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Students Shine at Bajo el Sol Art Opening

Ivanna Eudora Kean High School Art Teacher Lisa Etre, center, smiles proudly along with her art students standing in front of their work at Bajo el Sol's artist reception on Friday evening, May 10. **ADDITIONAL PHOTOS ON PAGE 23.**

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Mary Grace Keenan, Service Manager for OGSi, installs and checks the new oxygen generator at St. John Rescue Headquarters.

Love City's Own Oxygen Generator Is Up and Running

By Bob Malacarne
Special to St. John Tradewinds

On Tuesday, May 7, St. John became the first island in the Caribbean to have an Oxygen Generator Systems Inc oxygen generator.

With a way now to produce its own oxygen, that means no more trips to St. Thomas or St. Croix to purchase oxygen for the island's emergency services agencies.

Service manager Mary Grace Keenan, from the manufacturer Oxygen Generator Systems Inc, traveled from New York to install the generator and to train St. John Rescue members in its use and maintenance.

The oxygen generator was purchased for \$60,000 through donations by private benefactors and through the efforts of the Rotary Club of St. John, the Rotary Club of Buckhannon, West Virginia, Rotary e Club of Puerto Rico, The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International and Rotary Districts 7020, 6530 and 7000.

Now St. John EMS, Fire Service, National Park Service, and, of course, St. John Rescue have access to an unlimited supply of oxygen right here on St. John.

Members of St. John Rescue will be trained and will then establish a schedule for the filling of

oxygen bottles during the week.

Having medical grade oxygen available on St. John will save time and money for all agencies.

St. John Rescue members are proud to be serving the community by providing the best possible life saving services to residents and visitors.

Of course the group is always in need of donations to help ensure that St. John Rescue can keep providing emergency medical services. Please consider a donation or consider joining the dynamic organization.

For more information check out www.stjohnrescue.org.

Marine Uses Planning Meeting May 14

The Coral Bay Community Council's Marine Uses Planning Team will meet at Guy Benjamin School, room six, on Tuesday, May 14, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

This meeting will focus on draft plan objectives to share with the upcoming American Institute of Architects Community Visioning Workshop in Coral Bay later this month, May 29 to 31.

Everyone is welcome to join CBCC to discuss and map out the potential uses and preservation of Coral Bay's ocean resources. The team's work is hosted by the CBCC as part of the Coral Bay Watershed Management Project: Phase 2.

For more information call CBCC at 776-2099

MKSCHC Celebrating Hospital Week

Join the community in celebrating National Hospital Week at Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center May 12 through 18.

This year's theme is "A Guiding Light for Changing Times," and will focus in giving back to the St. John community.

Enjoy a senior citizen's variety show on Tuesday, May 14, at George Simmons Terrace Senior Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Students in the Cruz Bay Head Start program will enjoy Story Time with Dora from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on May 14.

On Wednesday, May 15, Kelly Beach, RN, will give a Power-Point presentation about Preteen/Adolescent Vaccines at Giffit Hill School at the Upper Campus.

Join the MKSCHC staff on Thursday, May 16, for MKS Day and celebrate 30 years of service. The staff will host its employee recognition ceremony and offer a mini health fair for the community.

Retirees from MKSCHC are especially invited to come out and celebrate!

CAHS Orientation/Mandatory Meeting for Incoming Freshmen on May 15

Charlotte Amalie High School administrators are asking parents of incoming ninth graders to attend an important meeting and orientation that will be in the school's Ruth E. Thomas Auditorium on Wednesday, May 15, beginning at 5 p.m.

At this session, information on school regulations, uniforms, career preparation and expectations will be discussed. Students and parents will also be able to select courses for the upcoming school year, collect math assignments and purchase three novels for summer reading.

Students must be properly attired in their school uniforms and must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to be admitted. Parents and students must be on time and sit beside each other in the auditorium.

Attendance is mandatory. Please plan to arrive by 4:30 p.m. to view exhibits and purchase novels.

Next GBS PTO Meeting Set for May 21

Guy Benjamin School's final Parent Teacher Organization meeting of the year will be on Tuesday, May 21, at 5:30 p.m.

Join the group as it discusses plans for the first annual GBS PTO Family Beach Day. The beach day is being planned for Saturday, June 22, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Hawksnest Beach. Parents are encouraged to bring their kids to the beach for games and a cook-out. Parents are encouraged to not drop their children off for the party, but to join in the fun.

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CBCC Hosting AIA-Sponsored Sustainable Design Workshop

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Coral Bay Community Council officials are hosting an exciting Sustainable Design Workshop this month and they want to hear from residents.

The American Institute of Architects-sponsored workshop will run from May 29 through 31 and will focus on community visioning and participation, explained CBCC president Sharon Coldren.

Nine professionals in the fields of architecture and planning will be on island touring Coral Bay neighborhoods and hearing from residents at a series of community visioning sessions, Coldren explained.

“First of all, on Wednesday morning, we’ll take them for a really good tour of Coral Bay,” said Coldren. “Then beginning on Wednesday afternoon, and all day Thursday during the day, there will be a series of small group meetings. We’ll be discussing special topics like parks and infrastructure, steep slope design, marine uses, protecting the environment and more.”

“Any topic that the community suggests will be open for discussion, so just let us know,” said the CBCC president.

Coldren hopes to attract a large crowd of Coral Bay residents at the Wednesday evening, May 29, meeting at the basketball court, she added.

“One key thing is on Wednesday evening after they’ve seen Coral Bay, we’ll have a large community

meeting on the basketball court for people to provide their input to the team,” said Coldren. “What we’re looking for is to create an overall community vision for Coral Bay.”

Community visioning is nothing new for CBCC. The group initially launched such a visioning initiative in 2004, but switched gears the following year to work on stormwater runoff issues. With several planned developments on the horizon, the time to discuss what the community wants Coral Bay to look like in the future is now, according to Coldren.

“We started the community visioning back in 2004 and for a variety of reasons we were involved in other topics for a while,” she said. “We’re bringing it up again now. With the lull in development and the developer interest in two marinas in Coral Bay, it makes sense that before those things become active, the community has an opportunity to share their ideas.”

“Before the development cycle starts again, the community should be involved with shaping what this next development cycle should look like,” said Coldren.

After hearing from the community at large on Wednesday night and from individuals in smaller group meetings on Thursday, the professionals will present recommendations for the community at a Friday night, May 31, meeting at Concordia Eco Resort.

“For three days the team will live and breath Coral Bay around the clock and then they’ll bring

“We need as much participation as possible from the community. This is all about looking at everything related to a functioning community and what we have to do as a concerned community to improve things the way that citizens want.”

— Sharon Coldren, CBCC president

their ideas and present them on the last day of the workshop,” said Coldren. “People will be able to give feedback right away if they think the recommendations are good or bad. Then a final report will be written and that will take into account the feedback from the presentation.”

After a final report is written, the community can choose to implement some of the team’s ideas or not, Coldren added.

“After the final report is prepared that starts the implementation phase,” she said. “Then we go back to the community to hear which recommendations the community wants to move forward with. And this report will cover more than just architectural.”

“There will be general community visioning recommendations given as well like hiring a parks coordinator or changing a law on something,” said the CBCC president.

With no personal interests in the area, the professionals coming down with the AIA workshop will

be able to offer unbiased opinions on proposed future development, Coldren explained.

“We’ll be doing this visioning with a team of professionals from the outside who have no axes to grind,” she said. “They cannot solicit or do any work locally for any developer for at least a year, so you know there is no conflict of interest happening here. That’s a value.”

While CBCC officials and residents do not have to adopt any of the recommendations which will be offered by the team, their ideas should certainly be heard, Coldren added.

“We’re bringing in people who have knowledge from a lot of different places in small communities and rural and coastal communities,” she said. “We don’t have to take their recommendations; that’s our choice, collectively and governmentally. But to know that we’ve got some people who have no conflict of interest who are involved in doing this, let us listen to them with a different ear.”

Fundraising Efforts Paying Off for Coral Bay Group

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Coral Bay Community Council officials launched a fundraising campaign this year to help ensure that the group can continue its storm water improvement work and retain the services of Environmental Programs Manager Tricia Reed.

While CBCC still has a way to go, last week officials shared good news.

“Our fundraising is working,” said CBCC President Sharon Col-

dren. “We’ve raised \$6,000 in two months with our new initiative.”

By appealing to both full time and part time residents, as well as the business community, CBCC has been watching as donations have been increasing, Coldren explained.

CBCC members and volunteers, however, continue to work hard to raise \$27,000 by October.

For more information about the Coral Bay Community Council or to make a donation call the group at 776-2099.

“This allows us to get some very honest reactions,” she said.

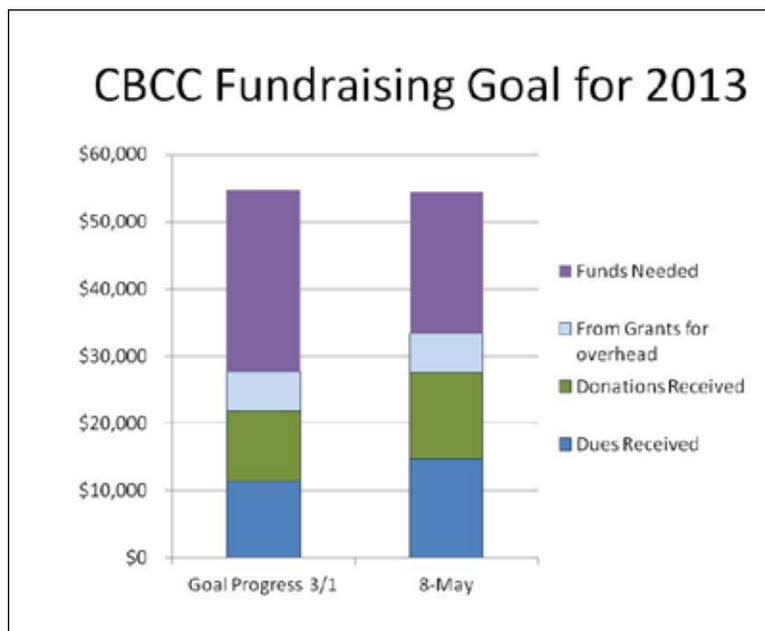
A major part of this workshop’s success will be based on community participation, Coldren added.

“They need to hear a lot of different points of view at the large scale community meeting on Wednesday night and at the smaller meetings,” she said. “If someone feels more comfortable meeting in private, just let us know. We’ll also have comment boxes so if people want to write down their ideas, that’s great too.”

“We need as much participation as possible from the community,” said Coldren. “This is all about looking at everything related to a functioning community and what we have to do as a concerned community to improve things the way that citizens want.”

Residents can also share their ideas with the AIA Sustainable Design workshop team through CBCC’s website at www.coral-baycommunitycouncil.org and click on the “forum” link.

For more information about the workshop and how to get involved, call CBCC at 776-2099.



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Giff Hill School students enjoyed tours of the Iowa State University campus, trips to museums and more.



GHS Students Enjoy Week in Iowa with Mini-Mester Program

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Twice each year, students at Giff Hill School enjoy the opportunity to pursue a variety of interests during the school's "Mini-Mester" program.

The program brings students out of the classroom to study everything from scuba diving to improvising. While some GHS students helped the island's dive officials in their fight against lionfish, nine students recently traveled to Iowa

State University in Ames, Iowa, to learn about the school's agriculture program while enjoying ice skating, trips to local museums and even a minor league baseball game.

GHS has developed a relationship with Iowa State University's agriculture department as the two collaborate on the popular Education and Resiliency Through Agriculture program. While this is the first year that GHS has hosted a trip to the university as one of its

minimester options, it won't be the last time, explained EARTH Coordinator Sarah Haynes.

"The trip went so well we're planning on offering the program every other year," said Haynes.

The nine GHS students, mostly ninth graders, left St. John on April 19 and returned on April 27, along with chaperones Barbie Barry, the school's athletic director and health teacher, Haynes, English teacher Mike Jones and Iowa State Ph.D. candidate Kevin Duerfelvt.

"The trip went really well," said Duerfelvt. "The highlight for me was seeing the kids' reaction to a lot of the different things they experienced. We visited several Iowa State University farms, Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and more."

The students stayed at the Iowa Four H Camp, which provided a four bedroom cabin complete with a great room and kitchen.

The best part of the trip for ninth grader Thomas Nguyen was catching a minor league baseball game.

"The best part was watching a baseball game and watching our team win," said Nguyen. "There were lots of fireworks afterward and that was cool."

Nguyen, who is in GHS' agriculture program, signed up for the trip to learn more about a place he had never visited.

"I signed up for the trip to learn about Iowa and to mostly have fun and take a trip," he said. "I really like the agriculture program here

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Coral Bay Community Council's New Logo Shares Love for the Land

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Thanks to a collaborative effort by volunteer Burnell Shively, St. John graphic artist Kate Norfleet and board members, Coral Bay Community Council has a new, and its first, logo.

In lieu of its own identifying logo, CBCC officials just used the group's name on its letterhead. Now, with a vibrant graphic in lush green and bright blue colors, CBCC's logo depicts the recognizable shape of Coral Bay harbor surrounded by a heart.

"We didn't have a logo before," said CBCC President Sharon Coldren. "We just hadn't invested the time and the effort to develop one. We got along with a letterhead and used 'CBCC' when we needed to."

New part-time resident Shively decided that wasn't quite enough, Coldren explained.

"Brunell, a new seasonal resident who is a graphic artist, volunteered to work on this for us with Kate [Norfleet]," Coldren said. "Kate has always been willing to help us, but she's so busy and has limited time. With Brunell willing to put in the time needed for this and working with the CBCC board and Kate, it just all came together."

The idea for the logo was inspired by CBCC's "universal message," Coldren added.

"We were looking for one universal message or feeling in Coral Bay," she said. "We were thinking about why the CBCC exists and what it is that pulls us all together to serve the community and address community needs."

"The answer is because we all love Coral Bay and its natural en-



vironment," said Coldren. "The logo shows our love for the views and the beauty of the land and how we live very interconnected with nature. We live outdoors and we are part of nature."

The new logo is expected to help brand CBCC as it moves ahead with its first major fundraising campaign this year, Coldren explained.

"We wanted to be able to communicate that common element that we share here for people who live here and people who visit here," said the CBCC president. "We are in need of fundraising and we're trying to reach people

who might not readily be familiar with us. The logo we hope will be an image to which people can relate."

"We hope that if you love Coral Bay, and there are a lot of repeat tourists as well as our residents who do, you'll join our group and support us," Coldren said.

CBCC officials want to hear what the community thinks of the group's new logo. Share opinions at coralbaycommunitycouncil@hotmail.com or call (340) 776-2099. For more information on CBCC check out the group's website at www.coralbaycommunity-council.org.

VITEMA Hosting All Hazards Preparedness Expo

St. John Tradewinds

In a continuing effort to heighten awareness about being ready for disasters, the Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management Agency (VITEMA) is hosting the 2013 Annual All Hazards Preparedness Expo on May 16, 17 and 18 on St. Thomas, St. John and St. Croix respectively.

The All Hazards Preparedness Expo will be on:
- Thursday, May 16, from 1 to 6 p.m. at Tutu Park Mall, St. Thomas.
- Friday, May 17, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Cruz Bay, St. John.
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Angie Smith, owner of VIVA! Villas and now Sunshine Jeep Rental, poses with a few of the company's new vehicles.

VIVA! Villas Owner, Angie Smith, Opens Island's Newest Jeep Rental

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

When Angie Smith ran into trouble hunting down Jeep rentals for her villa clients, she decided to open her own rental business.

With little to no parking on St. John, however, the V.I. government had stopped issuing rental license plates for new agencies.

Not one to take no for an answer, Smith, who owns VIVA! Villas, kept her dream alive, filing applications each year.

That was a decade ago and Smith, with her recently issued business license in hand, has opened the island's newest Jeep rental — Sunshine Jeep Rental.

“With the villa rentals we also book activities and Jeep rentals for our customers and we just found that we weren't always able to locate vehicles,” said Smith. “We wanted to keep the business on St. John and we found there was a need for another rental agency on the island. So about 10 years we put in for a Jeep rental license plate request.”

“At that time the government was not issuing any Jeep rental plates due to the inadequate parking,” she said. “I basically stalked them. Every year I wrote a letter to the director of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles.”

“Finally with the new parking lot, I put more pressure on them and they finally issued more rental plates,” said Smith.

While Sunshine Jeep Rental, located across from the Islandia Building in Cruz Bay, mostly rents to VIVA! Villas customers, the company is open to the public, Smith explained.

As she continues to acquire Jeeps, Smith plans to maintain a fleet of 10 vehicles, she added.

“We basically want to give personalized service to our customers,” said Smith. “We primarily rent to our villa renters, but anyone can book a Jeep with us. We've had great service, but sometimes there has not been quite as much attention to detail as we'd like.”

“We'll be keeping our Jeeps in top shape and we'll

meet you at the ferry or park the vehicle for you where you would like,” she said.

While Smith is not 100 percent certain, she believes she is the lone, solo female Jeep rental owner on island, she added.

“There are people who run their companies as a family or with a partner, but I think I'm the only female-owned Jeep rental on St. John,” said Smith.

The business owner points this fact out not to tip her own hat, but to serve as a role model for other women on St. John.

“I really want to encourage other females to open businesses on St. John,” said Smith. “I've had so many women approach me and ask my opinion on things because they're unsure of taking that step on their own.”

Smith, whose company recently turned 14 years old and manages 17 villas while booking for a total of 40, is a living testament to taking measured chances and believing in oneself, she added.

“I started VIVA! Villas as a single mother in college and on food stamps,” said the business owner. “I was working and going to school and I did it. I want to encourage other women to start their own businesses and to put that effort in and to ask for help if they need it.”

Flexibility to be there for her children is one of the big reasons Smith loves owning her own company, she explained.

“My family is really important to me and I have more flexibility with my schedule as my own boss,” said Smith. “I also remember having not the best bosses all the time so having my own business allows me to be the better boss that I always wanted. I try to empower the women and men who work for us to be involved with our decision making.”

“I'm living proof that you can make it work if you work hard and believe in what you do,” Smith said. “I'd love to encourage other women to do the same.”

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Sisterhood Agenda To Celebrate Women's Health Week May 17

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Now in its third year, Sisterhood Agenda will implement "SHE: Sisters Healthy and Empowered," in celebration of National Women's Health Week on Friday, May 17, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Franklin Powell Park in Cruz Bay.

Sharing space with VITEMA's outreach event during the day, Sisterhood Agenda will provide SHE activities, health information, and coordinate fitness demonstrations for residents in the Cruz Bay park.

Health issues such as obesity, hypertension, diabetes, cancer, stroke and heart disease are familiar concerns for St. John residents, explained Sisterhood Agenda president Angela Coleman.

"This is a fun event, but one that also has a purpose," said Coleman. "We can be healthy and empowered by making good choices."

With live DJs and participation from Women's Sports Foundation, March of Dimes, V.I. National Park, Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center officials, Family Resource Center, Council on Alcohol, Drug Dependence St. Thomas/St. John, Hope, Inc., VI Department of Sports, Parks and Recreation, and Wisdom Waves Wellness Center-St. Thomas, Sisterhood Agenda will celebrate National Women's Health week by giving away SHE health kits with local resource information, advice, guidelines, and inspiration

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during this health-focused community event.

This year's SHE event is special. Sisterhood Agenda will recognize four pioneering female leaders who are doing dynamic work in their communities.

The group will honor Belinda Harden, founder and president of Mary McLeod Bethune Humanitarian Network; Maimah Karmo, founder of Tigerlily Foundation;

Dr. Margaret Kilibwa, founder of Tropical Clinics; and Dr. E. Faye Williams, Esq., National Chair of the National Congress of Black Women.

Sisterhood Agenda thanked Pine Peace Market for its food and water donations. Additional volunteers are needed for the event.

For more information, visit www.sisterhoodagenda.com or call Coleman at (340) 714-7076.

Ruby Rutnik Memorial Scholarship Applications Now Available

The Ruby Rutnik Scholarship Fund is pleased to announce that scholarship applications are now available for the 2013-2014 school year.

This year's renewable \$2,500 annual award is offered to a qualifying St. John female whose family or self has resided on St. John for five years or more and who plans to attend or is attending an accredited college or university.

Applications may be picked up at Connections in Cruz Bay (776-6922) or Coral Bay or by contacting the Rutniks at 693-8069. The deadline for submission is May 25. Notice will be given on or before June 7.

Applications are also available at Giff Hill School or by calling Beth Knight at 776-6595 or Beth Jones at 776-1730. An annual scholarship is also being offered to a new student attending Pre-K through 3rd grade at Giff Hill School.

The Ruby Rutnik Scholarship Fund and the Rutnik family wish to thank the community for their continued support of this Scholarship fund established in 1997 in memory of their daughter, Ruby Rutnik.

Car Wash Fundraiser Set for May 18

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church Youth Group is hosting a car wash fundraiser on Saturday, May 18, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the recreation center located across from the Cruz Bay Fire Station.

Don't miss the "Best Car Wash in Town!" OLMCYG charges \$10 to get an exterior power wash and \$10 for an interior power vacuum. Drivers do not have to stay with their car. Licensed adults will move the car if needed.

The OLMC youth group is raising funds for their annual retreat. Please support this active group of focused young people.

GHS Class of 2013 Graduate June 13

Giff Hill School is proud to announce the Graduation Ceremony for the Class of 2013 on Thursday, June 13, at 5:30 p.m. on Trayser Field at the Upper Campus.

The Commencement Speaker will be Artist, Teacher and Activist La Vaughn Belle. Reception to follow. Please call (340) 776-1730 for more information.

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Caneel Bay Resort enjoys a breath-taking location on the north shore of St. John.

Caneel Bay Resort Tennis Program Named in Top 10 Caribbean Ranking

St. John Tradewinds

Tennis aficionados seeking superior play beneath the Caribbean sun should look no further than Caneel Bay, A Rosewood Resort.

The exclusive beachfront resort on St. John, has earned a Gold Medal ranking for being in the top 25 resorts from Tennis Resorts Online.

Caneel Bay made the list at #8 in the 2013 online ranking of the Top 100 Tennis Resorts and Camps. Caneel Bay also took the spot of the top-ranked resort in the Caribbean, #4 for Best Setting, and #2 for Best for Couples. Caneel Bay has been the highest ranking tennis resort in Mexico, Caribbean and the Bahamas since 2005.

“We are honored to be recognized in this way by Tennis Resorts Online and thank all our tennis guests for their kind support,” said Donald Becker, Director of Tennis at Caneel Bay. “I would also like to thank the owners and managers at Caneel Bay and our entire tennis team who are instrumental in offering the highest standards of service to our guests. I feel this award is a testament to the fact that tennis is a big draw for visitors to the U.S. Virgin Islands.”

Whether an avid player or a be-



St. John Tradewinds News Photo Courtesy of Rosewood Resort

Caneel Bay Resort was ranked number eight on the 2013 online ranking of the Top 100 Tennis Resorts.

ginner, anyone with an interest in tennis can take a swing at Caneel Bay. The resort has 11 all-weather outdoor courts, including two hard courts and nine OMNI artificial grass courts.

Tennis clinics, women’s-only sessions, cardio tennis classes, and weekly round-robin tennis tournaments are available. For younger players, Caneel Bay offers USTA’s 10 and Under Tennis program.

Private lessons with tennis pro Donald Becker and his staff trained by Peter Burwash International, which has operated the Caneel Bay tennis program for more than 30 years are available.

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Donkey Softball Delights Kids



St. John Tradewinds News Photo Courtesy of Candice Greathouse



Kids of all ages, but especially the youngest at heart, had a ball on Saturday afternoon, May 11, at the Second Ever Donkey Softball Game in the Coral Bay ballfield. The event was a fundraiser for the Carolina Corral and was hosted in partnership with Rotary Club of St. John.

BIR Announces "Operation Last Chance" Tax Deadline Is May 17

St. John Tradewinds

Virgin Islands Bureau of Internal Revenue Director Claudette Watson-Anderson, CPA, last week reminded taxpayers that the deadline for Operation Last Chance is Friday, May 17.

All tax types are eligible for Operation Last Chance.

BIR commends those taxpayers who have voluntarily participated in this program thus far.

"Taxpayers have expressed a relief in finally being able to address their outstanding tax problems," Watson-Anderson said.

While the time period for participation in Operation Last Chance will expire on Friday, May 17, BIR officials are aware that many taxpayers are still in the process of preparing many years' worth of returns.

Accordingly, taxpayers who will not have all the tax returns prepared by the May 17 deadline

are required to come to BIR's offices and make a good faith effort to estimate the liabilities owed and pay them before May 17.

On a case by case basis, BIR will review the taxpayer's situation, and provide guidance on how to comply with Operation Last Chance. Non-filers include taxpayers who have illegally filed with the Internal Revenue Service, Watson-Anderson added.

Penalties will be waived for any taxpayer taking advantage of this opportunity to file and pay outstanding liabilities during this period. Interest will accrue on outstanding balances.

After May 17, aggressive action will be pursued against non-filers with outstanding liabilities owed. This includes the filing of Director's returns, assessing the liabilities and levying on all available income sources to satisfy the outstanding debts.

More importantly, a list of those taxpayers whom the BIR officials have found to have attempted to evade or defeat taxes will be forwarded to the Attorney General's office for prosecution to the highest degree of the law.

This opportunity is the very last chance for taxpayers to voluntarily comply with the tax laws, Watson-Anderson warned.

"During this period, it is urgent that taxpayers capitalize on this opportunity to eliminate any chance of prosecution," she said. "It is only right that everyone pay his or her fair share of taxes."

Taxpayers taking advantage of Operation Last Chance are asked to place the words "Operation Last Chance" on the top of each return filed under this voluntary program.

Taxpayers with questions about Operation Last Chance should call (340) 715-1040, ext. 2261.



St. John Tradewinds News Photo Courtesy of Steve Simonsen

Steve Simonsen congratulates GHS student John Spinale on being awarded the first annual visual arts scholarship.

John Spinale Awarded First GHS Simonsen Visual Arts Scholarship

St. John Tradewinds

On Thursday morning, May 9, Giff Hill School headmistress Judy Chamberlain awarded the first ever Steve Simonsen Visual Arts Scholarship at the school's Upper Campus.

The scholarship honors the long-time St. John artist and GHS teacher Simonsen, while recognizing a student who has demonstrated a commitment to, and excellence in, the area of visual arts, explained Chamberlain.

The award was given to John

Spinale, for using his gifts to enrich the arts programs of GHS.

"For the past three years, Spinale has impressed us with his creativity and professionalism," said the GHS head. "He has created videos celebrating a variety of GHS programs and dedicated untold hours in service to the school helping produce fundraising videos. He has become the unofficial go-to resource for teachers needing help with video projects and is always generous with his time and expertise."



St. John Tradewinds News Photo Courtesy of Steve Simonsen

GHS students gather in the school's Upper Campus great room last week for the annual awards ceremony.

Bethany Moravian Church Movie Night May 24

St. John Tradewinds

Bethany Moravian Church's Christian Education Committee is hosting a Family Movie Night on Friday, May 24, at the Bethany Moravian Fellowship Hall at 7 p.m.

The public is invited to watch a screening of "The Help," which tells the story of an aspiring author during the civil rights movement of the 1960s, who decides to write a book detailing the African-American maids' point of view on the white families for which they work, and the hardships they go through on a daily basis.

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Take a trip around the world with Giff Hill School's Camp Barracuda!

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Registration Information

- Camp Barracuda is open to children ages 3-11.
- Camp hours are 9AM-4PM.
- Registration fee of \$10 (nonrefundable)
- Cost: \$225/week (10% discount for each additional child).
- Payment is due on or before the Monday of each week. Payment for the first session is due June 10.
- Aftercare is available until 5PM for \$50/week.
- Children should bring a snack, lunch, and water bottle every day.
- Campers must be dropped off and picked up at Trunk Bay on Wednesdays.
- *All children must have a completed medical form to attend camp.*
- Scholarships are available! Please call the Development Office at 340-776-1730.

DOH Offers Limited Funds To Help Pay for Summer Camp

St. John Tradewinds

The Department of Human Services, Office of Child Care and Regulatory Services, last week announced the availability of limited funds to assist eligible parents or guardians to pay summer camp fees for their children.

Eligibility inquiries will be accepted starting on Tuesday, May 28. Parents or guardians may contact the Child Care office at 774-0930 ext. 4189 or 4186.

VIPFA Board of Directors Meet May 14

Governor John deJongh will convene a meeting of the Board of Directors of the V.I. Public Finance Authority on Tuesday, May 14, at 10:30 a.m.

The meeting will be at the VI Public Finance Authority, No. 32-33 Kongens Gade, St. Thomas.

For more information, contact Angel Dawson at the VIPFA at 714-1635.

Linda Sorensen Speaking at May 19 UU of St. John Fellowship Gathering

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

The speaker for Sunday, May 19, is Linda Sorensen, who will share a sermon written by Rev. Jennifer Crow.

The Unitarian Universalists of St. John meet every Sunday at 10 AM in the Great Room at Giff Hill School Lower Campus. Our speaker for Sunday, May 19 is Linda Sorensen. Linda will share a sermon written by Rev. Jennifer Crow

The group will expand upon ideas in the book "Improv Wisdom: Don't Prepare, Just Show," up by Standford professor Patricia Madison, showing how skills and attitudes which improv players cultivate can translate into spiritual lives.

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

Catholic Charismatic Renewal Team Pentecost Rally Set for May 19

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal Team of St. Thomas/St. John will host a Pentecost Rally from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 19, in Emancipation Garden.

The guest speaker will be Winston Garcia, a dynamic Catholic lay evangelist, composer and musician from Trinidad. For more information call 776-6339.

Bethany Moravian Fun Day Is May 27

Bethany Moravian Church is hosting a Family Fun Day on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the V.I. National Park ball field in Cruz Bay.

The whole family is invited to come out for a day of fun and games. Food and drinks will be available as well.

Recycling Project Needs Volunteers

Volunteers wanted for recycling pilot project. Call 779-4800 for details. Ask for Patti.

IEKHS Alumni Prom Set for June 14

The Ivanna Eudora Kean High School Alumni Association will host its first alumni prom fundraiser on Friday, June 14, to celebrate the alma mater's 40th year anniversary.

The event will be at Frenchman's Reef & Morning Star Marriott Beach Resort from 8 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.

Tickets to this elegant event are \$75 per person and can be purchased online at <http://iekhsalumniassociation.org>, or at Therapy Works located in Barbel Plaza. Entertainment will be provided by Cool Session. Join IEKHS alumni as they "Celebrate 40 Years of Class."

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On the Market

A feature dedicated to special homes on the market listed with *Tradewinds* real estate advertisers*

Relax to the Sound of the Surf at Villa Coyaba

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Stretch out on the deck of Villa Coyaba, gaze over the infinity edge swimming pool and allow the sound of the surf at Devers Bay below to lull you into a state of blissful relaxation.

This newly constructed villa, with three bedrooms and three and a half bathrooms, is for sale for \$4.413 million, explained Islandia Real Estate broker/owner Merry Nash.

Located on a flat lot in Estate Chocolate Hole East, Villa Coyaba is situated to take full advantage of the steady, cooling trade winds.

The home boasts mesmerizing

views over Chocolate Hole and along the south shore of St. John to St. Croix while being located just a short drive from the dining, shopping and nightlife of Cruz Bay. The island's famed North Shore beaches are also only a few minutes drive.

With natural brick and beautiful native stonework, Villa Coyaba combines luxurious details while also nodding to Caribbean history, explained Nash.

"Some of the best features of Villa Coyaba are the two stone, round towers which are based on replicas of old sugar mills," said the Islandia Real Estate broker/owner.

It will surely be difficult to pull yourself away from the endless water views found just beyond the infinity edge swimming pool overlooking Devers Bay. The expansive pool deck offers plenty of space to lounge about and soak up the tropical sun, or relax in the shade.

"The infinity edge pool overlooking Devers Bay is beautiful," said Nash. "You can hear the surf from the pool."

Inside Villa Coyaba find a large private master suite complete with its own sitting room, office and den. The home also offers two oversized, private guest bedroom pods each with its own dressing area and native stone shower.



The living spaces are centered around a large and elegantly appointed great room. With luxurious dining and living areas as well as high-end furnishings, spending a night in at Villa Coyaba will be a real treat.

The kitchen at Villa Coyaba includes custom hard wood cabinets, plenty of counter space and state of

the art, stainless steel appliances. Pull up a chair at the large and inviting breakfast bar and discuss the day's beach plans.

Enjoy all that St. John and tropical living have to offer at Villa Coyaba. For more information on the home, call Nash at Islandia Real Estate at (340) 776-6666 or on her cell at (340) 642-2246.



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Native stone details can be found throughout Villa Coyaba.



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Shootings: 1	Shootings: 0
Stabbings: 0	Stabbings: 0
Armed Robberies: 1	Armed Robberies: 0
Arsons: 0	Arsons: 0
1st Degree Burglaries: 3	1st Degree Burglaries: 1
2nd Degree Burglaries: 3	2nd Degree Burglaries: 0
3rd Degree Burglaries: 40	3rd Degree Burglaries: 6
Grand Larcenies: 72	Grand Larcenies: 31
Rapes: 1	Rapes: 1

Crossword Answers — Puzzle on Page 20

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Letters To St. John Tradewinds

SJSA Thank Supporters of One Day Sale

Our One Day Sale was a great success, earning more than \$5,300!

St. John School of the Arts would like to thank Jim and Carol Furneaux, Chuck and Terry Pishko (and helpers), Tom and Jeanne Barnes, Mares Crane, Livy Hitchcock, Karen Samuel, Susie O’Leary, Patty Taccuard, Shane and Andrew Penn, Jr. for your help in setting up and sorting through all of the items as well as keeping up the shop!

And thanks to all of those who came out and bought some great items! We still have a few items left such as original artwork, jewelry, china and glassware...so

if you are interested, please come by the school!

Attention: Steel Unlimited and Steel Unlimited II band members: we have a few cassette tapes and LPs of your recordings and would like to get them to you.

Also, SJSA would like to get CD recordings made of each album. Is there anyone who has the equipment to do that or knows of anyone who can do that? Please contact Kim Wild at 779-4322 with information.

Kim Wild
Executive Director, SJSA

America’s Paradise Keeps Progressing

Last weekend I went to the New Orleans Jazz Fest, I had a really great time. When I got home I read the headlines in back issues of the paper.

May 1: Student Finalist National Competition, (Josae Martin), Antilles Sailors National Champs.

April 30: Carnival Violence No Suspects No Assurance Law and Order Will Be Maintained Next Year

April 29 Duncan Spurs Go For Sweep

April 27: Children Bring Fun Back to Carnival

April 26: Violence Mar Carnival-Triple Shooting Ends J’overt Early.

I think this is a very interesting comment on our community.

When I moved here almost 25 years ago it was called “America’s Paradise.” It didn’t take long for me to discover that it was really “America’s Paradox,” as it was so good and so bad.

The positive changes I have noticed since I have moved here have been overwhelming. The police are no longer the bad guys, the hospital is providing health care, it’s against the law to have sex with young girls or boys and it’s not okay to beat your wife.

Senators and other high level government employees are starting to stop stealing from us because we might put them in jail.

We have progressed so much while America has

lost its way. It is really remarkable.

But, we need to start taking care of all the kids, not just the ones that go off to success in the world, and never come back. We have to take care of all of our kids.

We have to try and help the 17-year-olds and 20-year-olds who have lost their way so they get back on the right path. We have to make sure that none of the kids in first grade end up shooting people at J’overt when they get older.

I can’t imagine that there is another community this size that sends as many athletes to the Olympics as we do. How many of our young people have been to the National Poet Competition in DC? How many have left to play professional sports? How many go to the best colleges and universities in the U.S.? How many go to chess tournaments all over the world?

The answer is a lot. This is a very special place and our kids are special. We can help a lot more of them be what they want to be if we give them all a little guidance and encouragement along the way. They deserve it.

I hope you had a happy St. Thomas Carnival and I look forward to the St. John Festival.

Greg Miller

VIPD Issues Amber Alert on Minor

St. John Tradewinds

V.I. Police Department officers on St. Thomas issued a stateside Amber Alert for 9-year-old Jermaine Henderson on Thursday, May 9.

The minor was last seen at the Cyril E. King Airport with his maternal grandmother boarding a flight to Florida.

A report of the missing child was made to police by his father on May 3 who stated that he has had custody of his son for more than a year.

The father told police that he al-

lowed the maternal grandmother to spend time with the child and he allowed the child to stay overnight with her on April 30.

The father said he was informed by a third party that his son was seen at the airport boarding a flight with his grandmother.

Jermaine Henderson is 4 feet tall and weighs 90 pounds. He has brown eyes and black hair. He has a brown complexion. A photo of Henderson can be viewed on the VIPD website at vipd.gov.vi.



Jermaine Henderson



ISLAND GREEN LIVING

by Lovango Cay resident Dan Boyd

Strip Cords and Surge Protectors

St. John Tradewinds

I recently received an email alert from the U.S. Coast Guard informing me of the hazards of surge protection devices:

“Surge protective devices (SPDs), more commonly known as surge protectors or power strips, help protect our expensive electronic devices from being damaged from excessive currents and allow us to simultaneously deliver power to multiple devices.

“This safety alert addresses the use of certain electrical protection devices onboard vessels and the inherent risks they may cause. Most commercially available SPDs are designed for use ashore and will interrupt only the hot conductor when a surge occurs.

“What does that mean for the ship owner/operator? It means that while these devices may provide protection in our homes and offices, these same devices may be a fire risk onboard vessels.

“A marine casualty investigation of two separate stateroom fires onboard a U.S. flag container ship revealed that the sources of the fires were attributed to the use of SPDs plugged into a lighting circuit. It was discovered that a ground had developed on another circuit that was connected to the same distribution panel providing power to the staterooms.

“This ground created an imbalance of voltage between the two power conductors supplying the SPDs, which caused excessive currents, overheating, and subsequently, a fire. In this instance, even if the SPDs automatically tripped as designed, only one power conductor would have been secured while the other would continue to provide power, possibly shorting to the device’s ground wire and the structure of the vessel.

“The Coast Guard recommends that vessels should have defined procedures for checking the condition and grounding capabilities of personal/portable electrical equipment, and trained shipboard personnel should be assigned to check and approve all SPDs in use or brought on board for compatibility with the

vessel’s electrical distribution system prior to use.

“Routine checks of switchboard and distribution system 120 VAC ground detection systems are necessary to detect the presence of grounds that may cause similar circumstances with non-marine type SPDs.”

I found this report alarming because I have been such a big advocate for power strips and surge protectors as a means of keeping your power costs down.

By plugging in your cell phone chargers into a strip cord, you can shut them off when not in use by just shutting off the strip cord.

If your electrical system is not well grounded, this could be a potential hazard in your home, too. If you are not sure if your home’s electrical system is properly grounded you may need to call an electrician to have it checked out

As with most any electrical items, you get what you pay for. Do not simply purchase the cheapest power strip or surge protector. Buy a quality brand and read the information on the package to make sure you do have good quality and protection.

In order to tell the difference between a power strip and a surge protector, you have to look for an electric rating.

A surge protector will have a rating in Joules of energy, as well as the maximum voltage it can take from a power spike. If you find those numbers, either on the box it came in or on the strip itself, then it is a surge protector.

Also, if you have ever heard the term “surge suppressor,” it is the same thing as a surge protector. It is a device used to protect against changes in current.

The bottom line is to make sure that your computers and other electronic devices are hooked into a surge protector. It is a few dollars to spend that can end up saving you thousands in the long run.

For a greener tomorrow!

Dan Boyd of Island Solar is a Virgin Islands Energy Office authorized vendor. He can be reached via telephone at 340-626-9685 or by email at islandso-larvi@gmail.com.

Governor deJongh Proclaims Travel and Tourism Week

St. John Tradewinds

Last week was designated as “Virgin Islands Travel and Tourism Week” by Governor John deJongh.

Widely acknowledged as the largest industry in the territory, the statistics on the industry are impressive. Last year, the Virgin Islands welcomed 1,904,468 cruise ship passengers and 737,681 air travelers for a total of more than 2.6 million visitors. These visitors generated revenue of \$1.1 billion throughout the territory or \$2,487.22 of every minute of the year.

“Every member of our community is a tourism ambassador, whether we work specifically in the travel industry or not,” said deJongh. “Knowledge of our territory’s history, cultural influences and traditions is imperative to becoming a good representative of the Virgin Islands. Remember and put into action the phrase: ‘Tourism, it’s all of us.’”

The Governor’s proclamation stated that the travel

industry in the Virgin Islands “is vital to our economic stability and growth and contributes substantially to the cultural and social well-being of our people.”

It further stated that tourism “promotes intercultural understanding and appreciation” of the territory.

“The Virgin Islands is distinctive in so many ways, and this uniqueness is the basis for our appeal to travelers from around the world,” the governor said. “The power of the tourism industry provides the basis for the territory’s economic well-being and it must be respected and protected continually.”

In 1983, National Tourism Week was established by the U.S. Congress and confirmed by a Presidential Proclamation signed by President Ronald Reagan. Since 1984, the first week in May has been celebrated as National Travel and Tourism Week. Throughout the country, the travel industry is celebrated by various cities and states in localized and creative ways.

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For more information, call 776-6496.

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For Devotions and Study Circles, call 714-1641
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776-6316, 776-6254

Bethany Moravian Church

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13 ABC Coral Bay, 776-6304
Sunday School 10 a.m.,
Sunday evening 6 p.m., Thursday 7 p.m.

Christian Ministry

Cinnamon Bay Beach
Inter-Denominational, Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Christian Science Society

10:45 a.m. Sunday- Marketplace
Wednesday Testimonials
7:45 p.m. on last Wed. of Month

**The Church of Jesus Christ
of Latter-day Saints**

Sun. 9 a.m., on St. Thomas . 776-2379
Sun., 5 p.m., STJ, Lumberyard

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Sunday 11 a.m., 6 p.m. 776-6315

Emmaus Moravian Church

Coral Bay, Sun. 9 a.m. 776-6713

Jehovah's Witness

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

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776-6339

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Saturdays, 779-4477

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Tuesdays Prayer 7:30 p.m.,
Thursdays Bible Study 7:30 p.m.
779-1230

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Sunday Church Service, 9 a.m.
Bible Class on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. 777-6306

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

Word of Faith Church

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

STT/STJ 2013 Police Week Activities

Monday, May 13

- 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Open House/Customer Appreciation Day Zones A, B, C and D
- 6:30 to 9 p.m. - Governor's Reception at Catherineberg

Tuesday, May 14

- 9 to 11 a.m. - School visit to Julius E. Sprauve School. Demonstration, safety tips (K9, Fire, HDU, Rescue and Crime Prevention) and appearance by mascots

Wednesday, May 15

- 9 to 11 a.m. - School visit to E. Benjamin Oliver Elementary School. Safety Tips and demonstrations
- 12:45 to 2 p.m. - School visit to Lockhart Elementary School. Safety tips and demonstrations
- 6:30 p.m. - Vigil and laying of memorial wreath at Alexander A. Farrelly Justice Center Courtyard

Thursday, May 16

- 6 p.m. - Sports and fun night softball and basketball games at Emile Griffith Ballpark
- 7 p.m. - Domino tournament at Emile Griffith Ballpark

Friday, May 17

- 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Civilian Day Fun Day at Magen's Bay Beach
- 7 p.m. - Awards Ceremony at the Leonard B. Francis National Guard Armory

TO YOUR HEALTH

Be Careful With That Salad Dressing

By Carmen Rhodes

St. John Tradewinds

As we eat more salads for our health and to boost our immune systems it's a good reminder to be careful with the salad dressings that we use.

Consider the following quote: "If you don't use a healthy salad dressing, your salad could contain as much fat and calories as a bacon cheeseburger. Mayonnaise-based salad dressings can stifle your weight loss efforts with empty calories and saturated fat. Just two tablespoons of the average Ranch or Thousand Island dressing contains approximately 14 grams of fat, and five of those grams are saturated fat," according to <http://www.fitday.com/fitness-articles/nutrition/healthy-eating/4-healthy-salad-dressing-options.html>

Here's a healthy salad dressing option:

Sweet and Sour Lime/Lemon Salad Dressing

Ingredients:

1 T lime or lemon juice

1 t water

2 T extra virgin olive oil

Salt to taste (May add other seasonings as desired)

Sweetener to taste (honey or sweetener of choice)

Preparation:

Put lime juice and water in bowl. Add sweetener to the tanginess level desired.

Add salt (and other seasonings if desired). Whisk together to dissolve the salt.

Whisk in the olive oil.

Toss over your salad. Mix and enjoy!

Adapted from <http://lowcarbdiets.about.com/od/soupsandsalads/r/limedressing.htm>

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Today's Cryptoquip clue: A equals I

Brewing Green



Dear EarthTalk:

I heard that a number of beer brewing companies have banded together to support the Clean Water Act. Can you enlighten?

**Mitch Jenkins
Cincinnati, OH**

In April 2013 the non-profit Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) brought together two dozen nationally respected craft beer brewers to launch the Brewers for Clean Water Campaign, which aims to leverage the economic growth of the craft brewing sector into a powerful voice for bolstering clean water protection in the United States.

“Whether brewers are creating ales, pilsners, porters, wits or stouts, one ingredient must go into every batch: clean water,” said Karen Hobbs, a senior policy analyst at NRDC. “Craft brewers need clean water to make great beer.”

While hops, malt and the brewing process itself are also clearly important, water just may be the

secret ingredient that gives a specific beer its distinctive flavor.

“Beer is about 90 percent water, making local water supply quality and its characteristics, such as pH and mineral content, critical to beer brewing and the flavor of many classic brews,” reported NRDC. “For example, the unusually soft water of Pilsen, from the Czech Republic, helped create what is considered the original gold standard of pilsner beers.”

“The clarity and hoppiness of England’s finest India Pale Ales, brewed since the 1700s in Burton-on-Trent, result from relatively high levels of calcium in local water,” NRDC reported.

Brewers can replicate the flavors of beers like these and others by sourcing freshwater with similar features or by starting with neutral water and adding minerals and salts accordingly to bring out certain desired characteristics.

Of course, clean water is essential to more than great-tasting beer.

“It’s critical for public health and the health of a wide range of industries,” according to NRDC. “Now our streams, wetlands and water supply need our help. Without strong legal protections, they are under threat from pollution like sewage, agricultural waste, and oil spills.”

The popularity of craft brewers’ “microbrews” in recent years is another reason why NRDC has hitched its clean water wagon to the industry.

“Craft brewers are closely tied to their communities with a very real understanding of the impacts bad policy can have on regional water sources,” reported the group. “While the participants in the campaign include brewing operations large and small, all have demonstrated a commitment to sustainability in their operations and beer development.”

By taking part in the campaign, New Belgium, Sierra Nevada, Allagash, Short’s, Temperance, Arbor, DryHop, Finch’s, Revolution,

Whether beer brewers are creating ales, pilsners, porters, wits or stouts, one ingredient must go into every batch: clean water. A new campaign, Brewers for Clean Water, aims to leverage the economic growth of the craft brewing sector into a powerful voice for clean water protection in the U.S.

Flossmoor, Cranker’s, Wild Onion, Right Brain, Half Acre, Goose Island and other craft brewers are helping spread the word in a way that hits home with consumers.

For its part, NRDC is urging beer lovers (and other concerned environmentalists) to use the form on its website to e-mail the White House encouraging President Obama to finalize guidelines

recently created by the Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency that call for greater protections for streams and wetlands in important headwaters regions from coast to coast.

And consumers should be glad to know that for once drinking beer can actually be good for the environment. So bottoms up!

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Students and chaperones goof off on the ISU football field, above, and pose for a more formal picture, at left.

St. John Tradewinds News
Photos Courtesy of GHS

GHS Students Enjoy Week Trip In Iowa for Minimester

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where we've done some planting and built some chicken coops."

"I like that we get to feed the chickens and take care of them," said Nguyen. "And it's fun to look at the coop and know that we built it ourselves."

For Caleb Jones, the highlight of the Iowa trip took place on the ice.

"It was the first time I've ever ice skated," said Jones.

"We toured the campus and that was fun," said Aysha Clendinen. "It was my first time at a college campus."

Mirisa Clendinen especially enjoyed the group's trip to the Strategic Air and Space Museum.

"We saw a lot of airplanes and space stuff and they had these simulators that were really cool," she said.

A trip to Iowa State's dairy farm was the highlight for Elena Glenn.

"We walked around and got to see the cows and watched as they got milked," said Glenn. "It was really fun."

The students also enjoyed touring the offices of Meredith Publishing Company.

"They publish *Better Homes and Gardens Magazine* and we got to tour their office and talk to two of the editors," said Monique Edwards. "We got to understand how much time it takes to put an issue together."

While students termed the trip

"cool," the weather was a bit blustery as well for these Virgin Islands students.

"It was really cold," said Edwards. "I was hoping to see snow, but it didn't snow until the day after we left."

The GHS students also got to enjoy a 150-year-old tradition at Iowa State University called VEISHEA. The event is a week-long student-run Carnival, featuring costumes, demonstrations and more, explained Duerfelvt.

"It's the largest student-run Carnival in the country," he said. "Part of it is a big parade and there are tons of booths and demonstrations and costumes and more. This was going on the first day the students arrived and they had a lot of fun."

Answer to May 12 Cryptoquip:

YOU'RE SEEING A SMALL CHICKEN THAT ISN'T ACTUALLY THERE. I'M THINKING IT'S PROBABLY A PHANTOM BANTAM.

Crime Stoppers — U.S.V.I.

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

St. John

On April 18 at 3:45 a.m., a woman reported to police that a male had entered her residence in upper Cruz Bay while she and her boyfriend were sleeping. The man stole several items from the residence including a wallet and money. When discovered, he fled on foot towards the Islandia Building. Tell us what you know so police can identify this burglar.

St. Thomas

On April 29 at 11 a.m., a man in the area of Estate Tutu was shot at by an unknown individual. The man was wounded by the gunfire. V.I. Police Department officers are seeking your help in identifying the shooter. Tell us what you know.

St. Croix

On Wednesday, May 1, VIPD officers responded to a report of a foul odor coming from a residence in Estate Whim. After gaining entrance to the home,

police found the lifeless bodies of Kassaun "K-Force" Baptiste and Jose "the Mighty TNL" Navarro. VIPD suspect the men had been dead for about one week. If you know something you think police should know, please speak up.

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). You can also text "USVI" plus your message to CRIMES (274637).

If your tip leads to an arrest or the recovery of stolen property, illegal drugs, or weapons, you will receive a cash reward to be paid according to your instructions.

The minimum cash reward for the arrest of a burglar is \$714 plus 10 percent of the retail value of property recovered. For an assailant involved in a shooting it is \$900. Our maximum reward is \$2,500.

Please note: our technology makes it impossible for anyone to find out who submitted a tip. To learn how we do this, visit www.CrimeStoppersUSVI.org and click on How It Works.

Police Week is May 12 – May 17

Join us at the Leander Jergen Police Command Open House
Monday, May 13 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Meet your police officers! Spend some time with us!

On Tuesday, May 14th, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. police officers will be at the Julius Sprauve School conducting demonstrations and giving safety tips, K-9 officers and dogs, HDU and Crime Prevention officers will be present, and there will be an appearance by the Crime Prevention Mascot – Darren the Lion.

See the complete Territorial Police Week schedule
Go to the VIPD web site at <http://www.vipd.gov.vi/> or the
VIPD Face Book page at www.facebook.com/USVIPD



Police Log

EMERGENCY CELLULAR: 340-776-9110

POLICE DEPT: 340-693-8880 / FIRE STATION: 340-776-6333

Friday, May 3

7:02 a.m. - An Estate Glucksberg resident c/r that he was assaulted by another male. Assault in the third.

12:02 p.m. - An Estate Hansen Bay resident p/r that someone spray painted the sign for her business in the area of Haulover Bay. Destruction of property.

6:53 p.m. - A citizen c/r loud music in the area of Cruz Bay. Loud music.

Saturday, May 4

10:41 a.m. - An Estate Adrian resident p/r that someone killed his chicken. Police assistance.

1:06 p.m. - An Estate Adrian resident p/r an auto accident. Police assistance.

1:12 p.m. - An Estate Fish Bay resident c/r an auto collision. Auto collision.

4:50 p.m. - A citizen c/r an auto collision in the area of Route 107. Auto collision.

No time given - A citizen c/r a male walking on Salt Pond beach with a machete. Suspicious activity.

7:03 p.m. - An Estate Contant resident c/r that he found a cell phone. Police assistance.

7:05 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident c/r that his windshield was broken. Damage to a vehicle.

Sunday, May 5

3:45 a.m. - A citizen was assisted to his place of stay at Caneel Bay. Police assistance.

8:15 a.m. - An Estate Enighed resident r/ damage to his vehicle. Damage to a vehicle.

1:10 p.m. - A citizen p/r a fraud. Fraud.

Monday, May 6

1:28 a.m. - A citizen c/r needing an individual removed from a Cruz Bay bar. Police assistance.

7:25 a.m. - A doctor at Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center c/requesting police assistance with a suicide patient. Police assistance.

10:40 a.m. - Badge #1090 p/ at Leander Jergen Command with one Edwin Penn III of Estate Adrian under arrest and charged with disobeying a lawful order and resisting arrest. His bail was set at \$500 by order of the court. He was detained at Leander Jergen Command and later transported to the Bureau of Corrections on St. Thomas to be remanded.

1:00 p.m. - An Estate Hansen Bay resident p/r that someone has been unleashing her dogs. Police assistance.

1:50 p.m. - An Estate Fish Bay resident p/r that his iPad was stolen from The Marketplace. Grand larceny.

7:40 p.m. - A citizen p/r that her employees were threatened. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

Tuesday, May 7

10:50 a.m. - An Estate Enighed resident p/r that

someone removed his tow hinge off his vehicle. Grand larceny.

5:45 p.m. - A employee at Fatty Crab p/r that one April 30, 2013, two individuals, one male and one female, bought food and drinks and paid with a stolen credit card. Fraud.

6:12 p.m. - A citizen r/ being assaulted by her niece. Assault in the third, D.V.

10:30 p.m. - A citizen p/r a hit and run in the area of Bureau of Motor Vehicles parking lot. Auto collision.

Wednesday, May 8

1:05 p.m. - A citizen c/requesting police assistance with a male creating a disturbance in the area of Morris F. deCastro Clinic in Cruz Bay. Police assistance.

4:54 p.m. - A citizen p/r a disturbance. Disturbance of the peace.

6:27 p.m. - A citizen c/r that someone was selling drugs in the area of Cruz Bay. Suspicious activity.

7:01 p.m. - A citizen c/r that her ex husband was following her in the area of Cruz Bay. Disturbance of the peace, D.V.

7:52 p.m. - A citizen c/requesting police assistance. Police assistance.

Thursday, May 9

7:39 a.m. - A citizen c/r that he found a man sleeping in his bathroom. Trespassing.

10:24 a.m. - A citizen r/ a male trespassing in the area of Estate Concordia. Trespassing.

11:09 a.m. - A citizen c/r that a male was peeping at women in the ladies room in the area of Cruz Bay. Public nuisance.

11:09 a.m. - Badge #1252 p/ at Leander Jergen Command with one Julian Chinnery Jr. of Estate Enighed under arrest and charged with public nuisance. His bail was set at \$500 by order of the court. He was detained at Leander Jergen Command and later transported to the Bureau of Corrections on St. Thomas to be remanded.

11:50 a.m. - A citizen p/r that his property management had taken money from him and removed furniture from his apartment. Grand larceny.

1:17 p.m. - A citizen r/ that a male threatened her. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

1:53 p.m. - A Cinnamon Bay resident p/r damage to a vehicle. Damage to a vehicle.

9:18 p.m. - A citizen p/r an assault that occurred in the area of Customs Parking lot. Simple assault.

11:43 p.m. - A Bellevue Village resident p/r an assault. Simple assault.

Friday, May 10

12:41 a.m. - A citizen c/requesting police assistance. Police assistance.

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.

Wednesday, May 15

— Charlotte Amalie High School administrators are asking parents of incoming ninth graders to attend an important meeting and orientation that will be in the school's Ruth E. Thomas Auditorium on Wednesday, May 15. Attendees should arrive by 4:30 p.m.

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.

— Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church Youth Group is hosting a car wash fundraiser on Saturday, May 18, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the recreation center located across from the Cruz Bay Fire Station.

Sunday, May 19

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

The speaker for Sunday, May 19, is Linda Sorensen, who will share a sermon written by Rev. Jennifer Crow.

— The Catholic Charismatic Renewal Team of St. Thomas/St. John will host a Pentecost

Rally from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 19, in Emancipation Garden. For more information call 776-6339.

Tuesday, May 21

— Guy Benjamin School's final Parent Teacher Organization meeting of the year will be on Tuesday, May 21, at 5:30 p.m.

Friday, May 24

— Bethany Moravian Church's Christian Education Committee is hosting a Family Movie Night on Friday, May 24, at the Bethany Moravian Fellowship Hall at 7 p.m.

Sunday, May 26

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

Monday, May 27

— Bethany Moravian Church is hosting a Family Fun Day on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the V.I. National Park ball field in Cruz Bay.

May 29 and May 31

— 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. For more information call CBCC at 776-2099

ALCOHOLICS 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

Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

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- 30 Also
- 31 Outpatient facility
- 34 "Allow me, — may ..."
- 37 Bud and Kelly's mom
- 40 — acid (fat product)
- 41 Garcia of fashion
- 43 Applies, as a coat of wax
- 44 Wednesday and Pugsley's mom
- 48 Proficient
- 52 Salad green
- 53 Suffix with bureaucrat
- 54 May honorees
- 56 Curly's buddy
- 57 Casino client
- 61 Rudy, Vanessa, Theo, Denise and Sondra's mom
- 65 Scented
- 66 Long green
- 67 Work with
- 68 Milk, in Paris
- 69 Comic Leary
- 70 Coin of Chile

- 71 Sped
- 73 TV actress Jennie
- 74 Pizzazz
- 75 In favor of
- 76 Pious person
- 78 — jumping (extreme sport)
- 79 Portrayer of 23-Across
- 82 Big vultures
- 83 Once — blue moon
- 84 Outlaw Rob
- 85 Reindeer kin
- 86 Like single-purpose committees
- 88 Slow, to Solti
- 90 Portrayer of 61-Across
- 96 How blackbirds may be baked?
- 99 Otoloscope views
- 100 Pollen piece
- 101 Portrayer of 37-Across
- 105 Assembled
- 106 Wildlife
- 107 From — Z (thoroughly)
- 108 Brunei ruler
- 110 Post-op area
- 112 Muhammad —
- 113 Whale's kin
- 116 Portrayer of 44-Across
- 121 Precise
- 122 Little hills
- 123 Physicist Mach
- 124 They include Saturdays
- 125 Least crazy
- 126 Alloy of zinc and copper

DOWN

- 1 Digital transmission, for short
- 2 Literature's "Moor of Venice"

- 3 More wary
- 4 Bud
- 5 "Let's see now ..."
- 6 Oz Lion player Bert
- 7 Wind instruments with finger holes
- 8 Bar code scanner: Abbr.
- 9 Dandy dude
- 10 "Hang on —"
- 11 Razor sharpener
- 12 Krypton, e.g.
- 13 Force
- 14 Stengel and Kasem
- 15 Summer, to Jules
- 16 The lady
- 17 Many a taxi
- 18 Edit
- 19 Pa
- 24 Easy as —
- 29 "A Doll's House" family name
- 32 Louse-to-be
- 33 Winter spikes
- 35 Giant flops
- 36 Ky. neighbor
- 38 Talk big
- 39 German for 30-Across
- 42 "I thought we had —!"
- 45 Street — (urban acceptability)
- 46 Suffix with court or hotel
- 47 Like part of Russia
- 49 Official ban
- 50 Less rude
- 51 Cuts canines
- 54 Be reflective
- 55 Wood splitter
- 57 Kid's sled
- 58 "Sweet —" (barbershop song)
- 59 Monte Carlo resident
- 60 Very edge

- 62 How pajamas fit
- 63 Harm
- 64 — flowing with milk and honey
- 66 Feline call
- 70 Address God
- 72 Four roods
- 73 Firearm storage item
- 75 Mahmoud Abbas' gp.
- 77 Often-sprained joint
- 78 Churlish type
- 80 Literary twist
- 81 Nuke, maybe
- 82 "— -ching!"
- 87 Purifies, as whiskey
- 89 Even score
- 90 Baby oinkers
- 91 "— shocked!"
- 92 Health facility
- 93 Biblical shout of praise
- 94 Innocent
- 95 Halts
- 97 Allocate
- 98 Took a break
- 101 "Bam!"
- 102 Right wrongs
- 103 Eggy cake
- 104 Doesn't have
- 106 Hot dog base
- 109 Mom's mom
- 111 Abnormal body sac
- 114 Plen-T- — (Wrigley's gum unit)
- 115 Metal deposit
- 117 Pitchman Popeil
- 118 Pelota cheer
- 119 Brother of George Bush
- 120 Bobby of hockey

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"El Cielo" - This all masonry home has an ideal location half way between Cruz Bay & Coral Bay on a flat ridge just above Upper Peter Bay with National Park land to the north & east to insure quiet & privacy. Features include sweeping views from Lovango Cay to Jost Van Dyke, custom doors & windows, 4 air conditioned bedrooms, easy handicap access, tropical landscaping, large great room and an office. **\$2.25M.**

"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 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**



"Kings Hill Apartments" - Solid masonry, well maintained apartment house with two, 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartments on a convenient flat lot. Bedrooms are air conditioned and each apartment has appliances, including its own laundry, and a screened porch. Sister apartment building next door, also with 2 apartments, is also for sale. These are currently long term rentals. Location is conveniently close to Coral Bay on the King's Hill Road. **\$599,000**



"Shipwreck Landing" - Commercial land just outside Coral Bay. Popular and well established "island style" complex on the waters' edge in Coral Bay. "Turnkey" opportunity with one very popular restaurant and three retail spaces occupied with leases in place. Plenty of room to expand to more commercial spaces as well as adding residential units. This is waterfront property and there is the possibility to add a dock. **\$1.5M**



"Villa Hibiscus" - All masonry construction on a large corner lot in Estate Chocolate Hole just 1.5 miles from Cruz Bay dock on paved roads. Deeded beach rights to Hart Bay and Chocolate Hole Bay and plenty of flat parking. Successful short term rental with two private units, separate storage building, plus big work shop/home office space below with separate drive way. Live in one unit and rent the other or rent them both. **\$895,000.**



"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.**

"EAST END POINT" - The eastern-most point of St. John is now for sale. This estate sized lot is over 5 waterfront acres with several natural building sites & unlimited views to the British Virgins from Tortola to Norman Island and within the new sub division of "THE POINT AT PRIVATEER" **\$4.5M.**

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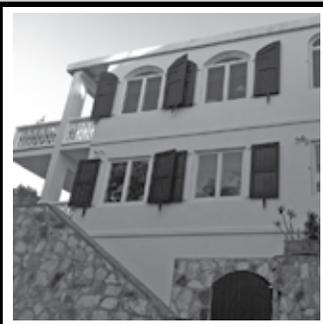
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Bajo el Sol Show Features Students and Professionals

The St. John community came out in force to support Ivanna Eudora Kean High School students who showed their work during Bajo el Sol's art opening on Friday, May 10. St. John artists Bill Stelzer and Karen Samuel were also featured during the show. The show will hang at the Mongoose Junction gallery for the month of May.

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"VERY MOTIVATED SELLER!" SABA COTTAGE offers an open floor plan & valley views of historic sugar mill. Room to expand this small but well constructed home. Two parcels-keep one and sell the other.

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"SEABISCUIT" is a winner! Charming 2x2 Caribbean style masonry villa with panoramic views, very private pool & hot tub. Breezy location convenient to Coral Bay. Walk to shoreline watersports.

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PRICE REDUCED
MLS 12-345
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"PETIT TRE'SOR" (a small treasure) at Cruz Bay Villas is a charming one-bdrm condo w/ a romantic view over the pool & across Pillsbury Sound to St. Thomas. Pool with wrap around deck and great sunset views!

MLS 13-86
\$349,000

"SEA TURTLE VILLA" is a contemporary Skytop home with amazing water views, 2 master suites, 3 baths, tropical landscaping, pool, & open architecture set amidst secluded privacy. Great vacation villa or island home!

VIDEO
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