or death of that person, whether he is an adult or a child.

I am asking each of you to be aware of the possible ramifications of having one of these "imitation type firearms" (pellet gun or other). It would be in everyone's best interest to not allow minors, or adults for that matter, to brandish these items as if they were actual firearms.

An Officer called to investigate a reported brandishing of a firearm is going to take whatever action he or she deems necessary for their safety, and the safety of our citizens, as per training protocol.

The same result will occur if a licensed firearm holder is accosted by someone brandishing what he or she believe to be a firearm. The results could be justified, and deadly.

Please rethink purchasing these imitation firearms (pellet guns) for your loved ones, family or friends. The decision not to make that purchase would be in the best interest for all in our rapidly changing community.

VIPD Acting Commissioner Rodney Querrard

Just a Thought

Maybe instead of hiring a financial officer for the Virgin Islands we should go back to having governors appointed by the President.

This might eliminate political favors and bring a more objective view to the table. I'm too young to know whether the government operated more efficiently under such tenure.

I already know that opponents to this plan would point out that this method eliminates the election process, and in doing so, our voice in the formation of leadership. Frankly, I don't see this administration, or those who have run for office, offering anything new.

Every four years we elect and then complain about the results. Now the complaints have gone to the courts and, soon, the streets.

Honestly, there's nothing wrong with the election process; it's the political baggage that candidates

bring to the office. They must promise so much and deliver little, accept contributions in return for positions, and, worst of all, tell folks what they want to hear instead of the facts.

It's unfortunate that the truth hurts, but in order to stop our downward slide, we have to face reality. We need to take a break from our present system and do a house cleaning. It is time to get serious about our political, financial and social problems. If we can put aside childish bickering and behavior, an appointee won't be necessary.

But, as it stands, it's just a matter of time before drastic action is taken. Let us examine this matter seriously because whether we like it or not, change will come

> Just a thought, Emmanuel Prince

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Governor deJongh, far right, chairs last week's meeting of the Board of Directors of the Virgin Islands Next Generation Network, viNGN.

viNGN Board Announces New **Job Opportunities for Territory**

St. John Tradewinds

At the Virgin Islands Next Generation Network's Executive Board meeting on Tuesday, April 2, representatives from viNGN' Sustainable Broadband Adoption Grant vendor BetterWorld, d/b/a/ ConnectSpace.vi announced that 80 new work-from-home Remote Services Technician job opportunities are now available for residents of the territory.

Matt Bauer and James Kenefick, of BetterWorld/Connectspace.vi reported that the new positions that have become available are with the firm Support.com.

A Connectspace.vi representative also reported that the company was hosting a second round of meetings with executives from several other tele-work providers in the hopes of providing additional employment opportunities in the Virgin Islands.

"I am pleased that the efforts of viNGN and BetterWorld/Connectspace.vi have resulted in this first round of job creation in our newly developed technology sector," said Governor John deJongh. "One of the primary goals of the SBA Grant investments was the creation of tele-work and entrepreneurial opportunities for our territory's residents and this is a significant step towards that goal."

The board also learned that the viNGN trenching project is now almost 83 percent complete. Interduct installation in WAPA con-

duit and aerial fiber installation on WAPA utility poles is also currently in progress on both St. Croix and St. Thomas.

Additionally, the board authorized viNGN President and CEO Larry Kupfer, to negotiate a construction services contract for the construction of seven fiber access points in St. Thomas with J. Benton Construction, LLC.

To date, there have been \$32 million of construction service contracts that have been awarded and infused into the territory's local economy.

"Under the CCI Grant we continue to work hard, and work smart, to achieve our end goal, to complete the building of the Virgin Islands' fiber optic network on-time and all indications suggest that we will accomplish that," Kupfer said. "We know that the public is concerned with the highlevel of trenching that our teams are engaged in on both islands, and we apologize for the inconvenience and any unintended interruptions."

"ViNGN is continuing to partner with the larger Government House initiative to provide advance weekly information informing residents of where our trenching crews will be working so that the public can seek alternate routes and make necessary adjustments," said Kupfer.

At the meeting, board members also heard that more than 1,000 Virgin Islands residents have created on-line accounts thus far to participate in the Digital Literacy training course.

Once the Digital Literacy Course is completed, users are then able to access over 5,500 other training courses including data, IT, and business related courses made possible through a partnership with CyberLearning Inc. and the National Education Founda-

"We believe the launch of the V.I. Digital Literacy Training Campaign, where viNGN is training two to three representatives of each government agency and department, along with robust private sector and student outreach components have really helped to increase overall awareness of the training services that viNGN has to offer," said Kevin Hughes, viNGN's Vice President of Sales & Marketing.

Hughes noted that the campaign in tandem with the fact that the Digital Literacy Training Course is available to the general public on-line at www.vingn.com, is proof positive of our attempt to train and positively impact as many people as possible under the BTOP grants.

"We encourage everyone to take the Digital Literacy Training Course, on their smartphone, at a Public Computer Center, or within the convenience of their own homes," Hughes said

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7:30 p.m. Tuesdays; 7 p.m. Saturdays (Español), 10 a.m. Sundays, 340-715-053

Missionary Baptist Church

9:30 a.m. Sunday Services, 10:45 Worship, Tuesday 7 p.m. Bible Study 693-8884

Nazareth Lutheran Church

Sunday 9 a.m., Sunday School 8 a.m. 776-6731

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Saturdays 6 p.m.; Sundays 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.
Tuesdays and Fridays at 7 p.m.
Wednesdays and Thursdays at 7 a.m.
776-6339

St. John Methodist Church

Sunday 10 a.m, 693-8830

Seventh Day Adventist

Saturdays, 779-4477

St. John Pentecostal Church

Sunday 11:05 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays Prayer 7:30 p.m., Thursdays Bible Study 7:30 p.m. 779-1230

St. Ursula's Episcopal Church

Sunday Church Service, 9 a.m. 777-6306

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

9:45 a.m. Sunday, 776-6332

Word of Faith Church

Word of Faith International Christian Center, Sundays 7:30 a.m. Gifft Hill School 774-8617

Residents Young and Old Celebrate 17 Years of JFLI

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words.

"I know St. Johnians hold people to their words and I know you will hold Senator Cole to his words of support for JFLI," Carty said.

As VINP faces budget cuts due to the federal sequestration, one thing staff refused to eliminate were educational services, park Superintendent FitzGerald explained.

"When the staff looked at what we would cut here, I was pleased and a little surprised that when it came down to services, it was the Visitors Center, not the educational programs, that would be impacted," said FitzGerald. "Keeping our children's opportunities first was put ahead of other things. We recognize that our future really is our children."

While the program has led field trips to Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico and more, an upcoming trip to Ghana next year is much more personal, explained Alvis Christian Jr., the institute's Summer Program Executive Director.

"This is not just a field trip, this is something specific to St. John," he said. "In 1733, there was a revolution here and those people, we call them St. Johnians, but they were from Ghana. Eighty percent of the medicinal plants we have here are from there."

Next year's trip to Africa is designed for JFLI students and their families to not just tour, but to "bring something there and take something home," said Alvis Christian. Jr.

Invoking the words of Crucian writer, educator and political activist Hubert Harrison, Basil Ottley explained how JFLI continues to "educate children for the business of life."

"We're here to celebrate 17 years of JFLI and for a non-profit to keep their doors open that long is a monumental task," said Ottley. "That can only be done with your commitment to shaping our children for the future. Mr. Christian has taken us back to what the business of life is all about through this institute."

While his years of dedication and tireless work has made JFLI what it is, Alvis Christian took time to thank those who came out for the anniversary celebration.

"This couldn't happen without you and we wouldn't be here without you," said Christian. "I want the younger generation to grow up learning from whence they came. They must know how hard the older generation had to work to get us what we have today."

For more information about JFLI check out the institute's new website, www.johnsfolly.org, which was set to launch this week.

Seniors Learn About Poison Control Center at AARP Meeting

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on lights when taking medication.

"Keep your medication and your cleaning supplies in different locations and always keep your chemicals in their original container," said the Poison Center Education Associate. "There are many look alike products, so keep these things separate."

Seniors should also have a list of all their medications including why they take them and the strength of the medication, Bell-Davis added.

"Know which medications can and can't be taken with food or water and establish a routine for taking

the medications," she said. "Keep your medications in a locked cabinet because nothing is childproof."

If someone has been exposed to poison, rising with water and calling the 1-800-222-1222 hotline should be the first reactions, according to Bell-Davis.

"General first aid for poisoning is to rinse the eye, mouth, or skin with water or if inhaled, remove from the fumes to fresh air and call the hotline," she said. "Don't call the hotline and call 911 if the person is having a seizure, if you cannot wake them up or if they are not breathing. Other than that, call the Poison Center."

Ryan Moore Is New Animal Care Center Shelter Manager

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zons with the community here," Moore said. "I want people to know that we are here to help and we're not trying to tell people what to do. I'd like to educate people about our spay and neuter program and how important it is."

"We're working to make the animals here healthier and that's healthier for the people too," he said.

Up next for the island's sole animal welfare organization is the group's annual zany dog show fundraiser Wagapalooza, scheduled for Saturday, May 18. Keep an eye out in future *St. John Tradewinds* editions for full details about the event.

In the meantime, residents both on and off island can help support the ACC.

"The animals love company and we love having visitors here at the shelter," said Moore. "Our Sunday hikes have been great with all of the dogs usually able to be taken out since we have a lot of volunteers who

usually come."

The Sunday morning hikes have become so popular with visitors and locals alike in fact, the Hiking with Hounds program was recently featured in an issue of American Airlines in-flight magazine "American Way." The program will also be featured in the May issue of Cesar Millan's magazine "Cesar's Way," according to Moore.

Dogs and cats at the shelter also love getting care packages, Moore added.

"We always need donations," he said. "We are completely non-profit so everything we get goes directly to the general fund to keep the shelter open. People here and in the states can also send care packages of treats, toys, medications, anything is appreciated."

For more information about the St. John ACC check out the group's website at www.stjohnanimalcarecenter.com, or stop by the shelter in Estate Enighed Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

CBCF Internship Program Deadline Extended To April 26

St. John Tradewinds

Delegate to Congress Donna Christensen last week announced that the deadline for Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Inc. Internship has been extended for VI applicants.

The 2013 summer session of the program will take place from May 26 to July 27. Applicants can contact the Delegate's office for the application. The application deadline is extended to April 26.

Established in 1986, the CBCF Congressional Internship Program answered the call to help diversify our democracy by increasing the pool of talented public servants. The intensive nine-week program provides college undergraduates with a behind-the-scenes look into the democratic pro-

Through experiential learning in the office of Program" in the subject line.

a Congressional Black Caucus member, CBCF interns prepare to become decision makers in the policy making process.

A series of educational activities, lectures, discussions and field trips help interns gain a broader understanding of the political process and African Americans' place in history. CBCF interns will receive a \$3,000 stipend, housing and may receive academic credit for their participation.

Additional information may be found at www. cbcfinc.org/internships. For more information, interested students can contact Makeda Okolo at (202) 226-7980 in Christensen's office or Rontel Batie, CBCF Intern Coordinator at (202) 263-2800. Students can also send an email to internships@ cbcfinc.org and type "Congressional Internship

2013 Rotary Sunrise Kids Triathlon Is April 12

St. John Tradewinds

Rotary Sunrise and Scotia Bank will again be teaming up to present this year's Rotary Sunrise Kids Triathlon on Saturday, April 13, at Megans Bay on St. Thomas.

The registration fee is \$5. All registrants, whether competing alone or as part of a relay team, can complete and return their registration form to: the child's school; any Caribbean Surf location; Billabong; or to the St. Thomas Swimming Association.

All registration forms must be three members. signed by a parent or legal guardian. Late registration will be the day of the event from 7 to 7:30 a.m. The event starts promptly at

The three-part event is open to three competing age groups: ages 5-8 years; 9-11 years; and 12-15 year olds. Each age group will participate in each of the three events — swimming, bicycling and running. Participants may compete individually or may participate in a relay team of two or

Participants in the 5-8 years of age group will swim 25 meters, bike for one-half mile and run for one-quarter mile. Children in the 9-11 age group will swim 100 meters, bike for one mile and run for one-half mile. The final group of contestants, the 12- to 15-yearolds, will swim 200 meters, bike three miles and run one mile.

For more information contact Susan MacFarland-Helton at 776-1400 or Shaun Pennington at 777-8144.

Students Soliciting for Money Not Sanctioned by Dept. of Ed

St. John Tradewinds

The Department of Education and Office of the St. Thomas/St. John Insular Superintendent are asking the public to be aware that the solicitation of money by individual students carrying letters or donation sheets is not sanctioned by the district or the depart-

"I have witnessed and have received reports of students from various schools that are on the streets or outside public facilities soliciting funds from persons in the community, including strangers," St. Thomas/St. John Superintendent Jeanette Smith-Barry said recently.

"These children carry pieces of paper or letters that appear to support their claim of raising funds for some school related activity, but in some instances the letters have not even been approved by the school," said Smith-Barry. "We want the public to know that this kind of solicitation is not sanctioned by my office or the department."

While community support for public schools is always appreciated, allowing students to solicit funds in this manner raises several questions, and have, in some instances, been found to be fraudulent, Smith-Barry added.

"There is no way of knowing how much money is actually collected by the students, how much of the collection is actually turned in, or if forms used outside the campus are duplicated and used by unauthorized individuals," she said. "More importantly, we are concerned about our students approaching strangers and collecting large sums of money. This could pose a serious safety threat and we are asking all principals, school employees and parents to help us safeguard against potential danger by making sure these activities are discontinued."

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By Frank A. Longo

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FISCAL YEAR 2012 VERSUS FISCAL YEAR 2013 TAX REVENUES

	FY 12	FY 13
Real Property	19,282,225	14,969,880
Individual Income	120,328,417	109,300,737
Corporate	13,123,898	10,215,978
Excise	9,827,593	8,895,345
Gross Receipts	59,877,528	62,631,951
TOTAL	222,439,661	206,013,891

Tax Revenues Continue To Fall Short, Reports Governor's Financial Team

St. John Tradewinds

On Tuesday, April 2, members of the governor's financial team reported on the continued precarious financial health of the territory when they noted that through the end of February, General Fund tax revenues are off as much as seven percent.

Overall tax revenues received by the government are down seven percent in the first two quarters of the fiscal year which opened on October 1, 2012.

"While we have taken steps to reduce the operating budgets of departments and agencies by five percent for the remainder of this fiscal year, the tax revenues remain below last year's collections," said Office of Management and Budget Director Debra Gottlieb

In addition to the reduction of operating budgets, the government has also taken steps to reduce overall expenditures by some 13 percent below last year's levels, she added.

"While some tax categories are showing positive numbers when compared to the same period in Fiscal Year 2012, the biggest declines are in the Corporate Income and Real Property Tax categories, which are off by some 22 percent each," said Finance Commissioner Angel Dawson.

Individual Income and Excise Taxes are also down 9 percent each

Dawson and Gottlieb recently updated Governor John deJongh on the latest revenue figures.

They anticipate that this trend will continue as the territory heads into the slower summer months. In addition to the projected budget shortfall, the slow revenue collections also create cash flow issues for the government in meeting its obligations timely.

Charmain Redwood Is Guest Speaker at Unitarian Universalists Meeting April 14

The Unitarian Universalists of St. John meet every Sunday at 10 a.m. in the Great Room at Gifft Hill School Lower Campus.

The guest for April 14 is Charmian Redwood who will speak on "Connecting with Archangel Michael and birthing the Inner Warrior."

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

Answer to April 7 Cryptoquip:

NUCLEAR POWER PLANT LOCALE WHERE ONE FAMILY OF TRIPLETS IS ALWAYS FOUND GRINNING: THREE-SMILE ISLAND.

Police Log

Friday, March 29

10:42 p.m. - A citizen p/r that a male pulled a knife on him and threatened to do him bodily harm. Assault in the third.

10:53 p.m. - A citizen c/r that a male removed two cellphones from his residence and then pulled a knife on him. Grand larceny.

Sunday, March 31

8:53 a.m. - A Virgin Grand Estates resident c/requesting police assistance with a stray dog. Police assistance.

10:08 a.m. - A citizen p/r a lost phone in the area of Cruz Bay. Police assistance.

11:38 a.m. - A citizen c/r hearing shots fired in the area of Estate Pastory. Illegal discharge of firearm.

5:44 p.m. - A citizen r/ that a female was having a seizure in the area of Cruz Bay. Police assistance.

6:41 p.m. - An Estate Freeman's Ground resident r/ a disturbance with a neighbor. Disturbance of the peace.

Monday, April 1

3:18 p.m. - A citizen p/r an auto collision in the area of Maho Bay. Auto collision.

9:02 p.m. - A citizen c/r an assault in the area of Wharfside Village. Assault in the third.

Tuesday, April 2

8:33 a.m. - An Estate Bethany resident p/r that the utility room next to his residence was broken

into. Burglary in the third.

9:39 a.m. - An Estate Enighed resident c/r a disturbance at her residence with a family member. Assault in the third.

9:54 a.m. - A citizen p/r an auto collision on Centerline Road outside of Jurgen Command in Cruz Bay. Auto collision.

12:01 p.m. - A citizen c/requesting police assistance to remove a vagrant who was creating a disturbance. Police assistance.

4:50 p.m. - An Estate Contant resident p/r that someone removed money and her credit card from her wallet while she was at the beach. Grand larceny.

4:03 p.m. - A citizen p/r an assault. Assault in the third.

8:28 p.m. - EMS c/r that a vagrant was robbed of his belongings. Petit larceny.

Thursday, April 4

7:34 a.m. - A minor female p/r that an adult male exposed his private parts to her this morning in the area of Frank Powell Park. Indecent exposure.

9:35 a.m. - Badge #1254 p/ at Leander Jurgen Command with one Ivan Penn of Estate Pastory under arrest and charged with obscene and indecent exposure and disturbance of the peace. Bail was set at \$1,000 by order of the court. He was detained at Leander Jurgen Command and later transported to the Bureau of Corrections to be remanded.

11:02 a.m. - A visitor p/r that his rental vehicle was hit. Auto accident, hit and run.

3:14 p.m. - An Estate Grunwald resident c/r that a male threw a rock through the window at his residence. Destruction of property, D.V.

5:12 p.m. - Badge #1043 p/ at Leander Jurgen Command with one James Jeffrey of Estate Grunwald under arrest and charged with destruction of property. Bail was set at \$500 by order of the court. He was detained at Leander Jurgen Command and later transported to the Bureau of Corrections on St. Thomas to be remanded.

5:20 p.m. - An Estate Susanaberg resident p/r a larceny. Grand larceny

7:20 p.m. - An employee from Westin Resort and Villas c/r a larceny. Grand larceny.

7:24 p.m. - An Estate Bethany resident c/r a disturbance with her husband. Disturbance of the peace, D.V.

8:25 p.m. - A visitor p/r that he lost his wallet. Lost wallet.

8:41 p.m - A Coral Bay resident c/r loud music. Loud music.

Friday, April 5

8:28 a.m. - An Estate Enighed resident p/r that her minor son was beaten with a belt by another minor male along with three other minor males who took part/were present.

Crime Stoppers — United States Virgin Islands

Crime Stoppers empowers you, the law abiding citizens, to make your neighborhoods, schools and businesses safer by reporting information while remaining anonymous. If you know something, say something as law enforcement needs to know what you know.

St. John

On February 24 at about 11 p.m., a man reported he was at Bayside Grocery in Cruz Bay speaking to a Hispanic man in a dark blue Equinox when a white male driving a beige SUV re-

versed into him, pinning him between the two cars. Both of the vehicles left the scene, and the victim suffered severe injuries. Tell us what you know about this incident.

St. Thomas

Linda Baptiste received a court order giving her temporary legal and physical custody of her six-year-old grandson Khejei Ian Pharrell Harris. According to the order, neither of his parents has the right to take him from his grandmother without a written order from the court. Baptiste al-

lowed Khejei to visit his mother, Tanya Harris, over the weekend of March 9 and 10. The child has not been returned to the grandmother; please help locate Khejei. A picture of him is on the Crime Stoppers website.

Be part of the solution. Continue to help make our islands a safer place to live and visit by telling us what you know about these, or any other crimes, at www.CrimeStoppersUSVI.org or by calling 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). Or text "USVI" plus the message to CRIMES (274637).

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, April 9

- The St. John Historical Society will wrap up its season with a potluck gathering at the Cruz Bay Battery on Tuesday, April 9, at 6 p.m.
- The Coral Bay Community Council will host the fifth Coral Bay Marine Uses Planning Meeting on Tuesday, April 9, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Guy Benjamin Elementary School in room six.

Friday, April 12

— New York Empire Trio will be performing at St. John School of the Arts on Friday, April 12, at 8 p.m.

Saturday, April 13

— The next St. John Farmers' Market will be on Saturday, April 13, near the entrance to the second level of The Marketplace from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The market is hosted the second Saturday of every month.

Wednesday, April 17

— St. John Film Society will screen "Jean-Michel Basquiat: The Radiant Child," on Wednesday, April 17, at 7:30 p.m. at Cases by the Sea in Coral Bay.

Thursday, April 18

— Want to learn all about what's going on around St. John? Then mark those calendars for Thursday, April 18, when the Community IMPACT

Team and St. John Community Foundation will host a dinner meeting at Bethany Moravian Church at 5:45 p.m.

Friday, April 19 and Sunday, April 21

— The St. John Singers will present two concerts to celebrate the spring season, one on St. John and one on St. Thomas. The St. John Concert will be at the Emmaus Moravian Church in Coral Bay on Friday evening, April 19, at 7:30 p.m. The St. Thomas Concert will be at the Wesley Methodist Church in Estate Tutu on Sunday afternoon, April 21, at 4 p.m.

Saturday, May 11

— The St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce 2013 Annual Awards Banquet and Dinner Dance, a "Spring Floral Spectacular" will be on Saturday, May 11, at the St. Peter Greathouse.

Saturday, May 18

— The Animal Care Center's fundraiser Wagapalooza will be Saturday, May 18, at the V.I. National Park ball field in Cruz Bay. Sally Furlong and Viky Becker are event co-chairs.

Sunday, May 26

— The Friends of V.I. National Park's 10th Annual Beach-to-Beach Power Swim event which will be on Sunday, May 26.

ALCHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

All meetings are now open. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 6 p.m. Nazareth Lutheran Church, Cruz Bay; Thursday 7 a.m. Nazareth Lutheran Church, Cruz Bay; Sunday 9:45 a.m., Hawksnest Bay Beach; Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 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

Classifieds

Public Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS DIVISION OF ST. THOMAS AND ST. JOHN

JOAN OAT : CIVIL ACTION

v. : No. 03-115

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SEWER ENTERPRISES, LTD, et al.

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TO: U.S. MARSHAL, DISTRICT COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS DIVISION OF ST. THOMAS AND ST. JOHN

CC: JOAN OAT, pro se

WRIT OF ASSISTANCE

WHEREAS, on June 7, 2007, in an action pending before this Court, Joan Oat (Oat) was awarded judgment (Document 402) against Sewer Enterprises, Ltd. for the foreclosure of a leasehold mortgage interest in the following described real property:

Parcels No. 3-h and No. 3-i Estate Enighed, St. John, Virgin Islands

- WHEREAS, Oat's right to possession of the Property has been adjudicated and settled by a confirmed sale of the leasehold by Order of the Court (Document 532) entered on March 20, 2012, and the redemption period has expired;

WHEREAS, a Mr. Llewellyn T. Sewer, Oswain Sewer, and Charlie Marsh are in unlawful possession of the Property;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the judgment giving Oat any and all writs necessary to execute the terms of said judgment, Oat has petitioned the Court for a Writ of Assistance (Documents 538 and 560) to gain possession thereof;

NOW THEREFORE, you, the United States Marshal, is hereby required to assist Oat, purchaser, in gaining possession of the Property and you are further required to remove Llewellyn T. Sewer, Oswain Sewer, and Charlie Marsh and their agents from the Property and to make due return to this Court.

Dated: 1/10/3 20/3

GLENDA L. LAKE, ESQUIRE CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT



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What's more, a total of over \$30,000 in cash and prizes is up for grabs. Cash prizes will be awarded to anglers who catch the 10 largest dolphin by weight. Ties in weight will be broken by length. The Best Boat award will be given to the vessel with the most dolphin by weight, with ties broken by count.

Last year, Joseph Lee fishing aboard the 32' Phoenix, Southern Belle, caught the largest dolphin, a 15.9-pounder. Meanwhile, the Best

Boat award went to Bob Petersen's 27' Monza, Fish Tales, with 21 dolphin weighing collectively 120.3

Register for the tournament at the Virgin Islands Game Fishing Club in Red Hook on Friday, April 19, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The fee is \$250 for member boats, which includes four anglers and four rods, with \$50 for an extra rod. Nonmembers pay \$300 with \$60 for an extra rod. The Captain's Meeting will follow registration. There's late registration on Saturday, April 20, at Neptune Fishing Supplies in Red Hook.

Fishing begins with lines in the water at 6 a.m. on April 21. All boats must be past 'P' dock at IGY American Yacht Harbor Marina by 4 p.m. Weigh-in will take place at the marina. The Awards Dinner will take place on Monday, April 22, starting at 6:30 p.m., at the Virgin Islands Game Fishing Club.

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Last year's top angler Joseph Lee with his \$25,000 check and trophy.

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