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John Gill, standing in rear at right, led an International Trauma Life Support training session at the Westin Resort and Villas.

Collaboration Among Agencies Is Key for First Responders in Event of Mass Disaster

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Close collaboration between first response agencies would spell the difference between “chaos” and “controlled chaos” in the event of a mass casualty on St. John, according to John Gill, EMT-P.

If anyone has learned lessons about mass

casualties lately it is Gill; the city of Boston’s Emergency Medical Services’ Deputy Superintendent. He was one of the first responders on the scene following the Boston Marathon bombing on April 15.

Gill led a weekend-long International Trauma Life Support training session at the Westin Resort and Villas which ran from Fri-

day evening, October 18, through Sunday afternoon, October 20.

Sponsored by St. John EMS Association with support from St. John Rescue, the training session drew 25 participants from a range of local government and non-profit agencies. Among the agencies represented were Sch-

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Hearing on Reparations and Reconciliation Set for Oct. 30

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The next hearing to address the subject of reparations, and two bills regarding reconciliation and the transformation of the Enid Baa Library into a revenue-generating entity, will be on Wednesday, October 30, at 10 a.m. at the Fritz Lawaetz Conference Room on St. Croix, Chairman of the Committee on Culture, Historic Preservation, Youth and Recreation Senator Myron Jackson announced last week.

The purpose of the hearing is to get an update on the reparations movement between the Virgin Islands and the Kingdom of Denmark, and to review two bills assigned to the committee.

BILL NO. 30-0191, sponsored by Senator Samuel Sanes, and co-sponsored by Senator Judi Buckley, is a resolution petitioning the United States Congress to establish a Virgin Islands Truth and Reconciliation Commission to investigate, discover and reveal past wrongdoings by the Danish government and provide

answers to historical questions relating to the Danish occupation and rule of the Danish West Indies, which are now the United States Virgin Islands, between 1672 and 1917.

BILL NO. 30-0155, sponsored by Senator Jackson and Senator Shawn-Michael Malone, is an act amending title 3 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 2, sections 28b and 28d relating to the use of Enid M. Baa Library and Archives Building exclusively for archives, records management and supportive economic initiatives, amending 33 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 111, section 3059 relating to the use of the Virgin Islands Libraries and Museums Revolving Fund, and providing for other related matters.

The public is invited to attend. Anyone wishing to give or submit testimony may do so by notifying the office by Monday, October 28. Written testimony and requests to testify in person can be made by calling (340) 693-3519 or emailing tmalone@legvi.org.

New VITRAN Buses Coming to Territory

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Department of Public Works Commissioner Darryl Smalls and members of the VITRAN staff met recently with representatives of National Bus Leasing, Inc. to review the acquisition of 10 medium/heavy duty buses by the department of Public Works.

The buses were recently purchased with Federal Highway funding. DPW is also purchasing 12 medium duty from Atlantic Bus Sales, Smalls added.

It remained unclear last week how many, if any, of the new buses would operate on St. John, which has seen limited VITRAN runs for months.



Department of Public Works Commissioner Darryl Smalls, at head of table, center, and members of the VITRAN staff met recently with representatives of National Bus Leasing, Inc.

Free Flu Shots in Coral Bay on Oct. 31

Free flu shots will be available in Coral Bay on Thursday, October 31, at the Coral Bay Fire Station from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

St. John Baby Boom Photo Is Nov. 3rd

All parents are invited to the St. John baby boom photo and beach picnic at Hawksnest Beach on Sunday, November 3, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The first photo will feature children two years and younger. The second photo will feature two- to five-year-olds. Participants are asked to bring a dish to share. Parking is limited and residents are asked to carpool or take a taxi shuttle.

For more information call Connections at 776-6922.

CBCC Annual Meeting and Potluck Set for November 4 at Miss Lucy's

November is the beginning of Coral Bay Community Council's membership year. Please consider becoming a member this year and supporting CBCC with participation in its numbers; which stands at 400 now!

Annual dues are \$50 a person, but any amount will be welcomed. Applications are on the website www.coralbaycommunitycouncil.org, at the CBCC office as well as at Connections East and Keep Me Posted.

CBCC is hosting its Annual Meeting and potluck on Monday, November 4, at Miss Lucy's from 4:30 to 7 p.m. with dinner at 5:30 p.m.

AARP and American Legion Hosting BBQ for Team River Runner on Nov. 9

Thanks to the fund raising in August done on St. John, a group of wounded veterans with the Team River Runner program will once again spend a week at the Cinnamon Bay Campgrounds for rest, relaxation and strengthening themselves with kayak trips.

On Saturday, November 9, after a day kayak trip, the appetites of these warriors will be satisfied as the St. John American Legion and AARP Chapter get together to put on a BBQ featuring local dishes and drinks as well as the faithful stand-by's.

"This is our small way of saying thank you for the sacrifices these young men and women have given," said Beverly Biziewski, President St. John AARP Chapter #4777.

GHS Gives Back Day Is November 22

Giffit Hill School is proud to announce the 4th Annual "Giffit Hill School Gives Back" community service day on Friday, November 22. All students and faculty from preschool through 12th grade will take part in this event and give back to the community with service projects throughout the day, all over the island.

For more information, to volunteer, or looking for help with a project at an organization, contact Meghan Duffy or Molly Murrill at 776-1730.

SJSA Seeking Alumni to Join Concert

St. John School of the Arts is planning an Alumni Concert in January and school officials are searching for more former students who would like to participate and perform in this event.

Please call SJSA Executive Director Kim Wild at 779-4322.

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Department of Public Works Commissioner Darryl Smalls, third from left at top left, with representatives of Varlack Ventures and Transportations Services, the boat building company and others, on a dock in New Orleans ahead of the sea trials for the new ferries: "Red Hook I" and "Cruz Bay I," at left. A peek at the new ferry's interior, above.

New Passenger Ferries Cruise Through Sea Trials

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Department of Public Works Commissioner Darryl Smalls recently traveled to Louisiana to take part in the initial sea trials of two new ferry vessels which will carry passengers between Cruz Bay and St. Thomas next year.

Representatives of Varlack Ventures and Transportation Services — which own the franchise rights for ferry runs between St. Thomas and St. John — also attended the recent sea trials for *Red Hook I* and *Cruz Bay I*.

The vessels are being constructed by Harvey, Louisiana-based Midship Marine, located across the Mississippi River from New Orleans.

The sea trials were originally scheduled for early October, but were postponed due to the threat of severe weather from Hurricane Karen. The first sea trail finally occurred on Monday, October 21, and the second was on Tuesday,



St. John Tradewinds News Photo File

The new ferries will replace the aging ones in use now, above.

October 22.

Smalls was on board for both of those trials, as well as the representatives of both Varlack Ventures and Transportation Services, according to information from Government House.

The sea trials consisted of four-hour voyages along the Harvey Canal, which enabled the operators to experience the new state-

of-the-art vessels first-hand.

The vessels are 85-foot catamarans capable of carrying 250 passengers each. They will replace the aging ferry boats currently being used by Varlack Ventures and Transportation Services.

While Varlack and Transportation Services will operate the new ferry vessels, they will not own them. The vessels will be owned

by the V.I. government.

The new passenger ferry vessels cost more than \$3.5 million each and are being paid for with \$3 million from the American Recovery and Rehabilitation Act as well as about \$2.7 million in Ferryboat Discretionary funding accumulated through the years, according to information from DPW.

The remaining cost, about \$2.1 million, is being covered by DPW funding from the Federal Highway Administration.

The vessels, originally scheduled to arrive in the territory by November, still need to be inspected by U.S. Coast Guard officials before setting sail for the territory. They are expected to be in local waters by December, at which point they will be inspected once again by USCG.

The new catamaran ferry vessels are scheduled to be carrying passengers between Red Hook and Cruz Bay — in style — by the end of the year.

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USFSC Founder Dean Doeling, above bending over, distributed more than 200 backpacks to JESS students.

JESS Students Take Home New Backpacks Filled with School Supplies

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

In addition to hosting about 200 students at the Fifth Annual Just Play Day recently, Using Sport for Social Change founder Dean Doeling also stopped by Julius E. Sprauve School with a few hundred donations in hand.

This is the second year in which Doeling has worked with the Global Backpack Project to donate brand new backpacks filled with school supplies to local students. Last year, Doeling distributed backpacks to students Guy Benjamin School in Coral Bay and this year, he stopped by the Cruz Bay public school.

"Last year we donated backpacks and school supplies to all the at Guy Benjamin School kids," said Doeling. "This year we wanted to spread the project to the Julius E. Sprauve School. We couldn't get enough for the whole school, but we still wanted to do something with JESS."

"So we determined that the elementary school kids would benefit more, so we brought 220 backpacks to JESS one morning," said Doeling.

Transporting all the boxes of backpacks slated for donation pre-



St. John Tradewinds News Photo Courtesy of USFSC

JESS elementary school students check out the school supplies inside their new backpacks.

sented a logistical challenge, Doeling added.

"It was tough logistically," he said. "But the kids came and they were super eager and anxious. Their eyes were all big and they weren't quite sure what was going to happen."

"When we started handing out the backpacks, they were so excited," said Doeling. "It was really just a great thing to see."

Doeling hopes to be able to

work with the Global Backpack Project again next year, he explained.

"It's all a supply and demand thing, but we are going to try," said the USFSC founder. "We hope to be included in their budget next year and be back with more backpacks to hand out."

For more information on the Global Backpack Project, check out www.globalbackpackproject.org.

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neider Regional Medical Center, V.I. National Park, Department of Education, V.I. Fire Department, Emergency Medical Responders from St. John EMS and St. John Rescue.

The residents spent the weekend being updated on the latest skills sets in emergency response to trauma with hands-on trainings.

While the recent training is actually the third International Trauma Life Support session hosted on St. John, organizers decided this year to include a focus on mass casualties, explained Carol Beckowitz of St. John EMS Association.

"This is the third International Trauma Life Support training session which St. John EMS Association has organized on St. John and this time we decided to do something a little different," said Beckowitz. "In light of the fact that there have been so many natural and man-made disasters happening in the states where you have mass casualties, we brought someone on who has recent real life experience with one of those."

Gill opened the session with a presentation on Friday evening, October 18, detailing "Lessons Learned from the Boston Marathon Bombing."

"People were very receptive to the presentation," said Gill. "I talked about the injuries we saw, the number of injuries we saw, the amount of patients we had. I impressed upon everyone the importance of training for all different kinds of injuries."

Many in the room for Gill's presentation will likely not soon forget the images he displayed.

"There were a lot of photographs of the injuries we saw and we saw a lot of lower limb injuries that day," said Gill. "The graphic nature definitely impressed upon people the need to prepare for all types of incidents."

While it seems unlikely that a mass casualty on the scale of the Boston Marathon Bombing would occur on St. John, first responders must be prepared for anything, Gill explained.

"Even though it is not likely that a bombing incident with 200

people will occur on a little island, what gets people in trouble is that 'it can't happen here' mentality," he said.

Local first responders would have their hands more than full with only a dozen patients, Gill added.

"With 15 people in a safari taxi, if there was an incident that would amount to a mass casualty here," he said.

Gill also discussed the importance of collaborating with different agencies in the event of a disaster, he explained.

"In my presentation, I impressed upon everyone the concept of training with different agencies," said Gill. "We were able to handle 200 patients because of the incident command system that we had practiced together."

"St. John Rescue, EMS, Fire,

Coast Guard, VINP, all these agencies need to get together and plan some kind of event that helps them train for a mass disaster," said Gill. "One agency can not respond alone. It takes collaboration."

Back in Boston, first responders host an annual exercise at Logan International Airport to train with different agencies, Gill explained.

"We annually do something at Logan Airport and that is how we developed and how we practice the incident command system," said the Boston EMS Deputy Superintendent. "It's almost like a planned mock disaster and helps people in different agencies plan how they would respond and work together. The incident command system sets up different zones and allows us to collaborate and work together effectively."

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Participants practice mobilization skills during the recent International Trauma Life Support training sessions.



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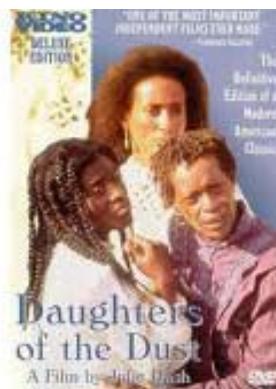
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Scenes from the powerful film "Daughters of the Dust" written, produced and directed by Julie Dash, middle center and top left.

St. John Film Society To Open Season With "Daughters of the Dust" Nov. 5

St. John Tradewinds

St. John Film Society (SJFS) resumes its 2013 season at 7:30 p.m. on November 5 at St. John School of the Arts in Cruz Bay with the epic dramatic feature film "Daughters of the Dust," written, produced and directed by Julie Dash.

Daughters of the Dust is a milestone independent film; the first feature film by an African-American woman to receive widespread theatrical distribution in the U.S. The film received the prestigious Sundance award for Excellence in Cinematography.

"Not only visually stunning, this film particularly resonates with us as an island tale and a tale of the deep impact migration to the mainland has on a culture — themes that the territory has experienced firsthand," said Michelle Ward, who heads up membership and publicity efforts for SJFS. "It is a courageous and original story the likes of which we have never seen before and won't easily forget."

Off the coast of Georgia and South Carolina, The Sea Islands were the Ellis Island of the transatlantic slave trade, the dropping-off point for the forced immigration of millions of West Africans.

The heat, insects, and threat of

yellow fever made the islands inhospitable to white settlement yet it is here, isolated in a swampy environment adjacent to an untamed coastline that the Gullah community — descendants of West African slaves who worked the indigo, rice, and cotton plantations — thrives, steeped in ancient Yoruba tradition.

Daughters of the Dust is set on a summer day in 1902, fifty years after emancipation, and a farewell picnic is underway on the beach where the Peazants of Ibo Landing, in their Sunday best, are gathered for a feast of shrimp gumbo, fresh clams, yellow corn, and johnnycake.

On this eve of the family's planned migration from their insulated paradise to a modern, industrialized North, tensions are high. The young women of the family, romantic in long white dresses, move as languidly as clouds while a photographer records them for posterity. The family performs West African rituals as elders fear once the Peazants have dispersed throughout the North, their culture may not survive.

Evoking a griot's oral narrative set to film, or an impressionist portrait, Dash effectively serves up a visually appealing moment in

African-American history. Tales of flying Africans, water-walking Ibo, Islamic and Native American culture are skillfully woven in small snatches throughout the film alongside turn-of-the-century tableaux.

Daughters of the Dust is a languidly-paced film that frequently stops in its tracks simply to contemplate the wild beauty of a semi-tropical paradise drenched in sea mist and strewn with palms.

"I have to agree with the critic who said Daughters of the Dust is truly a cinematic feast for the eyes, and one that has to be savored slowly, taking sips from it as if it were a bottle of some elegant vintage wine," said Ward. "This will undoubtedly be the one film in the 2013 SJFS season that you do not want to miss."

SJFS will screen the film on Tuesday, November 5, at St. John School of the Arts at 7:30 p.m. There is a suggested donation of \$5.

SJFS is supported in part by the National Endowment for the Arts, Virgin Island Council on the Arts and St. John Community Foundation. For more information contact Ward at (340) 201-2407 or check out the website www.stjohnfilm.com.

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Get a Taste of St. John at 13th Annual Flavors Fundraising Event on Nov. 23

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Get ready for a night of food and fun for a great cause at the 13th Annual Flavors of St. John on Saturday night, November 23, at the Westin Resort and Villas.

The main fundraiser for Rotary Club of St. John, each year Flavors brings the island's best chefs and most talented mixologists together under one roof, and pits them head to head in friendly competition.

Responding to requests from participants, Rotary Club officials this year have changed the judging process. Instead of judging the dishes in the middle of the event, when some of the most popular dishes have already sold out, Rotary's secret panel of culinary experts will sample the fare ahead of the crowds.

Participating chefs will set up and prepare their dishes from 3:30 to 5 p.m. and judging will take place between 5 and 6 p.m., before the event opens to the public.

With judging out of the way and food ready, the Westin's conference room doors will open at 6 p.m.

Just short of a month left before Flavors, 19 restaurants have already signed up for the event, explained Rotary Club of St. John

past president and Flavors chairperson Bruce Munro.

"We have 19 positive signatures taking part and two more are close to singing on," said Munro. "There could be three more as well, so we're expecting to have about 25 participants."

And it's not too late to take part, Munro added.

"People are signing on and space is going, but we welcome additional participants," he said.

Competition categories will also be different at this year's Flavors. Out is the Bar Food category from previous years, leaving chefs and bartenders to compete for Best Appetizer, Entree, Dessert, Mixology and People's Choice.

While enjoying delectable fare from some of the island's best restaurants, attendees will also have the opportunity to sip on fantastic vintages, Munro explained.

"The wine, sponsored by West Indies, is going to be awesome this year," he said. "We're going to have eight tables that will take you around the world. There will be wine from everywhere from California to New Zealand and Argentina."

Also new this year is the night's live entertainment. The crowd will surely fill the dance floor all night long as Cool Session Brass is set

to keep attendees on their feet.

Funds raised at Flavors support Rotary's college scholarships for local students and other community projects, according to Munro.

"We do many important projects in the community," he said.

Tickets will be available soon at Connections, Chelsea Drug Store, St. John Hardware and Trevor's Activity Center in Mongoose Junction. Tickets are \$100 in advance and \$110 at the door. Hospitality employees with valid health cards will enjoy a discounted rate of \$75 for tickets.

The night will also feature an exciting silent auction. Participants will have the chance to bid on items ranging from gift certificates to local restaurants, jewelry, hotels stays, boat trips and more.

Along with Munro, Rotary members Gary David and Alice Krall are also helping to organize this year's Flavors.

Don't miss Flavors and the opportunity to taste some of the best chefs on St. John cooking all in one place while sipping wines from across the globe and dancing to great local music on Saturday night, November 23, at Westin Resort and Villas.

To register for the event or for more information email Munro at munrosvi@gmail.com.

Car in Coral Bay Harbor



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Jason Siska

A car slid over the stone embankment lining Coral Bay harbor and rolled over, landing upright in the water Wednesday morning, October 23. Despite the driver's attempt to start the vehicle in the water, it had to be towed to safety. The driver was not injured.

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Rotary Club of St. John members enjoy the club's new meeting location at Sun Dog Cafe in Mongoose Junction.

“End of an Era”

Rotary Club of St. John Now Meets at Sun Dog

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

“It’s the end of an era,” said Rotary Club of St. John Past President Bruce Munro.

Don’t be surprised to see Rotary Club of St. John members at Sun Dog Cafe on Wednesday afternoons. After meeting at the Westin Resort and Villas weekly since the group’s inception in 1999, Rotary started congregating at Mongoose Junction’s Sun Dog Cafe recently.

The move was prompted by ongoing construction at the Westin, explained Munro.

“We used to meet at the beachside cafe and right now that is under construction,” said Munro. “When they reopen the restaurant, however, they’ll be serving breakfast, lunch and dinner there, so we won’t be able to use it then either.”

Rotary members are excited about the change of their Wednesday afternoon meetings, accord-

ing to Munro.

“In the long run this opens up more opportunities for us,” he said. “We can host cocktail parties in the evenings, for example, and things like that.”

While Rotary Club of St. John no longer meets at the Westin, the resort is still a strong supporter of the group, Munro added.

“We still work very closely with the Westin and we’re hosting Flavors there on November 23,” he said.

SJSA Seeking Volunteers To Help With “Broadway Comes to St. John”

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SJSA is looking for volunteers to help with its major fundraiser “Broadway Comes to St. John.”

Do you sew; would you like to help make props and scenery; or be a part of the back stage crew? Please call SJSA at 779-4322 for more information on how to get involved.

Pottery Barn Kids Issues Photo Shoot Casting Call for Island Children

St. John Tradewinds

Pottery Barn Kids is looking for beautiful island babies of every ethnicity for an on-island photo shoot.

The company is looking for Virgin Islands children between the ages of six months and seven years to take part in a photo shoot on St. Croix in January. Talent will be paid.

To join the casting call, parents must submit two photos of their child — one of which should be a head shot and the other a full body photo — to ingrid@ottworks.com. The child must be smiling in at least one of the photos.

Images must be received by November 4 to be considered. Call backs will be on Saturday, November 9, on St. John and St. Thomas. For more information call (917) 865-7427 or (340) 714-2868.

Oneness Gospel Concert, Featuring Marvin Sapp Set for November 8

St. John Tradewinds

IQ Events Group presents “Oneness” a Gospel Explosion bringing together unity in the Virgin Islands with a Performance by six-time Grammy Award Winner Marvin Sapp on Friday, November 8, at Ivanna Eudora Kean High School on St. Thomas at 8 p.m.

Sapp is known for gospel hits like “Never Would Have Made It,” “The Best In Me,” “Here I Am,” “Don’t Count Me Out” and many more inspirational favorites. Special guest performances by the “Princess of Gospel” Joy J, Jai Kingston, Derek Tavernier, Salvation Soundz and more.

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St. John runners got colorful at the Color Run 5K on St. Thomas recently.

St. John Runners Get Colorful at “VI Til I Dye” 5K Run on St. Thomas

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

A group of St. John athletes recently traveled to St. Thomas dressed all in white and came back shades of pink, blue and green.

The runners represented Love City at the first ever color run hosted in the territory.

Team Love City, comprised of Delene Jewett, Meaghan Enright, Caylee Beard, Jodie Tanino, Sheila Caballero, Jen Service, Michelle Fage, Gina Wellner, Troy Neil, Dana Neil, Lindsay Lowell and Danielle Woods, took part in V.I. Til I Dye, a 5K color run on Saturday morning, October 19, on St. Thomas.

The color run was hosted by Active Island Tours and Events, and scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. but didn't actually get underway until 10:45 a.m.

Color runs are designed to be inclusive and fun. They are not timed and the events celebrate “healthiness, happiness and individuality,” according to www.thecolorrun.com website.



Team Love City's Meaghan Enright

The colorful events feature runners and walkers getting doused in different colored powder at each kilometer of the race. Racers must start wearing white and are plastered in color by the time they cross the finish line, which just adds to the rainbow. The finish line at a color run features a “Finish Festival,” where more

colored powder is tossed on to participants.

The VI color run started at the University of the Virgin Islands Library and ended at Lindberg Bay at Emerald Beach Hotel, which hosted an after-party with live music and raffles.

While color runs are never timed, according to participants Team Love City's Delene Jewett was the first woman to cross the finish line at Emerald Beach. In addition to doing St. John proud, Team Love City's efforts were also rewarded with a number of raffle prize wins.

The St. John athletes returned home covered in different colors and bearing gift certificates, a one-of-a-kind hand painted bottle of Absolute Vodka, hats, T-shirts and boat trips.

The day's luckiest Team Love City athlete, however, might have been Gina Wellner who won the grand prize of two tickets on Seaborne Airlines to either Dominica, Guadeloupe or Martinique.

Well done, Team Love City!

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Halloween Safety Tips: “When in doubt, throw it out”

St. John Tradewinds

Ghosts and goblins may not be the true threat to trick-or-treaters during this year’s Halloween festivities.

Possibly tainted candy, use of costume materials, and food borne illnesses may really be the hazards. Halloween can be a time for fun and adventure for children, but we need to remain diligent that there are still some risks associated with Halloween activities such as those described below or for small children accidentally mistaking medications for treats. Children under

the age of six continue to be the number one victim of accidental poisonings.

Last year, the Florida/USVI Poison Information Center - Jacksonville received almost 36,000 human exposure calls, nearly 17,000 which involved accidental ingestions in children under the age of six. Between October 29 and November 2 last year the Help Line received almost 700 calls. On October 31 alone, there were 135 calls for help and advice to the Poison Center Help Line.

“Parents should be vigilant for

malicious contamination and tampering of Halloween candy,” said Dr. Jay Schauben, director of the Florida/USVI Poison Information Center - Jacksonville. “Likewise, we can decrease the risk to children by using non-toxic paints and materials for costume design and by paying close attention to food/candy labels to prevent food allergies.”

The following tips can help ensure a safe Halloween for everyone:

- Parents should inspect all treats their children bring home

before any are consumed and immediately discard treats with puncture holes, tears or signs of re-wrapping.

- Feed children dinner before they go out or bring along your own candy to give your children to reduce the urge to snack on treats that have not been inspected.

- Be extra careful with toddler’s goodies. Avoid choking hazards by allowing treats that are age-appropriate. Be careful with hard candy, gum, peanuts and toys with small parts.

- Caution children to not chew

or bite on glow sticks or glow jewelry as these products contain an irritating chemical which may cause pain if it gets in their mouth, eyes or throat.

- If using dry ice for decorations, be aware that direct contact with the skin or mouth can cause a frostbite type injury. Wash immediately with water.

- Wear reflective costumes in the dark or carry a flashlight.

- When in doubt, throw it out!

The Poison Center Help Line, 1-800-222-1222 is available 24 hours.

Three Rare Caribbean Plants Proposed for Endangered Species Act Protection

St. John Tradewinds

Following lawsuits brought by the Center for Biological Diversity, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service proposed Endangered Species Act protection last week for three rare plants from the U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico.

Egger’s agave, island brittleleaf and Puerto Rico manjack are imminently threatened by land development and have been on a waiting list for federal protection since 1980.

“Historic land-use practices drove these species to the brink of extinction, and federal foot-dragging has allowed them to be nearly wiped off the planet,” said the Center for Biological Diversity’s Jaclyn Lopez. “The quicker the Service finalizes Endangered Species Act protection, the sooner we can start pulling these remarkable plants away from the abyss and back toward recovery.”

Egger’s agave and Puerto Rico manjack were first identified as being in need of federal protection in 1975. All three plants were put on the candidate waiting list for federal protection in 1980. In 2011 the Center and the Service reached a landmark settlement requiring final protection decisions for all the species on the candidate list by 2016.

Last week’s listing proposal results from that agreement, which has already brought protection to more than 100 imperiled plants and animals across the country.

Egger’s agave (*Agave eggersiana*) is a stunning, robust, perennial herb native only to hillsides and plains in dry, areas of eastern St. Croix. It is slow growing and late maturing and has large, tubular flowers. It can grow up to 23 feet tall.

The U.S. Virgin Islands Division of Fish and Wildlife petitioned the Service to protect the species in 1996, but it continued to languish on the candidate list until, in 2004, the Center filed a lawsuit requiring the Service to issue a decision on the plant’s protection. In 2006 the Service found that the plant did not warrant protection. The Center challenged that determination and in 2009 reached a settlement agreement with the Service for a proposed listing rule by 2010.

Island brittleleaf (*Gonocalyx concolor*) is a small evergreen, and Puerto Rico manjack (*Varronia rupicola*; =*Cordia rupicola*) is a large shrub; both exist only in Puerto Rico. These two plants have been candidates for listing since 1980; the Center filed a 2004 petition to the Service to get the plants protection.

The Service is expected to finalize protection for the three plants within one year.



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Fifth Annual Just Play Day Draws Largest Crowd to Date and Officials Are Ready To Expand Event

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Over the past five years, Using Sport for Social Change's signature free event Just Play Day has drawn hundreds of St. John students to the Winston Wells ball field for a day of friendly competition.

Hosted annually on Columbus Day, the Just Play Day has children between the ages of 5 and 17 take part in stations ranging from football toss to 50 yard dash. Each of the skills tests is designed to engage the students in the sport and with each other in a positive competition.

The free event is the brainchild of Using Sport for Social Change (USFSC) founder Dean Doeling, who was inspired to create the non-profit after vacationing on St. John and watching several children in Cruz Bay kicking a lone deflated soccer ball in the Winston Wells ball field.

With that vision in mind, Doeling returned home to Oregon, where he works as a graphic designer for Nike, and launched USFSC. With a mission to improve sports and access to sports equipment on St. John, Doeling drew support from teachers, parents and volunteers on St. John who have helped USFSC donate



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

Just Play Day participants practice their football toss skills at Winston Wells ball field.

hundreds of balls to local schools as well the Department of Sports, Parks and Recreation, in addition to host the annual Just Play Day.

Now each year on Columbus Day, instead of kicking around a deflated soccer ball, St. John students can be seen in Winston Wells ball field enjoying sports of all kinds with brand new equipment.

This year's Just Play Day was

on Monday, October 14, and drew a record number of students, explained Doeling.

"The event was a huge success," said Doeling. "Quite frankly the highlight of the event each year for me is seeing the kids when we first start. We begin with the National Anthem and the VI March and you see all the kids standing there with their T-shirts, water bottles and bib

numbers on and I just think, 'Here we go again; we're going to get these kids dirty, tired and happy today.'"

While not many children register early for the event, Just Play Day has consistently drawn about 150 participants each year and officials were expecting the same again this year, explained Doeling.

"We've always had about 150 kids and 75 volunteers although we typically only get about 50 kids signed up in advance," said the USFSC founder. "But we know based on numbers from previous years to expect more. But this year we had about 200 kids and we weren't prepared for that number."

USFSC officials encourage parents to register their children early in order to have the necessary number of T-shirts, water bottles, trophies and bib numbers, which must be ordered in advance, Doeling explained.

"This year we had about 200 participants and about 75 volunteers, which is phenomenal, but it was rough logistically at times," he said. "We are going to really try to get people to register well ahead of time so we can be sure to have enough water bottles and bib numbers for the kids."

Although some of the children who registered late didn't receive a Just Play Day T-shirt, Doeling welcomed everyone to take part in the day's activities, he added.

"We welcomed everyone to join; we never turn kids away," said Doeling. "But we just couldn't get them the water bottles and T-

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Chamber of Commerce Business Showcase Is Nov. 8 and 9 at Antilles

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The St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce 2013 Business Showcase will be on Friday, November 8, and Saturday, November 9, at the Mark Marin Center at Antilles School.

The event will be from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, November 8, and from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday, November 9.

Chamber members last week encouraged all members of the community to think “local.”

“Supporting local businesses

helps to improve the economy,” said Joe Aubain, Chamber Executive Director. “Supporting local businesses means we are helping to keep more money in our community, helping to create and sustain local job growth, creating a better community for all residents and improving our quality of life.”

The November networking event will provide an excellent opportunity for businesses to foster new relationships, build business leads and gain a better

knowledge of networking groups and businesses that partner with the chamber.

At the 2013 Business Expo, consumers can do one-stop-shopping as well as learn about members and the products and services they offer. The 2013 Business Showcase will be headlined by a special Business After Hours from 5:30 to 8 p.m. on Friday, November 8, hosted by Banco Popular at the MCM Center.

To date, businesses showcasing include: Banco Popular, AT&T,

Scotiabank, Pro Solar, Crowley Caribbean Services, The Shoe Tree, Inscriptions, Share the Dream, Too! Real Estate, Broadband, VI, Forever Flowers, VI Department of Labor, The Pearl Lady, Sheryl’s Diamond Delight, Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Puerto Rico, Inc., Humane Society of St. Thomas, Virgin Islands Coffee Roasters, Firstbank Virgin Islands, and VINGN (Virgin Islands Next Generation Network). The showcase will also feature a Farmers

Market on Saturday, November 9, starting at 8 a.m.

There is no charge for entry into the event and the public is encouraged to take advantage of having so many businesses under one roof. Attendees will have the opportunity to win one of several gift certificates by spinning the “Wheel of Fortune.”

Businesses that would like to register or find out more about the 2013 Business Showcase should call the chamber office at 776-0100.

DPNR Implements Visit-able Housing Design and Incentive Program

St. John Tradewinds

Department of Planning and Natural Resources Commissioner Alicia Barnes last week announced the establishment of approved rules and regulations as well as appropriate procedures to inform the public of the Visit-able Housing Design and Incentive Program which began October 1, through DPNR’s Building Permit Office.

Act # 7320 also known as the Visit-able Housing Design and Incentive Program (Title 29, Chap. Sub chap. II) was passed by the V.I. Legislature and signed by Governor John deJongh in 2011.

The legislation gives property tax incentives to Virgin Islanders who volunteer to make their newly constructed or renovated home accessible through permitting regulations established by DPNR.

Through its permitting process, DPNR will guide an applicant through the rules and regulations for securing a Certificate of Visit-ability upon successful completion of the requirements of the law. The Certificate of Visit-ability will enable the homeowner to receive a 20 percent tax deduction on their property tax for 10 years.

Applicants for certification through the Visit-able Housing Design and Incentive Program must file a Certificate of Intent with the DPNR’s Division of Building Permits.

The building permit process protects the owner’s interest and those of the community at large and helps to ensure that any structural installation or alteration change is safe. In order to expedite your building permit request, a complete application is needed.

For more information on the Visit-able Housing Design and Incentive Program, contact the Division of Building Permits on St. Thomas at (340) 774-3320.

UVI Little Theater Staging “Bus Stop: with Caribbean Seasoning” this November

St. John Tradewinds

William Inge’s classic American comedy-drama “Bus Stop,” a smash Broadway hit and memorable Marilyn Monroe movie, takes a Caribbean detour to UVI’s Little Theatre on the St. Thomas Campus, with productions set for November 1 to 3, and 8 to 10.

Originally set in Kansas City in a snowstorm, this new version, “Bus Stop: With Caribbean Seasonings” was adapted by UVI Playwright in Residence Dr. Doug Larche.

It is set in Puerto Rico in a hurricane. Five characters find themselves marooned overnight with three locals at La Cantina de Grácia, between San Juan and Fajardo. The play offers love scenes, a fistfight, a talent show, an abduction and a little music, along with the hurricane.

More than a host of UVI students, alumni, faculty, staff and friends are involved in the production. The characters hail from Puerto Rico, Dominica, Peru and West Texas.

The show is also directed by Dr. Larche, who recently returned from a year-long leave of absence at Yeungnam University in South Korea. UVI staff member Carey Galdo is associate producer. Josie Brannon and Nicole Moore are student assistant directors. Guest technical artist and former Little Theatre tech director Doug Salisbury and UVI senior Jae Knight serve as design and technical artists and consultants. Former Little Theatre director Dr. Rosary Harper is

the lead costume consultant, and UVI student Josie Brannon serves as stage manager.

Student crew heads include Shamari Skelton and Jaleel Drigo as lead carpenters, Nicole Moore for sound, Keturah Bethel for publicity, Kareme Joseph for costumes, Renée Williams for makeup and hair, and Matthew Eastman for lighting. Crew members include Amber Clarke, Avril Paul, Deeno Cumberbatch, Najuma Dunn, Sharlene Joseph, Shamira Henley and the students of the UVI Introduction to Theatre class.

The production of “Bus Stop with Caribbean Seasoning” marks the official re-opening of the UVI Little Theatre as a safe and accessible classroom and black box performing arts facility.

Tickets are \$5 for students of all kinds and ages, and \$10 for adults. They can be purchased from the Humanities Office on UVI’s St. Thomas Campus or at the door. Seating is extremely limited. The Friday and Saturday evening shows begin precisely at 7:30 p.m. and the Sunday matinees begin precisely at 2 p.m. Patrons who arrive after curtain will be allowed to enter at the end of Act I, which is approximately thirty minutes into the show.

For more information contact Larche at (340) 693-1341 or 626-8815, or email dlarcheuk@yahoo.com or dlarche@uvi.edu.

“Invincible: A Glorious Tribute to the King of Pop” Nov. 2

St. John Tradewinds

On Saturday, November 2, 2013, the Reichhold Center for the Arts will feature “Invincible: A Glorious Tribute to the King of Pop.”

Considered the best live tribute to Michael Jackson from Las Vegas to Paris, Invincible pays homage to the King of Pop’s entire career. Approved by Jackson himself, Invincible is full of precision dance routines, brilliant costumes, special effects, live vocals

and even a band.

That seal of approval is what makes MJ Invincible an once-in-a-lifetime experience that will be remembered for years to come. Invincible is the first performance in the Reichhold’s Family Series for the 2013-2014 season and tickets start at \$15 and are on sale now.

In keeping with Reichhold’s commitment to providing local children with hands-on experiences in the arts,

Reichhold’s Arts in Education Program in partnership with the VI Council on the Arts will host a “Dance Like MJ” workshop on November 1 at Tutu Park Mall.

For more information on Invincible or the Tutu Park Mall workshop please contact Ian Turnbull at Reichhold Center for the Arts at ian.turnbull@uvi.edu or (340) 693-1554. To purchase tickets contact the Reichhold Box Office at 693-1559.



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Soak up views of the North Shore and BVIs or just enjoy the designer pool at Cinnamon Ridge.



On *the* Market

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

Enjoy Unparalleled Privacy and Stunning Views from Cinnamon Ridge

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Perched on a full 1.17 acre lot, Cinnamon Ridge offers unparalleled privacy and stunning views of the pristine coastline of Love City's north shore.

The five bedroom, five and a half bath villa has some of the best neighbors around and is for sale for \$4.6 million, explained Holiday Homes broker/owner Christie O'Neil.

"The best feature about Cinnamon Ridge is that it is bounded on two sides by V.I. National Park property," said O'Neil. "The home is on an extremely private, large and gated estate."

Cinnamon Ridge is nestled on the island's famed North Shore amid the V.I. National Park which

means those jaw-dropping views of the alabaster coastline, as well as the uninhabited off-shore cays and British Virgin Islands which dot the horizon, will never change.

"The views of the north shore beaches and the BVIs are extraordinary," said O'Neil.

The home's north shore site also means those white sandy shorelines at Cinnamon Bay as well as Jumbie Bay, Maho Bay and more, are all just a few minutes away, O'Neil added.

"It's all about location, location, location at Cinnamon Ridge," said the Holiday Homes broker/owner. "It's only a very short drive down from the home to Cinnamon Beach and the other north shore beaches."

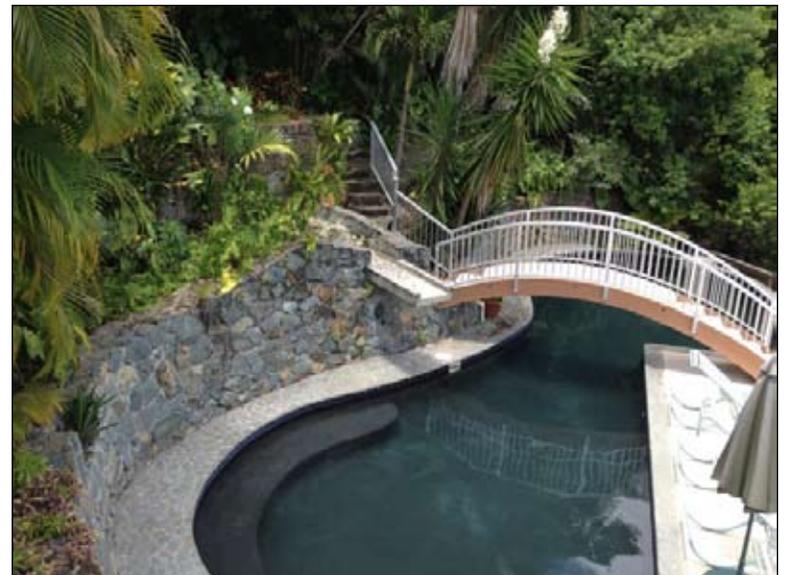
Take in the best of Caribbean

living at Cinnamon Ridge. Enjoy sunsets on one of the spacious decks which have recently been upgraded.

"Cinnamon Ridge has brand new, expansive tiled decks that are made from corral stone," said O'Neil. "The stone stays cool even on super hot days."

It will be difficult to pull yourself away from the large free-form pool which boasts a calming, cascading waterfall feature and even a quaint bridge. Cinnamon Ridge also features a hot tub, the perfect place from which to star gaze on a cool, breezy, tropical evening.

Inside Cinnamon Ridge find a generous great room, a large kitchen and nearby covered outdoor dining space. With five bedrooms, each of which boasts an en



suite bath, Cinnamon Ridge is the perfect place for large groups, explained O'Neil.

"The five bedrooms and five and a half baths make Cinnamon Ridge perfect for larger groups or families with multiple generations

or staff," she said. "The home would also function great as a corporate retreat."

For more information on Cinnamon Ridge, call O'Neil at Holiday Homes at (340) 774-8088 or on her cell phone at (340) 998-7451.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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Letter To St. John Tradewinds

Leaders Abuse Community with Short Sightedness

A few weeks ago there was an story in the paper about WICO considering constructing another cruise ship dock in the middle of Charlotte Amalie harbor.

How about if we told the leaders of this community that this is paradise and we are tired to them selling it to the lowest bidder?

We could have the most expensive cruise ships in our harbor instead of the cheapest. Our roads are filled with these people who cannot afford anything more that a T-shirt and a ride on a safari bus. This is insane.

We have world-class diving, fishing, sailing, a national park and beaches that always end up in the top 10 in the Caribbean. Why are our leaders constantly abusing this community and us with their short sightedness?

With very little effort we could clean this place up and sell top quality vacations instead of mediocre vis-

its by people who cannot afford any better.

St. Croix could be the capitol of organic farming, St. Thomas and St. John could be first class vacation destinations. Why are we constantly trying to fix the past rather than plan for the future?

Is it the brain drain? All the best and brightest go to the states to go to school and never come back, because it is so dysfunctional?

We have been getting better in a lot of ways, but it is time to make a leap. Senators, it is not hard just raise your standards a little. Help the kids that stay here learn to do what they want to do well, stop giving out freebies to get votes.

I know, I know it's a lot easier. But look at the future and what this community can be if we have leaders who want to make a positive difference to the whole community and all the people who live here.

Greg Miller

DOH Commissioner Denounces Efforts To Malign Emergency Medical Services

St. John Tradewinds

Department of Health Commissioner Darice Plaskett last week expressed her disappointment with the continued efforts to malign the reputation of VI Emergency Medical Services.

"While EMS has its challenges, there have been significant changes implemented to promote a better working environment for the emergency medical technicians in the St. Thomas/St. John district while enhancing both professional development and efficiency in the field," said Plaskett. "David Sweeney, an experienced EMS Coordinator and Paramedic was appointed to the position of EMS Territorial Coordinator to ensure equivalence in the quality of services between the two districts and strengthen the management, accountability and oversight of both districts."

There are disgruntled EMS employees, former and present, that are on a course of determination to destroy the reputation of EMS and erode the public's trust in this component of the territory's health care delivery system, explained David Sweeney, EMS Coordinator.

"I am at a loss to understand the *Virgin Islands Daily News*' failure to recognize the destructive intent of these individuals and to realize that their manipulation of the press is resulting in a detrimental impact on the public's confidence in EMS — all despite the hard work and resources that are being invested to improve emergency medical services to the people of the Virgin Islands," Sweeney said.

There are currently three primary ambulances and three secondary ambulances that serve as back

up response units in service. Five ambulances are out of service for repairs or inspection in the St. Thomas/St. John district.

"Plans are in place to arrange for the out-of-service ambulances to be transferred to the district of St. Croix for repairs due to difficulties experienced by the ambulance manufacturer and dealer in having the units repaired in a timely and expeditious manner," said Sweeney.

The ambulance that was taken out of service on Sunday, October 20, was not on a call at the time the two emergency medical technicians on board smelled smoke. They pulled the ambulance off the main road, notified 911 and VI Fire Services was dispatched, according to Sweeney.

There were no reports of a fire or smoke noted by the VI Fire Services upon their arrival to the location where the vehicle was parked. The ambulance was analyzed by a mechanic over two days who reached the conclusion that a faulty component in the unit's air conditioning system was the cause of the odor. The sidelined ambulance is scheduled for repairs this week.

At no time was the St. Thomas/St. John district without ambulances to respond to emergency calls given the number of primary units and back up units that are in a go ready position, explained Plaskett.

Plaskett will continue to work with Sweeney and the leadership of Emergency Medical Services territory-wide to strengthen oversight and with the hard working EMS personnel, ensure professional, reliable, quality emergency medical services to the community during its time of need, she added.

Memorial Service



St. John Tradewinds News Photo Courtesy of the O'Connell Family

CJ O'Connell with his wife Abby and their daughter Olivia.

CJ O'Connell

It is with great sadness that we tell you of the loss of our Son, CJ. Our son, Abby's husband, Olivia's father, Annie and Kevin's brother, a nephew and cousin to many and equally as important, a beloved resident of St John. He was a friend and neighbor to all, and will always be a cherished part of the Soggy Dollar Family.

As you may know, CJ had an autoimmune disease which he courageously dealt with over the last 18 months. CJ contracted a streptococcal infection caused by *Streptococcus pyogenes*. He died on October 22, 2013, of complications caused by this infection. This is the same infection that took the life of Jim Hensen.

CJ's struggle is over. He rests in peace. Our struggle with his loss will be an on-going, every-day en-

deavor and the reason that we write this note to all of you is knowing we will feel the "blanket of comfort and love" each day as we all heal together.

We will be celebrating CJ's life in two locations. On Saturday November 2, 2013, at 11 a.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel in St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands, and on Saturday, November 23, 2013, at Our Lady of Mercy Church in Potomac, Maryland. Details will follow.

In lieu of flowers donations in CJ's memory can be sent to St. Joseph's University Athletics to benefit the golf program. St. Joseph's University Athletics, 5600 City Avenue, Philadelphia PA 19134.

– Tish, Jerry, Abby, Olivia,
Annie and Kevin O'Connell

ISLAND NOTES from the publisher

Deepest sympathy to the O'Connell family during this time of loss and sadness.

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Legislature Considering Hovensa Agreement Nov. 4

St. John Tradewinds

Members of the 30th Legislature will convene on November 4 to consider an agreement to help facilitate the sale of the HOVENSA refinery.

Senate President Shawn- Michael Malone wrote to Governor John deJongh Wednesday, October 23, informing him of the body's decision.

"As per your request the proposal was placed on the October 23 Legislative Session agenda," Malone wrote. "However, after deliberation a majority of my colleagues decided to remove the proposal given the lack of adequate time to prepare and produce the requisite legal analysis and post audit report."

More information needed to be provided by the administration to include the Interim Proposal to which the agreement refers, Malone explained.

"The draft agreement references the so-called In-

terim Proposal, but no one has been given a copy," he said. "We can't operate like that."

Malone also asked the governor to insert changes requested by the senators into the actual HOVENSA agreement and that his office resubmit it to the Legislature as a revised agreement. The bill sent to senators this week contained an addendum addressing some of the body's concerns, however none of the issues to be addressed were actually incorporated into the agreement itself.

Senators adopted a resolution September 30 that detailed their concerns with the original agreement, which was rejected on August 7.

"We need ironclad protections for the people of this territory and we are not confident that the simple inclusion of 'clarifying language' is adequate," Malone said.

Seaborne Airlines Launches Service to Dominican Republic

St. John Tradewinds

Seaborne Airlines announced last week that it will launch a new route from Luis Muñoz Marín International Airport in San Juan Puerto Rico (SJU) non-stop to La Romana International Airport in La Romana Dominican Republic (LRM).

Beginning Thursday, December 12, the flights will initially operate Thursday and Sunday, then on March 15, 2014 will operate seven days per week.

La Romana, the home of the world-famous Casa de Campo resort and villas is one of the most favored vacation destinations to discerning travelers the world over, due to the beautiful beaches, renowned golf courses and the romance of the adjoining Italian-inspired village Altos de Chavon, the Tuscan of the Caribbean. "Teeth of the Dog", one of three golf courses at the resort designed by World Golf Hall of Famer, Pete Dye, has "bitten" some of the world's best golfers with its toss-in trade winds, devilish dog-legs and the "seven holes created by God."

And whether for local Puerto Rican visitors or customers from the states connecting to or from connect partner American Airlines at SJU, Seaborne's 1:15 p.m. departure with a 3:15 p.m. return from La Romana makes getting there a lot easier.

Seaborne will operate a roomy 34-seat Saab with two pilots, a flight attendant and in-flight service on the route.

To commemorate the launch of this exciting new destination, Seaborne is offering fares as low as \$129 one way, with taxes included for travel. Bookings must be made by November 30 for travel by March 6, 2014.

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Flights can be reserved via SeaborneAirlines.com, Expedia, Travelocity or through your local travel agency.

"Seaborne is delighted to be bringing the on-time, service we are becoming known for to the Dominican Republic" said Gary Foss, Seaborne's president and chief executive officer. "La Romana is the first of a number of markets that Seaborne plans to serve in the Dominican Republic, and the 12th airport Seaborne serves as we continue expansion throughout the Caribbean".

"We are very pleased with Seaborne Airlines' announcement of a new San Juan and La Romana route," said Alejandro Garcia Padilla, Governor of Puerto Rico. "Improving air access is a key component to increasing passenger visits to Puerto Rico from the current 8.5 million to 10 million annual visits within the next five years. Furthermore, we are excited to be increasing air traffic with the Dominican Republic as we look forward to strengthening commercial ties with our neighbors."

Seaborne Airlines has been operating in the Caribbean for over 20 years. With over 1,700 monthly departures to twelve destinations on both airport and seaplane routes, Seaborne serves San Juan's Luis Muñoz Marín International Airport, Vieques, St. Thomas airport and seaplane bases, St. Croix airport and seaplane bases, Tortola, Virgin Gorda, Dominica, Martinique and Guadeloupe and now La Romana.

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Today's Cryptoquip clue: F equals O



More than 90 percent of U.S.-grown corn, soybeans, cotton, sugar beets and canola are derived from seeds genetically engineered by Monsanto and other companies to resist pests. Some safe food advocates believe that, instead of reducing the use of pesticides and herbicides, GE seeds are having the opposite effect in what has become a race to keep faster and faster developing "superweeds" and "superbugs" at bay.

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Understanding the Monsanto Act



Dear EarthTalk:

What is the "Monsanto Protection Act" and why are environmentalists so upset about it?

**Rita Redstone
Milwaukee, WI**

The so-called Monsanto Protection Act is actually a provision (officially known as Section 735) within a recently passed Congressional spending bill, H.R. 933, which exempts biotech companies from litigation in regard to the making, selling and distribution of genetically engineered (GE) seeds and plants.

President Obama signed the bill and its controversial rider into law in March 2013 much to the dismay of environmentalists. It means that Monsanto and other companies that supply the majority of the nation's crop seeds can continue to produce GE products regardless of any potential court orders stating otherwise.

Opponents of GE foods believe that giving such companies a free reign over the production of such potentially dangerous organisms regardless of judicial challenge is a bad idea — especially given how little we still know about the biological and ecological implications of widespread use of GE crops.

Today more than 90 percent of the corn, soybeans, cotton, sugar

beets and canola planted in the U.S. is derived from seeds genetically engineered by Monsanto and other companies to resist pests and thus increase yields.

Aviva Shen of the Think-Progress blog recently reported that, instead of reducing farmers' use of toxic pesticides and herbicides, GE seeds are having the opposite effect in what has become a race to keep faster and faster developing "superweeds" and "superbugs" at bay.

With Congress and the White House refusing to regulate GE crops, the court system has remained a last line of defense for those fighting the widespread adoption of genetic engineering — until now, that is, thanks to H.R. 933.

Monsanto isn't the only seed company heavy into genetic engineering, but it is the biggest and most well-known and spends millions of dollars each year on lobbyists to keep it that way.

Critics point out that the company has spent decades stacking government agencies with its executives and directors.

"Monsanto's board members have worked for the EPA, advised the U.S. Department of Agriculture and served on President Obama's Advisory Committee for Trade Policy and Negotiations," reported the group Food & Water Watch.

"The prevalence of Monsanto's directors in these highly influential positions begs a closer look at how they're able to push the pro-GE agenda within the government and influence public opinion."

"The judicial review process is an essential element of U.S. law and serves as a vital check on any Federal Agency decision that may negatively impact human health, the environment or livelihoods," reported Food Democracy Now! "Yet this provision seeks an end-run around such judicial review by preemptively deciding that industry can set its own conditions to continue to sell biotech seeds, even if a court may find them to have been wrongfully approved."

Another concern of safe food advocates now is getting the government to require food makers to list GE ingredients clearly on product labels so consumers can make informed choices accordingly.

"Not only is [GE] labeling a reasonable and common sense solution to the continued controversy that corporations like Monsanto, DuPont and Dow Chemical have created by subverting our basic democratic rights," added Food Democracy Now!, "but it is a basic right that citizens in 62 other countries around the world already enjoy, including Europe, Russia, China, India, South Africa and Saudi Arabia."

Virgin Islands Soldier Dies in Kuwait

St. John Tradewinds

Over the weekend, Governor John deJongh offered the condolences of the people of the Virgin Islands to the family and friends of Sgt. Lyle Dervin Turnbull who died in Kuwait at the end of last week from an apparent medical condition.

Turnbull was a member of the Charlotte Amalie High School Class of 2000.

"There is a great sense of loss each time we learn of the death of a Virgin Islands soldier. Sgt. Turnbull had been deployed to Kuwait as part of the ongoing Operation Enduring Freedom military assignment," said deJongh. "Our prayers are with his wife and children, his parents, his extended family, his fellow soldiers and friends during this time of bereavement."

Senate Approves Bill Extending Time for Military and Overseas Voters

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A legislative session, chaired by Senate President Shawn-Michael Malone, convened Wednesday, October 23, at the Earl B. Ottley Legislative Hall where the Senate approved Bill No. 30-0272 — an act to change the date of the primary election to be in compliance with the Military and Overseas Voters Empowerment act and for other related purposes — with a vote of 15 Yeas.

The Committee of the Whole also met to hear testimony on legislation pertaining to election reform. While the law says voters have the right to cast their votes using paper ballots or an electronic voting machine, only paper ballots are currently available in the territory, explained Senator Alicia Hansen.

"Everyone this election will be required to vote by paper ballot," said Hansen.

People are under the impression that there is a choice between electronic and paper ballots, Hansen explained.

"This is not the case," she said.

Currently voters are able to cast their votes by filling out a paper ballot which is inserted into a scanner. This voting system, known as a tabulator, then counts the votes.

The Board of Elections is able to self-regulate how they define "electronic voting machine," according to Virgin Islands law. The law specifies, however that voting systems and scanners, including tabulators, do not qualify as voting machines.

Senators Diane Capehart, Kenneth Gittens, Alicia Hansen and Myron Jackson were especially disturbed as it came to light that residents were not allowed to exercise their federal right to choose how to vote. These senators urged Caroline Fawkes, Supervisor of the Election System of the Virgin Islands, to take action.

All senators were present. Other items on the agenda included:

Approved — Bill No. 30-0274 - an act ratifying the Amendment to the Lease agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands and Coral World, Inc. and Major Coastal Zone Permit No. CTZ-12-12

Approved — Bill No. 30-0275 - an act providing appropriations to the Department of Public Works for capital improvements, road repair and sewage maintenance; and the Waste Management Authority for a trash recycling center and sewage system maintenance on St. John from the St. John Capital Improvement Fund during the Fiscal Year October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014.

Postponed — Bill No. 30-0273—An Act ratifying the "Fourth Amendment Agreement" between the Government of the Virgin Islands, HOVENSA, LLC Hess Oil Virgin Islands Corporation, and PDSVA, V.I., Inc. and related clarifications thereto.

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John Gill, Deputy Superintendent of Boston EMS, demonstrates skills, above, as participants practice, below.



Collaboration Among Agencies Is Key for First Responders in Event of Mass Disaster

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With so many different agencies working together at the recent training session, collaboration has already begun, explained Gill.

"But it has to continue," he said. "I think the best thing here would be for someone to be motivated and committed to getting all of these responders together. Each group needs to do their own training of course."

"But in the event of a larger scale incident, they need to train together as well," said Gill. "You have to have everyone on the same page."

Planning is key in the event of a mass disaster, Gill

explained.

"If you plan for a mass casualty incident and you train for a mass casualty incident, when it does happen you are better prepared to handle it," said Gill. "If you don't prepare and you don't train and you get a major incident it is the difference between chaos as opposed to controlled chaos."

In addition to delivering the opening presentation on Friday evening, Gill also led the training session on Saturday, October 19. He showed participants advanced airway management techniques as well as the finer points of hare traction splints for lower limb fractures.

Answer to Oct. 27 Cryptoquip:

THAT BOY LIKES TO SCULPT METAL, SO I PLAN TO HAND HIM A SMALL COIN AND ASK "BROTHER, CAN YOU PARE A DIME?"



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

USCG officials confiscated 2,546 pounds of cocaine, above, from a go-fast vessel south of St. Croix.

Coast Guard Seizes \$34M in Cocaine, Detains Three in Caribbean Sea

St. John Tradewinds

The Coast Guard and U.S. law enforcement partners seized 2,546 pounds of cocaine, a go-fast vessel and detained three suspected smugglers, during an at-sea interdiction Friday, October 18, in the Caribbean Sea south of St. Croix.

The drug shipment is estimated to have a wholesale value of more than \$34 million dollars and the Caribbean Corridor Strike Force is leading a criminal investigation into the case.

The interdiction was a result of a multi-agency law enforcement effort in support of the Coast Guard's Operation Unified Resolve, the Caribbean Border Interagency Group's (CBIG) Operation Caribbean Guard, and the U.S. Department of Justice Caribbean Corridor Strike Force (CCSF).

"These arrests and multi-kilogram seizure are a clear indication of the success of the Caribbean Corridor Strike Force Initiative," said Rosa Emilia Rodríguez-Vélez, U.S. Attorney for the District of Puerto Rico. "The U.S. Attorney's Office and our law enforcement counterparts remain committed to using every law enforcement tool available to attack these criminal organizations and ensure that drug traffickers and their associates are brought to justice for the damage they inflict on our communities."

The crew of a patrolling fixed-wing HC-144 Ocean Sentry maritime patrol aircraft from Air Station Miami detected a suspi-

cious 30-foot go-fast vessel late Thursday night, October 17. The vessel was spotted carrying three suspected smugglers and what appeared to be multiple bales of suspected contraband.

Coast Guard watchstanders at Sector San Juan diverted a Coast Guard 33-foot Special Purpose Craft Law Enforcement (SPC-LE) pursuit boat from Boat Station San Juan and the Coast Guard Cutter Drummond to interdict the suspect vessel. A Customs and Border Protection (CBP) marine unit also responded upon being alerted.

A CBP dash-8 marine surveillance aircraft relieved the Coast Guard HC-144 Ocean Sentry and vectored in the Coast Guard 33-foot SPC/LE to interdict the go-fast. The suspected smugglers became compliant as the Coast Guard pursuit boat came alongside the suspect vessel Friday, October 18.

The crew of the Coast Guard SPC-LE pursuit boat proceeded to board the suspect vessel, detain the three men onboard and seize 25 bales of suspected contraband.

Since September 2012, Coast Guard alongside CBIG law enforcement agencies under Operation Caribbean Guard have seized 27,650 kilograms of cocaine, in partnership with regional law enforcement authorities in the Caribbean. The wholesale value for these seizures is worth more than \$829 million.

Police Log

LAND LINE: 911 CELLULAR: 340-776-9110
POLICE DEPT: 340-693-8880 / FIRE: 340-776-6333

Friday, October 18

11:41 a.m. - A citizen c/r a possible structure fire in the area of Estate Contant. Police assistance.

Saturday, October 19

12:18 a.m. - An employee of the Inn at Tamarind Court c/r a disturbance at the inn. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

5:57 a.m. - A citizen c/r a disturbance at Calabash Boom. Disturbance of the peace.

7:36 a.m. - A citizen c/requesting police assistance with a landlord/tenant dispute at Estate Bethany. Police assistance.

1:38 p.m. - A citizen c/r a fight in progress in the area of Wharfside Village. Simple assault.

1:38 p.m. - An Estate Carolina resident c/r that someone removed items from a vehicle on his property. Grand larceny.

5:30 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident r/ that someone stole his kayak from his property. Grand larceny.

7:11 p.m. - A citizen c/r a disturbance in the area of the Cruz Bay ferry dock. Disturbance of the peace.

Sunday, October 20

12:35 p.m. - A citizen p/r

that he was assaulted by his ex girlfriend in September on St. Thomas. Simple assault.

1:10 p.m. - A citizen p/r a male having a seizure in the area of Frank Powell Park. Police assistance.

11:37 p.m. - A Calabash Boom resident c/r a disturbance on her property. Disturbance of the peace.

Monday, October 21

1:20 a.m. - An Estate Contant resident p/r that someone tried to stab him in the area of the U.S. Custom's parking lot. Assault in third.

8:48 a.m. - A Giff Hill School employee c/r that the school had been broken into. Burglary in the third.

12:44 p.m. - A citizen p/r that the spare tire was stolen off his vehicle. Grand larceny.

5:22 p.m. - A visitor from New Jersey p/r that someone stole the spare tire off his rental Jeep while it was parked at Maho Bay beach. Grand larceny.

7:31 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident c/r a disturbance at her residence with her brother. Disturbance of the peace, D.V.

Tuesday, October 22

5:05 p.m. - A citizen c/r that someone struck her vehicle while it was parked at The Marketplace. Auto collision.

9:41 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident c/requesting police assistance. Police assistance.

Wednesday, October 23

9:15 a.m. - An Estate Carolina resident p/r that an unknown individual stole the engine from his Honda Civic while it was parked at Varlack's yard. Grand larceny.

10:29 a.m. - An Estate Spring Garden resident c/r that his vehicle slid off the embankment and rolled into the water in the area of Coral Bay harbor. Auto collision.

11:37 a.m. - A citizen c/r that his son threatened to do him bodily harm. Disturbance of the peace, D.V.

1:00 p.m. - A citizen c/requesting an escort to go to her property in order to avoid any problems with her neighbor. Police assistance.

Thursday, October 24

6:20 p.m. - The government of the Virgin Islands c/r a disturbance in the area of Wharfside Village. Disturbance of the peace.

Crime Stoppers U.S. Virgin Islands

St. John Tradewinds

Crime Stoppers empowers you to make your neighborhoods 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 Saturday, October 12, just before midnight, a green four-door Jeep Cherokee, tag JEN-447, was left parked in the area of the Lime Inn in Cruz Bay. The driver returned on Sunday, shortly after noon, and discovered the

vehicle had been stolen. Prior to that, at about 6 a.m. the vehicle had been found overturned in the area of Gift Hill Road with no driver present. Tell us what you know about this automobile theft and subsequent accident.

St. Thomas

On Monday, October 14, at 2:10 a.m., officers were dispatched to a call for shots fired at Coki Point Beach. Upon arrival, officers discovered that a male and female had been shot and killed. A second male victim was shot in the leg. Help police determine who the shooter(s)

were and why this shooting occurred.

Please continue to work for the good of all 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.

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, October 30

— The next hearing to address the subject of reparations, and two bills regarding reconciliation and the transformation of the Enid Baa Library into a revenue-generating entity, will be on Wednesday, October 30, at 10 a.m. at the Fritz Lawaetz Conference Rm on St. Croix.

Thursday, October 31

— Free flu shots will be available in Coral Bay on Thursday, October 31, at the Coral Bay Fire Station from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sunday, November 3

— Registration is now open for Friends of VI National Park's Paddle the Park. The standup paddleboard race is set for Sunday November 3 and registration closes November 1. For more information go to Friends of VINP's website at www.friendsvinp.org/paddle.

— All parents are invited to the St. John baby boom photo and beach picnic at Hawksnest Beach on Sunday, November 3, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Monday, November 4

— Members of the 30th Legislature will convene on November 4 to consider an agreement to help facilitate the sale of the HOVENSA refinery.

— CBCC is hosting its Annual Meeting and potluck on Monday, November 4, at Miss Lucy's from 4:30 to 7 p.m. with dinner at 5:30 p.m.

Friday, November 8, and Saturday, November 9

— The St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce 2013 Business Showcase will be on Friday, November 8, and Saturday, November 9, at the Mark Marin Center at Antilles School.

Saturday, November 9

— On Saturday, November 9, after a day kayak trip, the appetites of wounded warriors will be satisfied as the St. John American Legion and AARP Chapter get together to put on a BBQ featuring local dishes and drinks.

Friday, November 22

— Giff Hill School is proud to announce the 4th Annual "Giff Hill School Gives Back" community service day on Friday, November 22.

Saturday, December 7

— The CBCC is planning a "Coral Bay Bizarre Bazaar," a large community outreach program and fundraising event on Saturday, December 7, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Pickles in Paradise.

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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"CAN'T YOU SEE I'M DIZZY?!"

ACROSS

- 1 Bar mitzvah language
- 7 Its capital is Montgomery
- 14 Old jazz buff
- 20 Henry II player Peter
- 21 Horse feed supporter
- 22 106-Down on Cal Ripken's cap
- 23 Amaze a Sherlock Holmes portrayer?
- 25 — acid (corrosive liquid)
- 26 — -mo
- 27 Brighton brew
- 28 12-month famine?
- 30 Trendy berry in juices
- 33 Shire of film
- 34 Goddess of the dawn
- 35 Singer Brown got dressed?
- 42 Gridiron gains: Abbr.
- 43 Pen giant
- 45 Make reparations
- 46 Cosa — (Mafia's kin)
- 48 Areas of expertise
- 51 Provides party platters
- 53 Determine which team scored?
- 57 Supper scrap
- 58 "Egypt — up like a flood": Jeremiah 46:8
- 60 "NO TURN —" (traffic sign)
- 61 Octa- plus one
- 62 Relative of a résumé
- 64 Judge on the bench, e.g.
- 65 Bee creation

- 66 Fact about a consolidation loan?
- 71 Two-spot
- 74 University in Atlanta
- 75 In — (owing)
- 79 Old science magazine
- 80 Balance pan
- 81 Pittsburgh's Carnegie — University
- 84 Instructors' org.
- 85 Sub-shop blaze?
- 88 Relative key of B minor
- 90 Michelangelo work
- 91 California wine region
- 93 Old Greek market
- 94 Erwin of old films
- 95 "The Tell-Tale Heart" tale teller
- 98 Moola earned by a love god?
- 100 Blocks from the freezer
- 102 Is up against
- 104 School in Berkshire
- 105 Road named after singer Deanna?
- 110 Seeded loaf
- 112 — Alamitos, California
- 115 Thinking the world of
- 116 What to do to socks that tear every 24 hours?
- 120 Appear
- 121 Asinine
- 122 Late actress Brennan
- 123 Hot- — (drag racer)
- 124 Turn from a straight line
- 125 Say "no" to

DOWN

- 1 Mortar trays
- 2 List-ending abbr.

- 3 TV clown
- 4 "Frasier" woman
- 5 Jazz singer Fitzgerald
- 6 Li'l fellow
- 7 Gasteyer of "Mean Girls"
- 8 Truckload
- 9 Deadly pale
- 10 Neuwirth of "Frasier"
- 11 "If I Had —" (Lyle Lovett song)
- 12 American avant-garde artist
- 13 Antediluvian
- 14 Toyota rival
- 15 Iroquois foe
- 16 Falafel bread
- 17 Amendment
- 18 Samuel of justice
- 19 PC whizzes
- 24 Intel mission
- 29 Hi- — (stereos)
- 31 Positive pole
- 32 Atlas feature
- 35 Son of Isaac
- 36 Video game name
- 37 Catchphrase
- 38 Phenyl ender
- 39 Saw-toothed
- 40 Ingrain
- 41 Soft & —
- 43 Jazz genre
- 44 Limonite, e.g.
- 47 Worship
- 48 Nursed, say
- 49 Kin of -ess
- 50 Don't depart
- 52 Uses a stool
- 54 Writer Blyton
- 55 Grove plant
- 56 Kind of tea
- 59 — Field (Mariners' stadium)

- 63 Most chancy
- 64 "— will be done"
- 65 Very irate
- 67 Arabian Sea country
- 68 Actor's part
- 69 Long lock of hair
- 70 Stomped
- 71 Tip, as a hat
- 72 Arab bigwig
- 73 Frank and open
- 76 Pear variety
- 77 Corp. shuffling
- 78 Mother of Isaac
- 80 — -cone
- 81 List of dishes
- 82 Get hitched on the fly
- 83 Maximum
- 86 Post-OR area
- 87 OR worker
- 89 Before now
- 92 Prettify
- 95 "NerdTV" network
- 96 Bested
- 97 Online investing site
- 99 Tom of "Tomorrow"
- 100 Slacking sort
- 101 Pataki's predecessor Mario
- 102 Make furious
- 103 Font flourish
- 106 Nest builder
- 107 "Picnic" dramatist William
- 108 Organic compound
- 109 Head, to Gigi
- 111 Falco with four Emmys
- 112 In — of (rather than)
- 113 Jai-alai cries
- 114 "Auld Lang —"
- 117 Amp plug-in
- 118 Masquerade
- 119 Furry TV alien

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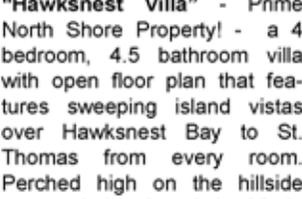
"Hawksnest Villa" - Prime North Shore Property! - a 4 bedroom, 4.5 bathroom villa with open floor plan that features sweeping island vistas over Hawksnest Bay to St. Thomas from every room. Perched high on the hillside surrounded by the pristine Virgin Islands National Park "Hawksnest Villa" is only a short hike to Hawksnest Bay and only minutes from shopping and dining in Cruz Bay. **\$2.65M**



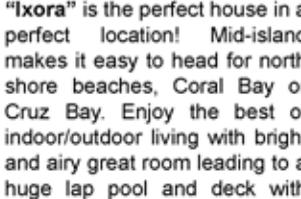
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"Eleah's Garden" - Enchanting, Eleah's Garden, your very own 'Secret Garden' on the island of St. John. This 4 bedroom 3 bath home has an apartment with outdoor kitchenette and lots of tropical fruit trees. Enjoy the views of the Caribbean Sea and French Cap and beautiful sunsets. Solar panels reduce you electric bills. The location couldn't be better, with town and the beaches just 5 to 10 minutes away. **\$750,000**



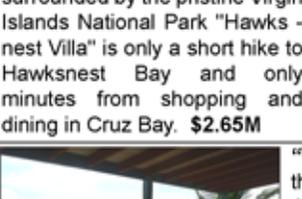
"Winter Moon" - Amazing views of Hurricane Hole and beyond from this well-built home with 1 bdrm, 1.5 bthrm on main upper level and a 1 bdrm apartment ("Winter Moon" currently in short term rentals) on the lower level. Live in main house with income from lower rental apartment. Enjoy close and easy access to stony beach at Zootenvaal, Brown Bay hiking trail and restaurants & shops in Coral Bay area. Plenty of room to expand and add pool. **\$899,000**



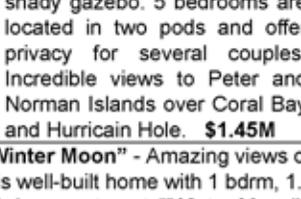
"Villa Lantano" - Magnificent North Shore views over Peter Bay to Jost Van Dyke from this spacious home in Upper Peter Bay. Features include custom kitchen, granite counters, stainless appliances, travertine marble floors throughout, including decks, lg pool deck with spa, water views from every room and lush professional landscaping. A beautiful new arched, stone gazebo makes a comfortable, shady outdoor seating area. **Reduced by \$1M to \$6.9M**



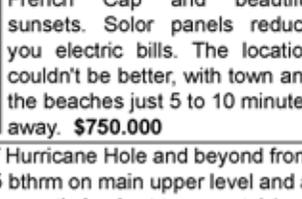
"Cruz Views Condos" - feature beautiful water views to St. Thomas, gorgeous sunsets, and a short walk ferry and restaurants. Units 7 and 10 are located near the pool & sundeck and are air-conditioned. Both are corner units for privacy. These condos are popular short term rentals. Features include new flat screen TVs & Internet access. Cruz Views has undergone many improvements including new stairs, decks, parking and landscaping. **\$445,000 and \$510,000**



"Unicorn by the Sea" - high on the hillside in Fish Bay with fabulous views from every room. Remodeled in 2010, the upper level has an elegant open-air gourmet kitchen open to a covered dining area. The living area can be opened to catch cooling trade breezes or closed for full air conditioning. There are 2 air conditioned master suites that open onto a central pool and entertainment patio. Beyond the pool is a private, stand-alone one bedroom guest cottage. **\$1.595M**



"La Sirena" is a beautifully crafted Mediterranean style pool villa overlooking the sparkling waters of Kiddel Bay in a secluded neighborhood surrounded by National Park lands within walking distance to beaches and hiking trails. 2 master suites have en-suite baths & access the pool deck with a great wet bar & grill area. The well-equipped kitchen opens into the great room with high cathedral ceilings where you can enjoy indoor dining or outdoor dining on the covered verandah. There is an additional loft bedroom. **\$979,000**



"Home of Shipwreck Landing" - Popular and well established "island style" shopping complex on the waters' edge in Coral Bay. "Turnkey" opportunity with one restaurant and three retail spaces occupied with leases in place. Plenty of room to expand commercial space or possibly add a dock. Also there are preliminary plans for some residential structures as well. Located on the public road between Coral Bay and Salt Pond. 0.76 acres with R-2 zoning **\$1.5M**

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. Parcel has access to a cobble beach. Reduced from **\$3.18M to \$2.49M**; Reef Bay - 1.32 acres of waterfront on beautiful Reef Bay with vest pocket beach, beautiful sunrises and cooling easterly breezes **\$2.499M**; **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**

"EAST END POINT" - The eastern-most point of St. John is now for sale. This estate sized lot is over five acres and has several natural building sites and unlimited views to the British Virgins. Located within "THE POINT AT PRIVATEER" St. John's newest upscale subdivision. **\$4.5M.**

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Fun for All at Just Play Day 2013

From Shakima Jones' singing, above right, to kids of all ages enjoying a day of sports, USFSC founder Dean Doeling, at left bottom, hosted another outstanding community event.

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"MERMAID FALLS"-prime Peter Bay location & spectacular 5 bdrm/5.5 bths villa. Views to St. Thomas, Nat'l Park beaches & BVI. Custom-designed & built, it features a lagoon-shaped pool, mahogany doors/windows, ac, private verandas, waterfall & spa, & lovely grounds.

VIDEO
MLS 11-385
\$7,500,000

CATHERINEBERG'S "CINNAMON RIDGE" 5 bedroom villa on 1+ private acre, bordered by National Park, features stunning north shore views, pool w/waterfall, spa, easy access to Cinnamon Bay beach.

VIDEO
MLS 10-44
\$4,600,000

"TRE VISTA ESTATE" The perfect luxury retreat on St. John. An elegant villa with classic style in a great setting of views and breezes.

VIDEO
MLS 11-439
\$3,300,000

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

VIDEO
MLS 11-340
\$3,200,000

"GALLOWES POINT SEAVIEW" great location for development, walk to beach and town! Masonry 2x2 home on .58 ac. Combination of R-4 & W-1 zoning allows for condos or commercial uses.

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Students enjoyed football, soccer, tug of war and more at the annual free Just Play Day at Winston Wells Ball Field.

More photos inside on page 23.



Fifth Annual Just Play Day Draws Largest Crowd to Date

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shirts. We did have extra water plastic bottles they could fill up and cups for drinking water too.”

Registering in advance also gives Just Play Day organizers an idea of how much food they will have to make. The event includes a free lunch whipped up by St. John Catering/Mathayom Private Chefs for all participants, explained Doeling.

“Mat Vacharat of Mathayom Private Chefs did an amazing job of being able to feed everyone,” said Doeling. “He didn’t run out of food and, in fact, he had more than enough for everyone.”

“After the event I told him I had no idea how he did it,” said Doeling. “He just smiled at me and said ‘I’ve done this

before.’ I was so happy he was able to accommodate everyone in the food category; I know how important that is for the kids.”

Looking ahead to next year, Doeling expects even brighter times ahead for USFSC and Just Play Day as the group becomes even more organized, he explained.

“We had some growing pains this year, but nothing that is insurmountable,” said Doeling. “It was fantastic to see more kids coming over from St. Thomas and was great to see some growth after four years. Coming up, USFSC and St. John Community Foundation is going to put a panel of board members together made up of St. Thomas and St. John teachers, parents and more.”

“The board will give us input on how we can facilitate a larger event next year and in the coming years,” he said. “We want to get different and more ideas from everyone to continue to energize the event.”

Working with St. John Community Foundation executive director Celia Kalousek, Doeling also determined that each Just Play Day would cost a total of \$60,000 to host.

Most of that, however, is covered by in-kind donations of lodging, food, water, equipment and volunteer hours. USFSC is left with about \$6,000 in expenses to cover the cost of T-shirts, bib numbers and water bottles, Doeling explained.

“It’s pretty amazing that we only have to raise \$6,000 in cash in order to host this

event which actually costs about \$60,000 to put on,” he said.

In order to raise that money, USFSC hosts a fundraiser each year and offers different levels of sponsorship. This year, the fundraiser was hosted at The Beach Bar the weekend before Columbus Day. The night featured music by Inner Visions and raffle prizes; and raised about \$1,800 for USFSC.

“We had an amazing turnout at The Beach Bar; it was just overwhelming,” said Doeling. “It was a lot of fun and people were super supportive.”

To stay informed of USFSC’s happenings, like the group on Facebook or check out the website www.usingsportforsocial-change.com for more information.