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Photos by Dr. Caroline S. Rogers

Kestrels Killing Time at Lind Point

U.S. Geological Survey Marine Ecologist Dr. Caroline S. Rogers recently captured these two kestrels, known locally as killy-killy, perched outside her office window at Lind Point. Rogers even observed one of the birds, known in the states as sparrow hawks, enjoying a lizard snack. The female kestrel, above left, is a bit bigger than the male, above right, and has black spots on a light breast. In addition to lizards, kestrels eat mice.

"We spend so much time talking about things that are endangered, but these birds are still quite common and doing well," said Rogers.

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Lorelei Monsanto To Head Delegate to Congress Christensen's St. John Office

By Andrea Milam
St. John Tradewinds

After nearly a year without a constituent services representative on St. John, Virgin Islands Delegate to Congress Donna Christensen once again has Love City representation. The delegate last week announced the hiring of St. Johnian Lorelei Monsanto, who will pick up where former constituent services representative Aldria Wade, who retired last summer, left off.

After college, Monsanto got her start in the working world at a stateside insurance company, where she handled claims as a supervisor for more than 10 years. She then moved back to St. John and has operated her own retail business ever since.

Although the world of politics is new for Monsanto, she believes her work history will help her, she explained.

"It's people skills," said Monsanto. "Past experience will definitely help."

Monsanto's hiring as constituent services representative came a little more than a week after she jumped into the world of politics by traveling to Washington, D.C. to testify on behalf of One Campus at an April 23 hearing of the Senate Subcommittee on National Parks. Monsanto testified in favor of Christensen's bill, HR 53, to allow for the leasing of V.I. National Park land for a school on St. John.

The constituent services representative's first day was Monday, May 5 — a day she spent cleaning out her new office.

Reaching Out to Community

As constituent services representative, Monsanto will work to ensure the concerns of Love City residents are forwarded to Christensen, she explained.

"I'll reach out to the community and see what their needs are," she said. "I'll direct information back to the delegate and keep people advised of what's going on in reference to Congress and our needs."

VITEMA's Deputy Director Alvis Christian Suspended for "Unacceptable Demeanor"

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

As the 2008 hurricane season approaches, Love City's head of emergency management has been suspended for 30 days.

Government officials suspended long-time V.I. Territorial Emergency Management Agency St. John deputy director Alvis Christian last month for "actions" and "unacceptable demeanor."

VITEMA officials would not elaborate on what caused the reported 30-day suspension.



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Andrea Milam

Lorelei Monsanto is ready to assist St. John residents at the Cruz Bay Legislature building.

While Monsanto plans to ease slowly into her new position, she already knows what her first goal will be — to let the public know about Christensen's work.

"I'm taking baby steps because it's a brand new position for me," said Monsanto. "I plan to let the people know what the delegate to congress does and how we can utilize her services to get our needs met. First and foremost, I'll be educating the public about what she does."

Monsanto will be in the delegate's office, located at the St. John Legislature building, Mondays and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. To contact her, call 776-1212.

Ninth Annual Commodore's Cup Scheduled for May 17

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All three of the island's yacht clubs are collaborating once again for the ninth annual Commodore's Cup on Saturday, May 17.

Sponsored by Budget Marine, the Commodore's Cup is hosted by the Coral Bay Yacht Club, St. John Yacht Club and Nauti Yacht Club. The single day of racing will include classes in pursuit, CSA and PHRF.

The winner of each class will go head to head on small laser boats for the chance at the Commodore Cup title.

The skipper's meeting for the race will be Friday evening, May 16, at Skinny Legs at 6:30

p.m. The race will start at 10 a.m. on May 17 in Coral Bay.

An awards ceremony is set for Saturday evening, May 17, at Skinny Legs.

Don't miss your chance to win a brand new 12-foot Carib dinghy and 15-horse power Yamaha motor donated by Off-shore Marine. Raffle tickets are available from St. John Kids And The Sea participants and St. John Hardware. All proceeds will benefit the St. John KATS program.

Entry forms are available at both Connections locations. For more information call Robbie Hoyt, 690-7979 or Jim Swan, 693-8780.

SJSA Recital, Raffle Drawing Is May 18

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The St. John School of the Arts' music recital has been rescheduled for Sunday, May 18, at 2 p.m. at the school, which also changes the raffle drawing. The dance recital will be the same day at 5 p.m. at the Westin Resort and Villas ballroom.

Power Swim Practice Is Swim May 18

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Get ready for the Friends of the V.I. National Park's annual Beach to Beach Power Swim on May 25 at the final practice swim, which is set Sunday, May 18, beginning at Maho Bay and ending at Hawksnest. The practice swim begins at 8 a.m. at the north end of Maho near the dinghy channel. For more information, contact the Friends at 779-4940.

Montessori Parent Group Forming

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A parent interest group is forming for a Montessori preschool in Coral Bay for children ages 2 years and nine months to 6 years old. For more information, contact Amelia Jones at 642-7638.

CZM Hearing Scheduled for May 21

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The St. John CZM Committee will meet Wednesday, May 21, at 1 p.m. at the Legislature to consider the following:

— Request for modification of CZM Permit No. CZJ-2-03(L), Genoveva Rodriguez and James Phillips to add a vendor's booth (11 feet by 11 feet) to the existing retail building located at parcel no. 13, Estate Carolina,

No. 1 Coral Bay Quarter, St. John, Virgin Islands.

— Request for modification of CZM Permit No. CZJ-54-87(L), Caneel Bay Resort, to replace the existing RO building and entry building with new stone and wood frame within the same footprint, and expansion of an existing manager's house to add a bedroom and a pool.

Constitutional Convention Forums Set

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Informational public forums led by St. John residents Paul Devine and Ronnie Jones are scheduled for 6:30 p.m. at the Julius E. Sprauve School on May 29, June 27 and July 17. The forums are intended to gather public input and to provide updates on what is happening with the Fifth Constitutional Convention. All input will be sent to Constitutional Convention delegates.



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Affidavit Names New Suspect in Cockayne Murder Case

By Jaime Elliott
and Tom Oat
St. John Tradewinds

The attorney for one of two men charged in the June 2007, murder of a Pennsylvania man in Cruz Bay has submitted a sworn affidavit from a man who claims "his girlfriend's cousin" admitted to the attack and asked for a ride from the scene.

Accused murderer Kamal Thomas's defense counsel will file the sworn statement in V.I. Superior Court from a witness alleging a man named Jahleel Ward attacked 21-year-old James Cockayne of Pennsylvania during the early morning hours of June 19, 2007.

"Defendant shall offer testimony tending to expose Jahleel Ward to criminal liability for the homicide charged in this case and exculpating Defendant (Thomas) of that homicide," according to the pre-trial memorandum sent to the V.I. Department of Justice which was to be filed with the V.I. Superior Court on Monday, May 12.

St. Croix Attorney Michael A. Joseph also sought information from the government on the "whereabouts of Jahleel Ward allegedly sent away by the People because of involvement in an un-

related case."

Atty. Joseph first announced the existence of a new witness at a pre-trial conference in late April. The attorney could not be reached for comment on the memorandum or sworn affidavit from Glanville Frazer, Jr. which was dated October 11, 2007.

A copy of the affidavit provided to *St. John Tradewinds* includes details about how the alleged killer fled the scene of the crime and later threatened to "kill" anyone who said anything about his role in the fatal attack.

Awakened for Ride

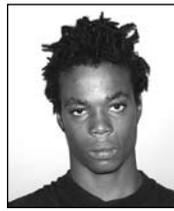
Glanville Frazer Jr., said he drove the man he knew as his girlfriend's cousin Jahleel to a house in Pastory after he and his girlfriend were awakened by banging on his door at 3AE Enighed, within sight of the scene of the fatal attack.

"When I opened the door, I saw Jahleel at the door," Frazer said in the sworn affidavit. "He did not have on a shirt and he had small spots of blood on his pants."

"He said 'Shark, Shark can you give me a ride home please, I just f*** up a white boy'," Frazer's affidavit continued. "Jahleel then repeated 'Please give me a ride home.' I knew him to be my girl-



Anselmo
Boston



Kamal
Thomas

friend's cousin, and we have given him rides before, so it was not a problem to give him a ride."

The pretrial memorandum from Atty. Joseph also identified two other people who will provide alibi witnesses for Thomas.

"Alexander Cameron; Jeremy Melanson will testify that they were at Hawks Nest Beach with Defendant and three girls as dates, who were visiting guests at the Westin Hotel, during the period of time James Cockayne was killed," the pretrial memorandum said.

In addition, a third person, Jamal Jackson, will testify that he heard Ward admit to killing Cockayne, according to Joseph's filing.

Thomas, an 18-year-old Georgia native, and Anselmo Boston, a 31-year-old St. Croix native, were arrested last summer after Cockayne's family brought U.S. media

attention to the murder.

Both men were charged with first-degree murder, first-degree assault, and using a dangerous weapon during the commission of a crime of violence. Thomas was also charged with witness intimidation relating to an incident in Cruz Bay before his arrest.

Still Under House Arrest

The two men remain under house arrest and terms of their bail should remain the same until the case goes to trial in early October before V.I. Superior Court Judge Brenda Hollar.

V.I. Police Department officials are investigating the new information, explained V.I. Attorney General Vincent Frazer.

"There have been allegations of there being a new witness that the defense has raised," said Attorney General Frazer. "We are investigating."

Justice Department officials still believe Boston and Thomas killed Cockayne, but have opened an investigation into the existence of a possible third accomplice, explained Attorney General Frazer.

"This new person who is mentioned as a witness may just point to another person who may have been involved," the Attorney Gen-

eral Frazer said. "There may be a third person and we are following that lead. We are keeping the same charges against the same two men."

"We don't have any reason to change our position on that right now," he added. "We're still moving forward. We believe that we have the right persons."

At the time of the murder, Cockayne had been on St. John for a month while he awaited paperwork from the British Virgin Islands for employment at the Bitter End Yacht Club in Virgin Gorda. Cockayne was set to be a sailing instructor at the yacht club.

On the evening of June 18, just hours before he was stabbed to death in front of the Fashion Palace, Cockayne got into a confrontation with Boston and Thomas at the Front Yard Bar, according to V.I. Police Department affidavits.

Boston allegedly broke a pool stick over Cockayne's head before he and Thomas followed the young Pennsylvania man up the street and fatally stabbed him, according to police affidavits.

It remained unclear how the new information fits into Justice Department officials' scenario of events the night of the murder.

Nancy Lewis Aims To Give Released Inmates Second Chance

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

While loud voices are often raised for the need to arrest and prosecute criminals in the territory, one woman is speaking out for the criminals once they are in custody and after they are released.

Nancy P. Lewis, owner of NPL Communications Inc., recently started a non-profit agency called Second Chance dedicated to addressing the issues which put felons behind bars in the first place.

The victims of domestic violence advocate launched a weekly class at the St. Thomas correctional facility to help felons deal with anger management and conflict resolution issues.

After only two months, the positive impacts from the class are obvious, Lewis explained.

"There is less confrontation in the jail and less inmates are having to be in lockdown because of this program," Lewis said. "I've gotten letters from inmates who take the class about how much this has changed their lives. The impact



Tradewinds News Photo by Jaime Elliott

Nancy Lewis

this class has had on their way of thinking makes me want to cry."

Lewis is now preparing to take Second Chance one step further by opening transitional housing for felons once they are released from jail.

No Outreach Programs

"Nothing exists for these people once they get out of jail as far as helping them get back into the mainstream," said Lewis.

Helping felons re-enter society after they have paid their dues

"Statistics show that men who get out of jail, get back with their old crowd... These transitional homes work. These people need help getting back into the mainstream."

— Nancy Lewis

will help reconnect families and end cycles of violence, explained Lewis.

"This is the missing piece," she said. "When these inmates get out of prison there is nothing that helps them get back together with their families. To be able to complete the household, these men need to be able to go back to their families."

Inmates too often end up back in jail after they are released, Lewis explained.

"Statistics show that men who get out of jail, get back with their old crowd, back into illegal activity and end up right back in jail," she said. "These transitional homes work. These people need help getting back into the mainstream."

Lewis is currently trying to secure a building for the transitional home on St. Thomas as well as office supplies and furniture. The victims advocate sees similar homes opening on St. John and St. Croix in the future as Second Chance progresses.

Looking for Space, Supplies

In the meantime, she has been working in conjunction with St. John Community Crisis Center director Shelley Williams, Family Resource Center director Sandra Benjamin on St. Thomas and the director of St. Croix's Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Council.

"I want to personally thank all of these women for their support and kindness," said Lewis.

To donate to Second Chance, or for more information, call Lewis at 340-998-5947.

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by Sis Frank

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Capturing Mr. Reginald Callwood

Carol Beckowitz' article about Mr. Reggie Callwood captured his personality and accomplishments with style! His mother and step-father, Ianthe and Alex Daniels, ran "Daniel's," one of two or three locally-owned restaurants on the island. The food and service were tops and competed with Eric's Hilltop in the 60s.

Music runs in the family for sure — Lynell and Lemmie were among the best tenor players in Steel Unlimited I and II, Tony was a top bass with Orville Brown, Lybia and Luella have beautiful voices (with Carlie Powell's bands). I shall never forget Lemmie, at 11 years old, sitting next to me on his first plane trip to Miami. I think he recited a few prayers on his way.

Ideal Man Defined

I certainly agree with Dr. Gilbert Sprauve's definition of the St. Johnian man. Here are the three men who possessed the necessary traits:

A man who can do things — that was Mr. Frank Powell Sr.

— we still use the large wooden stage that he built for the steel bands (Slimman now stores them). He created so many private homes — I think of him each time I pass his mother's house across from the sewage plant, now beautifully landscaped, and much improved from being the island's dump! Deep blue must have been his favorite color — look at his own houses across from the big water storage plant.

Mr. Neptune Richards purchased Susannaberg Plantation, keeping it in perfect condition, raising livestock and passing it all on to his heirs. I'll never forget seeing the area for the first time in 1960. Somehow it reminded me of the rolling hills of France. When Mr. Neptune rode by on his donkey (always side-saddle), you knew that he was a product of the very early days of St. John — he was a strong, hard-working farmer.

Senator Theovald "Mooie" Moorehead was one of the first political leaders who cared deeply for the island and its progress. He was an important part of the St. John Corporation, creator of the ferry service and weekly island tours.

These three men were blessed with all of the basic physical and creative qualities that added up to the "ideal St. Johnian."

Creation of the National Park

Senator Julius E. Sprauve Sr. predicted the eventual growth of the island as he arranged sales of property that have become the V.I. National Park. Some islanders don't like the park, but it certainly is better than being overrun by a hotel or two on every beach and hillside. I feel sure that the removal of Sprauve School from Cruz Bay will happen soon and other properties adjacent to the National Park will be preserved so that the island will remain one of the last truly appealing destinations in the Caribbean. These mammoth condos and "developments" do not belong on St. John.

It is refreshing to see younger men and women stepping forward to fill the shoes of our pioneers who have passed on. Entrepreneurs are running their own businesses with success in spite of competition from heavily-financed newcomers. Delbert Parsons' condos at the Pond Mouth are rising rapidly, Curtis Penn has built two attractive rental cottages that are constantly in demand. The Williams family runs a much-needed gas station with their usual good



Photo Courtesy of Sis Frank

Neptune Richards

humor and expertise.

Now, if the powers that be would keep over-development under control, we could grow at a decent pace.

Hank Slodden is Wearing a Halo

As of today, everything is out of our EIS Library, thanks to the kindness of Hank! I believe that he has supplied 13 of his Storage on Site trailers to hold books, supplies and computers while the renovations are being completed. Rena and Carol even have air conditioning in the main one. Volunteers carried hundreds of items out of the building. We are indebted to Hank and these dedicated helpers! Arms and leg muscles must be aching!

Cid Hamling's Mother Passes

Our love and deepest sympathy to Cid on the loss of her remarkable and much-loved mother. Cid came by her desire to help others from her mother who spent her life caring for her family and her community. Betty Jane Hamling is now one of the brightest stars in the sky.

Century Plants Are in Bloom

Those wonderful "Christmas trees" are beginning to add their bright yellow to our spring landscape. I'd like to imagine that they each celebrate the life of a friend or family member who has passed on this year. We have lost so many.

Delegate to Congress Addresses Virgin Islands Mail Issues

By Andrea Milam
St. John Tradewinds

Delegate to Congress Donna Christensen last week invited U.S. Postal Service Inspector General David Williams to investigate mail problems in the territory after more than five years of wrangling with Virgin Islands postal service issues.

The delegate blamed the majority of the V.I.'s postal service problems on the fact that all V.I. mail — even letters traveling from St. Thomas to St. John, or from Coral Bay to Cruz Bay, for example — is routed through Puerto Rico. Inter-island mail is handled individually approximately 13 different times before it reaches its destination, and is sometimes even routed through Antigua, St. Kitts or Europe before returning to the territory, explained Christensen.

“Mail goes to Puerto Rico by plane, and several planes leave per day,” said the delegate to congress during a Tuesday, May 6, teleconference. “There’s no reason why our mail should be delayed, even going through Puerto Rico.”

Christensen is concerned that her constituents receive mail in a timely manner, she added.

Outside Customs Zone

“Some of the problems are that of the postal system, such as whether you get bills on time so you can pay them,” said Christensen.

Whether it is the extraordinary length of time it takes for packages and periodicals to get to customers or packages not being delivered at all, the situation has become intolerable.”

— Donna Christensen,
Delegate to Congress

Other USPS issues have to do with the FDA, which has made shipping medications to and from the territory a difficult process, the delegate explained.

“We were able to resolve that issue for personal medicines, but we still have a major issue in trying to allow our pharmacies to ship overstock or damaged medications back to their suppliers,” said Christensen. “You can’t send drugs from outside, and although we’re in the country, we’re outside of the customs zone.”

The U.S. Virgin Islands have been outside the U.S. customs zone since 1917, when the islands were purchased from Denmark. This was arranged for the islands’ economic benefit, explained Christensen.

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St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Tom Oat

The Estate Enighed site of the new St. John post office, above, must still be rezoned before construction can begin.

New St. John Post Office Site Still Awaits Zoning Change

By Andrea Milam
St. John Tradewinds

One year after the U.S. Postal Service signed a lease for an Estate Enighed property where a new permanent St. John post office is to be constructed, steps are still being taken toward rezoning the 12,300 square foot Boynes family-owned parcel.

The USPS signed a 10-year lease with two five-year options with the Boynes family on May 17, 2007. Constructing the building is the sole responsibility of the property owner, as the USPS only leases property for post offices.

The postal service remains optimistic regarding the new St. John post office, according to USPS spokesperson Monica Hand.

“The postal service is ready and

willing to move forward with this project,” said Hand. “Our latest communication with zoning officials is that they are in the process of scheduling a public meeting to address the zone change issues.”

The USPS may be jumping the gun, however, as the Boynes family has not yet completed the application process, explained Department of Planning and Natural Resources Jamal Nielsen.

“It’s not in our hands,” said Nielsen. “They haven’t completed the process, therefore we can’t move on with any public hearings until the requisite information is submitted to our planning office.”

The Boynes family is moving forward with plans revealed at a January 2007 public hearing, designed by St. Thomas-based Trin-

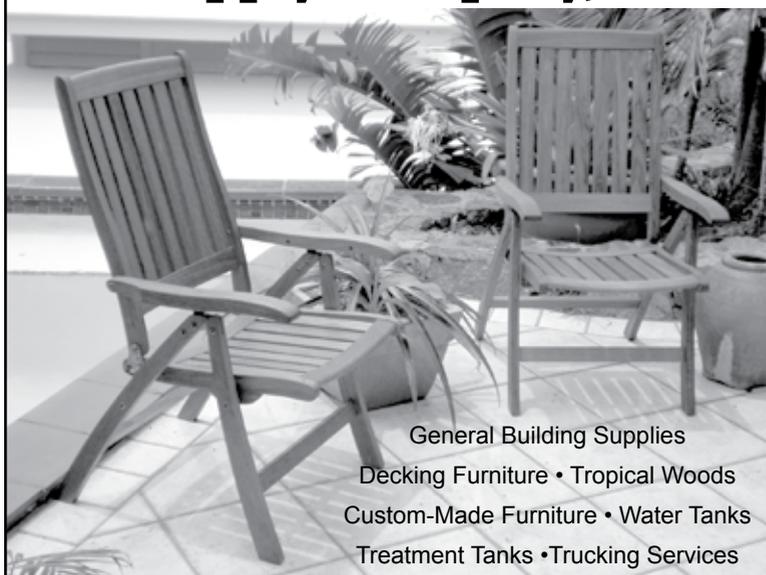
ity Architectural Services, which included a three-story building consisting of a 6,000 square foot first floor designated for the post office, 12 to 15 second-story parking spaces for post office customers and office space for the Boynes family on the third floor.

“We’re working with DPNR and the Legislature to get stuff squared away,” said Boynes family spokesperson Cheryl Boynes-Jackson. “As soon as they get back to me, we’re ready to rock and roll.”

The main zoning issue faced by the USPS and the Boynes family is the V.I. Code requirement that a lot be at least 15,000 square feet for the construction of a post office in an R-4 zoned area. The current Estate Enighed lot falls short by 2,700 square feet.



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Workers continue construction on the roof at Greenleaf Commons.

Greenleaf Commons Should Be Open by Late Summer

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Construction of the island's newest retail center, located across Southshore Road from the Westin Resort and Villas, is advancing almost on schedule.

While occupancy of Greenleaf Commons, which is slated to include a grocery store, spa and office space, was originally rescheduled for spring 2008, the projected date has been pushed back — but only to late summer, according to the principal of Greenleaf Holdings LLC.

"Work is progressing nicely," said Wayne Greenleaf. "Color is going on the building, roofing, etc. Ex-

cavation has begun for the adjacent parking lot."

"Tenant's spaces will be turned over soon for their build-outs, and occupancy should start to occur by late summer," Greenleaf continued. "Ground level market/deli plans are looking very nice. The complex is about 80 percent pre-leased."

Anyone looking for retail space should take advantage of the limited remaining area in the building, the developer added.

"There are three spaces left and a small kiosk space out front if anyone is interested," said Greenleaf.

For more information on Greenleaf Commons call 473-9670 or email GreenleafHolding@aol.com

Fifth Constitutional Convention To Host Several Hearings on St. John

St. John Tradewinds

Fifth Constitutional Convention committees will host several hearings on St. John in the coming weeks, beginning with the Executive Branch Committee on Thursday, May 15, at 6 p.m. at the St. John Legislature.

The Committee on Education, Youth and Culture will meet on Tuesday, May 20, at 6 p.m. at the St. John Legislature. The St. John Community Foundation has been invited as the committee's special guest to attend the hearing, where the committee will announce for the first time its proposed draft language concerning education, youth and culture.

The Committee on Preamble, Anthems, Symbols, Bill of Rights and Human Rights, and the Committee on Health, Human Services, Public Safety and Homeland Security will also share its draft language at the hearing. The public can familiarize themselves with the language ahead of time at www.viconstitution.com.

The Citizen Committee will meet on Thursday, May 22, at 6 p.m.; the Executive Branch Committee will meet on Thursday, May 29, at 6:30 p.m.; and there will be a plenary session on Tuesday, June 3, at 6 p.m., all at the St. John Legislature.

The convention is scheduled to end its deliberations in July. Because the constitutional language is still a draft, the public has the opportunity to comment on it for possible revision. All residents are welcome to attend the hearings, and anyone wishing to testify may sign up at the hearings.

8 Tuff Miles Photo Proceeds Go to SISA

St. John Tradewinds

Time is running out to purchase prints from the 8 Tuff Miles race, the proceeds from which benefit the St. John School of the Arts. Prints will not be available after May 15, however JPEG files will still be available. For more information, go to www.8tuffmiles.com or 779-4322.

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AARP member Louise Philbert picks up debris and trash outside of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church.

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Photo by Tom Oat

AARP Members Discover Safety Issues During Pedestrian Survey on St. John

By Andrea Milam
St. John Tradewinds

St. John AARP members discovered that pedestrians and traffic don't mix well in Cruz Bay during the AARP's annual Day of Service on Thursday, May 8.

The territory's AARP chapters conducted pedestrian safety surveys on the Day of Service, when thousands of AARP employees, volunteers and members throughout the nation performed activities which make a meaningful difference in local communities.

St. John AARP members were stationed Thursday morning at the one-way road in front of the Nazareth Lutheran Church, the stop sign at the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church and the post office corner in Cruz Bay, observing pedestrians and traffic.

"People don't stop for stop signs or slow down for crosswalks," said St. John AARP chapter president Beverly Biziewski.

"They do slow down — but don't stop — for stop signs," added AARP member Emma Penn.

The local AARP also determined that the "caution" sign at the end of the one-way road in front of Nazareth Lutheran Church is positioned too high.

"If a car is coming along the waterfront, they stop," said AARP member Carolyn Weinstock. "But if no cars are coming, they go through."

The one-way road in front of Nazareth Lutheran Church seemed to be the area of most concern, according to AARP members, who noted that pedestrians are walking in the middle of the street in the absence of adequate sidewalks.

"There's a massive abundance



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St. John AARP members prepare for a day of service.

of people coming off the ferry, and nine out of 10 of them walk in the street," said Biziewski.

Sidewalks Too Narrow

The lack of parking in Cruz Bay also causes potential problems for pedestrians, AARP members explained. Cars double parked at FirstBank often force cars at the intersection's stop sign to stop in the middle of the crosswalk to ensure it's safe for them to proceed, Weinstock noted. The line of sight at several corners is poor, Biziewski added.

AARP members also took note that cars stopped in the roadway in front of Joe's Diner often force passing traffic to drive on the sidewalk. Sidewalks are supposed to be five feet in width, however the sidewalks in Cruz Bay are just three feet wide, according to AARP members' measurements.

The local AARP chapter will submit its findings to the V.I.'s state AARP organization on St. Croix, which will decide what measures to take.

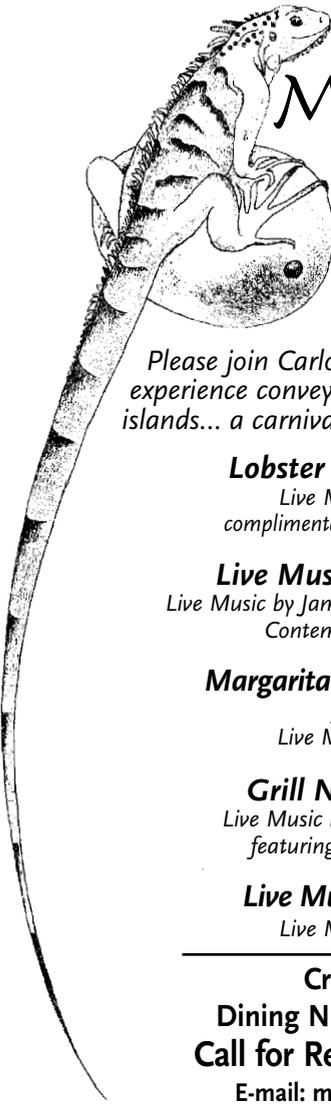
"The survey's findings will al-

low AARP to formulate an assessment report which can be shared with government officials, ultimately urging consciousness of community needs," according to an AARP press release. "These needs not only support an aging population, but promote a liveable community where parents with strollers, children and the disabled can safely live."

St. John Administrator Leona Smith attended the Day of Service debriefing to see how her office can help. Smith can get to work fixing signage and painting the curb on the one-way road in front of the Lutheran Church, she explained. The inadequate sidewalks along that road will also be addressed during the Frank Powell Park renovations, Smith added.

Until these measures are taken, AARP members warned both motorists and pedestrians to be cautious.

"Be more alert and look both ways," said Biziewski. "Don't forget we drive on the left-hand side."



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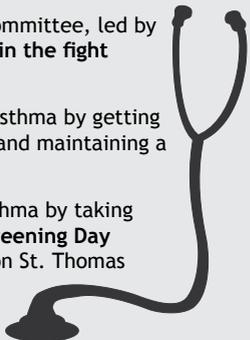
Asthma is the leading cause for chronic illness in children in the U.S. and the cause of death for five to six adult males in the Virgin Islands every year.

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St. Ursula's Members Honor Seven Women at Pre-Mother's Day Luncheon

By Jaime Elliott
 St. John Tradewinds

Friends, family and community members packed the St. Ursula's Senior Citizens' multi-purpose center on Friday afternoon, May 9, to take time out to thank mothers and mother figures at a pre-Mother's Day recognition luncheon.

St. Ursula's Senior Citizens' center participants honored seven members of the community who make a difference in the lives of the island's seniors and act like mothers to many.

The center's 23rd annual pre-Mother's Day luncheon honorees included government officials, educators and active seniors who are role models among their peers.

Shelley Williams, St. John Community Crisis Center director; Lynelle Niles, Department of Human

Services' executive assistant for fraud and administrative review; and Celia Jackson-Williams, human resources manager for the Department of Planning and Natural Resources; were honored at the luncheon. Jackson-Williams' mother attended in her daughter's place.

Eirleen January, a Calabash Boom Senior Citizens' Center participant; Ruth Jurgen-Frett, a long-time educator; Delita O'Connor, a Calabash Boom Senior Citizens' Center participant; and Icilma Peters, a St. Ursula's Senior Citizens' Center participant, were also honored during the pre-Mother's Day festivities.

A group of children from the St. John Head Start program sang a song about the importance of mothers and the honorees were showered with flowers and praise. Following the festivities, the entire crowd shared in a delicious meal.

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Future Business Leaders of America Announce Dinner for Two Raffle Winners

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The Future Business Leaders of America last week announced the winners of its dinner for two raffle. Gift certificates can be picked up at the Julius E. Sprauve School's main office.

Below are the winners' names and corresponding prizes:

Kaleaya Reddings, Westin Resort and Villas; Evans Wallace, Morgan's Mango; A. Dawson, Cinnamon Bay; Brian Hunter, Red Snapper; Su-

san Foye, the Balcony; T. Jones, Asolare; Karen Boynes, Zozo's; Eugenie Dalmida, High Tide; Bobby and Greg, Frenchman's Reef; Mary Harris, Miss Lucy's; L. Carbou, Miss Lucy's; Evelyn Matthias, Shipwreck; Kharid Wallace, Chateau Bordeaux; Shani Chichester, Caneel Bay; Ronnie Jones, La Tapa; John Williams, Lime Inn; Linda Williams, Divi Carina Bay Resort; Deborah Maximin, Paradiso; Lyndia V., Chloe and Bernard's.

St. John Burglary Task Force Set To Curb Crime

St. John Tradewinds

V.I. Police Department St. John Deputy Chief Darren Foy announced last week that a burglary initiative has been set in place to curb criminal activity on the island.

"The special burglary squad is working at various times during the day and night," Foy said.

In April, three private villas were burglarized. The villas were rented by visitors to the island.

"Since the initiative began there have been no additional burglaries," Foy said. "We are keeping our eyes on persons of interest."

Police on St. John are working in a proactive manner to eradicate these types of crime which harm

the quality of life on St. John. Foy reminds villa owners and managers to assist police in protecting visitors by periodically checking the status of alarm systems and motion detectors in their rental properties and installing these safety measures if none are present.

Additionally, the department appreciates the involvement of the community in being their eyes and ears by reporting suspicious activity to police, explained Foy.

"We appreciate the community's assistance in the fight against crime; however it is counter productive for residents to overstate the crime situation on St. John and post these exaggerations in nationally read media outlets," Foy said.

Ruling on Property Tax Injunction May 16

St. John Tradewinds

V.I. District Court Judge Curtis Gomez is set to rule on lifting the territory-wide property tax injunction on Friday morning, May 16.

Property taxes have been frozen at 1998 levels since 2003 when a federal judge ruled the V.I.'s tax system unconstitutional.

Government officials contracted BearingPoint to conduct commercial and residential property revaluations throughout the territory. BearingPoint wrapped up the V.I. Tax Revaluation program last month and submitted their findings to Special Master Joseph Hunt, who gave the data a favorable review.

V.I. government officials contend they have now created a fair

tax system and are requesting the injunction be lifted. While several other hearings on the case have been continued in the past, as of press time the hearing was set to proceed as scheduled.

The May 16 hearing will not affect a separate suit filed last month by the V.I. Unity Day Group against the territorial government and Tax Assessor Roy Martin contesting BearingPoint's findings.

Among the complaints, the V.I. Unity Day Group alleges that some properties have not be revaluated, many properties have been inaccurately classified, data collectors were poorly trained and values were assigned in arbitrary and capricious manners.



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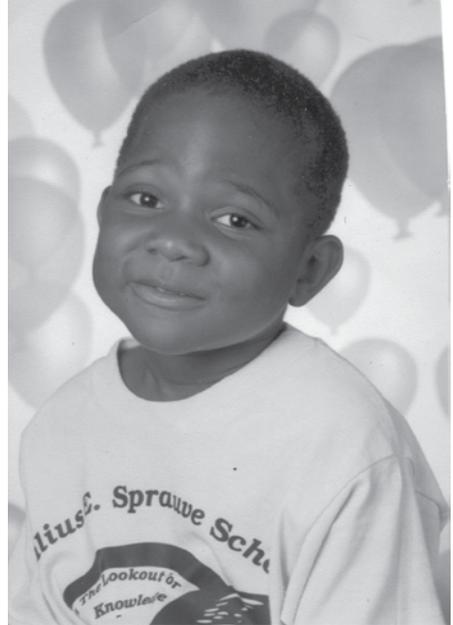
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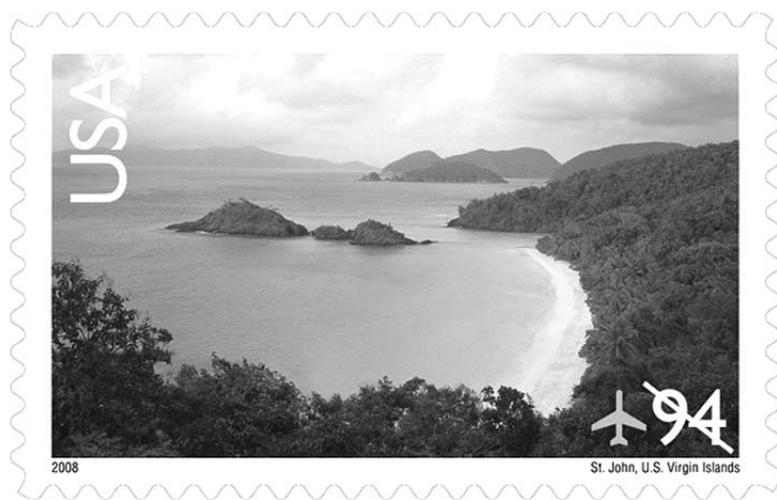
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USPS Unveiling St. John Postage Stamp May 16

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The U.S. Postal Service will unveil a new St. John postage stamp on Friday, May 16, at 10 a.m. at the Trunk Bay pavilion. The stamp, in the Scenic American Landscapes series, features a photograph of Trunk Bay taken by George H.H. Huey of Prescott, Arizona. The 94 cent international letter rate St. John postage stamp was designed by Ethel Kessler of Bethesda, Maryland.

“St. John is known for its beautiful beaches, abundant plant life and the coral reefs along its coast,” according to a USPS statement. “The island is also rich in history, and visitors to St. John can see pre-Columbian relics and the remains of Danish colonial sugar plantations.”

Elaine Ione Sprauve Scholarship Accepting Seniors' Applications

St. John Tradewinds

The Elaine Ione Sprauve Scholarship Committee invites St. John high school seniors to apply for the Elaine Ione Sprauve Scholarship. Students graduating from a local

high school may obtain an application form from any high school principal or counselor, as well as the Elaine I. Sprauve Library on St. John. The application deadline is May 20.

Just Missing Mother's Day

St. John Tradewinds

Meet four St. John women who will soon become mothers, but not in time for Mother's Day.

Korin Dunford

My due date is May 7, so I may or may not have the baby before Mother's Day! We are having a little girl and I am most looking forward to the incredible adventure that is about to begin with the birth of our baby.

Nicole Gemmell-Barnhorst

I am due on August 27. The thing that I am most looking forward to about becoming a mother is being my own family and snuggling with my own little one. My husband Tom knows what the sex is but I do not. He wanted to know and I didn't — he deserved to know because he got me this way!

Marissa Textrum

My due date is September 11. We do not know if we are having a boy or girl — we want to be surprised. I am looking forward to all the big and little things that come with having a child: the first steps, the first day of school, but also the smiles, the giggles, hearing someone call me “Mommy.” I am proud to be joining the Sorority of Motherhood.

Michelle Petersen

My estimated due date is June 3, and we don't know if it will be a boy or a girl. I am looking forward to watching him or her learn and all of the firsts — first smile, first step, first word, etc. — oh, and the hugs.

Dunford gave birth to a healthy baby girl, Kaia MacKenzie, on Friday, May 9.

Top left: Marissa Textrum
Bottom Left: Michelle Petersen
Below: Nicole Gemmell-Barnhorst
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Last year's Best Kisser, Rafi, left, and Best Costume/Best in Show, Mitzie, right.

Audience Will Decide Winners Of Eighth Annual Wagapalooza

By Andrea Milam
St. John Tradewinds

Island dogs are being groomed and practicing their best tricks in preparation for the eighth annual Wagapalooza, the St. John Animal Care Center's major yearly fundraiser, scheduled for Saturday, May 17, from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Winston Wells ball field.

The event will be a bit different this year, as the winners of the dog show will be decided not by judges, as in years past, but by the audience, whose applause will be measured with a "Waga-meter."

The ACC decided to get the audience involved after realizing the judging portion made the dog show a little less fun, explained ACC board member and Education Committee Chair Bonny Corbeil.

"We decided that so much of the focus was on waiting for the judges to be ready for the next category, and that was taking away from the fun of the show," said Corbeil. "So instead, we decided it's the crowd who should decide who the real winners are."

The Waga-meter is currently being constructed, and will consist of a large tail which wags in conjunction with how loud the audience cheers, explained Corbeil.

Dogs will be vying for applause in the categories of Best Trick, Best Lap Dog, Best Dancer, Best Spots, Best Old Timer, Best Puppy Love, Best Costume, Best Jumper and Best Tail Wagger.

The day is about more than just the dog show, however.

"Community Family Event"

"Even more than the dog show, it's a community family event," said Corbeil. "We don't have an awful lot of those, where everybody can come out with the kids and the dog on the leash and just have some fun. It's time to get the dogs all dressed up and be silly."

The event will once again be emceed by radio personality Roger W. Morgan, who volunteered to host Wagapalooza after having such a good time last year, explained Corbeil. Dogs and their owners can also look forward to more entertainment at this year's event. Fuego the fire eater will perform along with his fire dancers, and Koko and the Sunshine

Band and Michael Beason will provide live music.

"It's going to be a much more family-oriented evening show," said Corbeil. "It's a chance for us all to get together and have some fun with our animals. There will be lots of fun things going on like arts and crafts for the kids, and really good food."

Event organizers hope to raise \$30,000 at the event, which will go toward keeping the ACC's doors open, according to Corbeil.

The ACC is also encouraging Love City youth to get involved in spreading its message of love and respect for all animals with its annual art contest. In the past, the winner's drawing was used on the subsequent year's Wagapalooza t-shirt, but the contest has changed this year due to the difficulty in restricting kids to the specifications required for printing t-shirts, explained Corbeil. This year's winner will enjoy a bevy of prizes including having their artwork professionally framed and matted by Frames of Mind, gift certificates to local businesses and have their photo with emcee Morgan printed in the *St. John Tradewinds*.

"The message this year is 'love and respect all animals,'" said Corbeil. "What's most important is that we put the theme out there and the kids realize they have an effect on other people and what they think. They're the real teachers to most of us."

The ACC was expecting several hundred entries from St. John schoolchildren, Corbeil added. Art contest winners will be announced at Wagapalooza.

Raffle winners will also be announced at the event. There are numerous prizes including gift certificates to local shops and restaurants and paintings from local artists. Tickets are \$5 each or four for \$20, and can be purchased at the ACC in Cruz Bay, Connections, from board members and at the ACC's weekly adoption clinic at The Marketplace on Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Admission to Wagapalooza is free, and the cost to enter each dog show category is \$20. Dog owners can enter at the ACC, Connections or www.wagapalooza.com.

The ACC is still seeking volunteers to help on the big day. Anyone interested in lending a hand should call the ACC at 774-1625.

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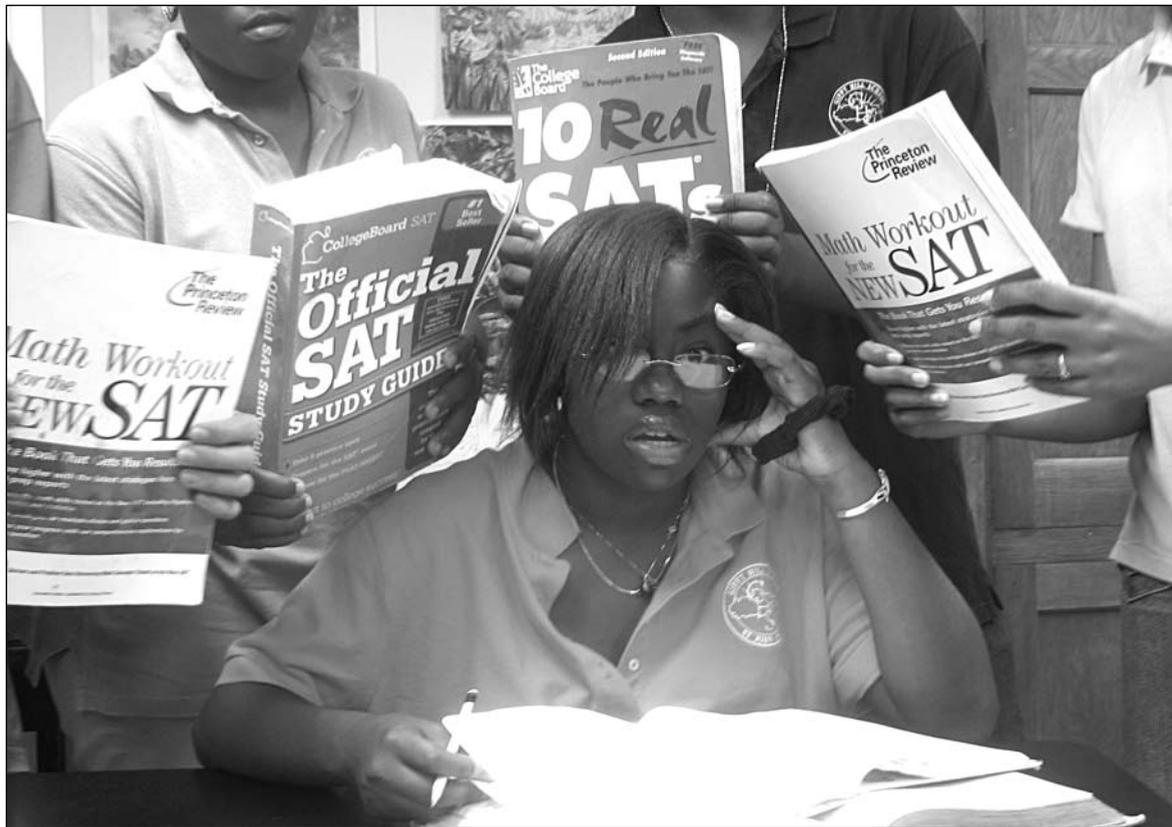
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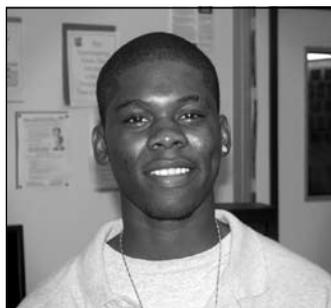
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Rhythm & Views

An outlook on young adult interests and concerns
 by Malik Stevens

The Scholastic Aptitude Test

St. John Tradewinds

When I was younger I watched a lot of TV, especially television shows pertaining to teenagers and their stressful and exciting lives. No matter what the show was, there would always be an episode about the SAT. I would always ask myself, "What the heck is the SAT?" Well, when I came to high school the meaning of the SAT became clear to me.

The SAT, or the Scholastic Aptitude Test, is a standardized test which juniors and seniors take as a high school assessment. The scores are used by colleges to see how well specific students perform compared to other students in the country. When applying for college, a student's SAT scores are the second thing that colleges look at, after a student's transcript.

The SAT is broken up into three different sections: math; critical reading; and writing. Recently, an essay section has also been added — as if the test was not stressful enough.

Luckily for students, there are a number of ways they can assure they do their best. First of all, if students feel they did badly on the test, they can cancel their scores within four days after the test. Second, students can take the test a maximum of three times. If students take the test more than once, they can combine their highest math, reading and writing scores from the tests to create their best score.

My First Try

Saturday, May 3, was my first try at the SAT. I did

not feel it was too hard, but it was a bit frustrating.

The essay was intense. Students are given 25 minutes to write on a totally irrelevant topic that they give you. It was hard to start writing, but eventually I got something on to the paper. After the essay, the basic test was administered. The math was pretty easy, but then came the reading and writing. I thought some of the vocabulary words were French and the material they gave us to read could not be any more boring. In my mind I was thinking, "Do these people really expect me to know these superkallafragilisticspiadicocious-like words?"

Overall, I am still confident that I did well, but only the score will tell.

Tips for the SAT

Since the SAT is an assessment test, many might think that studying is not necessary. Wrong!

Students should take advantage of SAT prep classes, brush up on math skills, do tons of reading, be familiar with SAT vocabulary words, check out SAT practice books, and be extremely familiar with the test before the test day. Nowadays, preparing for the SAT has become incredibly easy and convenient. Go to www.collegeboard.com, which makes registration and practice easy.

On test day, if students have a good dinner and a good night's rest the night before, and a fulfilling breakfast and come prepared, they just might be on their way to the college of their dreams.

Sahara Dust Causing Continued Hazy Skies in Virgin Islands

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The Department of Planning and Natural Resources is advising the public that the hazy skies in the Virgin Islands are a result of dust from the Sahara Desert. The dust reduces visibility and results in poor air quality.

Due to the dust storms and a rise in warm air, the sand in the Sahara rises above the desert. This rise of accompanying warm air lifts the dust particles about 15,000 feet above the African deserts and these particles travel westward. As a result, several hundred million tons of African dust can be transported over the Atlantic basin.

DPNR is advising the public in the affected area to remove (or discontinue) their downspouts to avoid potential contaminants from being washed into their cisterns. At this point, the department does not advise the public to boil cistern water supplies. This will be necessary only if it is determined that biological contaminants were present. Nonetheless, it is recommended that the bottled water be used for drinking until further assessments are made on the impact of cistern water supplies.

Dust is mainly present in the eastern Caribbean, explained Senior Forecaster at the National Weather Service in San Juan Brian Seeley. The haze in the skies will continue for another few days.

Sahara dust storms pass through the region several times a year, but mainly in the spring and throughout the summer months. On a more positive note, certain meteorological circles claim that the airborne particulates inhibit thunderstorm — and thus tropical storm — development during hurricane season.

The current wind direction is from the southeast at 15 to 20 miles per hour.

For more information contact the Division of Environmental Protection at 774-3320 or go to www.nasa.gov or <http://weather.noaa.gov/weather/current/TIST.html>.

Nature's Nook To Re-open



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Tom Oat

Nature's Nook will re-open in a week or so, according to the owner. The popular waterfront convenience stand has been closed since a November 2007 Cruz Bay raid by several government agencies.

Residents are looking forward to Nature's opening for business once again and serving up fresh local fruit and veggies, cold drinks and snacks. The colorful stand has been a fixture on the Cruz Bay waterfront for years.

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Community Health Center Day May 15

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In honor of National Hospital Week, May 11-17, the Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center will host a community health center day on Thursday, May 15, at 9 a.m. at the health center's courtyard. The public is invited to attend. For more information, call 693-8900.

Party for Pat at Sputnik's on May 25

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Friends of the late Pat Jn-Phillip are throwing a party in her honor at Sputnik's in Coral Bay on Sunday afternoon, May 25, from 2 to 7 p.m.

An afternoon of food, drinks and fun is planned, with a domino tournament and crab races in the works. Raffle tickets will be available for a chance to win some great prizes. Pat's sister Margo Dias-Dalmida will even grace the crowd with her incredible vocal talents.

Come out on Sunday, May 25, and support Pat and her family. See you there!

Weekly Women of Worth Meetings

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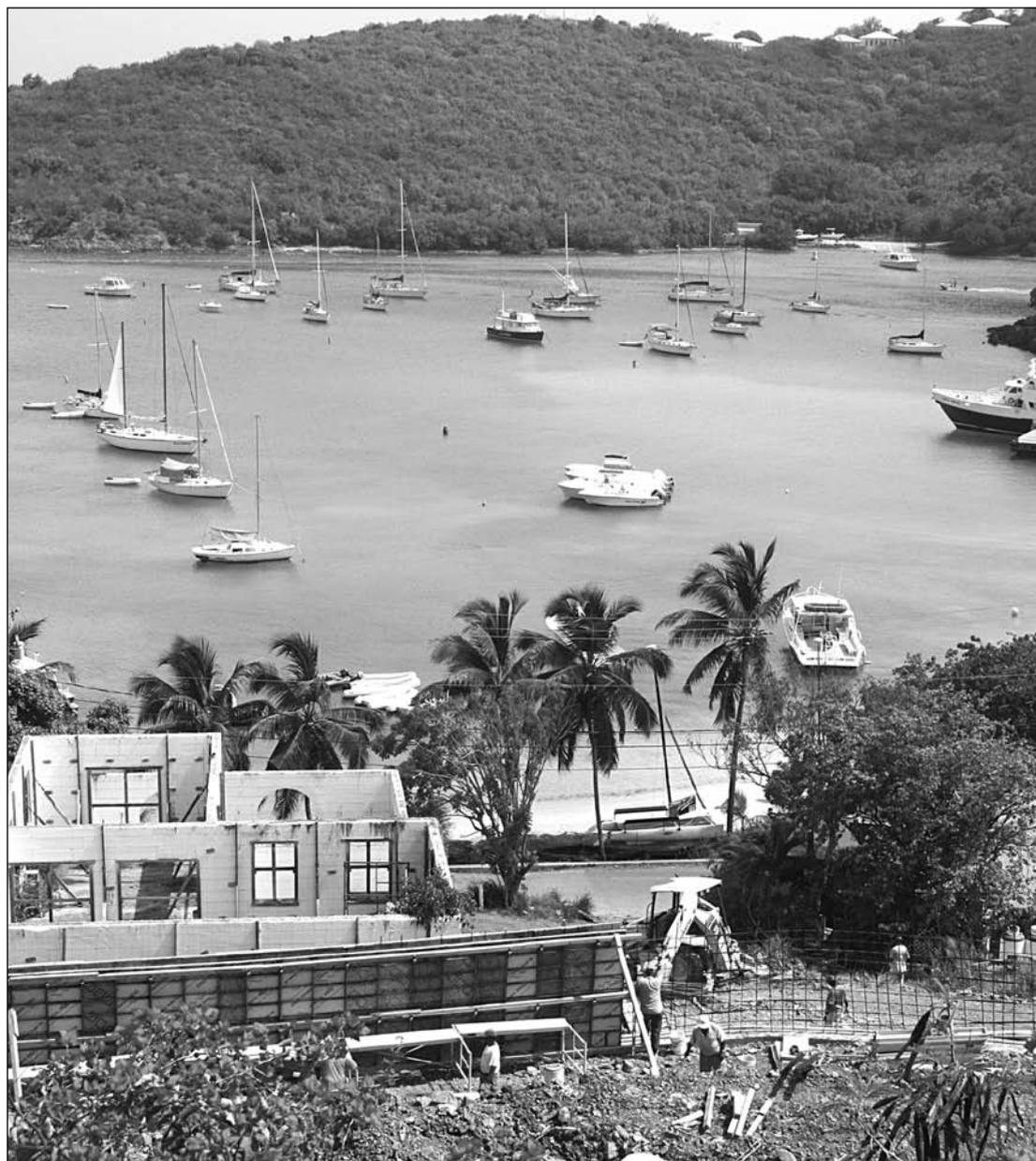
The St. John Community Crisis Center is offering a new women's group, Women of Worth. WOW is free and confidential and offered on Thursday nights at the SJCCC office, located above the St. John Ice Company in the Lumberyard, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. beginning May 8. This group will focus on a variety of issues such as domestic violence, sexual assault or other types of abusive situations. The group will share information on creating a healthy lifestyle with equality and balance in relationships. Also, the group will explore topics of self-esteem and emotional intelligence. Please call 693-7233 to join.

Festival Vendor Applications Available

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The Festival and Cultural Organization of St. John has applications for the Fourth of July Parade, festival booths, Food Fair vendors, and July 4 vendors. Applications can be picked up at the St. John Tourism Office, Board of Elections on St. Thomas and the St. John Administrator's Office. The deadline for applications is May 27. For more information call 690-3692 or 690-1725.

Construction Moving on New Large Cruz Bay Project



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Tom Oat

Concrete walls are going up on Blossom Corporation's Cruz Bay waterfront site, located next to Grande Bay Resort. Blossom Corporation owner Roger Harland declined to comment regarding plans for site.

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Historical Bits & Pieces

by Chuck Pishko

The British Occupation of the Danish West Indies, 1801

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The invasion was a result of Denmark moving from a position of strict neutrality to forming an alliance of armed neutrality with Russia and Sweden to prevent Britain from searching Danish ships trading with France and confiscating their cargoes. Also the Danish West Indies were harboring privateers operating against the British here.

The incidences surrounding the British takeover have been reported in many different documents and accounts with some notable variations. Too often the accounts given the most space are often from casual observers who have a limited stake in the events.

Recently I read an account from the Moravian church which represented a major portion of the residents of the islands. The Moravian account contained in the "Moravian Mission Periodical Accounts, Volume III" reports that the "peaceable" Danish government was drawn into a "disastrous" war with the English nation.

The Moravians at Nisky saw two English frigates and other ships of the line cruising off St. Thomas and blockading the harbor. Many Danish ships were seized and taken to the English islands. Also, two British cruisers, the Arab and the Independent, attacked an armed Danish brig, the Lougen, which fought them off and made the safe harbor at St. Thomas.

Meanwhile, at Newherrnhut, five horsemen of the Land Calvary went by in full gallop on their way to Estate Charlotte Amalia where they sounded a general alarm of bells and blowing of tutus. A small panic ensued with visions of a British invasion. Fortunately, it was only a test of the state of preparation of the Militia. More seriously a Moravian sister traveling with proper papers from Friendensthal on St. Croix to Newherrnhut was taken by an English privateer to Tortola where she was able to ransom herself.

On St. John residents were the most terrified because of the many undefended and convenient landing places. The St. Johnians were hiding their property in the woods or in dug pits in the mountains. The Emmaus Brethren witnessed a battle between two English ships of war and a large Danish bark which ended shortly with the Dane overpowered and forced to strike his flag.

At Bethany, the Moravians saw an English fleet of up to 20 sail past their settlement and steer straight for St. Thomas where they anchored in the harbor. The Rear Admiral of the Red Fleet, John Thomas Duckworth, and Lieutenant General Trigge, Commander of the Land Forces of the Leewards, accepted the surrender of St. Thomas. A combined military and naval force under Colonel Cowell who built Cowell's Battery on Hassell Island governed St. Thomas/St. John.

Even without open warfare the Moravians suffered a lack of provisions, a lack of communication with European communities, and an evening curfew. The worst injustice was the seizure of the Moravian dwelling house at Friedenbergh, St. Croix, by the English Army to be used as a hospital.

Even though armies didn't clash in battle, the disruption to normal life was very evident in the "Moravian Accounts" and very frightening to the Moravians and others depending upon the islands for their livelihood.

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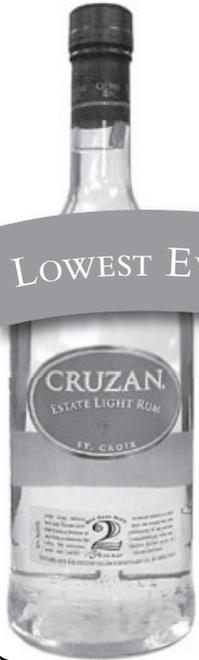
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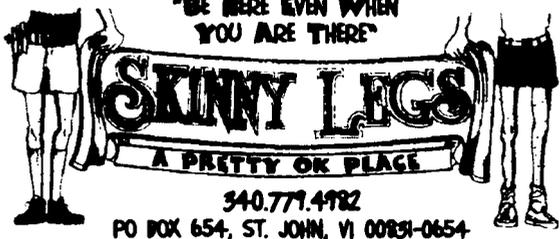
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Paws for a Moment

A Dog On a Chain Has No Life At All

By **Bonny Corbeil**
St. John Tradewinds

The first week of May was Be Kind to Animals week. Perhaps one of the saddest and most disturbing things that an animal lover can see is a chained dog living a lonely and hopeless life with a very heavy and short chain around its neck. Here are some facts the latest research has proven about chained dogs:

- A dog kept chained alone in one spot for hours, days, months, or even years suffers immense psychological damage. An otherwise friendly and docile dog, when kept continuously chained, becomes neurotic, unhappy, anxious, and often aggressive. In many cases, the necks of chained dogs become raw and covered with sores, the result of improperly fitted collars and the dog's constant yanking and straining to escape confinement. Some chained dogs have collars embedded in their necks, the result of years of neglect at the end of a chain.

- Dogs are naturally social beings who thrive on interaction with human beings and other animals. Dogs are genetically determined to live in a group as pack animals. In the absence of other dogs, humans become their "pack." A chained dog feels rejected, lonely and then angry and does not understand why he cannot be a part of a "pack-family."

- Dogs chained for long periods can become highly aggressive. Dogs feel naturally protective of their territory; when confronted with a perceived threat, they respond according to their fight-or-flight instinct. A chained dog, unable to take flight, often feels forced to fight. If they finally fight their way off of their chain they tragically often attack children. What is sad is the dog is then labeled a "bad dog," when the reality is that the owner has failed to understand the dog's nature or needs.

- Chaining creates aggressive behavior, not protection. A protective dog is used to being around people and senses when his family is threatened. Your dog learns this by spending lots of time with you and learning to love you. How can this protection develop if your dog is left outside alone on a chain? It can't. Leaving a dog on a chain and ignoring him is how to

raise an aggressive dog. Aggressive dogs can't distinguish between a threat and a family friend, because they are not used to people. Aggressive dogs will attack anyone.

- Statistics show that one of the best deterrents to intruders is an inside dog. Intruders will think twice about entering a home with a dog on the other side of the door.

- Here is another reality: Rarely do chained dogs receive sufficient care. They suffer from sporadic feedings, overturned water bowls, inadequate veterinary care, and extreme temperatures. During periods of extreme heat, they may not receive adequate water or protection from the sun. Why? Because they are not viewed as feeling, living creatures.



How would you feel if you had the life of a chained dog, chained to a tree or a box year after year; constantly watching and hoping

for company, wondering why you are left alone, sometimes being forgotten without food or water? You bark and bark and beg for attention. You don't understand why no one is giving you the attention that you so desperately yearn for! You long to run and explore, but you pace on your short heavy chain instead. Eventually you give up hope. Your spirit has been broken and once the possibility of a loving companion becomes a mean, hurt, lifeless or angry animal.

Please reconsider the life of your chained dog — it really is no life at all. If you would like help with your dog, please call me at the ACC or e-mail me at bonnycorbeil@vipowernet.net. There are a number of skilled dog handlers who would be happy to assist you in learning to better care for your dog.

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Lt. Gov. Clarifies Application Requirements for Property Tax Credits

St. John Tradewinds

Lt. Gov. Greg Francis is advising the public of changes to the application requirements for property tax credits, formerly known as exemptions. These changes clarify the income restrictions for disabled persons applying for property tax credits, and also ensure compliance with residency requirements for homestead exemptions.

Property owners applying in the general homestead category will now be required to provide a stamped copy of their 2006 tax return as proof of residency. Property owners who occupied the home as their primary residence as of

January 1, 2007, are eligible. Applicants are also required to provide a valid United States Virgin Islands drivers license or voter registration card, and a current utility bill.

The tax credit for disabled property owners is available only when individual annual gross income is less than \$30,000 and household AGI does not exceed \$50,000. Applicants must meet occupancy requirements and be suffering from a disability as determined by the Social Security Administration as of January 1, 2007. Applicants are also required to provide documentation from the SSA at the time of

filing, as well as a stamped copy of their 2006 tax return.

Property tax credits are available in four other categories: veterans, seniors, Class I for owners who have inherited less than five acres of unimproved property and a tax credit circuit breaker appli-

cable to property owners whose property tax bills have increased by 125 percent or more and whose gross income is less than \$135,000. Property owners may apply for homestead and any one of the other categories for which they are eligible.

Property owners have until May 30, 2008, to apply for the tax credits, formerly known as exemptions. Persons who are interested in applying for the tax credits are encouraged to visit the Tax Assessors Office on their respective island, or call 776-6737.

American Legion Youth Flag Football League

WEEK 7:

Raiders 33 Patriots 7

The Patriots lost a snap from center which forced a safety early in the first half. From that point it was all Raiders as Aspen Moore threw for two TDs to go up 14-0 at the close of the first half. The Patriots showed signs of opening up in the second half but the Raiders' stiff defense was able to hold them off while scoring on short-yardage plays by the well-seasoned Raiders. The Patriots' only score of the game was on a long pass to Weston Patrie. Moore threw TDs to three different receivers and ended up with five on the day. The Raiders meet the Rams next Saturday at 1 p.m.

Packers 43 Broncos 12

The Patriots continue their winning ways and now hold first place solely to themselves. Carson Wessinger continued his passing prowess as he tossed five on the day to his quick receiver Bryan Morton. Morton was on the receiving end of two Wessinger bombs while Joquan Clendinen and J'wan Athanase figured into the scoring. The Broncos' Jay Williams tossed for two TDs to Kassahun Stapleton-Harris for the only Bronco scoring. The Packers face the Patriots in a Monday, May 12, showdown at 5 p.m.

Bengals 24 Rams 14

This was an exciting game to watch as both teams fought all game on both sides of the ball. It was close at the end of the first half with the Bengals up by 12-8. The Bengals' Kevin Small tossed two TDs to Shawn Claxton while Justin Doran passed to Micquan Wilkerson for the Rams. It looked as though the Rams would come back strong in the second half as Doran passed again to Wilkerson to go ahead. But the tough Bengals came immediately back with a score of their own with Small connecting again to his favorite receiver Claxton. The Rams continued to play well on defense but the surging Bengals would not be denied.

Standings

Team	W-L	PF	PA
Packers	6-1	222	58
Raiders	5-2	187	146
Broncos	4-3	172	170
Patriots	3-4	142	159
Bengals	3-4	130	206
Rams	0-7	107	221

Check next week's *St. John Tradewinds* for results from the Raiders vs. Rams and Bengals vs. Broncos on Saturday, May 10, and the Packers vs. Patriots on Monday, May 12.

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Letters to St. John Tradewinds

Cid Hamling Remembers Her Mother

Dear Editor,

Thank you for all the hugs, cards, calls, prayers, loving gestures and thoughts concerning the physical passing of one incredibly loving, beautiful and gracious spirit — my mother, Betty Hamling.

I wish to share her with everyone as part of my healing. The following is a poetic tribute written by my nephew, Greg Puckett. He also wrote the obituary which appeared in the St. John Tradewinds.

As for feelings of “loss” and “void,” I can only convey that I am experiencing a ground-swell of love and gratitude to have drawn such lucky cards in life to have my parents and family — blood and adopted.

Cid Hamling



Betty Jane Hamling

Can you picture God sitting in a windy green field beside a newly thawed stream on the first warm day of a Minnesota spring back in 1918? So inspired by his own perennial miracle of coaxing the bitter white cold to give way to tender and colorful new life, he wept. Just a single tear. And this tear ran down the side of God’s face and dropped into his palm. As he rolled his tear around his hand, he smiled. And the friction from his calloused palm and the light from his blinding smile transformed the tear into a brilliant diamond that reflected and refracted the light from the very face of God.

God saw the beauty of his miracle and wanted to share it with the world. So he gave his diamond to a young couple in Two Harbors, Minnesota, Harry and Alice Seitz, who polished it and protected it for 23 years. The Seitzes knew they must share such a gift, so they passed the diamond to a young man named Coe Hamling, who was so poor but so principled the Seitzes figured he would treasure their diamond deeply and always keep it shining and safe.

Coe cherished his diamond. He carried it with him everywhere. He would dance with the diamond at

weddings. He would sing to it, too, and he swore that he could hear the diamond singing along. Coe showed his dazzling diamond to everyone he met. He was so proud to have such a rare gem. The cut, the clarity, the carat and the color — it was one-of-a-kind. But what he loved most about it was that when he smiled, the diamond seemed to smile back at him. And the brighter the light he shined on it, the more it sparkled.

Coe thought that he would have his diamond forever. And then one day, after 67 years, God asked for it back. He reached down with the same strong hand with which he had made the diamond and he gently lifted up his precious miracle.

God pinned his gorgeous diamond among the stars on Heaven’s breast so that it would always be showered in light, and so that ev-

eryone on Earth could see it.

If you look into the sky on a clear night you can see it there, laughing with light. You can see it from Two Harbors, Minnesota. You can see it from Hamline University in St. Paul. You can see it from Lake Charles Way and Plantation Drive and Northcliff Trace in Roswell. You can see it from Saddlebred Lane in Marietta. You can see it from Cruz Bay on St. John in the Virgin Islands. You can see it from 37 Wilshire, and 3197 Wilshire in Avondale Estates. You can see it from Riverbirch Drive in Horseshoe Bend. You can see it from St. George Village. And you can certainly see it from Beacon Point on Lake Blue Ridge.

And if you’re a member of a very lucky family, you can see it shining in your own eyes when you look in the mirror.

St. John Tradewinds Keeping Track

Editor’s Note: *St. John Tradewinds’ Keeping Track* data comes from the V.I. Police Department’s Leander Jurgen Command Incident Log, an unofficial record of calls to the Cruz Bay station, reports and arrests on St. John.

Next Letter Deadline: Thursday, May 16th, 2008

Letters to St. John Tradewinds

Turn On the Light Please

To the People of St. John:

This is a note about old information that is still ignored. A young biologist named Joe Connell completed his PhD thesis on coral growth about 40 years ago. He proved that although they are animals, reef building corals are dependent on sunlight. This means the water must be clear. He and others also proved that reef building corals are temperature sensitive. They like the temperature that most St. John residents like — around 75 to 85 degrees. In our region, water temperature and clarity historically have been ideal for coral reef growth.

In pre-homo sapien time, St. John was a rain forest. What we now call “guts” were streams. The fresh water runoff into the sea was clear and clean. The soil stayed on the island, held down by the foliage. Fresh water itself kills coral. A good example is the entrance to Cruz Bay harbor, which is now the boat channel. A coral reef grows across the bay, except for the opening where fresh water flowed from the stream which is now the gut above Mongoose Junction.

Eventually the island became populated with people whose activities were detrimental to our coastal reefs. The rain forest was removed for hardwood and burned for charcoal, and then farming ensued. These actions resulted in the beginning of massive soil runoff and coral reef death.

The tradition of inundating the coastal reefs of St.

John with soil runoff continues today. For just two examples, we all see Cruz Bay and Great Cruz Bay turn to mud every time there is a decent rain. A lot of this soil sinks to the bottom in the aftermath of the mud bath. This causes three big problems. First of all, the coral are being buried alive. Second, the coral is “sandpapered” to death by the dirt swishing back and forth with wave action. Third, and probably worst of all, is the nutrient loading on the coral.

Minerals in the soil (like nitrogen and phosphorous) are fertilizer for a whole new food chain. This starts with what is referred to as an “algae boom.” For example, when the water is green, it is full of green algae. The net result of the soil as fertilizer is murky water full of algae and other plankton. Murky water blocks sunlight and the coral dies.

Don’t take off your global warming hats. The “greenhouse effect” was established a long time ago and it’s real. Hiking, snorkelers and bad anchoring practices are huge problems too. The point now is to focus on soil runoff. Land terracing, paving and soil catchment are old science. The problem is they require effort. So, if you don’t want to look down from your hill-top paradise at dirty water with dead coral, and no fish underneath, figure out what you need to do to stop the dirt runoff. It still won’t hurt to walk to work and not walk on the coral as well.

Captain Grumpy



This dump fire on Tortola created acrid smoke which irritated several residents in Coral Bay.

Coldren Questions Tortola Dump Burning

To EPA and DPNR:

During the week of April 28, the wind direction and weather conditions were such that each night for several days, acrid smoke was in the air of people’s homes in various parts of Coral Bay, St. John. At least one person felt lung irritation from it. We have no idea what is in this smoke and would like to have some monitoring equipment here so the risks will be known.

On Saturday afternoon, May 3, a boat sailing in the Drake Passage was able to get these pictures of the dump being set on fire on Tortola. Some have said that they have an incinerator. This is clearly open burning. Is this allowable under international treaties today?

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

**Sharon Coldren,
President,
Coral Bay Community Council**

St. John Tradewinds Keeping Track

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FINAL COUNT**

Homicide: 3
Solved: 0

Shootings: 2
Under Investigation: 1
Solved: 1

Stabbings: 0
Under Investigation: 0
Solved: 0

Armed Robberies: 1
Under Investigation: 1
Solved: 0

Arsons: 0
Under Investigation: 0
Solved: 0

1st Degree Burglaries: 1
Under Investigation: 1
Solved: 0

2nd Degree Burglaries: 13
Under Investigation: 13
Solved: 0

3rd Degree Burglaries: 71
Under Investigation: 72
Solved: 1

Grand Larcenies: 89
Under Investigation: 89
Solved: 0

Rapes: 4
Under Investigation: 2
Solved: 2

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2nd Degree Burglaries: 3
Under Investigation: 3
Solved: 0

3rd Degree Burglaries: 20
Under Investigation: 20
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Scholarships

JESS PTA Announces Clarice A. Thomas Scholarship

St. John Tradewinds

The Julius E. Sprauve School PTA announces the availability of applications for the 2008-2009 Clarice A. Thomas Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000. Eligibility requirements are as follows:

- Must have attended JESS for a minimum of four years
- Must have been accepted at an institute of higher learning
- Must be scheduled to graduate the year the scholarship is being offered

Applications may be picked up at JESS, the St. John Legislature, or Coral Bay Jewelers in Cruz Bay. The date for submission is Thursday, May 29, before 3 p.m. Applications must be returned to JESS.

For more information, contact Loren Abramson at 776-6285 or Alice Krall at 776-6167.

Ruby Rutnik Scholarship Fund Taking Applications

St. John Tradewinds

The Ruby Rutnik Scholarship Fund is pleased to announce that scholarship applications are now available for the 2008-2009 school year. This year's renewable \$2,500 annual award is offered to a qualifying St. John female whose family or self has resided on St. John for five years or more.

A one-year, \$2,500 scholarship award is also being offered to a qualifying girl from this year's tournament championship winning school, Antilles High School of St. Thomas, to attend the college of her choice. Last year's championship winners, Central High of St. Croix and the 2006 championship winners, Elmore Stout High School of Tortola, are also eligible for the one year \$2,500 championship scholarship award.

Girls interested in applying should contact the Rutniks at 693-8069 or pick up an application at Connections in Cruz Bay or Coral Bay. The deadline for submission is May 15. Notice will be given on or before June 1. The Ruby Rutnik Scholarship Fund is supported by the annual Ruby Rutnik Memorial Softball Tournament which was hosted in the Winston Wells ball field the weekend of April 4. The Ruby Rutnik Scholarship Fund and the Rutnik family wish to thank the community for its support of this event, which was the 12th tournament.

SJSA Auditions for Ruth "Sis" Frank Scholarship Are June 1

St. John Tradewinds

The St. John School of the Arts will be hosting auditions for the Ruth "Sis" Frank performance/merit scholarships on Sunday, June 1, at 2 p.m. at SJSA. All outstanding and talented students on St. John and St. Thomas are welcome to apply.

Qualified students must be at least 10 years old, and a reference letter from a teacher or professional must accompany the application. Application forms must be completed and returned to the SJSA office no later than Monday, May 26. Forms may be picked up at SJSA, located next to the Legislature building in Cruz Bay. Applicants do not need to be students of SJSA, however students who are awarded a scholarship will be considered an SJSA student and will be placed in the appropriate field of study for the upcoming school year.

For more information, contact Kim Wild at 779-4322.

Obituary

Pat Jn-Phillip

St. John Tradewinds

Pat Jn-Phillip left this world on Saturday, May 3. Pat was born on December 9, 1942, in New Bedford, MA. She lived in New York and Florida before moving to the Virgin Islands in the late 1980s.

Pat made many close friends through her work in retail. She worked at Joe's Discount, first in Red Hook, St. Thomas, and then moved with the store to Coral Bay, St. John, where she made her home

for many years. Pat will be dearly missed by the entire community.

She is survived by her daughter, Dawn Clark; sisters, Dotty Griffin and Margo Dalmida; brother, Antonio Dias; brother-in-law, Justin Dalmida; and many close friends.

In lieu of flowers, there will be a party in Pat's honor on Sunday, May 25, at Sputnik's in Coral Bay from 2 to 7 p.m. Come out to support Pat's family and help defray medical and memorial costs.



Public School Registration for St. John Students Is Scheduled for May 30

St. John Tradewinds

Acting Insular Superintendent for the St. Thomas-St. John District Jeanette Smith-Barry advises parents wishing to enroll their children in public school for the 2008-2009 school year that public school registration for children residing on the island of St. John is scheduled for Friday, May 30, at the Julius E. Sprauve School from 8:30 to 11:45 a.m.

Parents and guardians are reminded that the child or children to be registered must be present at registration and the following documents are required for processing:

- Original birth certificate (U.S. citizens only)
- Passport (foreign or American) or Resident Card or Naturalization Certificate
- Virgin Islands Immunization Record and clearance form from the Immunization Clinic located at the R.L. Schneider Regional Medical Center. A V.I. immunization card with the attached clearance form issued at the immunization clinic at R.L. Schneider is a mandatory requirement of the registration process. No exceptions will be made.
- Report card or transcript from previous school

- Social Security Card or number
- Proof of physical address (example: official document such as a WAPA bill showing name and street address)
- Individualized Education Plan and evaluation data, if applicable
- Notarized letter granting temporary guardianship.

Parents are further reminded that students entering kindergarten must be five years of age on or before December 31, 2008.

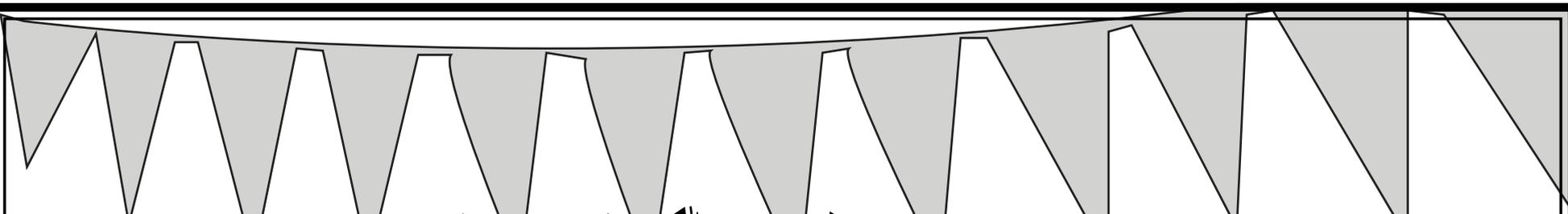
For more information contact Student Affairs Coordinator Belinda West-O'Neal at 775-2250, ext. 8530.

Dinghy Dock Repairs Underway



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Tom Oat

Workers started repairing the Cruz Bay public dinghy docks last week which are missing several slats and have become a danger to boaters. The dinghy dock on the north side of the public ferry dock does not have any cleats and is missing several consecutive slats.



St. John Festival

Jump Up and Congregate for Festival 2008

Festival Village Honoree: Irene Scatliffe
Food Fair Honoree: Yolanda Morton
Parade Marshal: Miles Stair

Saturday, May 31:

Pan-O-Rama, Frank Powell Park, 4 p.m. Contact person: Ira Wade, 776-6346

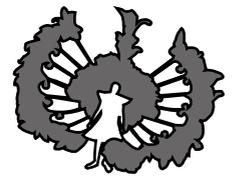


Friday, June 13:

Senior Variety Show, Winston Wells ball field, 7 p.m. Contact person: Jane Johannes, 776-6450

Saturday, June 14:

Festival bike race, V.I. National Park, 8 a.m. Contact person: 690-3692



Saturday, June 15:

Princess show, Winston Wells ball field, 6 p.m. Contact person: Enid Doway, 774-3838

Saturday, June 21:

Miss St. John Selection, Winston Wells ball field, 8 p.m. Contact person: Enid Doway, 774-3838

Sunday, June 22:

Food Fair and Coronation, Frank Powell Park, 1 p.m. Contact person: N. Thomas/L. Smith.
Boat races, Cruz Bay harbor, 3 p.m. Contact person: Janice Paris, 776-6171

Friday, June 27:

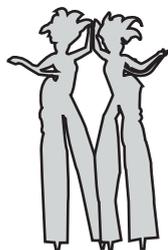
Festival Mix, Winston Wells ball field, 9 p.m. Contact person: Lucinda Jurgen, 776-1291

Saturday, June 28:

Festival Village opens, Cruz Bay parking lot, 7 p.m. Contact person: Jane Johannes, 776-6450

Thursday, July 3:

Cultural Day, Frank Powell Park, 1 p.m. Contact person: Alecia Wells, 776-6336



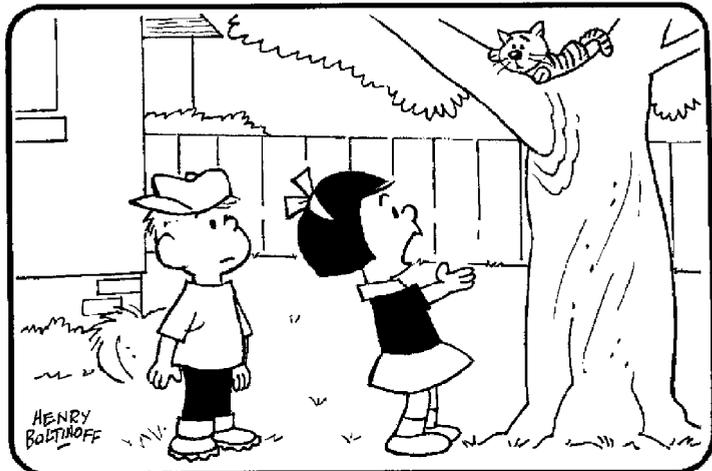
Friday, July 4:

- J'Ouvert, 4 a.m.
- Parade, V.I. National Park, 11 a.m.
Fireworks display, Cruz Bay harbor, 9 p.m. Contact person: N. Thomas, 774-3107

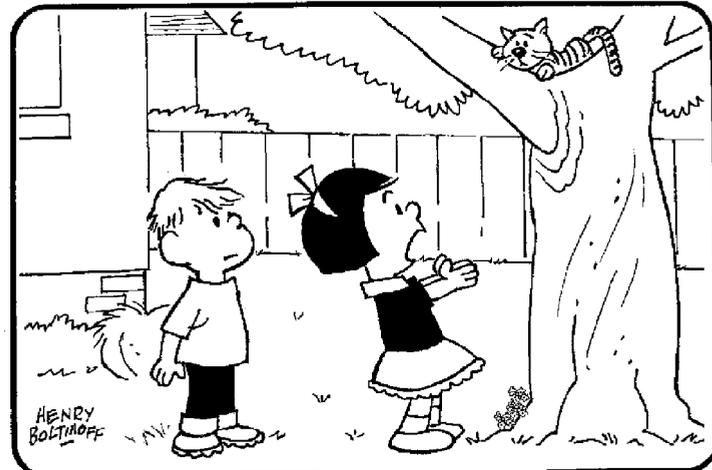
Additional information call the Festival Hotline at 690-3692 or 690-1725

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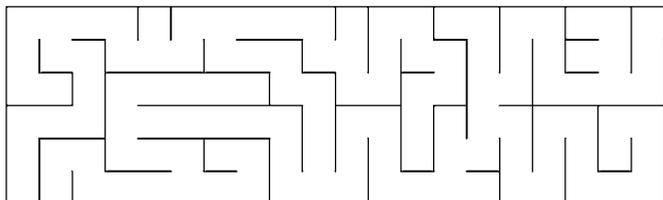
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Kids' Maze



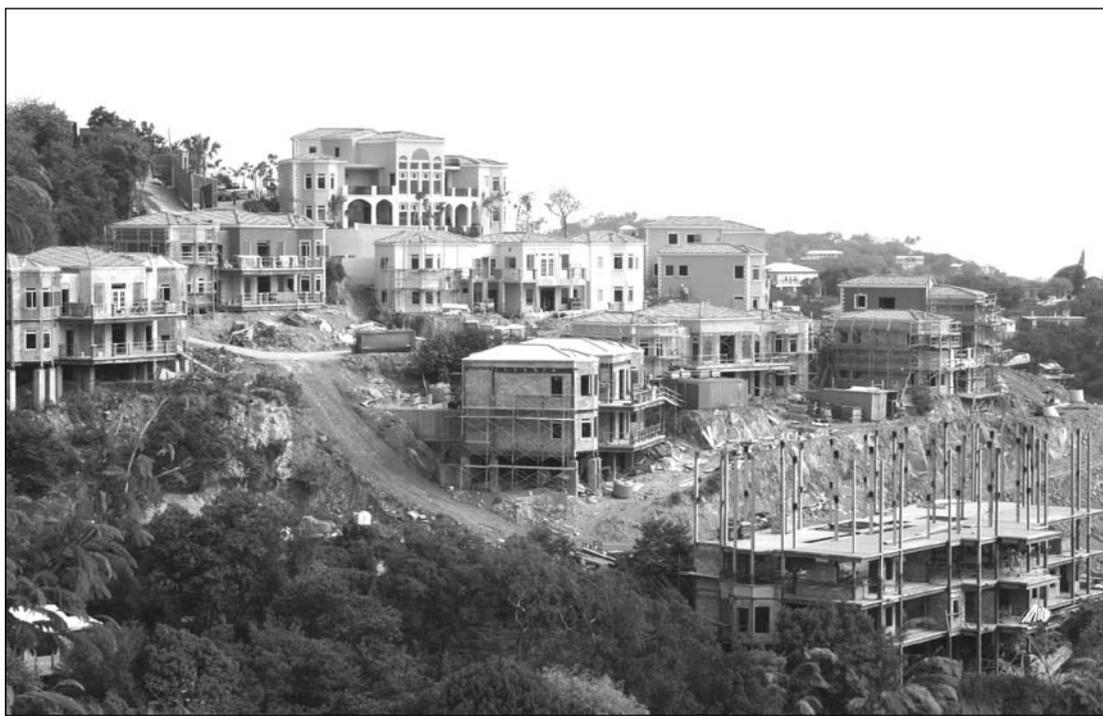
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Work Slowing at Sirenusa Site



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Tom Oat

Work at the luxury condominium development Sirenusa's five-acre Estate Enighed site overlooking Cruz Bay has drastically slowed down lately. At least one of the 47 units is occupied and many buildings appear to be nearing completion. In this photo, however, only two men can be seen working at the \$35 million development.

V.I. Government Paying 2007 Income Tax Refunds

St. John Tradewinds

Governor John deJongh announced last week that to date more than \$28.5 million has been paid out in 2007 income tax refunds to Virgin Islands taxpayers.

"The Bureau of Internal Revenue has paid refunds to more than 11,000 taxpayers since March 11," deJongh said, adding that approximately \$5 million in refunds are being authorized each week.

Prior to the April 15 tax filing deadline, about \$5

million in refunds were authorized each week but significantly more refunds were sent last week in order to meet the June 1 deadline of issuing the bulk of the income tax refunds and avoid the government accruing interest, explained BIR Director Gizette Thomas.

Thomas reminds Virgin Islands residents that they are required to file their income tax return with the Bureau of Internal Revenue. At the present time, the bureau does not accept electronic filings.

Christensen Addresses Virgin Islands Mail Issues

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"It still remains a benefit but it has presented obstacles," she said. "We're seeking to try to find a way to overcome these obstacles without overturning the whole system that supports our tourism industry. Getting us out of that impasse to avoid some of these issues has been tremendously difficult."

Another major postal service issue faced by Virgin Islands residents is the lack of communication between the U.S. Postal Service and U.S. Customs officials. Residents have discovered that USPS employees are not familiar with Customs regulations, and packages have been seized by Customs without the USPS' knowledge, explained Christensen.

"The postal system doesn't always know when Customs seizes something," she said. "There is no excuse for the post office not

knowing Customs rules and regulations. It doesn't make any sense, it's totally dysfunctional and I'm being blamed for it."

Exploring Other Avenues

Christensen has been trying to effect change in the territory's mail service for nearly five years, since V.I. mail has been processed in Puerto Rico. The delegate is now exploring other options, she explained.

"Up until now we've put it before the USPS because they do have the authority to change things," said Christensen. "We'll explore if it can be done any other way, like legislatively. We're in the process of exploring what avenues we have."

The delegate to congress asked for the Virgin Islands to be allowed to process its own mail in her letter to USPS Inspector General Williams, which was co-signed by

Chairman of the House Subcommittee on the Federal Workforce, Postal Service and District of Columbia Danny Davis.

"Whether it is the extraordinary length of time it takes for packages and periodicals to get to customers or packages not being delivered at all, the situation has become intolerable," Christensen wrote. "These concerns include Priority Mail letters regularly taking more than a week to get to the territory from the mainland instead of the normal two to three days, misdirection and interception of Virgin Islands mail because of non-communication between the Post Office and law enforcement agencies and woefully inadequate staffing levels in the territory," Christensen said.

Christensen did not know when to expect a response from the USPS, she explained at last week's teleconference.

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Community Calendar

St. John Tradewinds

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.

Friday, May 16

The St. John School of the Arts will have a raffle drawing at its student music recital on Friday, May 16, at the art school.

Saturday, May 17

All three of the island's yacht clubs are collaborating once again for the ninth annual Commodore's Cup on Saturday, May 17. The race will start at 10 a.m. in Coral Bay.

Saturday, May 17

The most anticipated "island-style" dog festival has been scheduled for Saturday, May 17, from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Winston Wells Ball Field in Cruz Bay. Wagapalooza festivities include hot food, cold drinks, live music, great raffle prizes, police K-9 demonstrations, free dog nail clipping, fun activities and, of course, the popular dog show.

Sunday, May 18

Get ready for the Friends of the V.I. National Park's annual Beach to Beach Power Swim at a practice swim. The second is scheduled for Sunday, May 18, beginning at Maho Bay and ending at Hawksnest. Practice swims begin at 8 a.m. at the north end of Maho near the dinghy channel. For more information, contact the Friends at 779-4940.

Tuesday, May 20

The Elaine Ione Sprauve Scholarship Committee invites St. John high school seniors to apply for the Elaine Ione Sprauve Scholarship. Students may obtain an application form from any high school principal or counselor, as well as the Elaine I. Sprauve Library on St. John. The application deadline is May 20.

Wednesday, May 21

The St. John CZM Committee will meet on Wednesday, May 21, at 1 p.m. at the St. John Legislature.

Sunday, May 25

Friends of Virgin Islands National Park will host the fifth annual Beach-to-Beach Power Swim on Sunday, May 25, at 8 a.m. Registration is now open.

May 29, June 27 and July 17

Informational public forums led by St. John residents Paul Devine and Ronnie Jones are scheduled for 6:30 p.m. at the Julius E. Sprauve School on May 29, June 27 and July 17. The forums are intended to gather public input and to provide updates on what is happening with the Fifth Constitutional Convention. All input will be sent to Constitutional Convention delegates.

Sunday, June 1

The St. John School of the Arts will be hosting auditions for the Ruth "Sis" Frank performance/merit scholarships on Sunday, June 1, at 2 p.m. at SJSA. All outstanding and talented students on St. John and St. Thomas are welcome to apply.

AA Meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous meets as scheduled: Sundays, 9:45 a.m. at Hawksnest Bay Beach; Closed meeting for alcoholic only at Nazareth Lutheran Church at 5:30 on Tuesdays; Open meetings on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6 p.m. at Nazareth Lutheran Church in Cruz Bay; Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 6 p.m. at Emmaus Moravian Church, Coral Bay.

Al-Anon Meetings

Al-Anon meets on St. John every Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the picnic table at the VINP ball field, and every Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church.

Horoscope by Natasha Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your sense of adventure is energized by a challenge you've been hoping for. A loved one has some reservations but can be persuaded to support your move.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your recent unsettled period has passed. Move ahead with those plans you put on hold. An offer needs careful study before you decide to accept or reject.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A career move could be in the works, but you might want to question facts that recently came to light. A Libra emerges as a most likely romantic prospect.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Tense moments in relationships ease up by week's end. In the meantime, be careful not to react in a way that will aggravate the situation.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Children or other kin present problems that you need to deal with. Your strong protective nature reaches out to reassure them that all will soon be well.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You've earned the right to enjoy some fun time with friends and family. Someone from your past remembers you with fondness. Expect a call.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might feel the urge to change your surroundings. If you're not up to a major move, you could get the same effect by redecorating your home.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Changes in your workplace could test your decision-making ability. Rely on your self-confidence to help you make the right choice at the right time.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Resist the urge to rush to judgment about friends who might appear to have let you down. You need to hear their sides of the story before you act.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The times favor a change for the better in your private life. You might still have some sticky wickets to deal with on the job, however. Stay alert.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A friendship could suddenly move from platonic to passionate. The decision for any change in this situation is ultimately yours to make. Consider it thoroughly.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might still be reacting to a stunning revelation from a friend. But it's time to move on. Travel offers a chance to bring someone new into your life.

BORN THIS WEEK: You're a loyal friend. You love the arts and enjoy singing, especially when you find yourself collecting beautiful things.

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St. John Police Report

St. John Police Department: 693-8880 or 911

Cellular 911: 776-9110

St. John Fire Service: 776-6333

Friday, May 2

1:10 p.m. - An Estate Contant resident p/r that he lost his wallet. Lost wallet.

Saturday, May 3

1:05 a.m. - Badge # 1099 p/ with one Carlos Hiraldo Cruz placed under arrest and charged with D.U.I.

2:00 a.m. - Badge # 1099 p/ with one Anthony Gall placed under arrest and charged with D.U.I.

11:55 a.m. - A Caneel Bay Apartments resident p/r he was robbed in the area of the Beach Bar. Robbery in the third.

2:30 p.m. - A citizen p/r that he was involved in an auto accident striking two donkeys in Coral Bay. Auto accident.

Sunday, May 4

9:45 a.m. - A Power Boyd Plantation resident c/r she was threatened by construction workers. Contact was made with police commissioner who stated that the workers be asked to stop working for today so the mat-

ter can be cleared up by DPNR and Attorney General Vincent Frazer. Workers complied without incident. Disturbance of the peace.

11:51 a.m. - A citizen p/r that she lost her wallet in the area of The Marketplace's Starfish Market. Lost wallet.

4:15 p.m. - An Estate John's Folly resident p/requesting police assistance at the barge dock. Disturbance of the peace.

5:15 p.m. - A citizen p/r that someone stole his wallet at Hawksnest Beach. Stolen wallet.

7:10 p.m. - A Gift Hill resident p/r that she was involved in a fight in front of Woody's.

7:10 p.m. - An Estate Bethany resident p/r that she was involved in a fight with her ex-boyfriend. Aggravated assault and battery.

Monday, May 5

10:45 a.m. - An Estate Concoridia resident p/r that someone has been trespassing on her property. Trespassing.

6:30 p.m. - A resident p/r that someone obtained a credit card in his name without his permission. Identity theft.

Wednesday, May 7

4:30 p.m. - A Cruz Bay Apartments resident p/r that someone tampered with the lock on the front door to her apartment. Police assistance.

Thursday, May 8

7:00 a.m. - An Estate Emmaus resident p/r being threatened on the phone by his wife's ex-boss. Telephone harassment.

9:51 a.m. - A Department of Housing, Parks and Recreation employee r/ one of their buildings at Openheimer beach was burglarized. Burglary third.

11:30 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident r/ that a man was inside her residence going through her things. Burglary in the second.

5:40 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident p/r that he was threatened by a male in the area of Power Boyd Plantation. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

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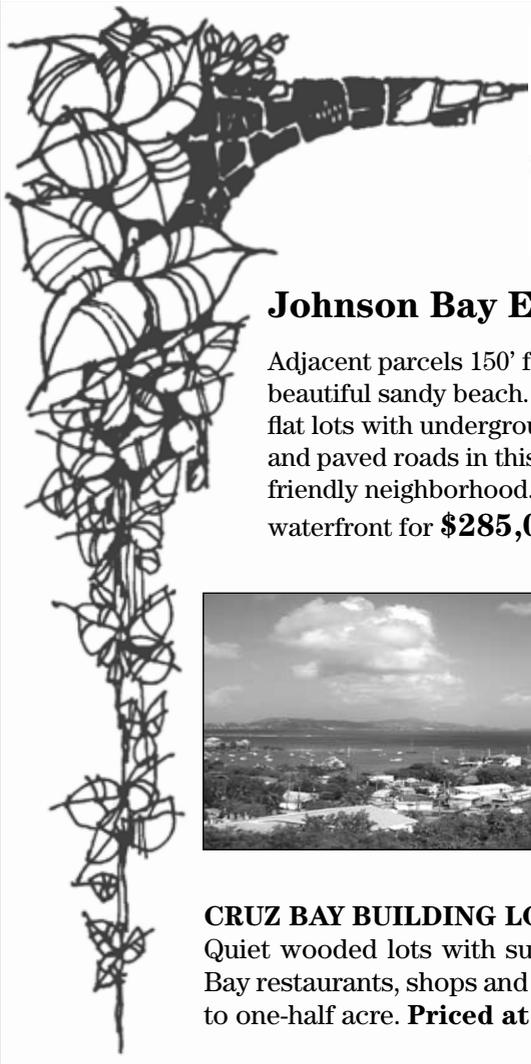
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LAND

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VIRGIN GRAND ESTATES - Seller financing with just 10% down, no payments for 6 months, then make interest only payments for 30 months at 7%! Gated community of multi-million dollar homes, offering fabulous views of the Caribbean Sea. Located above the Westin Hotel, subdivision amenities include native stone walls, stamped concrete roads, & underground utilities. Prices start at \$549,000.

HANSEN BAY 200' of usable beach front! Fabulous views & breezes, private and secluded location! Driveway cut to access beach. \$820,000

CONDOS

CHARMING SERENDIP STUDIO. Least expensive condo on the market! Panoramic sunset views, small complex w/lush gardens, on site mgt & established rental program, NEW pool, deck, and BBQ area \$295,000

BATTERY HILL LISTING! B-2 is a tastefully furnished 2nd floor unit with tiled floors, attractive covered outdoor deck, beautiful views of Cruz Bay, pool and a short walk to town. Impressive rental history. \$699,000

COMMERCIAL

DELI GROTTTO! Consistent sales growth of this three year old Deli and internet cafe located in prime commercial space. Catering to tourist & residents alike, Deli Grotto offers baked goods, smoothies, cold beer, extensive breakfast & lunch menu w/sandwiches, salads, pastries & ice cream available to eat in the a/c, on the outside terrace or take out. \$475,000

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AURORA – Luxurious 4 bedroom / 4 bath masonry villa on Contant Point. Enjoy 180° views from Great Cruz to St. Thomas, great privacy, pool, multiple outdoor areas, gorgeous landscaping, beautiful furnishings, and excellent vacation rental history. Priced to sell at \$2,495,000.



EXCLUSIVE HOME LISTINGS:

GOLDEN DRAGON – Magnificent stone villa with exceptional craftsmanship throughout. 4 bedrooms / 4 baths, infinity pool, exquisite furnishings, multi patios/decks, lush gardens, terrific Point Rendezvous location. \$2,395,000.

GREAT EXPECTATIONS – Mini estate features tennis court, 2 pools, 2 hot tubs, 7 bedrooms 7.5 baths, on 1 acre. Impressive rental history, awesome views, walk to Chocolate Hole beach. Was \$2,995,000 NOW \$2,495,000.

CHEZ SHELL – Beautiful, newly renovated, rental villa in prime area near Westin. Three bedrooms / three baths w/ ac., gorgeous kitchen, fantastic views, decorator furnishings, spa, walk to beach. Turnkey. \$1,399,000.

FISH BAY – Charming masonry home with one bedroom / one bathroom, tiled floors, covered porch, brick entry, and terrific views of Fish Bay and beyond. \$599,000.

WATERFRONT W/ DOCK – Poured concrete 3 bd/2 bath home on a flat 3/4 acre site adjacent to Natl Park. Enjoy all watersports from shared private dock, & hiking along the secluded shoreline. Priced below appraised value at \$1,385,000.

RENDEZVOUS VILLA – in prestigious Boatman Point. Immaculate, fully furnished, covered outdoor dining, excellent floor plan, spectacular unobstructed views on 0.90 acre. \$1,850,000.

LOCATION, LOCATION! – Dramatic cliffside setting, on coveted Maria Bluff, with sunrise to sunset views. 3 bedroom / 2 bath stone and concrete home with large wraparound veranda, travertine floors, mahogany cabinetry, tile roof, large spa, full A/C, large circular drive. \$2,200,000.

WATERFRONT VILLA – Spacious 3 bd/3 bath situated just 200' from the beach. Mahogany kitchen, 1.05 ac. lot, pool, marble floors, A/C. Vacation rental history. \$2,774,000.

WINDSONG – Stately Boatman Point villa, w/separate cottage, situated on a 1ac parcel w/panoramic views. 6 bdrms., 7 baths, huge pool, excellent vacation rental history, fully furnished. \$3,495,000.

RAINBOW PLANTATION – Wonderful "old St. John" style home on a beautiful 1.58 ac. lot. 4 bd/4 baths, extraordinary landscaping, huge pool, water views. \$2,245,000.

PLUMB GUTT Spacious 1 bd/1 bath tropical hardwood home, w/separate cottage, nestled on a lush 1/2 ac. on eastern side of Bordeaux. \$574,900.

CHOCOLATE HOLE – Unique ruins of 1700's Great House, along with 1960's island home on a beautiful 1.42 ac. lot. Reduced to \$1,099,999.

UPPER CAROLINA – 1 bd/1 bath cottage, w/Cert. of Occupancy, on lush 0.44 ac. lot. Reduced to \$380,000.

BORDEAUX – Force 10 system home has 3 bd/ 2 baths, lg. covered porch, water view, 1/2 acre w/gentle slope, room for expansion. \$760,000.

CONDOS & TIMESHARES

NEW CONDOS – Attractive 1 bedroom/1 bath units priced to sell. Beautiful water views, solid masonry construction, shared pool. Small 4 unit complex at Sunset Ridge. \$279,000 and \$299,000.

WESTIN – Choose from over 200 resale timeshares at the beautiful Westin Resort. Enjoy all the amenities of the hotel. Priced from \$10,500.

EXCLUSIVE LAND LISTINGS

ESTATE BELLEVUE – Views from Ram Head to Ditleff Pt. from this 6 acre parcel suitable for subdivision. R-1 zoning with C&R's. Access through Bellevue Village. \$1,500,000.

WATERFRONT ON MONTE BAY – Spectacular 13.44ac site, located between Boatman Pt. & Klein Bay on South Shore. Ideal for subdivision or private estate. \$4,700,000.

ADRIAN – Off the beaten path, wooded 1/2 acre w/ underground utilities and paved roads. \$250,000.

CRUZ BAY TOWN – R-4 zoning, plans and permits. Walk to Frank Bay Beach. Reduced to \$340,000.

REDUCED TO \$150,000 – Water views of Coral Bay, wonderful Est. Eden location. **GREAT BUY!**

CONTANT – 3 extra large homesites overlooking Cruz Bay. Paved streets, underground utilities. \$292,500 to \$315,000. Waterfront lot, \$1.4 m.

POINT RENDEZVOUS – Two superb parcels w/outstanding views. Priced to sell at \$425k & \$495k.

LEINSTER BAY – Great Thatch to Mary's Point views, access from Johnny Horn trail. \$265k & \$329,000.

ZOOTENVAAL – Terrific water views of Hurricane Hole, paved streets, underground utilities. \$450,000.

GREAT CRUZ BAY – 1.05 acre site w/fantastic harbor views & architectural plans. Walk to dingy landing. \$895,000.

FLANAGAN'S PASSAGE – Panoramic views, 0.89 acre lot, paved roads, house plans available. \$490,000.

CATHERINEBERG – Incredible north shore views, 1.05 ac. surrounded by Nat'l. Park. \$2,100,000.

DITLEFF POINT – 3 waterfront parcels **SOLD!** 14 spectacular parcels available, starting at \$895,000.

ESTATE FISH BAY – Water views, moderate slope, topo map..... \$199,000

Great Fish Bay & Ditleff views, privacy..... \$250,000

Water views, borders green belt, paved access..... \$275,000

Large parcel, excellent water views..... \$295,000

Walk to beach, dingy dock, topo included..... \$349,000

Direct water view, corner parcel..... \$389,900

Borders Nat'l. Pk., 0.87ac..... \$425,000

ESTATE CHOCOLATE HOLE – Pebble Way location, 0.65ac, water views..... \$359k

SEAGRAPE HILL/EMMAUS – Coral Hbr & Moravian Church views, 0.34ac..... \$185k

Great Buy! 0.35ac. w/water view, paved road..... \$186k

ESTATE CAROLINA – Lower Bordeaux, beautiful BVI views, paved rd..... \$199k

Ironwood Rd, great Coral Bay views, house plans..... \$360k

Upper Carolina, great views! 0.506 acre..... \$379k



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CATHERINEBERG'S "MANGO BAY" has amazing north shore views, total privacy! 1+ lush acre (fruit trees & exotic orchids), stone showers, fireplace, brick pool terrace, new kitchen, 4 A/C BRs, gated w/carpport. Exquisite Charm! **\$5,950,000.**



CATHERINEBERG (5X5) "CINAMON RIDGE" 1+ private acre, borders National Park; stunning north shore views, pool & spa **\$5,250,000.**

PRIVATE 5 AC. BEACHFRONT (5x3) "LIME TREE BAY" 490'

shoreline on Round Bay. White sand beach plus private cove with "pocket" beach. Adjacent 4 acres also available. **\$4,995,000.**



"CONTENTMENT" Fabulous Contant villa, 6 bdrms, 6.5 baths, designer detail and furnishings!!! Spectacular views to St. Thomas. **\$4,200,000.**



BEACHFRONT (4X4) "HARBOUR VIEW" new 1 ac. estate on Great Cruz Bay harbor. Boat & swim at Westin Resort. **\$3,700,000 Price reduced!**

Exclusively Listed Homes

BORDEAUX MTN. (5x4) STUNNING VIEWS! Charming, gated .5 ac. estate; spa, fireplace, poolside kitchen, ultimate privacy. **\$3,450,000.**

RENDEZVOUS BAY (5x5) "VISTAERO" breathtaking views, huge pool & spa, fabulous villa or residence! **\$3,000,000 Price reduced!**

WATERFRONT (3x3) "LA DOLCE VITA" with boat mooring. 376 ft. shoreline. W-1 zoning allows commercial uses **\$2,995,000.**



"GREAT EXPECTATIONS" (7x7 1/2) 1 ac., tennis, 2 homes, pools, spas, walk to beaches. Impressive rental. **\$2,495,000.**

"POINCIANA" 1.24 acres beachfront on Hart Bay. 3 bedroom beach house with spa, views and breezes. **\$2,495,000.**



CHOCOLATE HOLE NORTH (5x5) "SOLARIS" Spectacular views of 5 bays. 60' lap pool, courtyard, and great amenities. **\$2,400,000.**

"VILLA SIBELLA" Beautiful new 5 bedroom villa in Virgin Grand Estates! Spacious rooms with top of the line amenities. Views, pool, privacy! **\$2,200,000.**

"VILLA FAR NIENTE", New construction in prestigious Point Rendezvous is ready for you to customize. Great views and artistic landscaping. **\$2,100,000.**

"SEACAY VILLA", pool villa has unobstructed, panoramic ocean views and good short term rental history. Short drive to Cruz Bay. **\$1,995,000.**

NEW CONSTRUCTION - CHOCOLATE HOLE totally charming, 2x2 with private gated courtyard, large pool, planters & columns, arched doors and windows, island stone showers, a/c, hi tech kitchen, etc. **\$1,695,000.**

UPPER CAROLINA: 3 bdrm, 3.5 bath villa has spectacular Coral Bay views from this custom 3 level home. Main level has spacious great room and front porch. Interior staircase goes to 2 master suites & a lower level studio suite below. **\$1,500,000.**

"COCONUTS" 3X3 GIFFT HILL VILLA, impressive views with awesome sunsets & St. Thomas lights. Caribbean style. **\$1,499,999.**

"WINDWARD SIDE COTTAGES"; super privacy highlights these two charming masonry cottages. Hot tubs, bricked courtyards and wonderful décor make this a very special offering. **\$1,400,000.**



UPPER CHOCOLATE HOLE GEM! Masonry 3 BR 3.5 BA home, pool, private lower BR w/separate entry, large room for addl. BR, excellent rental potential. **\$1,390,000.**



"SEAVIEW" vacation villa. Charming 4 bdrm, masonry home in excellent condition with large pool in convenient Chocolate Hole. **\$1,395,000.**

"SEABISCUIT" (2x2) Caribbean style, masonry, panoramic views, pool & hot tub. Immaculate, above Coral Harbour. **\$1,150,000.**

"SAGO COTTAGE", adorable Caribbean style masonry cottage with wonderful down island views and great rental history. **\$1,100,000.**

"CASA NITA" 3 bed/3 bath St. Quacco villa with spacious & light rooms, big views to BVI. **\$1,050,000.**



TRADE HOME FOR LAND PLUS \$\$ - GIFFT HILL Delightful 3 bedroom income producing masonry home with pool and privacy. Beautiful water views to St. Thomas! Extensive exotic landscaping. **TRADE or \$999,000.**

COLORFUL FISH BAY RETREAT! Immaculate 3 bedroom/3 bath home, borders National Park, views of Fish Bay & Ditleff Pt. **\$795,000.**



INCREDIBLE FISH BAY VALUE! 4 bed/2 bath home with huge panoramic views and quiet location. **\$750,000.**

"SANCTUARY GARDEN" Serene well-built home with 2 units, lovely pool, gardens & expansive decks in this quiet, private location. **PRICE REDUCED \$725,000.**



"CAROLINA FIXER-UPPER" - Two bedroom family home plus separatel studio rental downstairs. View to Tortola. **\$415,000.**

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Exclusively Listed Land

WATERFRONT

Dreekets Bay Estates, 2.5 acres, beachfront, BVI views, breezes, quality roads **\$2,500,000**
Boatman Point, 1.2 ac, 5 bdrm house plans, cliff front **\$1,875,000**
Boatman Point, .70 acre, 175 ft of east facing shoreline. **\$1,575,000**
Lovango Cay, A Slice of Heaven, .75 acre **\$899,000**
Lovango Cay, waterfront parcel, .65 acre **\$635,000**

ESTATE CAROLINA

Upper Carolina, .5 acre, Sunrise, Coral Bay Harbor views **\$495,000**
Sugar Apple West, .5 acre, waterviews, easy build **\$349,900**
Bordeaux Mountain BVI view, down hill build 0.537 acre. **\$345,000**
Bordeaux Mtn, water views, .5 ac downhill build **\$239,000**
Lower Bordeaux Mt, .27 acre, approved plans & cistern **\$208,000**
Bonus Villa Use, Seagrape Hill, dual water view, 0.387 acre **\$177,500**

ENDLESS VIEWS ACROSS THE WATERS from these three premiere lots in Upper Peter Bay. This gated community is in the midst of Nat'l Park land, beaches & deeded beach access.

"UPPER MONTE BAY ESTATES" - SPECTACULAR, PRIVATE SOUTH SHORE LOTS WITH PRISTINE VIEWS. Low density subdivision with 7 large parcels, paved road, stone walls & underground utilities; above Rendezvous Bay. **\$1,000,000 to 1,400,000.**

BEAUTIFUL LOTS ON QUIET EAST END in the original Hansen Bay subdivision, Dreekets Bay and Privateer Bay, with pristine views & lovely beaches listed from **\$285,000 - \$2,500,000.**



"CANEEL HILL" SELLER FINANCING is a very private residential community just minutes from Cruz Bay with beautiful water views to St. Thomas. The gentle grade and easy access make these 3 parcels very desirable, easily buildable homesites. Total **1.78 acres \$700,000.**



AZURE SKIES OVER THE CRYSTAL SEA will entice you to build your dream home on this Upper Peter Bay lot. Deeded beach access a white sandy beach! **\$3,200,000.**

"CLIFFVIEW ESTATES" IN FISH BAY Seven parcels in new subdivision offer exciting views and adjacent to National Park. Underground utility access and paved roads. From .5 - .91 acre, **\$299,000- \$795,000**

"VIRGIN GRAND ESTATES" Gated community featuring underground utilities, paved roads, & gorgeous sweeping views. Five fabulous lots ranging from **\$469,000 to \$785,000.**

"ESTATE CONCORDIA PRESERVE" - Premier location, with extraordinary water views, some border National Park -some are waterfront! From .78 acre to 3 acres. **7 parcels priced from \$550,000.**

"DREEKETS BAY ESTATES" boasts spectacular BVI views, quality paved roads, underground utilities, stone wall & planters, common beach. Just 8 minutes from Coral Bay. **12 parcels priced from \$450,000.**

CHOCOLATE HOLE - Tropical breezes and delightful south shore views! Two parcels just over a half acre each. **\$399,000.**

FISH BAY - Two Great parcels - one with improvements & active plans and one with great views & end of road privacy. **\$375,000 - \$385,000.**



PRIVATEER BAY - Enjoy quiet East End's Privateer Bay on this over-sized parcel has dramatic rock formations, a waterfall and panoramic views of the BVI. **\$625,000**

Condos & Timeshares

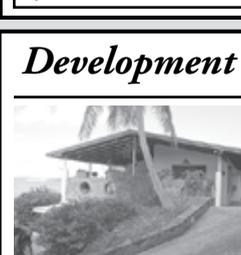
EXCEPTIONAL PASTORY- 1 bdrm condo, great views, close to town, quiet neighborhood. Turn key. **\$529,000.**

"RAINBOW'S END" Battery Hill condo, 2 bdrms, poolside, close to town. **Priced to Sell! \$625,000.**

BEACHFRONT "GRANDE BAY" RESORT Condos under construction, overlooking Cruz Bay Harbor. Walk to town & restaurants. 2 bdrm **\$895,000.**

"GALLOW'S POINT" 3 OCEAN FRONT units (2-upper & 1-lower) ea. w/ deck/patio, walk to town **\$1,400,000, \$1,275,000 & \$1,200,000.**

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