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## EASTER DELIGHT

Each Easter for the past four years Sprauve Librarian Carol McGuinness painstakingly paints a basketfull of eggs in the traditional Ukranian style and displays them at the library for the public to enjoy. **Story on Page 10.**

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## Cement Spill Near Reef Bay



This photo was snapped by an island resident on Saturday, March 21, near Reef Bay.

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## Crime Stoppers USVI Needs Your Help

Do you know a fugitive from justice? Call Crime Stoppers

### *St. John Tradewinds*

Crime Stoppers is asking the community to help the V.I. Police Department solve the following crimes, and would like to remind the public that any information, no matter how insignificant, may be just what the police need to solve these cases.

#### **St. John**

Police are seeking information on anyone who may be living on St. John or anywhere in the Virgin Islands who is a fugitive from justice. If you know, or suspect, that anyone is a fugitive, please call with as much information as possible.

#### **St. Croix**

VIPD are asking the community's help to solve the 2008 homicide of Wilfredo Garcia who died from multiple gunshot wounds on Feb 27, 2008 on King Street, Christiansted across from St. John's Episcopal Church. This crime happened about 7:30 p.m. on a busy street so someone must have seen something.

#### **St. Thomas**

Police are asking the community for any information on persons who possess or sell illegal firearms that continue to be

a threat to our way of life. When you call, please give information on the persons' description, name or alias, residence, what car they drive, and where they hang out.

Crime Stoppers has made impressive progress since its launch 11 weeks ago. To date, we have received 77 anonymous tips. Twelve tips resulted in four arrests, recovery of stolen property and illegal drugs, and the closure of 11 cases, which will pay tipsters eight cash rewards up to \$2,500 each.

In one case, a tip to Crime Stoppers led police to recover illegal drugs near a place of business. This tipster is eligible for a reward equal to 10 percent of the drug's street value.

In a second case, a tip gave the exact location of a wanted criminal, leading to the arrest. This tipster is eligible for a \$2,500 cash reward.

In a third case where five separate tips led to the arrest of two robbery suspects, those tipsters will share a \$2,500 cash reward. In a fourth case the tipster gave the name of the person who burglarized a home leading to the suspect's arrest and the recovery of the stolen property. This tipster

receives a reward of \$1,000.

"The community has had enough of the criminal element in the territory, and they are taking a stand against crime," said VIPD Lt. Thomas Hannah, Crime Stoppers Law Enforcement Police Coordinator. "Citizens are talking more to police, including reporting information anonymously via Crime Stoppers without fear of retribution. The amount of detail in some of these tips is amazing."

"If criminals haven't gotten the message yet, they will," said Hannah. "The community is no longer tolerating their criminal activities."

Community members can submit tips to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS. The tips are completely anonymous. Tipsters are not asked for their name, the call is not recorded, cannot be traced, and the stateside operators, who are bi-lingual, will not recognize your voice.

Tipsters can also submit their tips online at [www.crimestoppersvi.org](http://www.crimestoppersvi.org) or by texting "USVI" plus the message to CRIMES (274637), both of which are routed through Canada which allows us to protect the identity of the tipster.

## Open House at the Battery March 30

### *St. John Tradewinds*

This month the Office of the St. John Administrator is hosting an open house at the Battery on Monday, March 30, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. when residents will have the chance to speak with Bureau of Internal Revenue Director Claudette Watson Anderson.

## St. John Montessori School Grand Opening Is Scheduled for April 18

### *St. John Tradewinds*

The students, parents and teachers of the St. John Montessori School, located at the beautiful John's Folly Learning Institute in Coral Bay, will be celebrating the grand opening of the school on Tuesday, April 14, at 1:00 p.m.

The public is invited to attend this event to hear guest speaker Cecile deJongh, First Lady of the territory, discuss the needs and importance of early childhood education.

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## Next RAVI St. John Meeting Is April 21

### *St. John Tradewinds*

The Recycling Association of the Virgin Islands, St. John Chapter, meets monthly on the third Tuesday of every month, at 7 p.m. on the third floor of The Marketplace in the St. John Community Foundation offices. Our next meeting is scheduled for April 21. Everyone is welcome to join. For more information call 693-9410.

## Dr. Moore Is Closing St. John Office

### *St. John Tradewinds*

Dr. Kimberly Moore announces that her office in the Lumberyard is closing. Dr. Moore will be offering her full dental services at her St. Thomas office in the Professional Building on the waterfront. Dr. Moore will cover half of the ferry fare for St. John residents. Anyone in need of their records should call 714-2693.

## Earth Day Is Scheduled for April 20

### *St. John Tradewinds*

Friends of Virgin Islands National Park will host Earth Day 2009. The festivities will kick off with the Friends' annual Earth Day Environmental Fair on Monday, April 20, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the National Park ball field in Cruz Bay. This event is free and open to the public.

Come out and enjoy hands-on eco-activities, solar oven cooking demos, environmental and recycling demonstrations as well as science and "earth art" exhibits. Participants can learn about alternative energies and landscaping with native plants, participate in simulated archeology digs, and much more.

There will be live music and snacks and goodies for kids. All St. John schools have been invited to attend and the public is also welcome.

Monday's Earth Day Fair will be followed by beach and trail cleanups on Saturday, April 25. Participants of the Friends' Adopt-A-Beach/Trail program are asked to remove debris from their adopted beach/trail as part of an island-wide cleanup.

The Adopt-A-Beach/Trail program encourages volunteer groups to adopt a site and become responsible for keeping it clean.

Volunteers are needed to help make these events a success. Anyone interested in volunteering, adopting a beach/trail or joining Friends for a beach cleanup of Drunk Bay 8 a.m. Saturday, April 25, should contact Audrey Penn at the Friends at 779-4940.



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# VIPD Taking Steps Toward Accountability, Working with Community

By Andrea Milam  
St. John Tradewinds

The V.I. Police Department wants to be held accountable for its actions.

That was the resounding message at a Wednesday evening, March 25, Community Integration Team (CIT) meeting at the Giff Hill School. VIPD Commissioner James McCall and VIPD St. John Deputy Chief Darren Foy both urged the public to contact them when problems with local officers arise.

One way residents can help the VIPD be accountable is by calling 911 — not the Leander Jurgen Command directly — in the event of an emergency.

“We want people to call 911 so the call can be taped,” said Foy. “This helps us avoid incidents where an officer doesn’t respond or doesn’t write a report.”

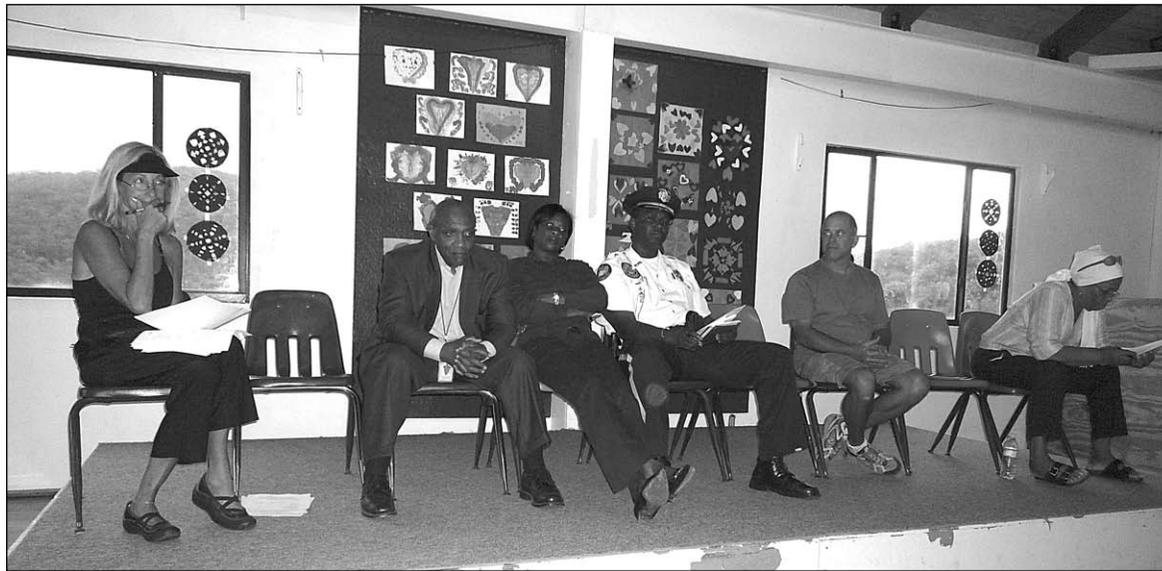
A new state of the art 911 system, based on systems in the states, will be rolled out in June. The dispatch center will move from under the auspices of the VIPD to the V.I. Territorial Emergency Management Agency. Dispatch center employees will be trained to talk residents through emergencies, McCall explained.

“The bar has been raised for dispatch employees,” he said. “A lot of training will take place, and the pay scale will be higher. I feel pretty confident that once this system is rolled out, it’ll be something the community can be proud of.”

The dispatch center will be able to monitor all VIPD cars via GPS, allowing for quicker response times, McCall added. In the meantime, residents are urged to call 911 — or 776-9110 from their cell phones — to provide a record of the call.

“We do go back and replay the tapes,” said the VIPD commissioner. “We hold our people accountable. People have been suspended for their conduct.”

VIPD officers are also being



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Andrea Milam

V.I. Police Department Commissioner James McCall, St. John Administrator Leona Smith and VIPD St. John Deputy Chief Darren Foy, center, along with Community Integration Team board members Helen Simon, left, Tommy Bertolino and Iris Challenger, right, discuss how the St. John community can help improve safety on the island at a Wednesday evening, March 25, CIT meeting at the Giff Hill School.

held accountable with extra training in customer service. Changes were made at the Leander Jurgen Command following complaints, CIT board member Helen Simon explained.

“One of the main issues was staffing and the environment at the downtown station,” said Simon. “The department responded and has made changes.”

Staffing remains an issue for the VIPD due to the isolation and relatively small population in the V.I., according to McCall. It’s also difficult for many of today’s young men and women to pass the initial background check, he added.

“Young people today have little regard for life, property and themselves,” said McCall. “We are dealing with a different breed of individual today. The work ethic of today’s officers is not there.”

The VIPD is taking steps to overcome staffing challenges by recruiting officers from the states, and with its auxiliary program — a great opportunity for supplemental

income in today’s economy, CIT board member Simon explained.

The department is also seeking to hire at least two forensic officers dedicated to the island of St. John. The VIPD is willing to train anyone interested.

Another way the community can help effect change within the department is by making sure the higher-ups are made aware of problems, Foy explained. Officers are required to give their name and badge number when answering the phone at the police station and when responding to a call for help, and victims of crime are allowed a free copy of their police report, which should be ready within 48 hours, according to Foy.

The deputy chief urged the public to call him directly at 642-8441 if any problems arise, including those with officers identifying themselves or obtaining police reports.

“Call the police department with complaints, because we have to be held accountable,” said McCall.

People often don’t report crimes because they are afraid of how they will be treated and whether their case will be treated with confidentiality, however this has to change, explained Simon.

“We have to get involved with making sure victims report the crime,” she said. “Of every four people I talk to, maybe two report the crime. It’s really our responsibility to make that initial call.”

One issue that often plagues St. John — homeless people harassing residents and businesses — can be changed by reporting the problem to the VIPD, Simon explained.

“We recently got three homeless people who were disruptive to the community on both sides of the island in a facility where they’re being evaluated,” she said. “They will be placed appropriately so they won’t be back on the island being disruptive. It came from the community working together.”

The CIT also discussed curbing crime against tourists with initiatives like removing rental car

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bumper stickers, which advertise an easy target to criminals, and removing information from villa rental web sites on which villas are rented when.

The CIT, which works to bring the community together to resolve issues relating to safety and crime, was revitalized one year ago by Governor John deJongh.

For more information on joining the VIPD’s auxiliary service, or on applying for the job of forensics officer, visit [www.vipd.gov.vi](http://www.vipd.gov.vi).

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### NEWS LINE

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## St. Thomas Man Convicted for ‘07 Estate Enighed Shooting, Robbery

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A 12-person jury found 28-year-old Micheal Stanislas guilty of attempted murder, robbery and assault and weapons charges stemming from a December 2007 incident in Estate Enighed.

Stanislas was convicted of the attempted murder of 43-year-old St. John resident Kevin Samuel. Stanislas was also convicted of one count of first degree assault, one count of use of an unlicensed firearm during the commission of

a crime, five counts of first degree robbery, and one count of attempted first degree robbery.

Stanislas, a resident of St. Thomas, shot Samuel in the head and shoulder during the armed robbery attempt which took place on December 28, 2007, at Peter’s Place, also known as Spotlight Bar.

Stanislas and an unknown assailant each brandished a firearm while demanding money and jewelry. In the course of the robbery, Stanis-

las shot Samuel with a .38 caliber revolver.

As Stanislas and his accomplice fled on foot, Sean Claxton brandished a licensed firearm, shooting Stanislas multiple times in the groin, shoulder and buttocks. V.I. Superior Court Judge Leon Kendall remanded Stanislas to the immediate custody of the Bureau of Corrections.

Attorney General Vincent Frazer asks anyone who knows the whereabouts of the unknown assailant to call 776-9110.



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Members of the island’s new flotilla, above, will assist the Coast Guard on a variety of missions, including search and rescue and public education.

## Coast Guard Auxiliary Charters New Flotilla in St. John

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The Coast Guard Auxiliary chartered a new flotilla on Sunday morning, March 22, at the St. John Battery.

Rear Adm. Robert Branham, commander of the Seventh Coast Guard District, joined Delegate to Congress Donna Christiansen for the chartering ceremony for Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 16-3.

St. John native and Coast Guard veteran Cheryl Boynes-Jackson will serve as the interim Flotilla Commander of the unit. The new Flotilla, with 15 charter members, will meet in Cruz Bay and includes volunteers interested in improving Coast Guard missions in the Caribbean.

“The formation of this Flotilla on St. John is an important step in improving boating safety on island,” said Boynes-Jackson. “We are very excited to have this day finally arrive.”

The Coast Guard Auxiliary is an all-volunteer branch of the Coast Guard which assists in promoting boating safety. Flotilla members carry out a variety of Coast Guard missions, including public education programs, vessel safety checks, marine environmental protection, and assisting the Coast Guard with search and rescue missions.



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Delegate to Congress Donna Christiansen, far right, attended the ceremony at the St. John Battery, above.

The Seventh Coast Guard District, as an agency of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, provides prevention and response to marine safety and rescue operations across the southeast United States and the Caribbean.

The Coast Guard Auxiliary augments those efforts through more than 5,700 members in 16 divisions, including more than 100 flotillas. Coast Guard Auxiliary has flotillas on St. Thomas and St. Croix, and the addition of the St. John Flotilla gives the Coast Guard a presence on each of the main Virgin Islands under the

Auxiliary’s Division 16.

“Our new flotilla on St. John gives us complete coverage in the Islands,” said Duane Minton, Division 16 Commander of St. Croix. “It allows us to work better with our partners in the area, including the British Virgin Islands, to protect boaters who live and visit here.”

The 16 new members of the St. John Flotilla bring the total number of members in Division 16 to 88. For more information on becoming members of the Auxiliary can visit the Division 16 website at [www.cgauxvi.org](http://www.cgauxvi.org).

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# Parents Learn About Youth Gangs at JESS Education Forum

By Susan Mann  
St. John Tradewinds

It was standing room only Tuesday, March 24, in the Julius E. Sprauve School cafeteria as parents, educators, and students sought answers about a reported long-standing feud between St. John and Smith Bay youth who attend Ivanna Eudora Kean High School.

About 70 parents and other community members attended the education sponsored meeting.

The issue arose last month, when Department of Education Commissioner Dr. LaVerne Terry met with parents regarding standardized testing. IEK Principal Dr. Sharon McCollum addressed the concern directly.

## Long-standing Problem

"I have been aware of this since I came to work in 1995, so I know it has been a reality at least that long," said McCollum. "Children don't let it go, they keep it going."

As a result of last month's meeting, McCollum met with St. John youth in the school library to hear their concerns. She told parents they should be proud of how well their students were able to state their concerns.

## Transfer to St. Thomas Sooner

Students wished they could begin school at IEK during the ninth grade, instead of waiting until the tenth grade, she explained.

St. John youth also expressed concern about bus transportation when they get off the ferry from school at the end of the school day, said McCollum.

## Security Is A Serious Issue

"We are not here to fight, we are here to



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Susan Mann

Education officials discussed gang related signs at the monthly education forum hosted at JESS on March 24.

join hands," she said. "I take school security very seriously. When I came here six years ago, Kean was out of control with students coming and leaving the campus as they pleased."

"It is completely different now," said McCollum.

## Identifying Gang Involvement

LaVelle Campbell, School Safety Manager for the territory, explained some of the ways parents can identify possible gang involvement in their children, which can start

as early as elementary school.

"For a long time, St. John youth wore green bandanas, next a switch was made to black," said Campbell. "Now some of the youth are wearing both black and blue bandanas, indicating an alliance with the St. Thomas 'Cripps' gang members."

## Keeping An Eye on Students

Campbell meets the early morning ferries carrying Love City students and takes bandanas and any other gang affiliated items away from them, he explained.

The school safety manager had arrived on St. John earlier in the day and found evidence that gang affiliations definitely exist on St. John, he added.

## Graffiti Spotted At JESS

Campbell found gang related graffiti on a wall at JESS which he showed to Principal Mario Francis. Campbell told parents to check and be sure that the only name on a child's book bag was their actual name.

## Watching Students

McCollum said that when she is not in her office early in the morning it is because she is "hiding in the bushes in Red Hook watching what is going on with youth, including those from St. John."

American Yacht Harbor has teamed up with school security to help, explained McCollum.

Security Officers at TuTu Park Mall who see youth out of school uniform during school hours now call IEK and McCollum goes to the mall and picks the truant students up, she added.

Campbell, who has been trained by national experts on gang membership, said he is willing to come back and train St. John parents and other community members if requested.

## Change Is In The Air

"Change is coming, and it is coming in a timely manner," said McCollum.

Before the meeting got underway, Guy Benjamin School students gave a singing and dancing performance and Jahmoi Powell performing "Sentimental Mood" on his saxophone. JESS drummers also performed under the direction of Eddie Bruce.

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GBS students performed for the crowd at Frank Powell Sr. Park, above.

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## "Mano" and "Matey" Honored As Music Series 2009 Wraps Up On St. John

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

V.I. History Month and Music in Schools Month came to life on Tuesday morning, March 24, when St. John residents of all ages gathered at the Frank Powell Park to honor two life-long musicians.

Emmanuel "Mano" Boyd and Liston "Matey" Sewer were honored as part of the "Celebrating Our Sons and Daughters of Music" series sponsored by the V.I. Cultural Heritage Institute, the Department of Education's Cultural Education Division and the V.I. Council on the Arts.

The crowd included the young and old. Showcasing the legacy of Virgin Islands musical traditions, Guy Benjamin School students sang and shared their dancing skills with two Quadrille numbers. Bertha C. Boschulte Middle School (BCB) students made a special trip to St. John to support Sewer, a pan teacher at the school.

Senior citizens and government officials also filled the park, cheering on two men whose music they have enjoyed for years.

"This really is a wonderful thing," said St. John Administrator Leona Smith. "It's great that the kids get to come out and share their musical skills. Matey and Mano have been playing music for donkey years."

Although he moved to New York at a young age, Sewer never forgot his heritage, explained VI Cultural Heritage Institute board member Louis Taylor.



Matey Sewer, left; and Mano Boyd, right.

"Matey was actually arrested in New York," said Taylor. "But not for anything bad. Matey was arrested for playing a steel pan and leading a tramp."

Sewer started one of the first steel pan bands in the New York area, playing in venues from Greenwich Village coffee shops to resorts in the Catskills. After returning to St. John in 1985, Sewer had a difficult time finding work in the music world until he accepted the position of pan director at BCB.

"Since he finally got the job at BCB you can see all the great work he's done," said Taylor. "But he also teaches pan at other schools and he teaches two groups at his church. Matey is truly dedicated to his heritage and his music."

While Boyd was born in Dominica, he moved to St. John with his family at a young age and embraced Virgin Islands culture right away, explained Glen Davis, of the DOE's Cultural Education Division.

"He immersed himself in our way of life from early on," said Davis. "He was a member of the

first band program in the Virgin Islands. He wanted to play the trumpet then, but they gave him a tuba instead."

When Boyd entered high school in Charlotte Amalie, however, his trumpet wishes came true and he never looked back, Davis added.

"He got into the trumpet and that is what he continues to play today," Davis said. "As soon as he started you knew that greatness was just a wink away. He continued to play and developed his skills as a composer which would take him and his music abroad."

As a member of the nationally acclaimed Cool Sessions Brass Band, Boyd has played across the country including on the mall in Washington D.C. as part of the VI Exposition, explained Davis.

Boyd listed numerous St. John and St. Thomas musicians as influences on his career including Carl Powell, Elroy Sprauve, Eddie Bruce and Gilbert Sprauve. Music has improved his life in many ways, according to Boyd.

"I'm a better person, a better parent and a better citizen thanks to music," he said. "I continue to try to learn and always respect our musical heritage."

The Frank Powell Park ceremony was the second Music Series 2009 event on St. John. Phillip "Grasshopper" Pickering and Godfrey Smalls were honored at a celebration at JESS on March 6.

For more information on the V.I. Cultural Heritage Institute call the group at 777-1012.

# Senior Malik Stevens Awarded Inaugural Bill Morris Scholarship

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

In a fitting tribute to the memory of Bill Morris, the scholarship fund established in his honor was awarded for the first time last week to one of his former pupils — Malik Stevens.

Before he passed away on March 21, 2008, Morris — a retired satellite and spacecraft engineer — was a volunteer math teacher at Julius E. Sprauve School for almost eight years. During that time he taught Stevens in the fifth and sixth grades.

Stevens eventually transferred to the Giffit Hill School from where he is graduating this year.

The St. John student plans to attend either Georgetown University or the University of Virginia and the Bill Morris Scholarship Fund will cover about \$10,000 of his tuition for each of his four years, explained Chuck Riviere, the chairman of the Bill Morris Scholarship Fund.

“Malik is the first recipient of the Bill Morris Scholarship Award which is a four year commitment,” said Riviere. “We decided that if we were going help a kid go to school, we were going to help him for four years. I’ll put my fundraising shoes on again in the fall to get the kitty going for next year.”

The fund was established in Morris’

memory to commemorate his years at JESS and his dedication to education, explained Riviere.

“When Bill passed, we thought that one of the best things to do to memorialize him was to create a scholarship fund targeting a local St. Johnian who was graduating high school,” Riviere said.

Beyond perpetuating Morris’ educational legacy, the scholarship is also a tangible incentive to St. John students, Riviere added.

“Along with the award we want Malik to be a role model for the young people here,” he said. “We want the kids to see if they work hard and study hard, this is what can happen to them in life.”

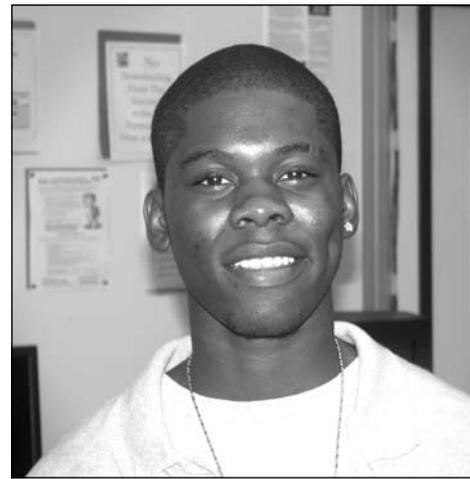
For Stevens, the award is welcome news as he looks ahead to tuitions costs.

“I am thrilled to have been chosen as the recipient of this scholarship,” said Stevens. “It is much needed and greatly appreciated.”

The non-profit scholarship fund organization is composed of a board of directors and a separate selection committee, who actually chose Stevens.

The three person committee is made up of teachers and professionals who took an unbiased approach to the applications, explained Riviere.

“We created a separate selection committee so those who knew Bill would be



St. John Tradewinds News Photo File

GHS Senior Malik Stevens

removed from that and the educators who really know their stuff would make the selection,” said the scholarship chairman. “The board then reviewed and accepted the committee’s recommendation. Malik’s application was sterling and he was a student of Bill’s too.”

“We didn’t want this to become a club,” said Riviere. “We wanted all our i’s dotted and our t’s crossed. We wanted to pass muster with anyone who chose to scrutinize our records.”

Along those lines, a check from the Bill

Morris Scholarship Fund will be sent directly to the university of Stevens’ choosing, both of which are highly regarded by Riviere.

“Malik is thinking about Georgetown University which is an amazing school and a lot of people in government have gone there,” said Riviere. “He’s considering a future civil engineering and UVA is a great school for that. Plus both of my children went there.”

As a northern Virginia resident, Riviere will also be in Stevens’ neighborhood, wherever he chooses to go.

“I will try to stop by and see him a couple of times a year,” said Riviere.

The award presentation at the Inn at Tamarind Court on Saturday morning, March 28, was a touching one for Riviere, who was Morris’ best friend.

“Bill was my best friend,” he said. “We sailed together up north and down here and crossed the Atlantic together a couple of times. You know how they say, ‘he was like a brother,’ well Bill and I were more than brothers.”

“Bill passed away just about a year ago,” said Riviere. “The timing is remarkably touching and the selection is remarkably on target.”

For more information about the Bill Morris Scholarship Fund or to make a donation, visit [www.billmorrisscholarshipfund.org](http://www.billmorrisscholarshipfund.org).

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St. John Rescue's Bob Malacarne, above far right, shows AARP members the latest CPR techniques.

## St. John AARP Members Get Their Groove On While Learning CPR

**By Susan Mann**  
*St. John Tradewinds*

St. John residents age 50 and over can always count on an opportunity to gain valuable information, as well as a chance to spend some enjoyable time with their neighbors each month at Love City's own local AARP chapter meeting.

The March 19 meeting at Nazareth Lutheran Church meeting hall was no exception. About 30 members and guests were in attendance. St. John Chapter President Joan Birmingham informed the group that 10 new members had recently joined the active organization.

Members were interested in learning about basic Cardiac Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) practices so St. John Rescue (SJR) member Robert Malacarne was the

invited speaker. Fellow SJR team member Preston Pollack was also on hand to assist Malacarne in a CPR demonstration.

"We have lost a lot of people because people around them did not know what to do when someone was having a heart attack," said Malacarne. "Ten to 15 minutes later when we get there the person is gone. It's just too late."

The first four minutes after the person loses consciousness is the critical period when 85 percent of heart attack victims can be resuscitated, explained Malacarne.

It is not necessary to use mouth-to-mouth resuscitation because "doing something is always better than doing nothing," said Malacarne.

St. John Rescue members have determined that if chest compressions

are performed to the beat of the popular late 70s Bee Gees' song, "Stayin' Alive," the timing of the chest compressions — 100 beats per minute — will be exactly right, explained Malacarne.

Following Malacarne and Pollack's CPR demonstration, St. John AARP members had a chance to practice chest compressions on the training model.

St. John Rescue has recently provided CPR training to the students of Giffit Hill School as well as the Baptist Christian School, and other student groups, Malacarne added.

Citizens interested in becoming CPR certified are welcome to attend training on the second Saturday of each month at the Westin Resort and Villas. Training lasts about three hours and costs \$30.



Helen Simon drops her husband Steve off at the dock just days after the St. John Blues Festival. Steve is traveling to Cairo to entertain diplomats in Egypt.

## Wha's Happ'nin'

by Sis Frank

### Blues Festival A Huge Hit

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Steve and Helen Simon's 7th Annual Festival was sensational! From Wednesday through Sunday, it was nothing but the best blues you can imagine!

Wow! Sunday's final party featured Zac Harmon's great band. This group featured top musicians from Dallas, Mississippi, Michigan and Los Angeles! I was singing "Ride Sally Ride" for hours!

Thanks Steve and Helen and the sponsors and volunteers for making it all work! I missed the big Coral Bay show, but Sunday night at the Beach Bar will go on in my head all year.

You might like to know that the charming youngster who played the harmonica and beat perfect rhythms on the drumsticks will be taking music classes at the Art School. He loved being on stage with the Zac Harmon Blues Band.

#### Delays Are On-Going at the Library

What will happen to the unattractive streaks in the new yellow color on the building?

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Amelia Jones and Dionne Wells, above left, and Natalie Thomas and Rudolph "Pimpy" Thomas, above right, shared their grant proposal requests with VIHFA officials.

## V.I. Housing Finance Authority Considers Four St. John Proposals

By Susan Mann  
St. John Tradewinds

Virgin Islands Housing Finance Authority (VIHFA) officials hosted a public hearing at the Cruz Bay Legislature building on Wednesday evening, March 25, to consider funding requests from four Love City applicants.

Julio Rhymer, VI Housing Finance Authority CEO, Maria Brignoni, Community Development Block grant Program Manager and Antonette Fleming, Associate Planner led the meeting.

St. John agency representatives presenting proposals were Joycelyn Stagger, V.I. Resource Center for the Disabled, Inc., which conducts an after-school program at Julius E. Sprauve School, Amelia Jones and Dionne Wells, Coral Bay Community Council, Inc., and John's Folly Learning Institute, Inc., and Natalie Thomas and Rudolph "Pimpy" Thomas, for Bethany Moravian Senior Housing Development.

Stagger told officials that computers and software improvements are needed to better serve the 15 to 20 students with disabilities who attend the JESS after-school program.

For example, one Coral Bay student was not able to complete a required school assignment because part of it had to be done using a "power point" computer program which was not available on their computers.

"I paid for some materials myself last year because I knew there was no money available from the program budget", said Stagger.

The V.I. Resource Center for

the Disabled also hopes to enhance art therapy for its participants. The JESS-based program is requesting \$14,700. VIHFA officials asked for a more detailed budget breakdown, since most of Stagger's discussion was focused on the actual materials to carry out the program yet only \$300 was requested for that purpose, with a total of \$14,300 listed for personnel.

Stagger will make the requested changes, she explained.

CBCC submitted a proposal to expand an existing effort and offer new pre-school and after school programs at both the John's Folly Learning Institute, the Guy Benjamin School and the planned community center at Calabash Boom.

CBCC Board member Amelia Jones represented the group. After-school services being provided at GBS and other Coral Bay locations are being done on a volunteer basis, which does not guarantee that the student programs will receive consistent attention, explained Jones.

The board member brought photos of the GBS gardening activities so officials could see how a \$300 grant had been successfully used.

About 150 children are expected to soon take up residence at the new Calabash Boom community, Jones added.

"We want to be able to offer open admission so parents can view Coral Bay as place to stay and raise their children, and not have to move away," said Jones.

A number of services could be offered if funding was approved, Jones explained, requesting a to-

tal of \$125,000 on behalf of the CBCC organization.

Officials expressed concern that the required budget had not been submitted during the preceding 30 days. Dionne Wells spoke about the success of the John's Folly Learning Institute after-school program, as well as the request that \$60,000 be included in the budget for continuation of services at that location.

Services to be funded will "provide homework assistance and academic counseling to between 30 and 100 children and youth between the ages of three and eighteen years old," said Wells.

Bethany Moravian Senior Housing Development representatives Natalie Thomas and Rudolph "Pimpy" Thomas presented a request to fund the development of plans and specifications for an affordable senior and assisted living facility, located at 12D Bethany, St. John.

The community would accommodate between 20 and 40 people who would reside in 30 efficiency and one-bedroom apartments, they explained.

Included in the planning are a library, laundry facility, a small store, a barber shop and other on-site services and amenities.

The Thomas' requested a total of \$45,000 to develop specifications and a plan of operation for the project. Officials had several questions, including how the project would be paid for if the funding were approved and how individuals would pay for or lease the units.

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## McGuinness Handpaints Ukranian Easter Eggs

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

Residents can count on several things during Easter time on St. John, empty bars on the alcohol-free Good Friday, church bells ringing on Sunday morning and beautiful handpainted Easter eggs at the Elaine I. Sprauve Library.

Each Easter for the past four years Sprauve Librarian Carol McGuinness painstakingly paints a basket-full of eggs in the traditional Ukranian style and displays them at the library for the public to enjoy.

The process — which runs about four hours per egg — begins with McGuinness blowing out each egg and then painting wax on the egg in stages after dyeing it progressively darker. After the final dye bath, the egg is left to dry and then the wax is melted off, leaving behind intricate patterns.

McGuinness started painting Easter eggs in the Ukranian style years ago when her children were young. She took the craft up again about four years ago to share with the St. John community.

"I started because it was something I saw and wanted to try," said McGuinness. "I learned it in the

pre-computer era from a book. It's all really just a matter of interest."

While the eggs are beautiful to behold, they also serve a very important purpose, according to a traditional Ukranian belief called the Legend of Pysanka.

"Among Ukrainians, there is a belief that the fate of the world depends on pysanky," according to the website surmastore.com, which McGuinness uses to order her egg dyeing kits. "As long as egg decorating continues, the world will exist. Should the custom cease, evil in the guise of an ancient, vicious monster chained to a huge cliff, will encompass the world and destroy it."

"Each year the monster's servants encircle the globe, keeping a record of the number of pysanky made," according to the legend. "Should there be too few, the monster's chains loosen, and evil flows through the world. If there are many, the monster's chains hold taut, allowing love to conquer evil."

Check out McGuinness' impressive eggs — which are definitely warding off evil with their beautiful designs — at the Elaine I. Sprauve Library Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## First Step in Land Swap for School Clears House of Reps

St. John Tradewinds

Legislation to study whether or not Alexander Hamilton's boyhood home should become part of the National Park System was passed by the U.S. House of Representatives on Wednesday, March 25.

Originally a Senate proposal introduced by Senator Orinn Hatch, the legislation was included in HR 146, the Omnibus Land Management Act of 2009 which passed the House on a vote of 285 to 140. Alexander Hamilton, the first Treasury Secretary of the

United States and one of the founding fathers of the nation, grew up in St. Croix, spending part of his boyhood at Estate Grange in Christiansted.

The legislation authorizes a special study to determine the suitability and feasibility of designating Estate Grange and other sites related to Alexander Hamilton's life on St. Croix as part of the National Park System. The property has been mentioned as a potential exchange for Park Service land on St. John to provide for a school for that island.

# Greeter Cart Completed, Makes Its Way To Town

By Kate Norfleet  
St. John Tradewinds

The St. John Chapter of the St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce had a lively and informative meeting on Thursday, March 24, at Ocean Grill Upstairs.

About 20 members were the first to see the newly finished greeter cart. Les Anderson, designer and builder, delivered it to the courtyard in front of the Department of Tourism office, where it will stay until DOT, V.I. Port Authority and the U.S. Coast Guard approve it for use on the dock.

DOT officials were pleased with the design and encouraged the approval process to go quickly.

### Chamber Awards Gala

The meeting also included details on the upcoming Annual Wilbur "Bill" LaMotta Community Service Awards Dinner Dance which is being hosted by the Chamber on Saturday, April 18, at that Marriott Frenchman's Reef Resort.

At this year's gala, the Wilbur "Bill" LaMotta Community Service Award, the Student Achievement Award and the Award for Design Excellence will be presented. The theme for this year's event is Celebrating Nature's Beauty in the Virgin Islands.

The Wilbur "Bill" LaMotta Community Service Award was

established in 1983. The award recognizes the outstanding contributions to the U.S. Virgin Islands of public officials and private citizens whose achievements reflect the commitment and dedication exemplified by the life and work of Bill LaMotta.

Prior to his death in 1980, LaMotta was President of the St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce, a Small Businessman of the Year, a civic leader and renowned Caribbean composer and musician.

The award is presented to individuals who exhibit dedication, sincerity, forthrightness and ethics in the performance of his or her duties or in the practice of his or her business or profession.

### Guy Benjamin Being Honored

The 2009 Wilbur "Bill" LaMotta Community Service Award recipients are John Foster, Founder and President of John Foster Real Estate and Partner of Tutu Park Mall; and Guy H. Benjamin, educator, author and life-long contributor to the quality of life and education in the Virgin Islands.

In 1999, the Board of Directors added the recognition of an individual involved in the leadership of a non-profit or charitable organization or an organization for the service it provides to the community.



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Les Anderson shows off the cart he crafted for the island greeter program, above.

Helen and Steve Simon, sponsors of the annual St. John Blues Festival and Children's Parade, are being honored this year.

The Award for Design Excellence was established in 1999 to recognize an individual or corporation's capital investment in the territory, which demonstrates outstanding achievement in quality design, improvement to the environment, commitment to the community, and economic growth. The chamber is honoring International Capital and Management Company, LLC.

The Student Achievement Award was established in 1992 to honor students who have made their schools a better place through their active involvement in student government, extra curricular activities, as well as excelling academically.

The chamber will honor Lynette Boschulte, Local Chapter President of the Future Business Leaders of America, Captain of the CAHS Academic Quiz Bowl Team and musician, and Akoya Hyndman, captain of the CAHS Marching Band Dance Team, Junior Class

Officer and the 2008 Miss Charlotte Amalie High School.

Tickets for the event are \$125 per person and may be reserved by calling the chamber at 776-0100 or may be purchased at Connections East or West. The evening will begin with a cocktail reception beginning at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner, dancing and the program. Entertainment will be provided by Sound Waves and attire is island elegant.

A booklet will be published for the event and sponsorships are also available. Please contact the chamber at 776-0100 or Kate Norfleet at 693-9099 for details.

Since three members of the St. John community are being honored, the chapter is looking forward to good participation from Love City residents for this event.

A boat is being reserved to take St. John residents directly to Frenchman's Reef for the event round-trip, so no taxis or other transportation would need to be arranged. The per person price for this will depend on the number of passengers but is expected to be around \$25 for the round trip.

### Bankers Meet and Greet

Members were also updated on a new signage program which committee members Debbie Hime and Cid Hamling are working on

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## Javon Jade Alfred Scholarship

### *St. John Tradewinds*

The Rotary Club of St. John announces this year's annual scholarship to assist graduating students from the island in the pursuit of higher education.

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Recipients may reapply for consideration annually. Monetary awards shall be made on an annual basis and disbursed at the beginning of each semester. Students are expected to maintain a 3.0 ("B" average).

Eligibility requirements for the Javon Jade Alfred Scholarship are:

- The student must be a resident of St John graduating in June from a high school in the US Virgin Islands
- The student must have a 3.0 or better cumulative grade point average
- The student must have been accepted to an institution of higher education
- The student must demonstrate financial need (parents or

guardians tax return from the previous year).

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Application forms can be obtained from your high schools guidance counselor, at Connections, or by email via [willigerod.com](mailto:willigerod.com).

The following information must be submitted with the application form:

- Transcript of credits
- S.A.T. score
- Record of extracurricular activities
- Three letters of reference. One must be an academic reference. The other two may be selected from a previous employer, guidance counselor, or character reference.
- A short essay regarding Excellence

All applicants meeting the eligibility requirements will be interviewed. The interviews are tentatively set for April 25. Eligible applicants will be notified of the date, time and place of their interview.

The applications, including the essay, letters of reference and proof of financial need must be completed and submitted to the Vocational Services Committee of the St John Rotary Club, c/o Connections of St. John or William Willigerod, 16213 Spring Garden, St. John, VI 00830, no later than 5:00 p.m., April 16.

## Healing Together Offers Cancer Support

By Jaime Elliott  
*St. John Tradewinds*

When someone is diagnosed with cancer, it is shocking and scary and can often be an isolating experience.

In the face of such news, being able to talk to someone who has already gone through the experience can make a big difference. While a cancer support group meets regularly on St. Thomas at the Charlotte Kimmelman Cancer Institute (CKCI), no such group existed on St. John — until now.

In her senior year of nursing school at the University of the Virgin Islands, Love City resident Sherri Theberge did her externship at CKCI and realized something was missing for St. John residents.

"As senior nursing students, we're given the opportunity to give back to the community," said Theberge. "While working at CKCI, I saw their cancer support group, but I realized that it didn't touch anyone on St. John. So I decided I wanted to start a group over here."

The cancer support group at CKCI started in January 2007 with only three people. Over the past two years, their numbers have increased exponentially with about 30 people now regularly attending the the cancer group meetings which are hosted at CKCI twice a month.

"The St. Thomas support group really makes a difference in people's lives," said Theberge. "They love it — they're like a family. When we get going, they want to come over and get together with our group."

Healing Together Cancer Support Group St. John is just getting off the ground. The group hosted its first meeting in this month and Theberge is in the process of forming a board of directors.

"We're just starting out — we're really just in the beginning now," she said.

The St. John Community Foundation is the support group's fiscal agent, making it a legal 501c(3) non-profit. While Theberge continues to work on organizing the group, she is clear on Healing Together's mission, she explained.

"Our mission is to bring people together who have been through similar experiences with cancer and provide a safe and confident setting to share information," Theberge said. "The group will discuss ways to cope with the challenges of life after a cancer diagnosis and provide support for one another to promote healing."

Healing Together is not just for cancer patients, Theberge added.

"The group is for cancer patients, those living with cancer, survivors, caregivers, loved ones, anyone who is or has been affected by cancer," she said. "We would really love to have our survivors come out."

While facing the reality of cancer can be almost debilitating, just having someone to talk with can make a huge difference, explained Theberge.

"It's a really scary time in people's lives and the simple act of sharing can make an enormous difference in the way you feel," she said. "Healing Together is an opportunity for people affected by cancer to talk about their deepest concerns and know that they will be met with acceptance and understanding."

Healing Together will meet the first Thursday of each month in the great room at the Giffit Hill School from 6 to 7 p.m. The group's next meeting will be on Thursday, April 2. To make a tax-deductible donation or for more information about Healing Together email Theberge at [healingtogether@gmail.com](mailto:healingtogether@gmail.com).

## American Legion Youth Softball Practices Start March 30

*St. John Tradewinds*

American Legion youth softball practices begin Monday, March 30, at 4 p.m. at the V.I. National Park ball field. Registrations will be available at the practice. All coaches should attend. The league is open to boys and girls ages 9 to 14.

All equipment is available but players should bring a glove. There are a few gloves available until players get one of their own. Registrations are also available at Connections and at the St. John Community Foundation office on the third floor of The Marketplace. Call Paul Devine at 693-9410 for more information.

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# FASHION FORWARD

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## Spring Into Fashion for 2009

### St. John Tradewinds

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It is going to be a season of mixing and matching contrasts and textures and bold patterns. Emerald green, purple, orange, brown, red and gold are some of the trendiest colors this season. These colors have penetrated every fashion sphere, from clothing to accessories and shoes. They are everywhere in every tone.

### Causing A Stir

Although jeweled metallic flats and studded gladiators are still a summer staple, the hottest looks for spring are caged footwear and super-stilettos with mega-high heels.

Still big and bold, with buckles galore, the gladiator boots make the ultimate statement. For maximum impact knee-high or mid-calf styles can be worn with simple outfits like spring shorts and an oversized tee.

This year saw the staging of the third annual Spring Fashion Fling



A hip urban look from the show.

presented by the Family Resource Center, Inc on St. Thomas. The fashion show featured an array of boutiques and named brand stores including Bella Vera, Havana

Nines, 120% Lino, What's Hot and Chereenes.

The designs ranged from chic children's clothing to high-end linen, lace and silk gowns. Urban wear was presented by UNI Davis Sports Wear and Journeys. Young up-and-coming designer Cliaunjel Williams joined the caliber of local fashion designers including Frantz Coulanges and Andre Ettienne to give back to the community.

The real show-stopper was Nobu, a Maltese and Japanese Chin, who wore an outfit from "How About Your Pet." More than 30 other models ranging from ages 8 to 40 strutted down the 40-foot runway at the MCM Center on Saturday, March 14. All proceeds from the event benefited the Family Resource Center.

### Upcoming Events

On Saturday, April 4, Signature by Terry Donovan and Star Models Management, USVI, will team up with RED Models NYC to present "Model Behavior — The Making of a Fashion Model Workshop." For more information log on to [www.terrydonovan.net](http://www.terrydonovan.net).

## Art Reception at Bajo el Sol on April 3

### St. John Tradewinds

Aimee Trayser and Larry Lipsky will be featured at an opening reception at Bajo El Sol Gallery, on Friday, April 3, from 5 to 8 p.m.

Mystical and ethereal works by both artists will be shared for the first time. Trayser's work will be a combination of her beautiful mixed media art and her serene oil paintings. Her pieces, often called mysterious or sensual, are inspired by nature and the visions or images from her dreams.

Much of Lipsky's art is a type of hanging sculpture, which "involves the viewer in the movement of both the art piece and the viewer's own changing perspective."

The beauty of the art, geo-kinetic sculpture, is in its openness, movement and balance. Cut from various thicknesses of copper and brass, nickel and silver, the shapes are ground, hammered, filed, tooled, formed, appliquéd, riveted and polished.

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## BJ Harris Receives Paul Harris Award



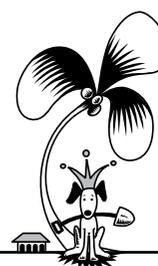
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Rotary Club of St. Thomas hosted the 25th Annual Paul Harris-Rose Council Dinner at St. Peter Greathouse on Saturday, March 21. Rotary Club of St. John president BJ Harris, center, was presented with a Paul Harris award by Don Chandler, left, the Assistant District Governor from St. Thomas and Rupert Ross the District Governor from St. Croix, right.

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### 2008 FINAL COUNT

Homicide: 0  
Solved: 0

Shootings: 0  
Under Investigation: 0  
Solved: 0

Stabbings: 1  
Under Investigation: 1  
Solved: 0

Armed Robberies: 2  
Under Investigation: 2  
Solved: 1

Arsons: 0  
Under Investigation: 0  
Solved: 0

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

2nd Degree Burglaries: 18  
Under Investigation: 18  
Solved: 0

3rd Degree Burglaries: 67  
Under Investigation: 67  
Solved: 0

Grand Larcenies: 68  
Under Investigation: 68  
Solved: 0

Rapes: 0  
Under Investigation: 0  
Solved: 0

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Solved: 0

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

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

3rd Degree Burglaries: 23  
Under Investigation: 21  
Solved: 2

Grand Larcenies: 17  
Under Investigation: 17  
Solved: 0

Rapes: 0  
Under Investigation: 0  
Solved: 0

## Letters to St. John Tradewinds

### A Great Night in Cruz Bay

**Editor,**

After weeks of guests, I decided to try Hinds Restaurant in Cruz Bay last night. We were very impressed with the ambiance, cleanliness, food and service.

The glasses sparkled, there was a yellow rose on each table and the waitstaff, especially Caroline and Lindsey, made our evening just perfect. As I always, I try to sit so I can take in all that happens so I was inside facing the Sprauve School and saw a very familiar figure striding down the field. My son and his team from the Westin and their weekly flag football game!

After years of watching my son grow up and play sports, I could not wait to join the fans. It was just great! Lots of familiar local faces, lots of enthusiasm on both sides and a close game.

It is wonderful to have this to do in an evening for all of us, a big change from when I moved here 25 years ago. Sports and competition are so good and so much fun for everyone. I'll be there every week with my pom poms.

**Keep up the good work,  
Mary Ellis**

### Many Customers Confused by Dish Network Website

**Editor,**

I am a Dish Network dealer. I provide service on St. Thomas and St. John.

I am receiving calls from Choice TV customers. They are not getting the correct information when they call Dish Network or look at the Dish Network website. And this is going to cause some people money and frustration.

The Dish Network website and telemarketing system is setup for Continental United States (CONUS). The promo programs and more importantly, the equipment requirements, are based on sites which are CONUS.

Down here we use different equipment and there is only one promo program.

One woman called me today to ask if an 18-inch dish would work down here. Her son had gone to a

Dish store and bought one to send her. An 18-inch dish is not large enough to gather a signal in the Virgin Islands.

I got another call from a family who almost signed up with Dish Network for a program they don't offer here. The Dish telemarketing phone professional was sure it is offered here. It is not, but often the telemarketing reps think all Dish programs apply here.

I think it would help your readers to understand that what is on line or on the phone at Dish is not what is available here. And neither telemarketing nor the website can take and fulfill an order down here. Only a local VI dealer can do that.

If people are interested in Satellite TV they should call one of the local dealers.

**Thanks,  
Sloop Jones**

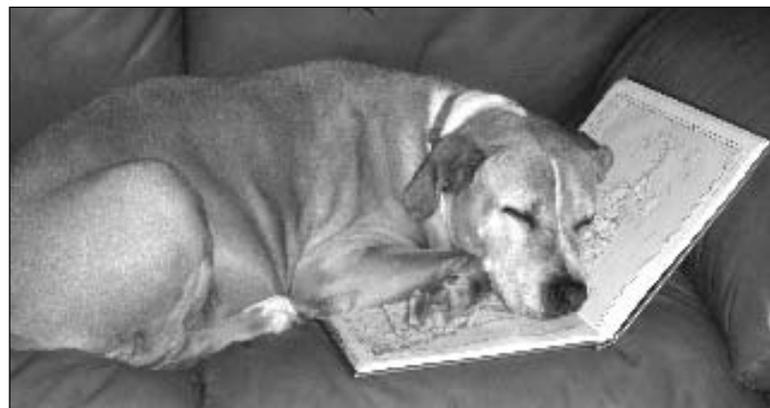
### A Dear Dog from St. John Passes

**Editor,**

I wanted to let you know that Joey, the wonderful dog Elaine Estern helped us bring to Connecticut from St. John in 1997, died this past month. His death was not unexpected, as he was suffering from cancer. He died peacefully, at home, on his favorite sofa.

Elaine helped us bring Joey into our family during the Christmas week of 1997. Over the following years we struggled as a family as our two sons moved from adolescence into teen years and into adulthood (and we've still got our fingers crossed on that last one).

Over those years, Joey was one of our strongest anchors and he kept us focused on our shared experiences as a family. We could disagree about many things, but we always had Joey in common. I think for this reason, Joey's death has been particularly hard for us to absorb.



Joey on his favorite sofa.

I just want to thank you, Elaine, for the wonderful gift you gave us. You helped my family in ways you will never know. I am so grateful to you.

Anyway, I thought I'd share with you this last picture of Joey, taken this past Thanksgiving, about two months before he died. He would often seek the sunniest spot he could find; we have a

brick walk that gets very warm in the summer and he would bask in the warmth and the sun for hours. I always figured he was remembering and craving the warmth of Virgin Island beaches. In this picture, I think he's dreaming of warm breezes.

I will always remember your kindness.

**Priscilla Elsass**

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## Letters to St. John Tradewinds



Smoke billows into the air from the Tortola dump.

### Residents Sickened by Tortola Dump Fire Again

Editor,

We have been breathing in Tortola's dump fire smoke for years. When the wind is out of the east, like it has been for the last month, we all start getting sick and our eyes burn.

I have pictures of this air pollution and I'm sure there are others who have reported this. I contacted the EPA and hopefully someone will stop this dump

fire from destroying our quality of air.

I feel sorry for all the infant babies on the East side of St. John and the rest of the island. The smoke is ugly and black, and nobody will step forward to protect us. It's a crime

**Michael Raimondi**  
Coral Bay

### When Economic Stimulus Is Not Stimulus

Editor,

We hear almost daily that there will be economic stimulus from the Federal government and this stimulus will revitalize the economy, improve infrastructure, stimulates employment of more people. Additional benefits will be lower taxes, improved education and health care insurance for everybody.

I was happy when it was reported that the V.I. will get some stimulus expecting improvement of the repair and marking of our neglected roads with corresponding decrease of unemployment.

However, it turned out that the stimulus money will be spent differently like purchase of land for the

government and some other programs.

Infrastructure and support of employment somehow disappeared from the stimulus package in the V.I. proposition. This of course goes exactly in the opposite direction than what was advertised as the main purpose of the stimulus package.

I am sure that the programs the V.I. government is proposing are needed, however, they will do nothing for the original purpose of the stimulus, i.e. to improve infrastructure and employment. This certainly undermines our trust in the government on all levels.

**Z. Hruza**  
St. John

## Obituary

### Marcelino Guerrero Passes Away

*St. John Tradewinds*

Marcelino Guerrero, 74, died March 17, 2009, in Mexico City after a brief illness.

Mr. Guerrero was born November 27, 1934 in Mexico. He lived on St. John for many years. He worked initially at Caneel Bay and later opened a family business, Marcelino's Bakery, in Mongoose Junction.

He is survived by his daughter; Karen Guerrero Ponce; his son Marcelino Jr. and his grandchildren; Johnathan and Matthew. He is further survived by a host of relatives and friends. A memorial mass is planned for July 10, 2009. Condolences may be sent to 120 North Summit Avenue, Chatham, NJ, 07928, or [infin22@yahoo.com](mailto:infin22@yahoo.com).

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### Charm of St. John

There's a charm about St. John  
Which is difficult to explain  
We would like to keep it quiet  
But telling others, we simply can't refrain.

We want our friends to visit  
But the traffic we abhor  
We seem over run with cars  
So many, I can't keep score.

The charm of this special isle  
Is more than a golden sunrise  
Or the soothing sound of ocean waves  
That each of us so prize.

The real charm of St. John  
Is more than just the sun  
It's more than the ocean blue  
And our friends all having fun.

It's charm is in the people  
Who greet us daily with a smile  
As they share their isle with us  
And hope we'll stay a while.

But we must always remember  
While here, we're really a guest  
Of islanders descended from years gone by  
So be grateful, smile and enjoy your rest...

— Muse of Reef Bay

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Letters to the Editor, Press Releases, Advertising Artwork

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### Profound Statements

Editor,

1. In my many years I have come to a conclusion that one useless man is a shame, two is a law firm, and three or more is a congress. - John Adams

2. If you don't read the newspaper you are uninformed, if you do read the newspaper you are misinformed. - Mark Twain

3. Suppose you were an idiot. And suppose you were a member of Congress. But then I repeat myself. - Mark Twain

4. I contend that for a nation to try to tax itself into prosperity is like a man standing in a bucket and trying to lift himself up by the handle. - Winston Churchill

5. A government which robs Peter to pay Paul can always depend on the support of Paul. - George Bernard Shaw

6. A liberal is someone who feels a great debt to his fellow man, which debt he proposes to pay off with your money. - G. Gordon Liddy

7. Democracy must be something more than two wolves and a sheep voting on what to have for dinner. - James Bovard, Civil Libertarian [1994]

8. Foreign aid might be defined as a transfer of money from poor people in rich countries to rich people in poor countries. - Douglas Casey, Classmate of Bill Clinton at Georgetown University

9. Giving money and power to government is like giving whiskey and car keys to teenage boys. - P.J. O'Rourke, Civil Libertarian

10. Government is the great fiction through which everybody endeavors to live at the expense of everybody else. - Frederic Bastiat, French Economist [1801-1850]

11. Government's view of the economy could be summed up in a few short phrases: If it moves, tax it. If it keeps moving, regulate it. And if it stops moving,

subsidize it. - Ronald Reagan [1986]

12. I don't make jokes. I just watch the government and report the facts. - Will Rogers

13. If you think health care is expensive now, wait until you see what it costs when it's free! - P.J. O'Rourke

14. In general, the art of government consists of taking as much money as possible from one party of the citizens to give to the other. - Voltaire [1764]

15. Just because you do not take an interest in politics doesn't mean politics won't take an interest in you! - Pericles [430 B.C.]

16. No man's life, liberty, or property is safe while the legislature is in session. - Mark Twain [1866]

17. Talk is cheap...except when Congress does it. - Anonymous

18. The government is like a baby's alimentary canal, with a happy appetite at one end and no responsibility at the other. - Ronald Reagan

19. The inherent vice of capitalism is the unequal sharing of the blessings. The inherent blessing of socialism is the equal sharing of misery. - Winston Churchill

20. The only difference between a tax man and a taxidermist is that the taxidermist leaves the skin. - Mark Twain

21. The ultimate result of shielding men from the effects of folly is to fill the world with fools. - Herbert Spencer, English Philosopher [1820-1903]

22. There is no distinctly native American criminal class, save Congress. - Mark Twain

23. What this country needs are more unemployed politicians. - Edward Langley, Artist [1928-1995]

24. A government big enough to give you everything you want is strong enough to take everything you have. - Thomas Jefferson

— Submitted by Z.Hruza

### Weather on St. John

The weather on St. John  
Too marvelous to complain  
March continuous sun  
Has given way to rain!

Rain that fills the cistern  
And makes our flowers grow  
But discourages our visitors  
Here to escape the snow.

— Muse of Reef Bay

Our temps in the 80s  
Beat 20 degrees below  
Alas a few more clouds  
Makes sun tanning slow.

There's always tomorrow  
To see the sun's red glow  
And appreciate our island  
We've come to love and know.

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## VIHFA Considers Four St. John Projects

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The two representatives were still exploring the answers to most of the questions they were asked, but said that bank financing was one option being considered to pay for constructing the residential complex.

The VIHFA will next submit funding recommendations to Governor John deJongh for review and approval. Government House will then forward its recommendations to the legislature for consideration.

After taking action, the legislature will return the approved proposals to the governor. Finally, VIHFA must inform the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development by August, 16, 2009.

## Greeter Cart Delivered to Cruz Bay

*Continued from Page 11*

with Leona Smith, Department of Public Works and V.I. National Park Superintendent Mark Hardgrove.

This includes updating existing signs in Cruz Bay and adding additional signage to help visitors as they arrive in Red Hook and St. John.

Alana Liburd, catering administrative assistant at Caneel Bay Resort, contributed to the meeting by following up with names to be given to Carol Beckowitz as possible additions to the St. John list of EMS members who live on St. John.

The last half of the meeting was dedicated to introducing the new Cruz Bay Branch Manager of First Bank and also representatives from Merchants Commercial Bank.

John McQuiggin has recently relocated to the Virgin Islands and brings 30 years of banking experience to First Bank VI. With a

strong background in lending, he looks forward to working with the community.

After McQuiggin's presentation, the vice president of Merchants Commercial Bank, of which Steve Simon is a founder, presented the services which are being offered for St. John.

Rohit Khiani has recently been promoted to vice president and is very enthusiastic about Merchants and its services. He was accompanied by Richard Turpin, of TX Direct Payment Solutions, who works with Merchants Bank in debit and credit processing, check processing, gift card programs and other services.

A lively discussion ensued for the members who were interested in optimizing their banking experience. Chapter members were very glad to have the chance to meet all three. The next Chapter meeting will be on Tuesday, April 28, at 5:30 p.m. at Ocean Grill Upstairs.

## Community Calendar

*St. John Tradewinds* welcomes notices of community-oriented, not-for-profit events for inclusion in this weekly listing. Call 776-6496, e-mail [editor@tradewinds.vi](mailto:editor@tradewinds.vi) or fax 693-8885.

### Monday, March 30

American Legion youth softball practices begin Monday, March 30, at 4 p.m. at the V.I. National Park ball field. Registrations will be available at the practice. All coaches should attend. The league is open to boys and girls ages 9 to 14.

### Tuesday, April 2

Healing Together will meet the first Thursday of each month in the great room at the Giff Hill School from 6 to 7 p.m. The group's next meeting will be on Thursday, April 2.

### Saturday, April 4

On Saturday, April 4, Antilles School will introduce the Open Doors Gala, an evening where fun and fundraising will go hand in hand. Proceeds from the gala will go to support its financial aid and scholarship program that provides over \$1.3 million in annual support to over 50 percent of its student body.

### Tuesday, April 7

The next Coral Bay business meeting is set for Tuesday morning, April 7, at 8:45 a.m. at Donkey Diner.

### Saturday, April 18

The Coral Bay Yacht Club will host the Guy H. Benjamin Flo-tilla on Saturday, April 18.

### Sunday, April 19

The Coral Bay Golf Open will be on Sunday, April 19, in the Skinny Legs area. Proceeds from the event will benefit long-time Coral Bay resident Grant Berkebile who underwent a series of surgeries this year.

### Monday, April 20

Friends of Virgin Islands National Park is excited to host Earth Day 2009. The festivities will kick off with the Friends' annual Earth Day Environmental Fair on Monday, April 20, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the National Park Ball Field in Cruz Bay. This event is free and open to the public.

### Thursday, April 21

The Recycling Association of the VI, St. John Chapter, meets monthly on the third Tuesday of every month, at 7 p.m. on the third floor of The Marketplace in the St. John Community Foundation offices. Our next meeting is scheduled for April 21. Everyone is welcome to join. For more information call 693-9410.

### Saturday, May 2

The John's Folly Learning Institute will have an anniversary celebration on Saturday, May 2, at 12 noon at the institute.

## St. John Police Report

### Land Line Emergency No: 911 Cellular Emergency No: 340-776-9110

#### Friday, March 20

5:30 p.m. - A citizen c/r an auto accident on Centerline Road. Auto accident.

7:25 p.m. - A citizen r/ that her goats were missing from her residence. Missing goats.

8:12 p.m. - A visitor r/ that someone broke into his villa and removed items. Burglary in the second.

#### Saturday, March 21

11:40 a.m. - A citizen c/r that someone was drowning and was in need of CPR. Accidental injury.

5:40 p.m. - A citizen r/ that he was threatened in the area of Cruz Bay. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

6:30 p.m. - A citizen c/r that a female was assaulted in the area of Wharfside Village. Assault.

7:00 p.m. - A citizen c/r a fire outside her neighbor's residence. Brush fire.

10:30 p.m. - ADT c/r an activated alarm at Cinnamon Bay Campground. Activated alarm.

11:50 p.m. - An Estate Carolina resident c/r that his house was broken into. Burglary in the third.

#### Sunday, March 22

9:30 a.m. - A citizen c/r an accident on Bay Street. Auto accident.

12:10 p.m. - A citizen p/r that someone stole her belongings out of her backpack. Grand larceny.

3:15 p.m. - A citizen c/r an auto accident in the area of Spotlight Bar. Auto accident.

6:25 p.m. - A citizen c/r shots fired in the area

of Cinnamon Bay. Illegal discharge of firearm.

8:00 p.m. - An Estate John's Folly resident c/ requesting police assistance with her son. Police assistance.

8:15 p.m. - An Estate Mandahl resident c/ requesting police assistance with a female at his residence. Police assistance.

#### Monday, March 23

12:40 p.m. - A citizen p/r an auto accident in the area of the Cruz Bay dock. Auto accident.

5:30 p.m. - A Massachusetts resident p/r that she lost her wallet. Lost wallet.

#### Tuesday, March 24

10:20 a.m. - An Estate Adrian resident c/r that someone left a threatening message on her voice-mail. Telephone harassment.

10:45 a.m. - An Estate Pastory resident r/ that someone took his Innovative service vehicle. Unauthorized use of vehicle.

9:00 p.m. - A citizen p/r that she lost her purse in the area of Cruz Bay. Lost wallet.

#### Wednesday, March 25

12:15 p.m. - A citizen p/r that he lost his wallet in the area of Cruz Bay. Lost wallet.

1:33 p.m. - A citizen p/r that he was in a physical confrontation with another male. Disturbance of the peace.

2:30 p.m. - Central dispatch c/r that a male was trying to kill himself.

4:05 p.m. - A citizen p/r a disturbance.

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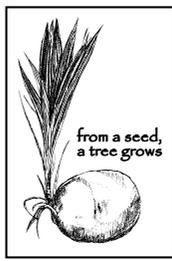
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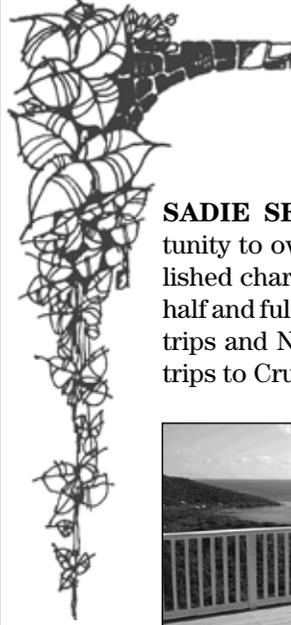
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**BAYVIEW** - Very private villa bordering Natl. Park, minutes from Maho Beach. Traditional masonry design with 2 bldgs connected by pool, decks & patio. 280° views overlooking Francis Bay & Northshore, + Coral Bay & BVI's. \$1,695,000.

**LOVANGO BEACH HOUSE** - Unique, custom home located on the beach at Lovango Cay. Beautiful details, 75' dock, completely self sufficient w/solar & wind power allowing for all amenities. Island paradise \$2,750,000.

**CAROLINA** - Small, poured concrete, home with lovely covered wraparound deck. Flat 1/2 ac. fenced lot, view of harbor, access from Centerline Rd. \$449K.

**CHOCOLATE HOLE** - Masonry 2 bd/2 bath home, with carport/workshop, on an absolutely gorgeous 0.86 acre lot w/incredible panoramic views. End of the road location offers great privacy, ample room for expansion. \$975,000.

**LUMINARIA** - Lux. ridgetop villa w/incredible no. shore & down island views. 3 spacious bedrm suites, 3.5 baths, lrg pool w/waterfall, spa, 4 car garage, gated entry, privacy, beautiful furnishings & landscaping. Vaca. rental history. \$2,495,000.

**PERELANDRA** - is a romantic 2 bd/2 bath rental villa high above Cruz Bay. Stunning panoramic views, beautiful sunsets, lush gardens, very private pool, decorator furnishings, mint condition. \$1,050,000.

**AURORA** - Extraordinary 180 views from this turnkey vacation rental villa on Contant Pt. 3 private ensuite bedrms, plus apartment, courtyard pool, lush landscaping, multiple decks, masonry construction, attractive furnishings. \$1,995,000.

**BOATMAN POINT** - Attractive masonry home on spectacular 1 ac. waterfront site w/ amazing views. Main house w/great room, kitchen, 2 bed/2 baths & separate 2 bd/2 bath guest house. Prestigious area. \$2,795,000.

**WINDSONG** - Stately Boatman Pt. villa, w/separate cottage, situated on a 1ac parcel w/panoramic views. 6 bedrms., 7 baths, huge pool, fully furnished. \$3,495,000.

**NAUTILUS** - on Maria Bluff. 3 bd/2 bath masonry villa on a dramatic 1.25 ac. cliffside parcel. Large wraparound veranda, fantastic sunrise to sunset views, inviting spa, circular driveway, tile roof. \$1,699,000, furnished.

**BORDEAUX MT.** - Family home w/3 bd./2 baths, large porch, water view, 1/2 ac. lot w/large trees. \$675,000.

**WATERFRONT WITH DOCK** - Concrete 3 bd/2 bath home, on large, flat 1 ac.flat lot, with direct access the bay at your door step. Now only \$1,250,000.

**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. \$2,195,000.

## CBR CONDO LISTINGS

**BETHANY** - Unique free standing 2x2 condo with amazing views and year round sunsets, new shared pool. \$649K.

**SELENE'S** - Ideal in town location, w/parking, for living/rental or business. Terrific views. \$450,000.

**SUNSET RIDGE** - 1 bedroom condos w/water views & pool. \$254,500 & \$274,500.

## CBR LAND LISTINGS

**DITLEFF POINT** - Extraordinary sites on magnificent peninsula w/sandy beach, gated entry, beautiful landscaping, and incredible views. Prices start at \$895,000.

**KLEIN BAY** - Small upscale neighborhood, gorgeous views, commonly owned beach. \$879K & \$995K.

**WATERFRONT ON MONTE BAY** - Spectacular 13.44 ac. site, ideal for private estate or subdivision. \$3,400,000.

**CRUZ BAY TOWN** - Walk to Frank Bay, R-4 zoning. \$275K.

**GREAT BUY!** - Estate Eden, water views. \$150K.

**CHOCOLATE HOLE** - Water views, 1/2 ac. \$299K & \$379K.

**CONTANT** - 3 large parcels w/ views. \$292,500 to \$315K.

**GLUCKSBERG** - Gentle grade, 1/2 ac., lg. trees. \$225K.

**POINTRENDEZVOUS** - Outstanding views. \$415K & \$425K.

**LEINSTERBAY** - 2 lots on Johnny Horn Trail. \$225K & \$329K.

**ZOOTENVAAL** - Hurricane Hole views, paved road. \$400K.

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

**FLANAGAN'S PASSAGE** - 2 beautiful sites. \$275K - \$350K.

**ESTATE FISH BAY** - Many parcels to choose from, starting at \$185K. Call US for a complete list.

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<p><b>"SEAVIEW"</b> vacation villa. Charming 4 Bedroom, masonry home in excellent condition with large pool in convenient Chocolate Hole with deeded rights to two nearby beaches.</p> <p><b>\$1,250,000</b></p>	<p><b>"COCONUTS" 3X3 GIFFT HILL VILLA</b> impressive water views to St. Thomas, good breezes, Caribbean style with center courtyard &amp; pool, large covered gazebo, lush landscaping and a flat yard!</p> <p><b>\$1,250,000</b></p>	<p><b>3 UNIT INCOME PRODUCER!</b> Near town, all masonry. Top floors each 3 bedrooms with decks, A/C, plus lower studio. Renovated 2003: Corian counters, new appliances &amp; tile floors.</p> <p><b>\$775,000</b></p>	<p><b>"CAROLINA FIXER-UPPER"</b> - Great family home plus rental income from small downstairs apartment. Two bedrooms, bath, and large living area on main floor. Studio apartment below.</p> <p><b>\$415,000</b></p>	<p><b>"GALLOWS POINT" OCEAN FRONT UNITS</b> 3 premier (4-D &amp; 1-D upper &amp; 9-A lower) each with private deck/patio. Walk to town!</p> <p><b>\$1,400,000, \$1,275,000 &amp; \$1,200,000.</b></p>	<p><b>"POND BAY" ST. JOHN'S NEWEST RESORT!</b> Waterfront luxury accommodations on beautiful Chocolate Hole beach. 3 and 4 bedroom villas with resort amenities will be opening in late 2009. Fractional Ownership (1/10th) in an expansive villa starts at <b>\$315,000</b>. Come in or call today to arrange a tour of the model and see the progress.</p>
<p><b>"SABA BAY WATERFRONT"</b> 12 acre sub-dividable waterfront. Incredible BVI views! <b>\$9,999,000</b></p> <p><b>"HAULOVER" BEACHFRONT</b> 2.24 acre sub-dividable borders National Park! AMAZING VIEWS! <b>\$1,999,000</b></p> <p><b>"BOATMAN POINT WATERFRONT"</b> Prime East facing lot with cobble beach, .72 acres. Topo survey included. <b>\$945,000</b></p> <p><b>"AZURE BAY" IN CONTANT</b> .5 ac. EXTRAORDINARY views. Owner financing. <b>\$650,000</b></p>	<p><b>"BEAUTIFUL EAST END LOT"</b> Views to Coral Harbor, deeded access to waterfront. <b>\$595,000</b></p> <p><b>"JOHN'S FOLLY" OCEANFRONT &amp; HILLSIDE</b> gated enclave; 3 lots from <b>\$560,000</b></p> <p><b>"CALABASH BOOM!"</b> .4 acre Great views, private. Topo map. <b>\$550,000</b></p> <p><b>"GREAT CRUZ BAY"</b> Westin Resort beach access! .78 ac. <b>\$499,000</b></p> <p><b>"FREEMAN'S GROUND" DOWN ISLAND VIEWS</b> .76 ac. Upper &amp; Lower access. <b>\$425,000</b></p>	<p><b>"SUGAR APPLE WEST"</b> Harbor views gentle 1/2 acre with Topo <b>\$299,000</b></p> <p><b>"WATERFRONT-LEAST EXPENSIVE"</b> Gentle slope, 4 min. walk to beach <b>\$298,000</b></p> <p><b>"PRIVATEER BAY"</b> Great Coral Bay view on .40 acre parcel. <b>\$285,000</b></p> <p><b>"EMMAUS - SEAGRAPE HILL"</b> Great dual water views 0.387 acre. <b>\$169,000</b></p> <p><b>"MILL VISTA - CAROLINA LAND"</b> Easy access &amp; build on Centerline Rd. <b>\$135,000</b></p>	<p><b>"UPPER PETER BAY ESTATES"</b> - Exquisite home sites with breathtaking views over the North Shore, BVIs &amp; cays. Prices start at <b>\$1,850,000</b></p> <p><b>"UPPER MONTE BAY ESTATES"</b> Spectacular private south shore lots with pristine views. Low density subdivision w/ 7 large parcels, paved road, stone walls &amp; undgrd utilities; above Rendezvous Bay. Priced from <b>\$999,000</b></p> <p><b>"SABA BAY" WATERFRONT &amp; HILLSIDE</b> 12 acre sub-dividable waterfront lot + 4 hillside lots. Incredible views! Priced from <b>\$699,000</b></p>	<p><b>"CHOCOLATE HOLE VIEW LOTS"</b> Sunrise to Sunset on 2 adjoining lots with views of Hart Bay east and St. Thomas west. Priced from <b>\$499,000</b></p> <p><b>"LOVANGO CAY"</b> Waterfront &amp; hillside properties feature upscale amenities; barge landing w/piers, paved roads, undgrd electric, access to beach+more! Priced from <b>\$499,000</b></p> <p><b>"VIRGIN GRAND ESTATES"</b> Enjoy panoramic sunset views in gated subdivision. Can build FRACTIONAL OWNERSHIP HOME! Paved roads, undgrd utilities, easy builds, prime investment. Priced from <b>\$415,000</b></p>	<p><b>"THE MARKETPLACE"</b> has prime commercial spaces (office &amp; retail) plus successful businesses (Health Food deli &amp; Gym) available. Call us for details!</p> <p><b>OWN A MONTH (OR MORE)</b> in a 3/4 bedroom luxury home. Magnificent views and sunsets from 3 homes with all amenities, pools w/waterfalls and spas. Deeded home ownerships from <b>\$69,000</b>.</p> <p><b>THE WESTIN RESORT TIMESHARES:</b> All the comforts of a private condominium. Own a week, a month, or more &amp; enjoy all the resort amenities! Most unit sizes &amp; weeks available. Priced from <b>\$9,999</b></p>

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**CAROLINA** Views to BVI. Well maintained 2-unit cottage offers a 1 bed/1 bath with a cozy covered porch. Plus studio apt. **\$625,000**

**CRUZ BAY** Prime .75 acre property, 3 bdrm short term rental with pool and panoramic views. Zoned R-4 for development. **\$2,950,000**

**ZOOTENVAAL** Quaint Caribbean cottage tucked in at the end of the road. Walk to Coral Bay. Two separate units. **\$729,000**

**BETHANY** Remodeled property with South Shore views. Additions include 2 a/c bdrm, pool, laundry room & kitchen in lower unit. **\$1,400,000**

**ENIGHED** Nearly flat town lot overlooking Turner Bay and zoned R-4. Masonry home, 4 bdrms, 2 baths plus outbuildings. **\$599,000**

**RENDEZVOUS GARDENS** Finish building a beautiful home w/outstanding westerly views. Stonework highlights & ensuite baths. Beautiful landscaping. **\$1,095,000**

**LOVE NEST** Bright & airy, new cottage overlooking Coral Bay, & BVI. Plans approved for an additional 2BR, 2BA w/pool. **\$489,000**

**BAREFOOT** New 2 bdrm, 1.5 bath guest cottage in quaint Coral Bay neighborhood. Room for expansion. **REDUCED TO \$749,900**

**CVISTA** Magnificent open air 4 bdrm villa above tendezvous Bay. Stunning residence exudes comfort, class & elegance. **\$3,895,000**

**ISLAND MANOR** Hear & view the surf of Hart Bay. 4 bdrms with ensuite baths and elegant furnishings sited on .51 acre. Multilevel floor plan offers privacy. Reduced to **\$1,499,000**

**LA BELLA VITA**, "the good life" .4 a/c identical master suites with island stone showers, breath taking views, gourmet kitchen, state-of-the-art entertainment center. **\$2,950,000**

**NEW!** Mill Ridge exudes quality, Caribbean design, mahogany throughout, Chicago Brick & Island stone. Masonry 2 bedroom/2 bath, office, garage, tiled patio, pool & cabana. **\$1,695,000**

**FLANAGAN'S PASSAGE VILLA** 3 bdrm, 3.5 bath villa, superior craftsmanship, Caribbean stonework, Spanish tile roof, 180° views, large pool and hot tub **\$2,850,000**

**NEW!** 2BR/2BA bath main house with foundation, 21,000 gal. cistern & lower deck. Live in the guest apartment & rent the lower apartment. Beautiful landscaping, sunrises & sweeping views. **\$765,000**

**RAINBOW PLANTATION** A private, family estate house on 1.6 acres. Features one of the largest private pools on St. John (w/diving board, & wet bar). Mature landscaping. **\$1,650,000**

**TEMPRESS** 2 bdrm suites separated by 2 buildings - a living area and an impressive kitchen complete with granite countertops, private decks, dramatic sunsets. **\$1,650,000**

**ON THE BEACH AT KLEIN BAY-JUST BUILT!** Serenata de la Playa offers 5 bdrms and 5.5 baths. Swimmable water access. **\$4,950,000**

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**WATERFRONT MARIA BLUFF** Villa Belvedere offers spectacular 180° views, successful turn-key vacation home. Prime location, pool, spa, 2BR/2BA **\$2,750,000**

**GARDEN BY THE SEA B&B**, West Indian gingerbread architecture & island furnishings. Owners apartment plus 3 income producing units. Room for expansion. **\$1,800,000**

**INN LOVE** Beautiful Great Cruz Bay with Sunset Views! 5 bdrm, 5 bath with pool, spa, & a/c bdrms. **PRICE SLASHED \$600K TO \$1,195,000.**

**VIRGIN GRAND ESTATES** Gated community, fabulous views of the Caribbean Sea. Stamped concrete roads, & underground utilities. Prices start at **\$430,000.**

**ESTATE CONCORDIA** Large .81 acre parcel, easy build, good ocean views, and breezes. close to NPS beaches. **\$550,000**

**UPPER CAROLINA** Established neighborhood, paved roads, expansive water views, deeded beach, prices start at **\$199,900** for newly listed downhill near end of road.

**ESTATE BETHANY** Three lots to choose from. Down hill builds. South shore views. Prices start at **\$199,500.**

**SAUNDERS GUT:** Coral Cove Subdivision with underground utilities and paved access. Breathtaking views of BVI, .5 acres starting at **\$299,900**

**WATERFRONT LAND** Oversized downhill building site with gentle slope. Views from St. Croix to Thatch Cay. 0.71 acres, **\$899,000.**

**SEAGRAPE** .249 acres for **\$185,000**, includes non permitted plans for main house and guest cottage. Views of Hurricane Hole and BVI's. .41 acres, offering paved access, downhill build. **\$165,000**

**ESTATE FISH BAY** Expansive Fish Bay water views, downhill & uphill access, .5

acre, seller financing possible **\$275,000** or .56 acres for **\$325,000.**

**WATERFRONT ON MARIA BLUFF IN GREAT CRUZ BAY!** Spectacular 180 degree views stretching from St. Croix to Mingo. 1.03 acres **\$1,695,000**

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