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Young Writers Inspired by St. John

Published children's book author Youme Landowne, fourth from right, led budding St. John writers on explorations of the island's natural wonders and cultural treasures during the first Virgin Islands Young Writers Camp last month. Participants and other facilitators, below, posed at the Annaberg Sugar Plantation during a camp field trip. See story on page 8 and samples of the students' writing on page 9.



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V.I. Brownfields Coordinator Clancia Pelle and EPA Region 2 Brownfields Coordinator Ramon Torres.

Large Crowd Learns About Redevelopment at V.I. Brownfields Forum

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Most residents don't know what to do with a piece of property after it has been developed, or partially developed, and contaminated with potentially harmful pollutants.

That is most residents except for the 70 people who attended the Department of Planning and Natural Resources' Division of Environmental Protection's Fifth Annual Brownfields Program forum at the Westin Resort and Villas on Wednesday, July 30.

A brownfield is a property which may contain hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants. A partnership between DPNR's DEP and the Environmental Protection Agency, the V.I. Brownfields Program is designed to educate the public about assessing, safely cleaning and sustainably reusing brownfields.

Formed in 2004, the program first hired and trained staff under V.I. Brownfields Coordinator Clancia Pelle.

Legislation Pending

The group drafted legislation — the V.I. Brownfields Revitalization and Environmental Act — which was recently introduced by V.I. Senators Neville James and Louis Patrick Hill, and is expected to be passed by the full legislature soon.

"There is no down side to this," said Pelle. "This is a mandate to clean up the environment and to get ad-

ditional federal grants to help in that."

Pelle and V.I. Brownfields Program staff are currently identifying brownfields sites on all three islands. On St. John, the group identified two major brownfields, explained Pelle.

"We're looking at the property in Coral Bay which is full of rusting vehicles and we're looking at the Susanberg Transfer Station and what they are going to do when it closes," Pelle said. "There is simply no place in the Virgin Islands for contaminants."

Creating Standards

V.I. Brownfields Program officials are also working to develop the first standardized regulations for the territory regarding brownfields and redevelopment, Pelle added.

"We never had our own standards before," she said. "Before we always looked at the federal guidelines but we didn't have any Virgin Islands-specific standards."

A private contractor, Maguire Group, Inc., was recently hired to create standards and officials are taking a close look at how Puerto Rico has dealt with their brownfields, explained Pelle.

"Historically there are a lot of similarities between what we're dealing with here and what they deal with in Puerto Rico," said the V.I. Brownfields Coordinator. "We're going to learn from what they have done

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Cruz Bay Roundabout Mobilization Phase Starting Monday, August 11

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The Notice to Proceed has been issued for the construction of the roundabout intersection in Cruz Bay, starting Monday, August 11, announced Department of Public Works Commissioner Darryl Smalls.

The general contractor approved for the project is Island Roads Construction and the mobilization phase will commence on Monday, August 11. Work is scheduled to be completed within 675 calendar days and the estimated cost of the contract is \$ 6,929,380.

DPW will be keeping the public fully informed as the project moves forward into the construction phase.

Volunteers Needed for GBS Playground Maintenance August 23

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Volunteers are needed on Saturday, August 23, from 9 to 11 a.m. to repair, clean and paint the playground at Guy Benjamin Elementary School before school starts. Everyone is welcome. If possible, volunteers are asked to bring gloves, rakes, hammers and paint brushes. Carpenters are needed in advance. To volunteer at another time, call 776-2099 or email coralbaycommunitycouncil@hotmail.com.

CBCC Hosting Pre-primary Candidates Forum August 27 at Westin Resort

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A Pre-primary Candidates Forum will be hosted on Wednesday, August 27, at 6:30 at the Westin. Resort and Villas. All Senatorial and Delegate Candidates are invited to participate, whether or not they are in a primary race.

This will be an early opportunity for the public to find out about the candidates and their positions on issues of local concern. The public is encouraged to attend and ask questions from the floor. The sponsor of this forum is the nonpartisan Coral Bay Community Council. For more information, please call 776-2099 or email coralbaycommunitycouncil@hotmail.com

Epiphany Theater Company Presents "Keep 'Em Guessin'" August 22-24

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Epiphany Theater Company of St. John will be hosting its annual comedy fun-raiser "Keep 'Em Guessin'" at the St. John School of the Arts from August 22 through 24. All shows start at 7:30 p.m.

Epiphany members will perform 15 outrageously hilarious skits! A big raffle will be hosted at intermission.

Epiphany is pleased to team up with the St. John School of the Arts for this annual late-summer event which is sure to bring smiles and lots of laughter. This show is not for children. We recommend ages 15 and above. Come and join the cast of the Epiphany Theater Company as they proudly present "Keep 'Em Guessin.'" For more information call Paul at 514-6615 or Cynthia at 513-6615

V.I. Fire Service Lifts Burning Ban

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Effective August 5, burning permits were issued for St. Thomas and St. John. Persons with burning permits that were affected by the ban can bring their permit to the Fire Services administrative offices, located at the Cruz Bay Fire Station on St. John for credited time. Conditions will continue to be monitored and the status will be adjusted accordingly. For more information, contact the Fire Services offices at 776-6333 on St. John.



PAST INSTALLMENTS OF "LIVE-ABOARD" CAN BE FOUND AT: www.stjohnvitoday.com/liveboard.html

Governor Takes Swift Action in Wake of Schneider Scandal

St. John Real Estate Agent Miles Stair Appointed to Hospital Board

“The results of this audit cannot be minimized or deflected in any way. Its findings are beyond troubling, and indeed they have triggered the predictable, and required, criminal investigations which are now on-going in the V.I. Department of Justice.”

— Governor John P. deJongh

By Jaime Elliott
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In the wake of two scathing audits and an in-depth report of gross mismanagement at R.L. Schneider Regional Medical Center released earlier this month, Governor John deJongh appointed new members to the overseeing hospital District Governing Board.

St. John real estate agent Miles Stair was among those appointed to the new board. Stair, who was also this year's St. John Festival Parade Marshal, promised to make the island's needs heard.

“I certainly feel honored to be nominated by the governor,” said Stair. “I am very pleased that St. John will have a voice on the Hospital Board for our community and health needs.”

Days after a report in the V.I. Daily News alleging serious wrongdoing at Schneider, a joint audit conducted by both the local and federal Inspector Generals was released. The audit prompted criminal investigations, which are ongoing at the V.I. Department of Justice.

Government leaders were outraged by the allegations at Schneider, which included hugely overpaid executives and mismanagement including forcing cancer patients to forgo chemotherapy drugs.

In a press conference hosted in the wake of the scandal, deJongh took swift action in condemning the financial wrongs and abuse of public trust at the St. Thomas hospital.

“The results of this audit cannot be minimized or deflected in any way,” said deJongh. “Its findings are beyond troubling, and indeed they have triggered the predictable, and required, criminal investigations which are now on-going in the V.I. Department of Justice.”

“The findings of this audit established that the actions and inactions of those charged with the oversight of the executives that they placed to run the Medical Center

failed to meet the standard we must insist upon as a community,” said the governor. “Additionally, the actions and inactions of those executives have been described in the audit in ways which require a fuller investigation in order to take appropriate actions.”

The governor was particularly offended by the inaction of the District Board, he said.

“It is not necessary to inquire beyond the audit findings and the Medical Center's response to reach this conclusion,” said deJongh. “However, what troubles me even more than the specific items noted in the audit — such as the lack of internal financial controls, policies and procedures governing credit card use or the reimbursement of expenses, or the lack of proper controls over executive payroll, or even the faults found with the insurance and billing systems — was the absence of commitment on the part of this board to my administration's goal of maximizing openness and transparency throughout our government.”

“When it comes to the spending of the people's money we are, and can only be, one government,” deJongh said. “There can be no accountability without openness and transparency. And without accountability we cannot earn the public's trust.”

“Accordingly, I have asked for and received the resignations of each and all of the District Board members who were on the board during the period of time when the actions and inactions described in the audit occurred,” the governor said.

DeJongh promised ongoing involvement in the hospital's management.

“As the Chief Executive of the territory and on behalf of our residents, I will not be a silent partner,” said the governor. “The health care of our people is too important; honesty and transparency in government is too important; and the fiduciary care required

when spending public money is too important. They all require no less than a full partnership with fully functioning and competent governing boards at both the level of the Hospital and Health Facilities Corporation and the District Board level.”

“Let me assure all of the people of our territory that there will be no disruption of services or lessening of the quality of care at the Hospital or Cancer Center on St. Thomas or the clinic on St. John,” said deJongh.

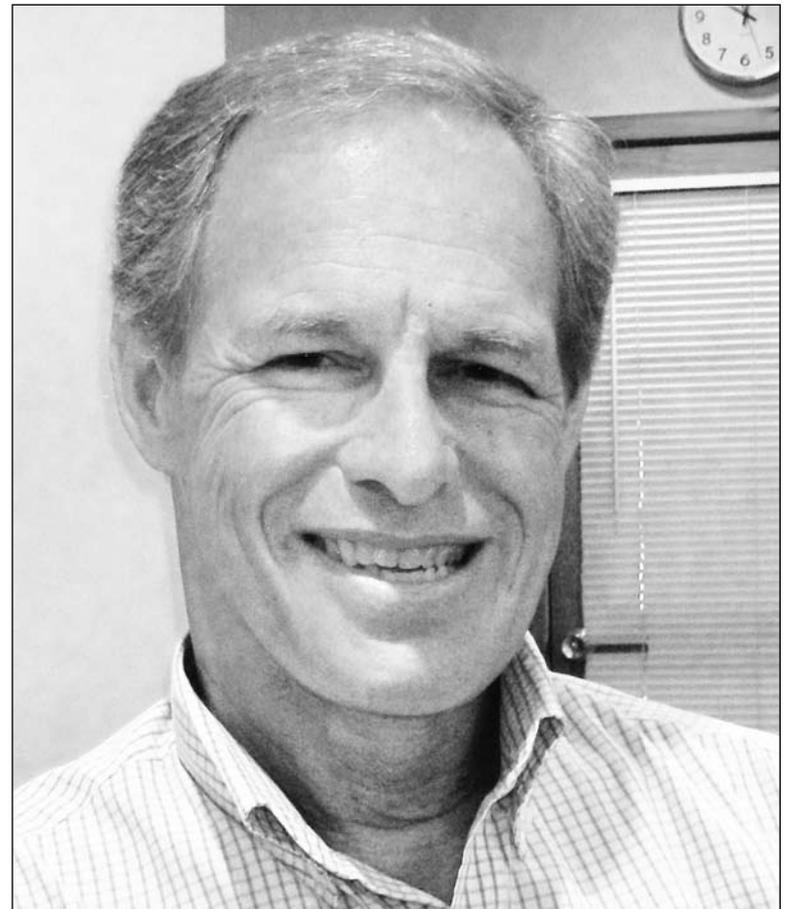
The governor also made sure to thank the employees at all of Schneider Regional's facilities.

“I would like to say that there is one very important area of agreement that I share with the vast majority of people within our community and that is our deep respect and gratitude to the staff of the Roy Lester Schneider Hospital, the Kimelman Cancer Center, and the Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center,” said deJongh. “They go to work every day, and every night, in service to us all, and for that service, we are all extremely grateful. But let us all remember this was not an audit of our nurses or aides or doctors or technicians working at our hospital and cancer center and clinic.”

“Their work is ceaseless and often thankless,” said the governor. “But we must pause today and thank them. And then — with their help — we must move ahead together to fix our health care system. I know that their performance reflects the spirit of cooperation and hard work, which I am confident, will carry us through this difficult time of transition.”

Honorary CEO Emeritus Rodney Miller, who was working at a Florida hospital, resigned from his post. Current CEO Amos Carty Jr. and CFO Peter Najawicz, were both placed on paid leave pending an investigation.

On Tuesday, August 5, V.I. Superior Court Judge James Carroll III granted the V.I. Attorney Gen-



St. John Tradewinds News File Photo

Miles Stair

eral's request to temporarily freeze the assets of Miller, Carty and Najawicz, according to published reports.

DeJongh also nominated Dilsa Capdeville, Attorney Maria Tankanson Hodge, Vincent Samuel and Cornel Williams to the District Hospital Board.

Health officials on St. John remain committed to providing the best care to patients, explained

Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center Administrator Harold Wallace.

“We remain focused on running and providing continued, quality care and services to our patients here on St. John, 24 hours per day, each day, as always,” said Wallace. “That is the approach we have taken. We are focusing on the basics of patient care.”

Rain Data

at Trunk Bay

July Rainfall

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Average July Rainfall

2.82 Inches

Year-to Date Rainfall

15.37 Inches

Average Y-T-D Rainfall

18.97 Inches

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After Almost Signing On, Potential St. John Planner Declines Position

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

It almost happened. The unidentified person who was expected to accept the position of planner for St. John walked away from the job due to personal reasons, according to Department of Planning and Natural Resources officials.

"We're back to square one," said DPNR spokesperson Jamal Nielsen. "The gentleman who was selected declined the invitation because of personal reasons. He has an ailing parent whom he needed to be close to geographically."

DPNR has been the lead agency in the search for an island planner since Governor John deJongh first promised to fill the position more than a year and a half ago.

After initial delays in the hiring process were overcome, DPNR officials advertised the job locally in August 2007. That posting did not net any acceptable candidates.

Almost six months later DPNR officials posted a second advertisement on the American Planning Association's Web site. In April, DPNR's Division of Comprehensive and Coastal Zone Planning Director of Planning Wanda Mills-Bocachica compiled a short list of candidates for the position which was forwarded to Government House.

DeJongh, who has the final say on the hire, selected a potential candidate who was so close to accepting

the job he even visited the territory, explained Nielsen.

"While the gentleman was considering the position, he came and visited the territory and his parent required emergency surgery while he was away," said Nielsen. "That led even more to his decision in choosing to stay near his parent."

While it remained unclear last week what DPNR's next step would be, officials will continue the search to find a Love City planner, according to Nielsen.

"What we plan on doing from here is continuing in our efforts to find a planner for St. John," Nielsen said. "The decision is between senior staff and government officials."

Government House officials are also committed to filling the island planner position, explained spokesperson Julia Watthey.

"Clearly we were disappointed that the last candidate, who initially accepted the job, couldn't come aboard because of personal reasons," Watthey said. "Hiring a St. John planner is important to the deJongh/Francis administration and as such Government House stands firmly behind DPNR in their search for a candidate to fill this very important role."

Once hired, the principal planner will be based in DPNR's St. John office on the third floor of The Marketplace and will consult DPNR staff on St. John-specific issues.



St. John Tradewinds News Photos Courtesy of the Provosts

While Eric Provost was getting married, above right, his brother Victor was playing steel pan at the Umbria Jazz Festival, above left, with Joe Ramsey on sax.

Wha's Happ'nin'

by Sis Frank

This Wedding Was a Real Family Affair

Jeune' B. Hawley and Eric J. Provost were married on July 19 in the Wesley Methodist Church. Wyndham Sugar Bay Resort was the site of their reception. The following day, everyone relaxed at Magens Bay beach, and then the happy couple and their parents partied on a cruise! Eric's brother, Victor, and his wife, Rachelle, missed it all because of the Umbria Jazz Festival. Vic was still performing in Italy.

Jim and Terri, the boys' proud parents, obviously had a ball — Terri passed her cane onto Jim who told me that his right foot was lame — sounds like

too much dancing to me!

Have you noticed that carrying a cane is the "in thing" these days!

All the best wishes to Eric and Jeune'!

Postcard from Rehobeth Beach

Cliff Finch, St. Thomian bass player, reports that he and his combo love playing in Delaware, even though he misses home. The people are very friendly and love their music — it reminds him of St. Thomas and St. John. He sends his best to all of his friends. We miss you Cliffie!

St. John Welcomes Dr. Elizabeth Barot Back Home

By Susan Mann
St. John Tradewinds

The party streamers were still in place on Wednesday, August 6, from the "welcome back" celebration the nearly 40 staff members at Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center hosted for Dr. Elizabeth Barot, when she returned after being off-island for nearly eight months.

The Board Certified Family Medicine Physician, who has been a part of the clinic for more than 23 years, couldn't be more pleased to be back home.

When Barot was diagnosed with breast cancer last year she traveled to San Francisco to begin her fight against the disease which potentially strikes one in nine women in their lifetime.

When Barot's treating physician on the mainland released her to return home to St. John, she was then able to continue her needed cancer treatments at Charlotte Kimelman Cancer Institute on St. Thomas.

She is very satisfied with the quality of care she is receiving at Kimelman, explained Barot.

"If I had any doubts about the medical care I am receiving there, I would not continue my treatments," she said. "As both a physician, and as a patient with cancer, I could not be more pleased with the medical care available to me at the institute."

MKCHC Administrator Harold Wallace is pleased that Barot has returned.

Wallace, who has now been in charge of the facility for three years, has been working behind the scenes to restore eight positions which MKSCHC lost prior to his arrival.

The administrator plans to add five to six more medical providers as soon as possible.

Last year the medical facility provided nearly 8,000 individual medical services or treatments to island residents and visitors, according to Wallace.

"While the island has about 4,000 residents, the individuals and families we care for average about three to four visits a year," said Wallace. "We also see our share of tourists who need care. They are referred by resorts, villa owners or



St. John Tradewinds News File Photo

Dr. Elizabeth Barot and MKSCHC Administrator Harold Wallace hotels."

"Then we have those individuals with chronic medical conditions who we see more often," added Barot.

The clinic is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, with fully functioning laboratory and radiology services available.

In the wake of the recent scandal which erupted over Schneider Regional Medical Center and the Charlotte Kimelman Cancer Institute mismanagement, MKSCHC officials remain dedicated to its patients, explained Wallace.

"We remain focused on running and providing continued, quality care and services to our patients here on St. John, 24 hours per day, each day, as always," said Wallace. "That is the approach we have taken. We are focusing on the basics of patient care."

Wallace said he has been getting a number of phone calls about the recent media reports, which he then refers to Sam Topp, who is the SRMC's director of media relations.

"Our patients need to be our main concern and I am too busy on their health needs and visits, to think about it all," said Barot.

The SRMC board reviews and approves the clinic's bud-

get each year, with the new funding year starting on October 1 of each year. Wallace had already submitted the clinic's annual budget request before the recent scathing scandal took place.

The Kansas City native clarified that the clinic receives no specific federal funding. The financial resources which keep the clinic doors open come from the V.I. Legislature, public or private health insurance providers and patient payments, according to the MKSCHC Administrator.

Wallace was happy to hire Clinical Care Coordinator Tamera Dannewitz to assure that patient care and service access continues to keep its high marks.

For several years now, an outside agency has been selecting patients at random, then contacting them to ask questions about care they receive. No one who works at the center has any way to know which patients will be contacted.

The St. John medical facility repeatedly has the highest patient satisfaction score in the SRMC system. Wallace also anticipates that the new coordinator will spearhead additional community outreach activities for the clinic.

Diabetes is by far the most significant, pressing medical problem the center faces on a daily basis, according to both Wallace and Barot.

Approximately 50 percent of all patients seen at MKSCHC have been diagnosed with diabetes, according to the health center officials.

Both Wallace and Barot are hoping and planning for the day when they will have funding available to provide comprehensive, preventive services to address the complications many St. John patients with diabetes eventually experience.

They are planning to hire a qualified nutritionist to join the staff on a permanent basis.

Wallace said he dreams of the day when medical providers will have full access to a digital, medical information system which will allow them to personally evaluate diagnostic information on a computer screen and make a patient diagnosis without waiting for written results and reports to be done by another physician at a different facility.

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Looking To Reduce Injuries, VINP Officials Create Park Safety Plan



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Ph.D. Candidate at WVU Ekta Choudhary, left, helped revitalize the VINP's Safety Committee comprised of (l to r standing) Christy McManus, Laurel Brannick-Bigrig, (seated) Esther Francis, Kishma Christian and Tom Schaff.

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

While the natural landscape of the V.I. National Park can pose any number of dangers to visitors — from rough seas to slippery hiking trails — park officials never had a standardized safety plan, until now.

For the first time ever, VINP officials, in conjunction with the Public Risk Management Program, are devising a pilot study safety plan for all visitors and residents who use the park's resources.

To get the safety net rolling, VINP Superintendent Mark Hardgrove contacted Dr. Sara Newman with the National Park Service's Public Risk Management Program in Washington, D.C. in December 2007.

After NPS Risk Management Program of-

officials made an initial visit to the island this past winter, West Virginia University Ph.D candidate with the Injury Control Research Center, Ekta Choudhary, has been leading the safety plan formation on island since July 2.

Choudhary, who's academic focus is unintentional injuries, will spend a total of six weeks on St. John before heading back to Washington, D.C. to present the final draft of the pilot plan to top NPS officials.

VINP Safety Committee

Once a final draft is created, the park will test the study's findings with yearly evaluations, hoping to see less injuries.

As one of her first orders of business, the safety specialist worked with VINP employees to revive the long-dormant safety com-

mittee.

"I'm a facilitator," Choudhary said. "I've been helping the park develop the plan. I've been coordinating park officials and setting up a revitalized safety committee."

The VINP safety committee is comprised of park employees representing every single division, Choudhary added.

Identifying Risks

"The committee has been meeting frequently and assessing the most dangerous areas in the park," she said. "For example at Trunk Bay, we have the bird problem, where they come up and literally eat out of people's hands. That was one risk which was identified."

The VINP safety committee is comprised of Christy McManus with resource manage-

Fatal and Non-fatal Injuries at VINP 2002-2007

— Fatalities: A total of seven fatalities occurred in the V.I. National Park between 2002 and 2008. Of those seven fatalities, six victims were male and one was female. All occurred when the visitors were either snorkeling or swimming.

— EMS Response: St. John EMS made 46 calls and/or transport of visitors with injuries per year in the VINP between 2002 and 2007.

— VINP Law Enforcement: VINP's law enforcement division helped numerous visitors with major and minor injuries.

— Common Injuries: The most common type of injuries were motor vehicle injuries, cardiac arrests, near drowning and breathing problems.

— Beach Injuries: The majority of injuries which occurred on beaches were fatigue related.

— Frequency: A higher number of injuries occurred during the winter months.

ment; Laurel Brannick-Bigrig with interpretation; Esther Francis with the fee demo program; VINP ranger Kishma Christian; and ranger Tom Schaff.

Once committee members identify areas in the park which pose the biggest dangers to visitors, they make recommendations for injury prevention, Choudhary explained.

"They are identifying the risks in order to prevent injuries," she said.

Inter-agency Collaborations

Choudhary, however, has not only been working with VINP officials. To create an overall safety plan for the park, she has formed partnerships with V.I. Police Department officers, Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center officials and St. John

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Love City's New Gaming Destination Parrot Club Opens at Wharfside



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Derek Athanase, above, the Parrot Club's bartender and manager's assistant, is ready to serve up cold beverages. Nikia Wallace, at left, tries her luck at the new island gaming venue.



By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

After months of renovations along the Cruz Bay waterfront, the Parrot Club opened to an excited clientele in Wharfside Village on Saturday, July 26.

The expansive air conditioned space has wall-to-wall carpeting and features 55 video lottery terminals and a full service bar. While there is no kitchen in the Parrot Club, patrons can order off the menu of Waterfront Bistro, located next door.

With a distinctly casino vibe, the club is committed to providing high-quality entertainment, according to manager Brian Conley.

"Things are going very well," Conley said. "There is a lot of interest and we've had a lot of people coming in, checking things out. The space was constructed and equipped very nicely."

"It's the quality that the company was looking for," continued Conley. "We've tried to make it a destination for entertainment, socializing and things like that."

While the downtown Cruz Bay location is ideal for a comfortable socializing space, packed with so many VLTs, the Parrot Club is all about gaming. And some residents have been cashing in already, according to Conley.

"A lot of people have been coming in and hanging out and playing games a bit and winning some money," he said. "We've had a couple of big jackpots and people seem to be enjoying themselves."

The Parrot Club has a new fan in Nikia Wallace, who enjoys the atmosphere of the latest St. John gaming space.

"I've won some money and that's always fun," said Wallace. "I like the environment here — it's nice and relaxing. It feels like you're in an expensive casino."

Bar offerings adhere to the high-end feel of the Parrot Club. Derek Athanase, bartender and manager's assistant at the club, serves up fine liquors, half bottles of Veuve Clicquot and Schramsberg, and Black Stone Winery varietals.

With two flat screen television sets, Parrot Club patrons can keep up with the latest scores and news while trying their chances with Lady Luck.

The Parrot Club is open Monday through Saturday from 12 p.m. to 12 a.m. and on Sunday from 4 p.m. to 12 a.m. For more information call the club at 693-4041.

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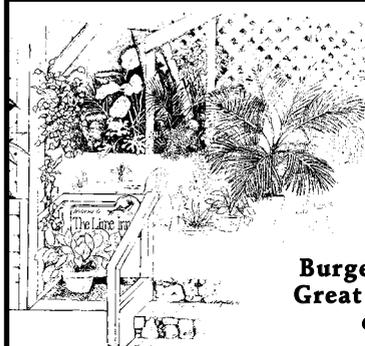
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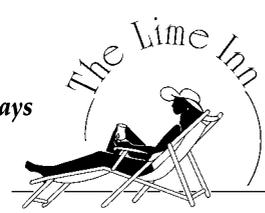
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Participants Find Inspiration In Nature and Culture At Writers Camp



St. John Tradewinds News Photo Courtesy of Youme Landowne

Students in the Young Writer's Camp toured the VINP Visitors' Center as one of the camp's activities.

By Susan Mann
St. John Tradewinds

During the month of July, 13 St. John students had a unique opportunity to sharpen their budding writing skills while drawing their inspiration from nature and island culture.

The St. John Young Writers Camp was hosted at the Julius E. Sprauve School from July 7 through July 25. Emerging writers who participated in the workshops ranged in age from eight to 13 years old.

Interactive, spontaneous learning experiences were organized by writers Coreen Samuel, who served as executive director of the USVI Summer Creative Writing Program, and director of curriculum and writing, Tiphonie Yanique, who teaches Caribbean Literature and creative writing at Drew University.

Three writing educators, called writers-in-residence, were also on hand to lead and facilitate the planned learning activities for the benefit of both the adults and children.

The word-loving trio consisted of published children's author and trainer, Youme Landowne, poet and artist, Jahweh David, and JESS librarian and singer, Faye Fredricks. Island resident and former University of the Virgin Islands professor Dr. Gilbert Sprauve served as advisor to the program.

The Young Writer's Camp was jam-packed with different activities which tasked the kids to share through their writing. A portion of each day was devoted to reflection and discussion of local culture as well as exploration of the island's natural world.

Insights from those experiences were expressed through the mouths and pens of each young writer.

Love City's own writing prodigies bloomed a little more each day, as their mentors grew more sure of their own abilities to bring out the best in every participant, explained Landowne.

Storytelling, folklore, historical writing, poetry, personal narratives, memoirs, fiction, art, nature writing and even playwriting were explored with the participants during the morning, week-day classes.

Writing camp participants were Aliyah Allick, Ki-

ana Athanase, Jeromy Barry, Ashley Doway, Monique Edward, Andre' Hill, Khaleila Krall, Kierra Krigger, Ohemmaa Lambertis, Joshua Wells, Feliciano Olivieri, Lauryn Samuel and Tracy Powell-Scatliffe.

When camp ended, students had produced a booklet with writing selections from their three-week camp experience. "Words Dancing in the Wind: A Collection of Writing by the Virgin Islands Young Writers Camp," features Olivieri's artwork on its cover.

Students were empowered by the knowledge that they could focus on their island birth-right — the cultural and natural bounty of St. John — to bring out their creative talents, according to Landowne.

One activity had the participants explore local flora and fauna, drink bush tea and touch star fish. While these learning mediums are common on-island experiences, the young writers discovered and honed newfound talent. They unearthed abilities to write about these everyday encounters, explained Landowne.

Participants also went on hikes and toured the sugar plantation ruins they have grown up with, as they were guided to look at their ancestral past through their own writers' eyes, according to Landowne.

As demonstrated by their own written words and art projects, the students were carving out their own place in the island's cultural past and present.

In addition to their practice exercises and poetry, they created leaf printings, watercolors, scientific illustrations, mocko jumbie paper puppets, paper batik, and other visual arts.

Participants were asked to explain their feelings about the world of writing for an anthology booklet which included some of their poetry that was completed by the last day of camp.

"When I write my soul feels like it is in battle and I am the general of a fleet," said eight-year-old Coral Bay resident Barry.

"I can write stuff on a piece of paper that I don't want to say out loud," commented 10-year-old Krall. "When I write my mind carries me off."

"When I write I feel kind of sleepy, but when I dream it is of being a good reader and writer," shared 10-year-old Olivieri.

"When I write I can't stop writing," confessed 10-year-old Powell-Scatliffe. "When I write I feel like eating a mango."

Lansdowne's award-winning children's book, "Se La Vie," was written through her collaboration with Haitian children who started a radio station.

Her latest work, a novel called "Pitch Black" which should be available soon, is about a man who lived in a New York City subway for more than 20 years, starting when he was 15 years old.

Although the writer heard from several local leaders that families were worried about children growing up without a sense of their past, their culture or history, she did not agree.

"I wish I could somehow instill in this community that, so far as I have seen from these young students, this is far from true," said Landowne. "Everyone I have met here has had something positive — a love of St. John — to say to me."

While Landowne hopes to be able return to St. John — where she felt at home right a way — she had no doubt that JESS librarian Fredricks and others will carry Love City's young writers to new heights.

Words Dancing In the Wind: A collection of writing by the V.I. Young Writers Camp

St. John Tradewinds

The Frogs Are My Shelter

I am the house and you are the mouse.

The diamond is my mind and the clock is my time.

My heart is a phone, because the phone answers.

The mouse is my quietness and the frogs are my shelter.

Andre Hill, age 9

If There Were No Music

If there were no music then how will we

Virgin Islanders have rhythms or groove?

And how would we move?

We wouldn't go with the motion of the ocean.

We would not have carnival time

And we wouldn't shine.

That way we couldn't jump up and congregate

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We'd cry and die. If we did not have music

The whole world would be mute

And no one would even play a flute.

Ashley Doway, age 8

Shells and Fruit

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Why does your head look like a crown?

Because I have been traveling all over the world for centuries

and people like me

so they made my head this way.

I've been to Japan

where I ate sushi that was black and white,

it had avocado inside and I ate bumble bee.

In China I ate noodles, slithery like a snake,

it tasted

so good I said mmm...

In Egypt I talked to the Egyptians about how they

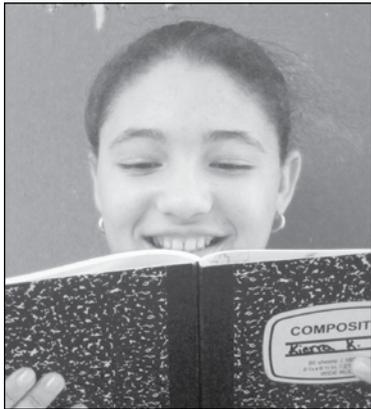
live.

That's why my head is like a crown.

Lauryn Samuel, age 9

Yo Mout is a One Room House

This little girl I know has a very big mouth. If you live with her you can tell she has a big mouth because you can hear her from far away and whenever you tell her



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

Camp participant Kierra Krigger consults her journal.

she is talking too loud, she will tell you, "I am not talking loud!"

Some people might think she needs her own room or her own house.

That is why *'her mout is a one room house.'*

Kiana Athanase, age 10

Talking Rain

Mango leaf, long thin and thirsty

Water drizzles and make you moisty.

You grow and grow every day

But now you are growing,

My sister wants to play.

I am so busy playing

I dont' have to time to watch you grow

And sometimes I forget to water you.

Mango leaf dying, brown, dry and crunchy,

The stem bends,

The branches break.

The mango tree cried out,

"Rain, please come out and drizzle on me!"

The rain came out and drizzled rain,

And the mango tree asked the quiet rain,

"Where have you been?"

The quiet rain said,

"I went to visit my family

And I am sorry I didn't tell you."

"It's O.K. Family is family."

Tracy Powell-Scatliffe, age 10



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St. John Tradewinds News Photos by Caroline Rogers

A hawksbill turtle looks up, above, after feasting on an unusual treat of seaweed, below.

Unusual Sighting: Hawksbill Sea Turtles Eating Seaweed in Seagrass Bed

By Caroline Rogers
St. John Tradewinds

In June I was snorkeling in Great Lameshur Bay when I spotted a sea turtle feeding in the seagrass bed not far from shore.

I went over to take a closer look and was amazed to see that it was a hawksbill. Hawksbill sea turtles spend most of their time in coral reefs, where they feed primarily on sponges and zoanths (animals that resemble anemones).

I expected the turtle to swim away from me rapidly, but it seemed very unconcerned by my presence.

I was even more amazed when I saw that the turtle was eating a type of red algae (seaweed). I then noticed another hawksbill — about 30 feet away — which was also actively searching for seaweed in the seagrass bed.

This one was eating a different species of red algae.

I watched the turtles for about 30 minutes. In the past I have seen a few hawksbills cruising over seagrass beds to get to areas with corals, but I have never seen them actively feeding in a grass bed before.

I checked with several National Park Service biologists — including Rafe Boulon and Carrie Stengel with Virgin Islands National Park and Zandy Hillis-Starr with Buck Island Reef National Monument — and other scientists to see if they had ever seen this behavior before.

They and other experts I consulted never have observed this. I also went on line to look for other reports of this, but did not find any.

Since that day, I have been back to look for the hawksbills three times but I have not seen them again.

Hawksbill turtles are endangered. If seagrass beds are important habitats for them, we have yet another reason to protect these coastal resources.

Many green sea turtles — greens are a threatened species — spend time in this seagrass bed in Great Lameshur as well. It is not too difficult to tell whether a turtle is a hawksbill or a green.

Unlike greens, hawksbill turtles have pointed “beaks” and overlapping plates on their yellowish-brownish shells, and serrated shells.

Please check my article in the Spring/Summer issue of *St. John Magazine* for photographs and descriptions of both species.

I am interested in any observations of hawksbill turtles feeding on anything at all in a seagrass bed and would appreciate it if anyone who sees a UFO — Unusual Feeding Observation — would contact me at caroline_rogers@usgs.gov, or (340) 693-8950 ext 221.





St. John Tradewinds News Photos Courtesy of Debbie Schnell

Victor Provost at the Umbria Jazz Fest, above center and at bottom, and with his wife Rachelle, below.

Victor Provost Lights Up Umbria Jazz Festival

St. John Tradewinds

Donald and Debbie Schnell were recently in Italy where they attended the Umbria Jazz Festival between July 11 and 21, and enjoyed listening to homegrown steel prodigy Victor Provost.

“Victor Provost was playing his pan with a friend, Mark Lucas, on guitar,” said Debbie Schnell. “They sounded great! They played two to three shows daily.”

“They usually played on the outdoor stage in the Giardini Carducci or the Rocca Paolina in the ‘Oil Bar’ which was a venue that was surrounded by ruins below street level,” said Schnell. “We also got a chance to spend a little time with Victor and his lovely wife Rachelle.”



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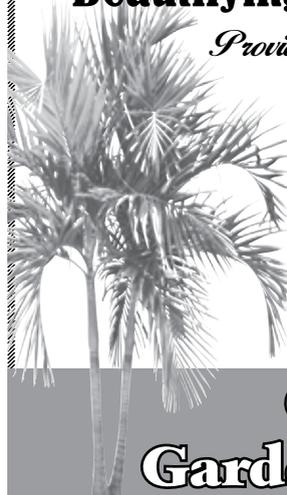
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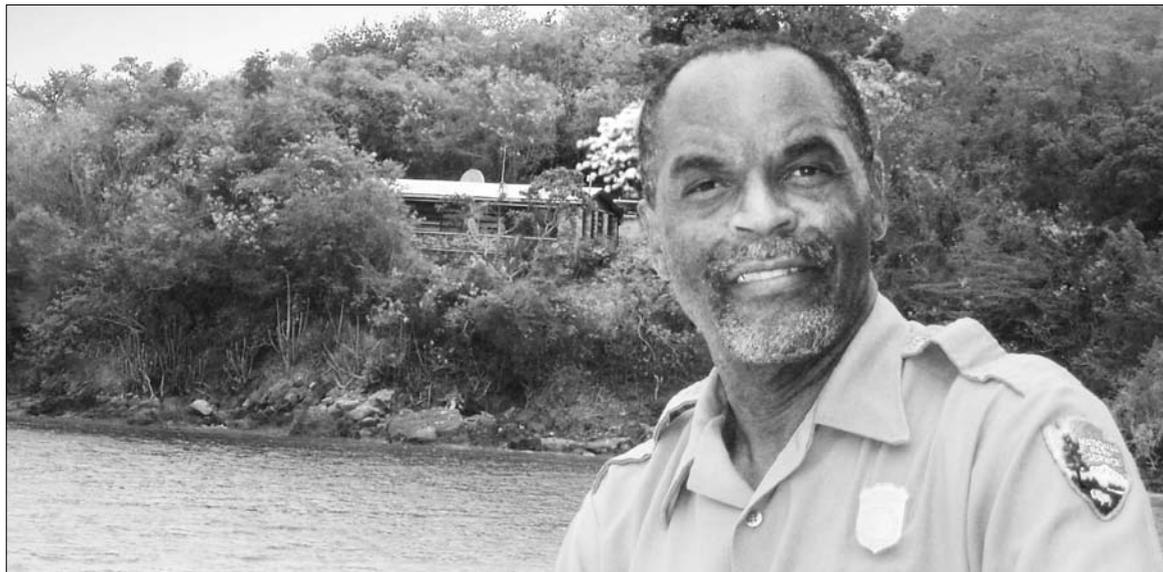
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V.I. National Park's Chief of Maintenance Retires



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Leon Varlack

St. John Tradewinds

Leon Varlack, the Chief of Maintenance for the Virgin Islands National Park retired on August 1 after 31 years and six months of federal service, 18 of which were served on St. John.

A graduate of Charlotte Amalie High School class of 1972, Varlack began his career with a four-year tour of duty as an electrician in the United States Navy in 1974. Upon completing his tour of duty with the Navy, Varlack was employed with the Target Corporation as an electronic technician.

In 1979, Varlack resumed his federal service career path with the Department of Defense at the Great Lakes Naval Base as a journeyman electrician and assistant planner and estimator.

After graduating from the College of Lake County in Illinois in 1988, Varlack returned home to St. Thomas and worked as a meter service supervisor with the V.I. Water And Power Authority.

In 1990, Varlack again resumed his federal service with the VINP as the roads and trail supervisor. He was welcomed into an agency of visionary thinkers.

As an employee with the VINP in turbulent times and experienced with the impact of several major hurricanes, Varlack's goal was to make a difference and his philosophy was to enhance the organizational assets beyond where he found them.

Varlack regards the VINP to be the most unique place to work. He considers the park to be both

gratifying and challenging, as it gives one the opportunity and privilege to participate in the preservation and development of its many diverse assets. During his tenure with the VINP, Varlack was responsible for the oversight of large dollar projects ranging from \$250,000 to \$3.5 million.

Some of these projects encompassed the new visitors' center; Trunk Bay and Hawksnest Bay restoration sites; Lind Point Employee Housing Complex; phase two of the North Shore Road; Cruz Bay overlook; and the Hassel Island Creque Marine Project, to name a few.

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Varlack was also responsible for managing an annual operating budget of \$1.5 million and special project monies, which exceeded millions of dollars.

Among Varlack's most memorable experiences are the visitors, residents and volunteers he encountered daily in the VINP; the restoration of Hassel Island's historical resources; and landscaping restoration of the Annaberg Old School House Trail and Reef Bay Great House.

As Varlack ends his 31-and-a-half-years of federal service and tenure with the VINP, he is overjoyed to recognize and acknowledge that the current Superintendent, Mark Hardgrove, is also a visionary pioneer.



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Supect Arrested in St. John Money Gram Robbery

St. John Tradewinds

Police on St. John arrested Cleavon V. Thomas at 11 a.m. Wednesday, August 6. Details of the arrest were approved for public release on Thursday.

Thomas was charged with first degree robbery and possession of a dangerous weapon during the commission of a crime of violence in connection with the Saturday, August 2, robbery of a Money Gram office in the St. John Lumberyard complex.

Thomas, a 28-year-old St. Thomas resident of Estate Tutu, allegedly walked into the Money Gram office and pointed a gun at the employee and demanded money, according to police reports.

Thomas took approximately \$700 in cash and two cell phones from the business before leaving the area,

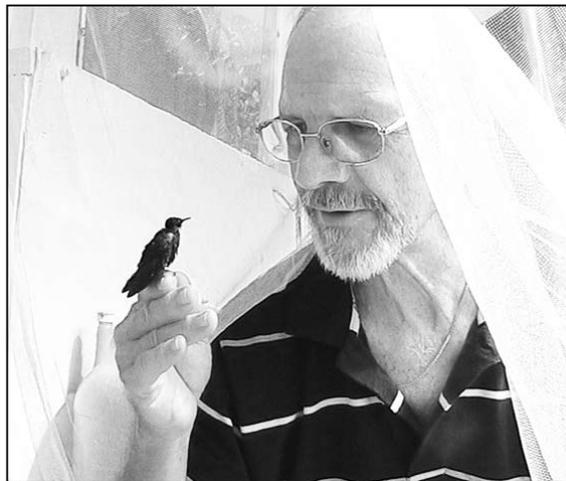
according to police.

V.I. Police Department officers were still following up on related leads and did not immediately release the information on the arrest of Thomas.

Thomas was positively identified through a photo line up and police said he admitted to the crime during his interview at the Investigation Bureau on St. John.

VIPD Commissioner James McCall applauded the fast and effective police work done by the St. John Investigation Bureau in locating and apprehending this suspect.

Thomas was held on \$100,000 bail by order of the court.



St. John Tradewinds News Photo Courtesy of the Wilkinsons.

Bob Wilkinson, above, and his wife Claire, above right, have enjoyed caring for the two hummingbirds, whom they have named Roscoe and Matilda.

Coral Bay Couple Fills In As Parents To Hummingbird Fledglings

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

When two hapless hummingbirds landed in their laps several weeks ago, Coral Bay live aboard sailors Bob and Claire Wilkinson didn't know what to do, except care for the tiny fledglings.

Almost six weeks later, the birds are healthy and flexing their wings. The Wilkinsons expect the two — whom they've dubbed Roscoe and Matilda — to be ready to take off on their own soon.

"On June 27, a couple on a sailboat in Coral Bay came over to our boat and said they were sailing out of here to Virgin Gorda and then the states," said Bob Wilkinson. "They had a hummingbird nest with two babies who were just born under the bottom step of the ladder on the transom of their boat."

Short Notice

"They were leaving in two hours," Wilkinson continued. "They carried the nest over to our boat and said, 'here they are.' The nest was only as big as a half of a chicken

egg and the birds were about the size of a cherry."

The Wilkinsons took the nest and hung it in the shade on the side of their houseboat. Next the couple hit the internet researching all they could about hummingbirds.

With their application in the works to become certified to handle hummingbirds — necessary since almost 10 percent of the 328 species of hummingbirds are endangered — the Wilkinsons ordered protein and nutrient-rich nectar solution.

"Are You My Mother"

As the couple administered regular feedings, it didn't take long for the hummingbirds to look at the Wilkinsons as their providers.

"When we got them, they were probably five or six days old," said Bob Wilkinson. "Every time we walked near them, they would open their mouths. At first we fed them by dipping a number two watercolor paintbrush in sugar water."

For the first few weeks, the tiny birds

were totally dependent on the Wilkinsons for nourishment, explained Bob Wilkinson.

Feedings Four Times An Hour

"We had to feed them every 15 minutes for two weeks," he said. "One of us would be here with them all day. Thankfully they slept all night."

"Their respiration, heartbeat and metabolism all slow down, so they can go all night without being fed," Wilkinson said. "But at first light, they needed food. So we were up at 5 a.m."

Protected under a mosquito net on the aft of their houseboat and rapidly growing from the nectar solution — as well as fruit flies and flowers — the Wilkinsons have watched the fledglings gain strength and courage.

Feeding From Flowers

"They are doing really well," said Bob Wilkinson. "They started flying about two weeks ago and they're learning to feed off the flowers. Roscoe is the acrobat and the show-off."

"Matilda is about 10 days behind Roscoe

in terms of development," Wilkinson continued.

The birds even respond to the sound of the Wilkinsons' voices, Bob Wilkinson added.

"We're their mom and dad," he said. "They get really active when we talk to them. They definitely know our voices."

While being around animals is nothing new for the Wilkinsons, who owned a 110-acre farm in Maine filled with horses, cows, pigs, geese and turkeys, this is their first close encounter of the avian type.

Rewarding Experience

"We're both very comfortable with animals, but this is an entirely new experience for us," said Bob Wilkinson. "It's been a very rewarding thing to do. It's been a lot of work too, but most rewarding things take work."

The Wilkinsons expect Roscoe and Matilda to leave the sanctuary of their mosquito net within the next couple of weeks and promise to keep the *St. John Tradewinds* updated.



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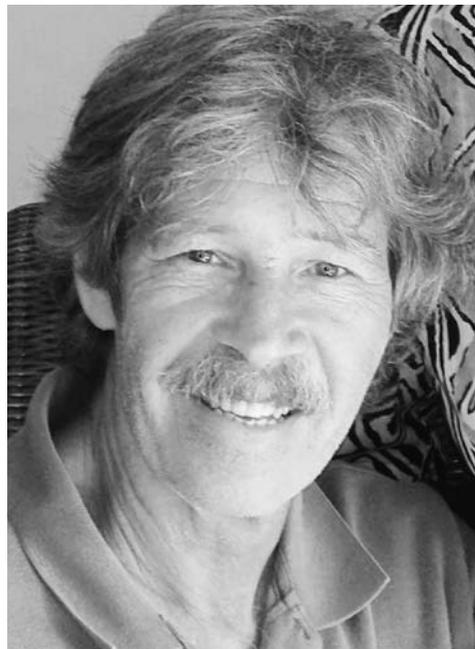
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By Paul Devine
St. John Tradewinds

Paul Devine, the current executive director of the St. John Community Foundation, will be keeping all residents abreast of community happenings in this monthly forum. Read on to hear about all the latest goings-on about St. John.

What's New?

Paul Devine has been selected as the Executive Director of the St. John Community Foundation and he's ready to go!

New Arts and Cultural Center

The SJCF is now planning for a new building and park located next to Bellevue Village. This historic site has beautiful views and a great central location.

St. John needs a place to enjoy nature, attend events and enjoy the serenity of our beautiful island. A multi-purpose center

where various St. John organizations can meet and display art and culture is planned.

The grounds will be a garden atmosphere where residents can sit back, relax and play a game of checkers, walk, jog or just meander around the old ruins or meet friends for lunch.

The SJCF is excited about the possibilities and they have made this project their number one priority. Of course, they will need the support of the community to make it a reality.

SJCF members are now accepting support of all kinds and need architects, planners, builders, engineers, designers and fundraisers to join their team. Remember, donations of money and time to the foundation are completely tax-free!

If you, or your business or organization want to be involved, please call Paul at 693-9410 or email allawe@sjcf.org

The SJCF exists to serve the community of St. John and they are looking for projects, ideas and programs. Anyone who wants to be involved should call today!

The new SJCF office is located conveniently on the third floor of The Marketplace in Office Suites II, Room 105. Drop in and say hello or call them at 693-9410

Planning is the Key!

Congratulations to the Coral Bay Community Council on their \$300,000 grant to

provide land and water use planning. This type of community action can only serve to help us plan well into the future. Please support the CBCC on their new venture.

Our Youth Need You!

The community needs support for all youth activities and a Boy Scout troop on St. John is one everyone should consider. Boy Scout leaders are needed who can volunteer two hours a week in the early evening and a few weekends a year.

Meetings are hosted at the Cruz Bay Lutheran Church hall. Plans for Jamborees are already in the works right here on St. John!

Also needed are volunteer instructors in arts, crafts, hiking, swimming, boating and more. This program can give boys a sense of environment and will allow them to learn skills which can last a lifetime.

A small Cub Scout pack has already been formed under the guidance of Sgt. Brown. Boy Scouts would be the perfect compliment. The help of the community is always needed and welcome.

With some community support we can have the Boy Scouts up and running soon with Girl Scouts beginning in the spring. This is a satisfying way to help our youth with a small investment in time. All training is provided by the Virgin Islands Boy Scout Council.

Call Devine today at 693-9410 to regis-

ter your child or to volunteer. You'll be glad you did!

Calling All Green Thumbs!

We are always looking for ways to beautify the island. Beauty starts with nature and an effort to form an advisory group of gardeners is in the works.

St. John Garden Club members should be familiar with indigenous plants, flowers and herbs. Anyone who is interested in joining the 10-member garden club, please call Devine at 693-9410 today!

How Can You Help?

The various community groups on St. John are always looking for volunteers.

— The Animal Care Center shelter needs walkers and financial support.

— St. John Community Foundation will be needing technical assistance and funding support for the new Arts and Culture Center.

— The American Legion Youth Flag Football League needs coaches and referees for its fall program.

Individuals and businesses can help with these programs by donating time and money. In most instances donations are tax free!

What Do You Want?

Keep me informed if you have a new project or an existing program that needs help. Please contact Paul Devine at 693-9410 or 514-6615.

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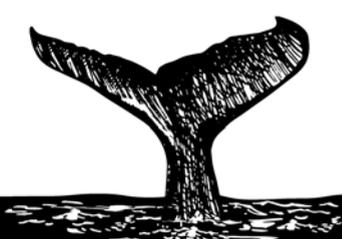
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Paws for a Moment

The Beach Bar's "Bar Wars" Benefit ACC

By Bonny Corbeil
St. John Tradewinds

Proceeds from the Beach Bar's annual "Bar Wars" party this year went to the Animal Care Center. This fabulously fun event was Saturday afternoon, August 2.

The usual sandy beach in Cruz Bay became the scene of make-shift hoola-hoops and plastic toys as many young 20- to 30-something-year olds with ripped six-pack abs and tiny bikinis — with of course, a healthy sprinkle of old-timers — joined in the fun to once again demonstrate who were the fastest and most efficient bartenders on St. John!

These creative challenges were well attended because of the great organizational skills of the Beach Bar owners Cat Bratten and Allan MacPhee.

The past three years of profits have been generously donated to the St. John ACC. Many local bars were represented and the competition was friendly and fun all around. Our deepest thanks to all who participated in this amazing event!

ACC Board Member, Jen Dale, Animal Shelter Board Chair, Diana Ripley, and myself were present to sell ACC stuff — which was prepared ready to go by Shelter Manager Connie Joseph — and to cheer the contestants on.

We even met St. Croix island shelter volunteers who sailed from the big island to join in the fun, sharing ideas of their own "St. Croix Bartender Olympics."

There was some discussion on "joining together" to get to know and support each island's animal needs better.

Creative ACC Fund Raisers

On a more personal note, I was thrilled to see our young citizens joining in to help our organization — and it was the best time I have had in a long while!

It got me thinking about how wonderful it would be if more businesses hosted their own creative ACC fund raiser. Any takers out there?

Even the smallest fund raising affair would be helpful and greatly appreciated. You could be really creative.

What about a unique "Doggy Party" where you invite neighbors and friends and their pooches — there just aren't enough places where our dogs are invited on this island — for a fun-filled afternoon with donations going to help their homeless pals at the ACC?

Just call us. We will be happy to work with you in your own unique way to "Help Us Care" and manage our shelter costs on St. John.

"No Fleas Please, Flea Market"

The date has been set for the Second Annual ACC Flea Market to be hosted at the Winston Wells ball field again this year on Saturday and Sunday, October 11 and 12, with specific times still to be determined.

It was a huge success last year — and this year it will be even better! It's time now to think about cleaning out those closets.

Keep this event in mind when looking to get rid of gently used furniture, electronics, books, toys, household items, etc. Call the ACC at 774-1625 for more information or if you might need help in trucking bigger items to us. Volunteers will be needed at the event as usual.

Other vendors will be invited to participate as well for a reasonable, minimal fee of \$25 adding to the fun and the ACC "pot."

Last year proved to be one of the most fun "community limin'" events of the year! This is a must for new island residents looking to pick up household items and meet local residents, and long-time residents to rid themselves of "stuff" to start a new season and meet new community members.

Businesses interested in donating old or outdated, but still usable stock or goods are also invited to donate.

**Christmas for the Animals
2008 on December 6 From 5:30
to 9:30 p.m.**

The annual Christmas for the Animals is a fabulous affair. It's a great way to celebrate the season of giving to our furry friends! This island fancy affair is usually hosted at our most beautiful villas.

Last year, the event was outstanding and generously hosted by Liz and Jerry Levy at Kismet Villa. A great time was had by all while raising much needed operational funding for the animals.

The ACC Board is searching for the perfect place to host Christmas for the Animals this year. Would you be willing to offer your villa for this event this year?

The ACC Board does all of the planning; the best chefs on our island generously create the amazing food; and local purveyors donate adult beverages.

Please contact us right away if you would consider hosting this special event as plans need to be initiated. It really is a wonderful way to share your beautiful villa with some of the island's finest folks!

If you have great fund raising ideas or would like to be involved, email me at bonnycorbeil@vipowernet.net.



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Letters to St. John Tradewinds

So, What's in a Color?

Dear Editor,

Animals and plants come in countless colors. People have always pondered the beauty and purpose of color in life. The colors of tropical fish are interesting to ponder. Also the squid and octopus are masters of color change. Field biologists have come up with a number of theories for coloration exhibited by these marine creatures.

Camouflage is one favorite theory. When out snorkeling you'll notice a lot of parrot fish and wrasses blending in with sea grass. Grouper blend in well around sea grass, sand and coral. A personal favorite is the long, narrow trumpet fish hanging vertically in the water mimicking a branch of soft coral. Camouflage could be used to hide from danger or to stalk and attack a victim.

Social display is another theory for color variation. When drifting over a coral reef in the middle of the day you'll see a lot of brightly colored fish. The colors of parrot fish, wrasses, angel fish, butterfly fish, damsel fish and many others are at their brightest and most brilliant. These brightly colored fish are mostly herbivorous and omnivorous grazers. Clear water during the middle of the day when there is good visibility is the safest time for these fish to socialize. Bright and varied colors allegedly display status within their group. It seems like the largest and most colorful behave like they're in charge. The one thing for sure is that mid-morning to mid-afternoon is the best time to see a lot of color on your favorite coral reef.

Deceptive color is another idea. One of the more popular deceptive coloration theories is known as a false eye spot. Around the Caribbean you'll see "four eyed butterfly fish." It has a black spot near the tail fin

that looks just like the black spot covering the fish's eye. Supposedly this makes it difficult to tell which end is which. I've seen these butterfly fish eaten by predators from both ends.

Regardless of whether or not theories about what fish are doing with their wild colors are correct, color is important. Even more fascinating is that fish can change their color arrangement instantly. Underneath their scales fish have skin. They have skin cells called chromatophores or color cells. They expand or contract these cells to add or subtract color. When a male red band parrot fish sneaks into another male's territory he'll drop his bright male coloration instantly, reverting to a more subdued female coloration. When he gets caught and dashes back to his own territory he'll instantly flash back on his signature dominant male colors. This is fun to watch and the more time spent watching fish the more often you'll see fish turning on and off color. Barracuda in different color phases are easy to spot. The same barracuda can be silver, have silver and black bars, or turn completely black.

Reef squid and octopus both change color instantly. While snorkeling you'll see reef squid in mid-water. They'll flash colors like a light show right before your eyes. An octopus on the move will keep changing color to match its surroundings. These animals have chromatophores like fish. Each color cell has only one color. It's a multitude of different cells contracting and expanding that cause color changes.

So, what's in a color? If you're a fish or squid, color is life or death. Color is mating success. Color is property management. Color is important.

Captain Grumpy

Trunk Bay Visitor Impressed with Glen Sprauve's Quiet, Calm Professionalism

V.I. National Park Superintendent,

I am a retired Senior Police Officer who served 25 years with the Gresham Police Department in Gresham, Oregon. I served in several capacities in my career, including Field Training Officer, CSI and Homicide/Sex Crimes Investigator.

On Sunday, June 15, at approximately 2 p.m. I was visiting Trunk Bay with my wife. I was in the area of the concessions stand and noticed an extremely intoxicated man. His impairment was such that I would have estimated his BAC to be between .20 and .25 percent (highly intoxicated).

The subject had his wallet, money and personal effects spread over a table and was not being aware of his personal security.

Your maintenance employee Glen Sprauve happened by and observed the intoxicated subject. Without request or prompting, Mr. Sprauve ascertained the situation and contacted the subject to check his welfare.

Sprauve first suggested, for his own personal safety, that the subject gather up his valuables. He then politely and tactfully made inquiry as to the subject's mode of transport to town.

He confirmed that the subject was not driving and

reminded him that the taxis here are frequent and relatively inexpensive. Eventually, the subject gathered up his possessions and departed without further incident.

I had remained in close physical proximity to observe and assist in the event the subject became violent with your employee. I observed the interaction closely. I did not identify myself to Sprauve because it was clear he had the situation well in control.

In my opinion, during this incident Mr. Sprauve displayed a quiet, calm professionalism that reflected highly on your organization and its employees.

He showed friendly concern, high attention to duty and great skill at effectively dealing with, but not escalating, the situation. He was also aware of the greater public safety risk (outside the park) presented by a drunk driver.

I am aware of the difficult, tedious and sometimes dangerous nature of public service. In my opinion, Glen Sprauve reflects the highest traditions of the National Park Service.

**Respectfully,
Paul Poitras**

Letters to St. John Tradewinds

Tourist Received Excellent Service from Taxi Driver Bernard Hendricks

V.I. National Park Superintendent,

This letter is regarding taxi driver Bernard Hendricks, I do not know his taxi number.

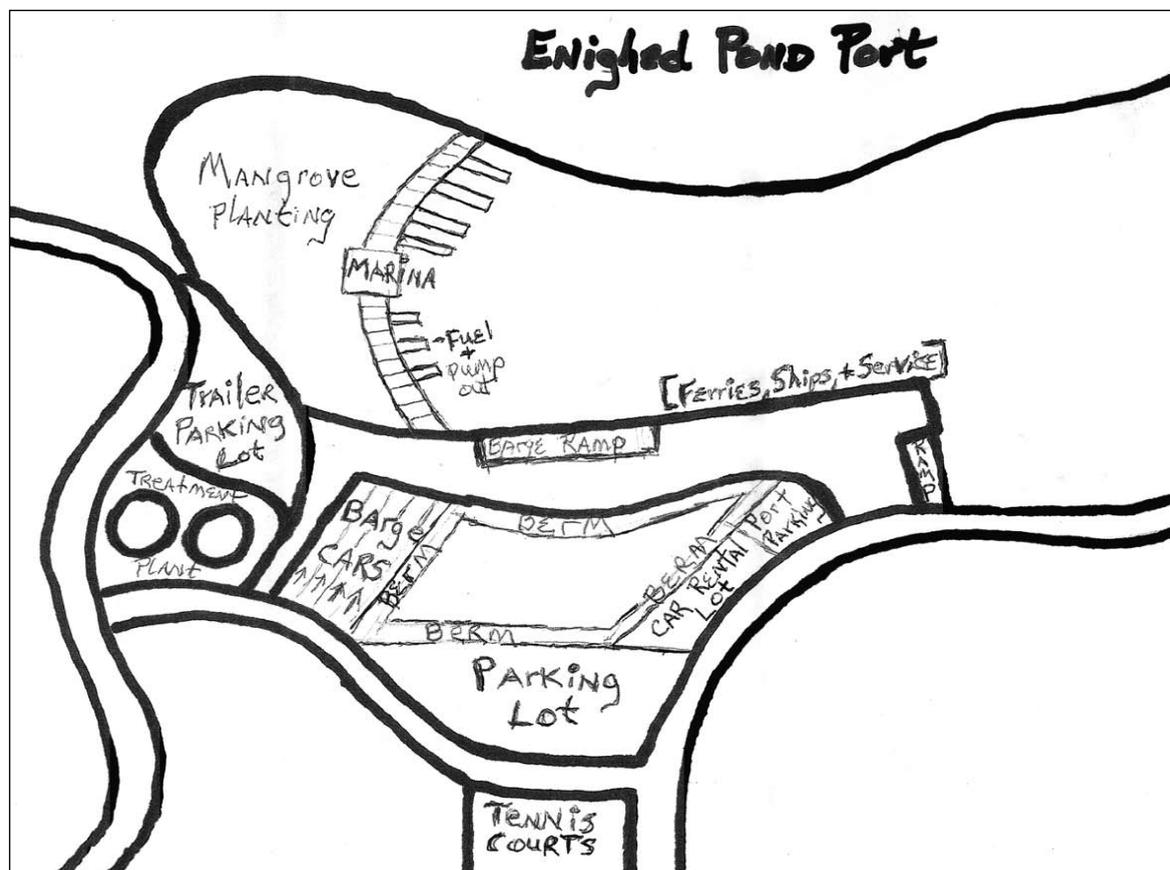
I have been on St. John many times, but this trip I came alone for some mental rejuvenation and had to

rely on taxis.

I used Bernard all week. He was nice, courteous and a safe driver. I hope he will be recognized.

Name withheld

A Simple Solution to Cruz Bay's Parking and Congestion Problems



Mr. Cassan Pancham, Chairman
Mr. Ken Hobson, Interim Executive Director
Virgin Islands Port Authority Governing Board,

I respectfully wish to submit for consideration to the Virgin Islands Port Authority Governing Board an issue which cries for attention on St. John.

The Port Authority is strangling Cruz Bay!

.... and in just a few days of effort, at almost no expense, St. John could be changed to having parking, far less congestion, a better managed town, and the Port Authority could earn more income. With a little earth change using a backhoe, and some Enighed Pond and Creek Harbor management, the Cruz Bay area could be vastly improved.

Presently, Cruz Bay is a parking nightmare harming businesses and frustrating residents and visitors.

Vehicles cruise through town endlessly searching for a parking spot.

Industrial activities are a centerpiece of our town with trucking blocking the flow of traffic. Our Creek Harbor is so over impacted with dormant ferries and their maintenance that cruise ship passengers wonder who's in charge.

The Creek bulkhead is so crowded that boats and charters must hover, floating in circles, to get to Customs and the fuel dock. Vehicle parking on the landing is filled with car rentals, taxis, and cars parked all day. Cruz Bay is a scene of chaos and bad management.

For years we have been promised by three governors that we would soon hire a "planner." For the past three years, the Port Authority has said that the Creek Harbor would be "master planned," yet nothing has

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St. John Tradewinds Keeping Track

2007 FINAL COUNT

Homicide: 3
Solved: 0

Shootings: 2
Under Investigation: 1
Solved: 1

Stabbings: 0
Under Investigation: 0
Solved: 0

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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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Homicide: 0
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Armed Robberies: 2
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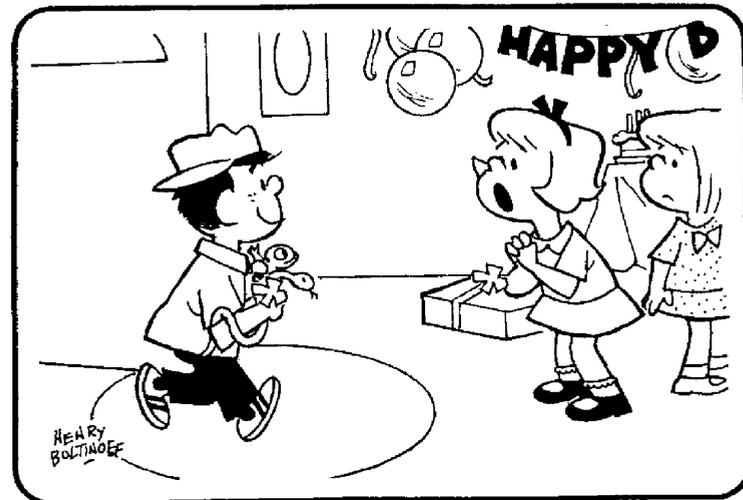
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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

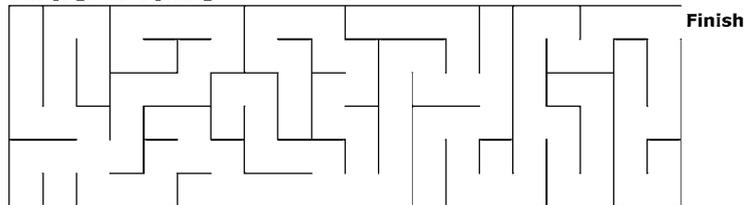


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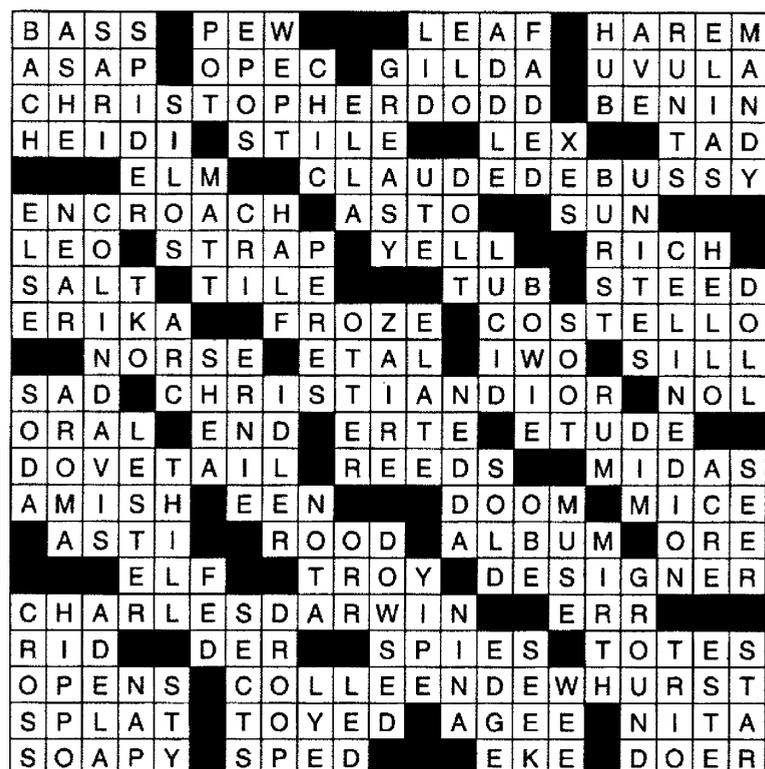
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A Simple Solution to Cruz Bay's Parking Problems

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changed for the better.

Even if deJongh Architectural does design a better Creek, we have years until design, funding, and construction brings that to fruition.

However, there are some very simple solutions which can be implemented immediately, without any significant costs, which could relieve our problems while other changes may be considered.

Many of these changes will also enhance the Port Authority's income. These solutions I am asking for you to consider are:

The Enighed Pond Port

There is a four- to five-acre parcel of land at the Enighed Pond surrounded by a berm mound wall and a chain-link fence. For years this berm wall has been drying, especially during our drought.

This suggestion is to have a backhoe move this berm wall and fence in towards the middle of the parcel on some of the sides and away from the road. This will create a large parking lot for possibly hundreds of vehicles across from the tennis courts.

On another side, near the service entrance to the port, moving this berm mound inwards can create a staging area for the vehicles wishing to board the barges.

On another side, along the Pond Road, moving this berm wall inwards could create a "rental car lot," where all rental cars can be stored outside of town.

Thus, by just moving the fill inwards, without the expense of trucking any material, the area could provide a massive parking area for long term, commuter, town employee vehicles and car rentals.

The vehicles waiting on the barges presently line up in an area used by trucks and trailers, with a new barge waiting area this chaos would be eliminated. These parking lots and the barge entrance area won't even need paving at first, at the most some clean fill and gravel would be sufficient.

Next, at the Enighed Pond, almost half of the port's dock is never used. To this portion of the dock all of the dormant ferries, maintenance activities, and the Leyland Sneed could be moved from the Creek. This will free up the Creek Harbor to better uses.

Finally, at the Enighed Pond Port, there could be developed a very simple marina. Separating the Port

from the planted mangroves is a metal wall from the port entrance to Contant Hill.

Along this metal wall could be built a wooden boardwalk and some finger piers. There could be a "pump out station" using the adjacent wastewater treatment plant; and there could be a "fuel dock" for fueling the many vessels in the area.

A marina boat service area could be established at the Contant end of the boardwalk. This instant marina would need very few permits and could be developed as a public/private enterprise which could definitely benefit the Port Authority coffers.

Creek Harbor

With all of the dormant ferries, ships, and maintenance activities out of the Creek Harbor and relocated to the Enighed Pond, the Creek is far less impacted.

This opens the area for a better cruise ship passenger activity, short-time parking, and a far better National Park Visitor Center experience. With all of the car rentals stationed at the Pond this opens up so much parking at the creek and at Natures.

There could be installed "parking meters" to help create a "quick stop/move on" sense of parking downtown.

With all of the sitting ferries and ships moved to the Pond, the Creek dock can be used for boats and charters to tie up for Customs, shopping, and provisioning, while the Port Authority collects "dock fees".

These changes will improve our town's ambiance for residents and visitors alike, and the Port Authority can operate the area as a business.

In summary, this is a simple solution benefiting all and enhancing the Cruz Bay area with parking, and a lot less congestion and industrial activity.

These changes are good for the Port Authority and St. John and will bring a sense of calm out of the present madness, simply by "moving some dirt" around.

I am available to meet with you or your Governing Board to further, or better, explain this plan. Please feel free to contact me. I wish to thank you, in advance, for allowing me to present these ideas to your Board.

Sincerely,
Steve Black

Tenth Annual Love City Triathlon and Duathlon Set for August 31

St. John Tradewinds

Now in its tenth year, St. John is gearing up for another fun-packed day of swimming, biking and running at the Love City Triathlon and Duathlon on Sunday, August 31.

With the addition of the duathlon in its second year, anyone can participate without a bike — just swim and run. Both events will start at 7:00 a.m. Athletes should arrive no later than one hour ahead of the start for body marking and any last minute arrangements.

To register on St. John, pick up forms at the Tap Room in Mongoose Junction. Participants can also register online at 8stuffmiles.com by clicking on the St. John Landsharks link.

Race numbers will be distributed at Maho Bay Campground on Saturday, August 30, the night before the race, between 4:00 and 5:30 p.m. A mandatory pre-race meeting will follow at 5:30 p.m. at Maho

Bay.

Once again Love City Landsharks is grateful and fortunate that one of our major sponsors Maho Bay Campgrounds, is offering one free night to registered participants the night before the race. For Caribbean residents, additional nights will receive a 50 percent discount.

There will be no registration the day of the race.

The registration fee is \$30 for individual triathletes and \$25 per person for relay teams. The registration fee for duathletes is \$30.00.

The registration fee includes a T-shirt, goodie bag and a beach picnic after the race.

For additional information please contact Louise Wearmouth, race director of the triathlon, at louise@surbvi.com or Jude Woodcock at 779-1416.

For information on the duathlon contact Jane Thill at 514-6611 or jandathill@gmail.com.

Large Crowd Learns About Redevelopment at V.I. Brownfields Forum

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in the past.”

First Love City Workshop

V.I. Brownfields Program officials host yearly workshops, with this being the first to take place on St. John, explained Pelle.

Participants in the one-day workshop heard from Pelle as well as EPA Region two Brownfields Coordinator Ramon Torres.

Other presenters included Tom Hevner of Maguire Group, who updated officials on the brownfields assessment project, and Rosa Franks, a community coordinator and acting project manager of a brownfields program in San German, Puerto Rico, who spoke about that island's community-wide assessment grant.

“Excellent Turnout”

V.I. Brownfields Program officials were pleased with the high participation at the forum, explained Pelle.

“We had an excellent turnout,” said Pelle. “A lot of people don't know that this program even exists. With this workshop, we're hoping to educate the public.”

“A lot of people can't do this on their own,” Pelle said. “We try to expedite the process and tell people what they have to do.”

For more information about the V.I. Brownfields Program check out their Web site at dprn.gov.vi/dep/brownfields.htm.

Looking To Reduce Injuries, VINP Officials Create Park Safety Plan

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EMS.

“My focus is only on park property but the role of the community comes in because the park itself can't keep track of all injuries,” said Choudhary. “When an injury is reported, sometimes people don't call the rangers directly. Some people call 911 or the hospital.”

“St. John EMS keeps records of all calls made from park property,” Choudhary continued. “Carol Beckowitz has been a big help. VIPD Deputy Chief Darren Foy has been very supportive of the whole project as well.”

Sharing Information

While VIPD and VINP officials have long worked in concert, Choudhary has helped the two entities form a more uniform relationship, she explained.

“There has been a partnership between the park and the police, but now they are going to exchange information on a monthly basis,” said Choudhary. “We're just making things more consistent.”

MKSCHC officials have also jumped on board and will collaborate with park officials, Choudhary added.

“I made one phone call to Tamera Dannewitz for information on injuries in the park and that is all it took,” she said. “They are keeping a record and the park will get that information every month.”

Standardized Safety Assessment

Once all the data is collected, officials will have a better idea of all injuries which occur in the park. And knowing which injuries occur where, is the first step in addressing the risk, Choudhary explained.

“Through the pilot project we will finalize a safety assessment tool,” she said. “It is a standardized tool used at every site to identify risk.”

“We're basically looking at what the risks are, how big the risks are and what the park is going to do about it so that visitors have a safe time,” Choudhary said.

Ensuring safety in the VINP is in everyone's best interest, Choudhary added.

“This is mutually beneficial,” she said. “The whole point of the project is to make the park safer for everyone who uses it.”

Choudhary will return to St. John next summer to assess the safety plan and evaluate its effectiveness.

Hillary McDevitt and Kevin Dippold to Wed August 24 on St. John

St. John Tradewinds

Family and friends are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of Hillary McDevitt and Kevin Dippold.

Hillary McDevitt, who grew up on St. John and

attended the Guy Benjamin School, will wed fiance Kevin Dippold on Sunday, August 24, on St. John. The couple will be accompanied by their two beautiful sons, Gavin and Blake.

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<p>3 Sail Church 10 Sunday Bellevue Community Center</p> <p>Baha'i Community of St. John Race Unity Devotions 7:30 p.m. Fridays; Study Circles 9 a.m. Sundays 776-6316, 776-6254</p> <p>Bethany Moravian Church Cruz Bay, St. John 11 a.m., Sunday School 776-6291</p> <p>Calvary Baptist Church 13 ABC Coral Bay, 776-6304 Sunday School 10 a.m., Sunday evening 6 p.m., Thursday 7 p.m.</p> <p>Christian Ministry Cinnamon Bay Beach Inter-Denominational Sunday 8:30 a.m.</p> <p>Christian Science Society 10:45 a.m. Sunday- Marketplace Wednesday Testimonials 7:45 p.m. on last Wed. of Month</p> <p>The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Sun. 9 a.m., STT. 776-2379 Sun., 5 p.m., STJ, Lumberyard</p> <p>Cruz Bay Baptist Church Sunday 11 a.m., 6 p.m. 776-6315</p> <p>Emmaus Moravian Church Coral Bay, Sun. 9 a.m. 776-6713</p>	<p>Jehovah's Witness 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10 a.m. Sundays (no contact information given)</p> <p>Missionary Baptist Church 9:30 a.m. Sunday Services, 10:45 Worship, Tuesday 7 p.m. Bible Study 693-8884</p> <p>Nazareth Lutheran Church Sunday 9 a.m., Sunday School 8 a.m. 776-6731</p> <p>Our Lady of Mount Carmel Sat. 6 p.m., Sun. 7:30 & 9:30 a.m., Spanish Mass 5:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, 7 p.m. Wednesday and Friday, 8:30 a.m. 776-6339</p> <p>St. John Methodist Church Sunday 10 a.m, 693-8830</p> <p>Seventh Day Adventist Saturdays. 779-4477</p> <p>St. John Pentecostal Church Sunday 11:05 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays Prayer 7:30 p.m., Thursdays Bible Study 7:30 p.m. 779-1230</p> <p>St. Ursula's Episcopal Church Sundays, 8:30 a.m. Bible Class, Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. 777-6306</p> <p>Unitarian Universalist Fellowship 9:45 a.m. Sunday, 776-6332</p> <p>Word of Faith Church Sunday, March 2, at 1 p.m. at the Giff Hill School. Call 774-8617</p>
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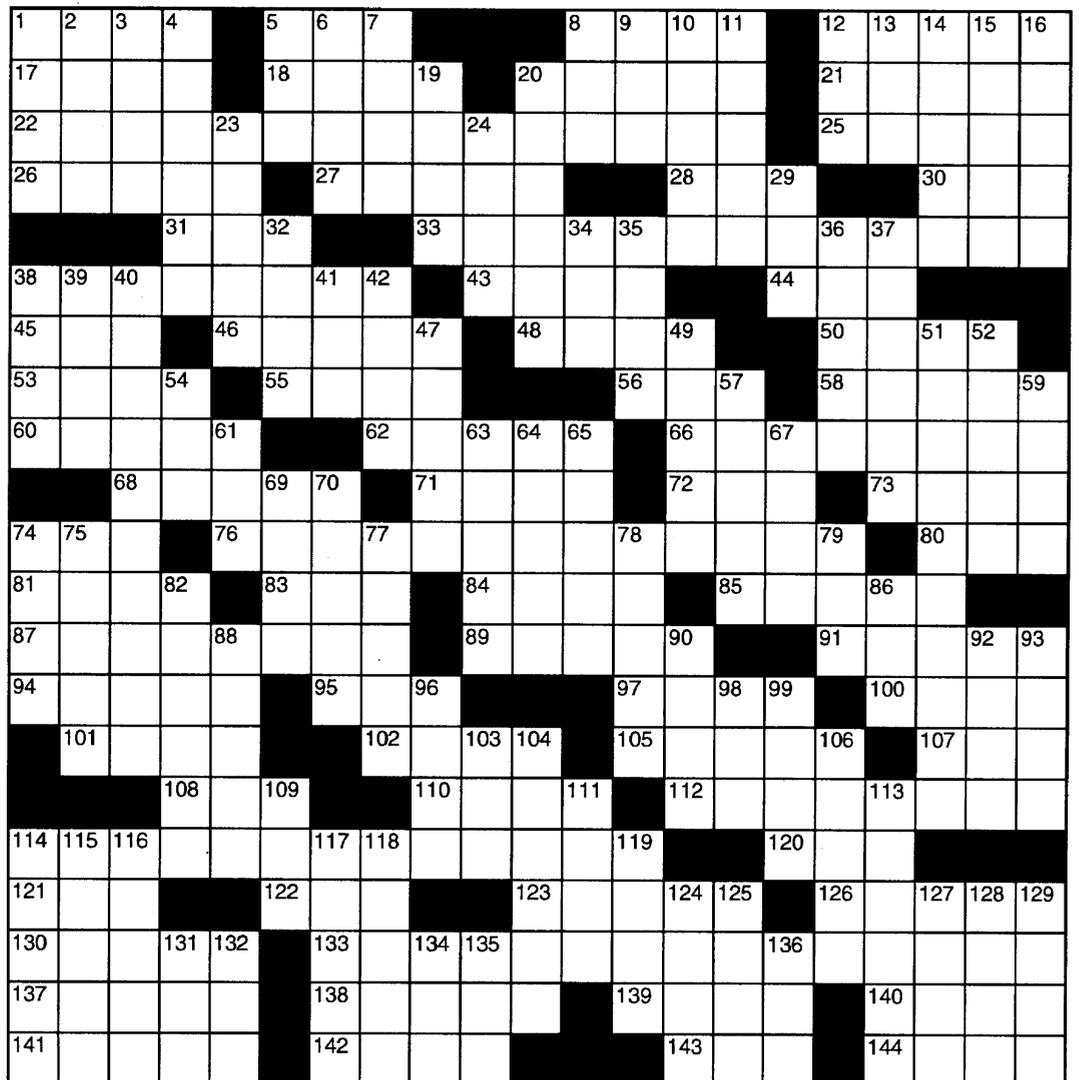
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Community Calendar

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.

Tuesday, August 19

There will be a meeting of the St. John Chapter of the St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, August 19, at 5:30 p.m. at St. Ursula's Multipurpose Center.

Saturday, August 23

Volunteers are needed on Saturday, August 23, from 9 to 11 a.m. to repair, clean and paint the playground at Guy Benjamin Elementary School before school starts. Everyone is welcome.

Wednesday, August 27

A Pre-primary Candidates Forum will be hosted on Wednesday, August 27, at 6:30 at the Westin. Resort and Villas. All Senatorial and Delegate Candidates are invited to participate, whether or not they are in a primary race.

Saturday, September 13

Saturday, September 13, will be the primary election day in the territory.

Tuesday, September 23

There will be a meeting of the St. John Chapter of the St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, September 23, at 5:30 p.m. at St. Ursula's Multipurpose Center.

Saturday, October 4

Saturday, October 4, is the last to register to vote in the general election in the Virgin Islands.

Horoscope by Natasha Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Impatience is still somewhat of a problem. But a sign of progress should soothe the anxious Aries heart. Meanwhile, invest some of that waiting time in preparing for the change ahead.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Bovines tend to excel at solving problems, not creating them. But you risk doing just that if you're slow to respond to a timely situation. If necessary, seek advice from someone you trust.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) The Gemini Twin might need to do more than a routine check of both a joblinked and home-based situation. Dig deeper for more data on both fronts to avoid unwanted surprises later.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Moon Children facing an important workplace decision are encouraged to use their perceptiveness to see through any attempt to win them over with a supercharge of fawning and flattery.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Good news catapults Leos and Leonas into reconsidering a deferred decision. But time has moved on, and it's a good idea to recheck your plans and make adjustments where necessary.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The week favors relationships, both personal and professional. Take the time to look for and immediately repair any vulnerable areas caused by unresolved misunderstandings.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A friend's problems bring out your protective instincts. Be

careful to keep a balance between meeting the obligations of friendship without being overwhelmed by them.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) The temptation to take an extreme position on an issue is strong, but moderation is favored both in personal and professional dealings. Move toward finding areas of agreement.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Getting another boss or teacher? Try to see the person behind the image. It will help you adjust more easily to the changes that new authority figures inevitably bring.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Much as you might dislike the idea, keep an open mind about using the assistance of a third party to help resolve problems that threaten to unravel an important agreement.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Music helps restore the Aquarian's spiritual energies this week. Take someone you care for to a concert of your musical choice. Also, expect news about a workplace matter.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A challenge that seems easy enough at first could take an unexpected turn that might test your resolve. Decide if you feel you should stay with it, or if it's better to move in another direction.

BORN THIS WEEK: You can be strong when standing up for justice, both for yourself and for others.

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St. John Police Report

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Friday, July 25

2:45 p.m. - Management of Caribbean Villas c/r a burglary. Burglary in the third.
2:50 p.m. - A resident c/r an auto accident on Centerline Road. Auto accident.

Saturday, July 26

1:10 p.m. - Management of Dolphin Market c/r a larceny. Petit larceny.

Sunday, July 27

6:00 a.m. - An Estate Grunwald resident r/ someone broke into his residence.
8:00 a.m. - A Coral Bay resident p/r his minor daughter missing. Missing minor.

Monday, July 28

4:50 p.m. - A resident c/r that he was being assaulted. Simple assault.
5:50 p.m. - A citizen c/r that a person was trapped under a vehicle and needed assistance. Accidental injury.
7:50 p.m. - A citizen p/requesting assistance for chest pain. Police assistance.

Tuesday, July 29

11:00 a.m. - Management of Rhumb Lines restaurant r/ a burglary at said business. Burglary in the third.

Thursday, July 31

10:35 a.m. - An employee at KatiLady c/r an incident. Police assistance.

Friday, August 1

9:00 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident p/r that he was assaulted in his house.

Saturday, August 2

9:00 a.m. - A citizen r/ an auto accident on Centerline Road by the look-out. Auto accident.

3:05 p.m. - Management of the Lumberyard complex c/r a robbery at Money Gram. Robbery in the second.

4:36 p.m. - Employee at the Beach Bar c/r a larceny. Petit larceny.

7:40 p.m. - Badge #90 p/ at Jurgen Command with one Sherron Charles and Malik Cheatham under arrest and charged with possession with intent to distribute and conspiracy.

Sunday, August 3

2:00 a.m. - A resident p/r that someone threatened to kill him. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

3:45 a.m. - A resident p/r that someone is on her porch with a machete. Distur-

bance of the peace.

11:15 a.m. - A citizen c/r a burglary at Margarita Phil's in Cruz Bay. Burglary.

3:00 p.m. - A citizen c/r a dispute with her landlord. Police assistance.

No time given - An Estate Enighed resident p/r that someone pulled up his hand brake in his vehicle causing same to crash. Auto accident.

Monday, August 4

9:20 a.m. - A citizen r/ that an unidentified man harassed her.

6:40 p.m. - A resident c/r that she found someone in her yard.

10:25 p.m. - A resident c/r that his mother died. D.O.A.

Tuesday, August 5

7:39 a.m. - An Estate Grunwald resident c/r that someone burglarized her home. Burglary in the third.

6:50 p.m. - St. John Rescue member r/ a disturbance in Coral Bay where an individual brandished a handgun.

8:33 p.m. - A Bellevue Village resident p/r that she had a verbal dispute with her ex-boyfriend. Police assistance.

Wednesday, August 6

9:23 a.m. - An employee of Giffit Hill School c/r that someone broke into a vehicle on the school's property. Petit larceny.

11:00 a.m. - 74A present with one black male under arrest and charged with robbery.

6:07 p.m. - An Estate Caneel Bay resident p/r that her ex-boyfriend physically removed her from his truck while she was demanding money. Police assistance.

Thursday, August 7

7:15 a.m. - An Estate Bovoni resident c/r a disturbance in the area of the Westin Resort and Villas. Simple assault.

9:05 a.m. - An Estate Concordia resident r/ an auto accident in the area of The Marketplace. Auto accident.

2:45 p.m. - An Estate Pastory resident c/r his sons were involved in a physical altercation. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

Friday, August 8

10:40 a.m. - A citizen p/r that someone hit his vehicle while it was parked. Auto accident.

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GARDEN BY THE SEA Bed and Breakfast is a quaint Caribbean home with West Indian gingerbread architecture and island style furnishings. Live in the spacious newly renovated owners apartment while renting the 3 income producing a/c units. There is room for expansion to a maximum of 12 units as per the R-4 zoning. Outstanding rental history and just a short walk to Cruz Bay Town as well as Frank and Turner Bays. \$1,800,000.

RENDEZVOUS GARDENS Finish building a beautiful home with outstanding westerly views. Stonework highlights the upstairs master suite, ensuite bath and kitchen/greatroom. Walls and roof are complete. Beautiful landscaping. Plenty of room to add. .46 acre \$1,095,000

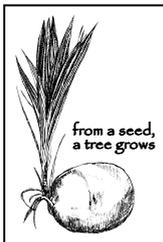
FUN AND CONTENTMENT New masonry home with 180° views Coral Bay & BVI. Tiled pool deck, 2 large ac. master suites. Stainless appliances, mahogany hardwoods, hurricane windows and doors, tasteful furnishing, stone accents. Plans for 3 more bdrms. \$1,500,000

ISLAND MANOR Hear and view the surf of beautiful Hart Bay. Walk to Hart Bay or Chocolate Hole Beach. Newly remodeled offering 4 bdrms with ensuite baths and elegant furnishings sited on .51 acre. Spacious kitchen with granite countertops, stainless steel appliances that opens to living room and pool deck. Multi-level floor plan offers privacy. **REDUCED TO \$1,700,000. SELLERS ARE MOTIVATED.**

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AURORA - Luxurious four bedroom / four 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

LOCATION, LOCATION! - Dramatic cliffside setting, on coveted Maria Bluff, with sunrise to sunset views. three bedroom / two bath stone and concrete home with large wraparound veranda, travertine floors, mahogany cabinetry, tile roof, large spa, full air conditioning, large circular drive. \$1,995,000.

BAYVIEW - is a very private villa bordering the National Park, just minutes from Maho Beach. Traditional masonry design with two buildings connected by sunny pool, decks and patio. Amazing 280 degree views overlooking Francis Bay and Northshore, plus Coral Bay and BVI's. Excellent vacation rental history. \$1,695,000.

PERELANDRA - is a romantic two bedroom, 2 bath Caribbean style villa offering stunning panoramic views and evening sunsets, privacy, convenient location and comfortable elegance. Nestled high on the hillside above Cruz Bay with lush gardens and a private pool. \$1,235,000.

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.

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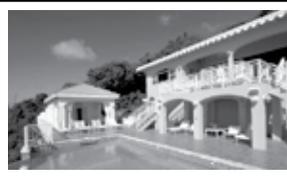


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INCREDIBLE FISH BAY VALUE! 4 bed/2 bath home with huge panoramic views and quiet location. **\$750,000.**

"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 separate studio downstairs. View to Tortola. **\$415,000.**



OWN A MONTH (OR MORE) in a 3 or 4 bedroom luxury home. Magnificent views and sunsets from 3 homes with all amenities, pools w/ waterfalls and spas, deeded home ownerships from **\$79,000.**

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 bedrm 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**

CORAL BAY LAND

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**
Mandahl, .233 acre, Flat grade, walk to beaches. **\$145,000**



BEAUTIFUL EAST END LOT with gorgeous sweeping views across Round Bay to Coral Harbor from this moderately sloped East End parcel located near the end of the roadway in this quiet neighborhood. Deeded access to homeowners' waterfront lot. **\$695,000.**

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.

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.**

"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.**

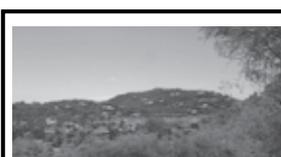
"VIRGIN GRAND ESTATES" Gated community featuring underground utilities, paved roads, & gorgeous sweeping views. Five fabulous lots ranging from **\$469,000 to \$785,000.**

"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.**

"AZURE BAY" ESTATES IN CONTANT .5 ac. with 180 degree views over Pillsbury Sound to St. Thomas & St. James islands. Quiet, breezy convenient to Cruz Bay. Owner financing. **\$650,000.**

FISH BAY - Two Great oversized parcels - one with cistern slab, well, and active plans/permits in place and one lot with expansive views, cooling breezes & paved access. **\$389,000-\$438,000.**



GREAT CRUZ BAY .78 AC. "HARBOUR VIEW" Walk to Westin & amenities! Paved private road, underground utilities, great rental area. **\$525,000.**



"WHISTLING CAY" Striking water views & ample breeze from this "Upper Peter Bay" lot. Located just minutes from some of the most spectacular beaches in the Caribbean, including Peter Bay. **\$2,800,000.**

Condos & Timeshares

"VILLA LEE ANNA" Cozy 2 bedroom condo with water views. Easy walk to Cruz Bay and low condo fees. **\$325,000.**

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

"RAINBOW'S END" Battery Hill condo, 2 bedrms, poolside, close to town. **Priced to Sell! \$585,000.**

BEACHFRONT "GRANDE BAY" RESORT Condo under construction, overlooking Cruz Bay Harbor. Walk to town & restaurants. 2 bedrm **\$799,000.**

"GALLOWS 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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Commercial Opportunity

SATYAMUNA - FOOD FOR THE SOUL is a healthy vegetarian restaurant and small health food store, with friendly outdoor cafe seating. Large local and tourist following, tons of growth potential - perfect business for a hands on owner. Prime location, great foot traffic, ample parking. **\$59,000.**



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