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Grand Finale

The 125-foot "Grand Finale" motor yacht, reportedly co-owned by Ivanna Trump, was anchored inside Steven's Cay in Frank Bay on Friday, April 24.

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Cruz Bay Valley Road Gets Graded



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Responding quickly to residents' complaints aired at a neighborhood meeting hosted by Governor John deJongh on April 8, Department of Public Works officials began filling and grading the severely degraded road in the Valley, above.

Crime Stoppers USVI Crimes of the Week Information Sought on St. John Tourist Attackers

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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 the robbery and assault of a male victim by several young males on Sunday, April 12, at about 1:40 a.m. in the vicinity of Joe's Diner, in Cruz Bay.

St. Croix

Police are asking the community for assistance in solving a homicide that happened January 5, 2008. Edwin Dukes who was 21, was shot several times and later died. This happened at the Frederiksted Beach in the early morning

hours. There were a lot of people around when Dukes got shot but the shooter was only described as a person in light clothing.

St. Thomas

VIPD are seeking information on an armed robbery that happened at a St. Thomas hotel. On Wednesday, April 15, an armed robber gained entry into a cashiers' office inside the hotel and demanded money from the two female employees.

The suspect removed an undetermined amount of cash from a safe and fled the area, possibly through a back exit. The suspect is described as being about 5'9", brown complexion with a close cropped haircut, wearing a black t-shirt and blue jeans.

Crime Stoppers reports that another tip has resulted in an arrest which means another reward has

been approved. The total rewards authorized are \$6,885 but only \$250 has been claimed so far. All tipsters are urged to check with Crime Stoppers to see if they are eligible for a cash reward.

Community members can submit tips to Crime Stoppers USVI at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). The tips are completely anonymous, and the stateside operators are bilingual. Tipsters can also submit tips online at CrimeStoppersUSVI.org or by texting "USVI" plus your message to CRIMES (274637).

If a tip leads to an arrest or the recovery of stolen property or illegal drugs, the tipster receives a cash reward to be paid according to their instructions. Only anonymous callers to Crime Stoppers are eligible for these cash rewards.

Chamber Chapter Meeting April 28

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The St. John Chapter of the St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce will meet on Tuesday, April 28, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Ocean Grill Upstairs.

St. John Film Society Screening "Flow: For Love of Water" Is April 28

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The St. John Film Society is hosting a free screening of "Flow: For Love of Water" on Tuesday, April 28, at 7 p.m. on the second floor of The Marketplace between Nest and the Mail Center.

The 93-minute award-winning documentary by Irena Salina offers an in-depth look at what experts label the most important political and environmental issue of the 21st century, the world water crisis.

Also V.I. National Park's Chief of Resource Management Rafe Boulon will speak about the island's fresh water resources. The public is asked to not bring coolers. Gourmet pizzas, popcorn, homemade candy, and full beverage service will be available from La Plancha del Mar.

For more information check out www.stjohnfilm.com.

Coral Bay Shoreline Cleanup Is May 2

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A Coral Bay Shoreline Cleanup, hosted by the Coral Bay Community Council, Coral Bay Yacht Club, KATS, and other community groups, will be Saturday, May 2, from 9 to 11 a.m.

Everyone is welcome to participate. Meet behind the Fire Station to be assigned locations and bags. Participants should bring gloves and wear sturdy shoes. The V.I. Department of Public Works will participate and remove all the collected trash to the transfer station the same day. Anyone who would like to do another area in Coral Bay, should call in advance. For more information call the CBCC office at 776-2099.

VIPA Grants Ferry Fare Relief to STJ

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Following discussions with both the chairman of the board and the executive director of the Virgin Islands Port Authority, Governor John deJongh said last week the authority will move to implement certain waivers of ferry fees for students, senior citizens and persons seeking medical attention on St. Thomas.

"In these difficult economic times, I share the concerns raised by St. John residents regarding the impact that the May 1 rate increase will have on those who have no choice but to utilize the ferry service for transportation between St. John and St. Thomas," deJongh said.

The Governor discussed various forms of economic relief for St. John residents in a conference call last week with VIPA board chairman Cassan Pancham and the agency's Executive Director Kenn Hobson.

DeJongh has asked that the board consider a 100 percent waiver on the ferry fees for any students travelling from St. John to St. Thomas to attend classes.

"In addition, we anticipate a reduction in the fees for seniors and those persons seeking medical attention which will translate into significant relief to our residents on St. John," said deJongh.

In addition, deJongh asked VIPA to work with the ferry operators to develop a one-ticket system that can be used by students.

"Since the fees would be waived, this would increase the student's ability to move back and forth between the islands on any of the two ferry companies," said the governor.

VIPA has also delayed the implementation schedule of imposing a fee at the turnstiles at both marine terminals until such time as the Authority has reached an agreement with the ferry companies.



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Residents Question Officials on Ferry Rates

Cruz Bay Creek and Dock Access Also Discussed

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

The ferry companies should not be allowed to increase fares to Red Hook without ensuring accountability for the companies' financial reports, several residents told government officials at a Thursday evening, April 23, town meeting hosted by Senator at Large Craig Barshinger at the Westin Resort and Villas ballroom.

"There is no accountability for even how many people ride the ferry," said Sherry-Ann Francis, a St. John resident who commutes to St. Thomas for work. "You just take their word for it. How can you increase the rate before putting cash management procedures in place?"

With ferry rates to Red Hook due to increase next month, V.I. Port Authority officials ready to charge a 50-cent user fee for travel between St. Thomas and St. John and no progress on the Cruz Bay Creek renovations Barshinger called the meeting to focus on marine issues. The senator encouraged the 40 residents who turned out for the meeting to remain optimistic.

Convening Not Complaining

"It's a matter of convening, not complaining," said the senator. "Venting might feel good for about 20 minutes, but it doesn't really accomplish anything. We want to open the lines of dialogue and effect real change."

The public posed questions to a host of government and marine officials who attended the meeting, including VIPA executive director Ken Hobson, Department of Planning and Natural Resources Commissioner Robert Mathes, V.I. National Park Superintendent Mark Hardgrove, legal counsel for Varlack Ventures and Transportation Services Claudette Ferron, U.S. Coast Guard Lt. Commander Timothy Grant and Public Services Commission general counsel Tanisha Bailey-Roka.

Ferry Companies Need Financial Accountability

The PSC-approved ferry rate hike on April 1 was the culmination of the second rate investigation into the franchise in two years. A 2006 PSC order, which raised fares for the first time in 14



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Jaime Elliott

Residents lined up for a chance to share complaints with government officials at the town hall meeting at the Westin Resort hosted by Senator at Large Craig Barshinger on Thursday, April 23.

years, included a requirement that the ferry companies implement cash management procedures like electronic ticketing.

That mandate, however, was never implemented, but is included again in the new PSC order which this time will come to fruition, explained Bailey-Roka.

"I can't say why things didn't happen in the past," said the PSC general counsel. "What I can say is that under the new leadership of chairman Joseph Boschulte we are making marked progress. I know trust is a hard pill to swallow from government officials, but we are working toward transparency and accountability."

Missing Mass Transit Funds

Ferry companies have been operating at a loss for years and haven't received millions in federal funds earmarked for mass transit which have been flowing into the territory for decades, explained Ferron.

"A lot of people are unaware that for decades federal funding has been coming into the Virgin Islands which was supposed to be going to the ferry boats and they have yet to receive one single dime," Ferron said. "The people of St. John need to ask the govern-

ment of the Virgin Islands 'where is the money we are entitled to for public transportation.' These are the only marine transportation mass transit systems under the U.S. flag not receiving subsidies."

Under the leadership of Senate President Louis Hill, the legislature will find the funding and get it to the ferry companies, explained Barshinger.

Ferry Fare To Be Barshinger's Top Priority

"I was operating under the knowledge that the ferry companies were not eligible for the subsidies," said Barshinger. "If what you're saying is true, then we have to look into that and get that money. Fares of \$2 each way would be a good improvement here so this will be my number one priority."

Residents want to take part in planning the renovations to the Cruz Bay Creek which has been roped off and fenced in since barge traffic was relocated to Enighed Pond Marine Facility in 2005.

"We have been asking for years for some planning to take place for the Creek and for us to be a part of that planning process," said Sharon Coldren. "Creating a beautiful space there is critical to changing our town back into a place we can

all be proud of."

Creek Plans Should Include Public Input

"All of us in town were so excited when Enighed opened and the Creek was going to be a place to be proud of," said Susan Stair. "Instead, it's an embarrassment. With the yellow tape and barbed wire, it seems like your entering a crime scene."

St. Thomas architecture firm Robert deJongh and Associates was contracted to renovate the area and the group has gotten input from St. John residents, explained Hobson, who did not share the plans for the Creek.

Fishermen and Charter Boats Losing Access

A number of charter boat operators, fishermen and private boat owners who use the Creek regularly urged USCG officials to not bar them from the facility in the future.

"The St. John fishermen are getting pushed out," said Dan Boyd. "There is nowhere for us to sell our fish to the public. We need access to a bulk head — this affects the whole community."

"The USCG is putting all these burdens on us for no reason," said Scott York. "You can't get to these

islands unless you already go through security. All these fences and things are totally unnecessary."

Security Measures

Laws passed by Congress in the wake of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks mandated a slew of strict marine security procedures for the islands like the fence at Cruz Bay's Loredon Boynes ferry dock.

Many of the laws, however, can be implemented in different ways, explained USCG Lt. Commander Grant.

"The way the regulations are set up don't always fit into the realities here," said Grant. "We can evaluate the plans and try to reduce our footprint. The public can make changes, but we need to hear your complaints."

VIPA, VINP and DPNR officials agreed to work together to plan for the future of Cruz Bay.

"A lot of access issues have arisen because we haven't planned together," said VINP Superintendent Hardgrove. "We need to plan for the next 20 years, but we also need something implemented in the interim especially with \$247 million in stimulus funds coming down here."

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Community Joins Together To Benefit GBS

By Jaime Elliott
 St. John Tradewinds

Hundreds of students enjoyed an afternoon in the sun at Vie’s Campground on Saturday, April 18, as the Coral Bay Yacht Club hosted the 17th “Almost Annual” Flotilla/Cartilla benefitting Guy Benjamin School.

Music by Koko and the Sunshine Band, delicious food from local chefs and a beautiful day added up to a great time for all. The event raised about \$9,000 for the small Coral Bay elementary school, explained CBYC secretary Clare Weaver.

Sails dotted the horizon the day of the event as GBS students enjoyed a cruise on Coral Bay’s tall ship *Silver Cloud*, thanks to owner Elliot Hooper. Many CBYC members also took guests out on a morning sail and then to the East End beach for lunch and dancing.

“There was a great turn-out of people and boats, glorious hot sunshine accompanied by calm seas and gentle breeze for a leisurely sail,” said Weaver. “There were too many happy, smiling children’s faces to mention. In fact



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Tom Oat

Fun on the waves and on shore was the focus of the CBYC’s annual flotilla at Miss Vie’s campground, above, benefitting GBS.

there was such a good turn-out of Guy Benjamin School kids, we had to transport them to Vie’s on about three other sailboats besides *Silver Cloud*.”

“A big, huge thanks go out to the numerous people who donated their time and energy to make the event possible,” Weaver said. “It is incredible to me how the event just came together, made possible

by so many people just pitching in and doing what they said they would do.”

With smiles on children’s faces, bellies full with scrumptious food and sore feet from dancing in the sand, the event was declared a success by everyone.

“It was a hugely successful day which was thoroughly enjoyed by all,” said Weaver.

Wha’s Happ’nin’

by Sis Frank

Thanks To Steve Simon for His Kindness

St. John Tradewinds

Several years ago Steve was recovering from illness in New York City and celebrated his return to St. John by attending one of the first musical performances hosted at The Marketplace — I can still see Steve and Helen dancing to the Art School’s star-band beat. This meant that he was well again.

SJSA hosted many concerts in the undeveloped space where Jim Swan, Tommy Bertolino and Glen Spear built a great stage. Maddy Sewer washed all 350 chairs as they arrived from Miami. Those were wonderful days!

Steve reminded me of this on Sunday at the Beach Bar. From there The Marketplace stage was built where Tradewinds and Paul Devine’s offices are.

Now we’re going through the recession — a challenge for us all. The good music goes on every Sunday afternoon. Steve has become a world-traveler, Egypt, Iraq, Iran (entertaining the troops with a blues band.) He is a board member of the leading blues and jazz music associations in the states.

His comments on Sunday brought the happi-

ness back as I thought of the St. John School of the Arts’ visiting performers’ concerts. The late Rhoda Tillett and “Chicken Charlie” from St. Croix enjoyed bringing these performers to St. John.

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Sherman Browne Earns His Master’s Degree at New York University

Tracey, his mother, will attend his graduation in May. We all are so proud of Sherman, some of us remember when he made pizzas for Ronnie — and I especially think of him as the best break-dancer I’ve ever seen!

He will continue to serve on the New York City Council as senior policy and budget advisor. His master’s major is in Public Administration. Congratulations to you Sherman! Maybe President Obama will be looking for you!

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Despite New Witnesses, Double Jeopardy Could Protect Cockayne Killer

By Joseph Tsidulko
St. John Tradewinds

Jahlil Ward and Kamal Thomas sat at the same Superior Court table for a full week in October 2008, listening to their lawyers cast blame at the other for the murder of Jamie Cockayne in Cruz Bay.

If Ward gets a second trial, his lawyer will likely parade into court a series of witnesses who will support his argument that Thomas was the actual killer.

Thomas, however, doesn't need to fear the testimony, at least beyond damage to his reputation.

Thomas, 19, and his friend, Anselmo Boston, 32, were the first two suspects arrested and charged with slaying the 21-year-old Pennsylvania man, who was stabbed eight times after leaving a Cruz Bay bar just after midnight on June 19, 2007 and died at the scene.

Ward was arrested almost a year later after Thomas' investigator discovered three witnesses who implicated the 20-year-old St. John man in the crime. Thomas' attorney, Michael Joseph, first revealed those witnesses to authorities — Ward had never before been publicly mentioned in connection with the case.

At trial, prosecutors put forward a theory that the three defendants acted together and aided each other. They called to the stand the three witnesses — who all testified they heard Ward confess to stabbing Cockayne.

Ward's lawyer, Michael Quinn, argued the witnesses made prior inconsistent statements, and were part of a plot

to frame Ward and exculpate the other defendants. He said they were "spoon fed" to prosecutors.

The jurors, however, were swayed by the testimony.

Thomas and Boston were found guilty of two felony assaults against Cockayne at and outside of Front Yard bar before the fatal stabbing, but acquitted of the most serious charges against them. Ward was found guilty of first-degree murder — a crime that carries a mandatory life sentence.

Now, more than six months later, Ward is likely to get a new trial thanks to recently discovered witnesses who point the finger at Thomas, his former codefendant.

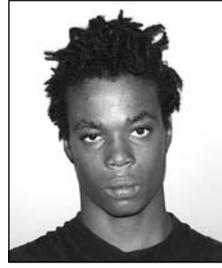
At a hearing on April 17, Quinn told Superior Court Judge Brenda Hollar that since the trial, he has identified three men who say they heard Thomas confess to the stabbing, two of whom testified that day.

More significantly, Quinn also said he recently learned of another witness who had been known to prosecutors before the October trial. Daryl Marten's statement, recalling a jailhouse confession from Thomas, had been recorded in a police report on September 12, 2007, but never presented to Ward's legal team.

Judge Brenda Hollar reserved making a final decision, but said that error left her



Anselmo Boston



Kamal Thomas



Jahlil Ward

with little choice but to order a second trial in a case which cast a harsh national focus on St. John and resulted in national media questioning the safety of tourists and the efficacy of law enforcement in the Virgin Islands.

Thomas and Boston were both acquitted of murder, and because of the double jeopardy provision of the U.S. Constitution, they can never be charged with that crime again, regardless of what new evidence comes to light.

Whether they are sentenced for the convicted felony assaults also remains in doubt.

At a post-trial hearing on November 14, a date originally scheduled for sentencing, Hollar reduced one of two third-degree assault convictions against each man to the misdemeanor of simple assault and she dismissed the corresponding weapons offense.

Hollar agreed with defense attorneys the attack on Cockayne after he left the bar did not meet the felony criteria of an assault with a deadly weapon. While wit-

nesses testified they saw Thomas and Boston surround Cockayne while brandishing wooden sticks, there was insufficient evidence that they struck the young man with the makeshift weapons, Hollar ruled.

A stick is only deadly when it is used in a fashion that threatens the victim's life, Hollar said.

Hollar is still considering similar motions to reduce the remaining third-degree assault charges, which involved an altercation with a pool cue at Front Yard. Benjamin Currence, Boston's lawyer, argued his client shattered the pool cue on a window sill, and not over Cockayne's shoulder.

Thomas' attorney said Quinn's new witnesses are nothing more than an effort to deflect blame, despite an abundance of evidence implicating Ward.

Quinn is "acting in desperation," Joseph said.

If Hollar does order a new trial for Ward, Thomas and Boston could end up as witnesses. But that may depend on whether they are still defendants in the case.

If his motion to reduce the assault count is still pending, or the issue is under appeal, Joseph said he will attempt to quash any subpoena in order to protect his client's Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination.

But if the matter has been settled, he would not object to Thomas testifying, Joseph said.

In that scenario, nothing Thomas or Boston say on the stand could come back to harm them in the case.

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During the fair, students got behind the wheel of a neighborhood electric vehicle retrofitted to run on solar power alone, above.

Hundreds of Students Pack VINP Field for Friends' Earth Day Fair

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

The V.I. National Park ball field was filled with students celebrating Earth Day a little early on Monday morning, April 20.

About 600 students from across St. John packed the field to learn about solar energy, aluminum can recycling, native plant habitats and many other environmentally friendly activities at Friends of V.I. National Park's annual Earth Day environmental fair.

Organizations and government agencies from the Animal Care Center to Department of Planning and Natural Resources were represented at the fair.

ACC members had two dogs in tow for the students to greet. Bonny Corbeil's mixed breed Princess and Anne Marie Porter's pit bull Daphne were big hits with the school children, who vied for the chance to walk the well-mannered pets.

Renata Platenberg of DPNR's Division of Fish and Wildlife shared information about the island's native bat population. Recycling Association of the Virgin Islands St. John Chapter had a can crusher on site which students had fun using. RAVI St. John member Susan De Bonis was on hand to discuss what happens to aluminum cans which don't get recycled versus cans that get recycled and reused.

Solar Oven and Paper Making

Members of the Unitarian Universalist Church demonstrated how to make jewelry, mats and beads from recycled materials. Students learned how to make recycled paper from the representatives from Maho Bay Campground, who also baked cookies in a solar oven.

St. John Film Society members showed clips from

three movies; the William Stelzer animated "Coral Reefs," Disney's "Safety Smart Goes Green" and "Flow: for Love of Water." Students watched the films and then answered questions relating to environmentally sensitive practices which Stelzer taped for a future YouTube segment.

University of the Virgin Islands' Cooperative Extension Services officials showed students what compost looks like and discussed its uses. V.I. Energy Office's Kasim Andrews discussed the benefits of renewable energy with students.

"You're never too young to start thinking about energy efficiency," said Andrews.

Recycled Art Projects

Giff Hill School art teacher Rosemary Richards displayed recycled art projects created by GHS students.

"We try to use recycled materials whenever we can," said Richards. "Often art supplies are expensive or not available here, so it's really necessary to use recycled materials a lot of times. Plus it's better for the environment."

Solar Car

Students got a first hand look at a neighborhood electric vehicle (NEV) thanks to Solar Supply's Josh Faulds. The St. Thomas-based company owned by Doug White and Leslie Faulds-White retrofitted the NEV with solar panels making it run completely on power from the sun.

Capable of reaching between 30 and 35 miles per hour, the NEV can make it up Jacob's Ladder and all the way out East End, according to Faulds.

Members of the St. John Historical Society shared

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Tough Competition Marks 13th Annual Ruby Rutnik Softball Tournament

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Although the St. John All Stars lost in the final game to Tortola's Elmore Stoutt High School team, the 13th Annual Ruby Rutnik Memorial Softball Tournament was one of the most exciting in recent memory.

The tournament, which ran from April 17 to 18 at the Winston Wells ball field, is hosted annually by Janet Cook-Rutnik and Andrew Rutnik in memory of their daughter Ruby, who was a star pitcher on Antilles School's softball team before she died in a car accident during her senior year of college in 1996.

Funds raised at the tournament, through the sponsorship of innings and games, support a memorial scholarship which has awarded more than \$87,000 to local girls pursuing higher education.

The tournament kicked off on Friday evening, April 17, with the St. John All Stars falling to Stout 6 to 3, but beating Antilles 13 to 11 in their second game. The Antilles team, the defending tournament champions, got back into form on Saturday, beating St. John All Stars 13 to 7, but faltered in their game against Stout, losing 21 to 1. St. John All Stars also fell to Stout on Saturday by a score of 17 to 8.

With Antilles and the St. John All Stars each having one win, the championship

"The girls really enjoy coming over to St. John and their enthusiasm and pleasure is delightful. The fact is that this is a special gift to have this memory of Ruby and celebration of her and her athletic talents."

— Janet Cook-Rutnik,
tournament organizer

game contenders were decided by Antilles' final game against Stout. Antilles needed either to win or lose by less than five runs to make it to the final. After a few close innings, however, their hopes were dashed as Antilles fell to Stout 18 to 4.

The excitement remained intense through the Saturday night championship game with the St. John All Stars almost pulling out a win. The game wasn't decided until the fifth and final inning when Stout pulled off the victory out-scoring the St. John All Stars 10 to 9.

"It was a really exciting tournament," said Cook-Rutnik. "The St. John All Stars almost won. They had a shot at it, but Tortola had a really good team."

"The games were all well-attended and were all very competitive," Cook-Rutnik said. "The St. John team will just get better and better. This is only their second or third time participating, so look out for them in

the future."

While the softball was exciting for fans, the tournament is all about giving. Concessions sales at the games funded the Love City Pan Dragons youth steel orchestra and sponsored innings will fund the four \$2,500 scholarships the Ruby Rutnik Scholarship Fund will award this year.

St. John teen Dujuana Grell, an honors student at Seton Hall University, will receive the second of her two-year scholarship while a one-year academic scholarship is available to any St. John female graduating senior or college student.

For winning the tournament, a \$2,500 scholarship will be awarded to one female from Elmore Stoutt High School.

"This year Elmore Stoutt has a girl who will be graduating and going on to college," said Cook-Rutnik. "She received an application right there and the coach was bringing more back to Tortola for the school to

give to other possible applicants."

The Ruby Rutnik Scholarship Fund also expanded this year to award \$2,500 to a first-time student at Giffit Hill School's early learning center. Applications for scholarships, which are due by May 15, are available at Connections.

While the amount raised was a bit off this year, organizers were prepared for the drop in sponsorships, explained Cook-Rutnik.

"We're still accepting donations to the scholarship fund, but it looks like we're a bit off this year, which was not unanticipated," she said. "We do thank those many sponsors who have given over the past 12 years and continue to write that check every year."

The Rutnik family has spent countless hours over the years organizing the memorial softball tournament, but it's a true labor of love, Cook-Rutnik explained.

"It's a lot of work year after year, but it's just so worth it," she said. "The girls really enjoy coming over to St. John and their enthusiasm and pleasure is delightful. The fact is that this is a special gift to have this memory of Ruby and celebration of her and her athletic talents."

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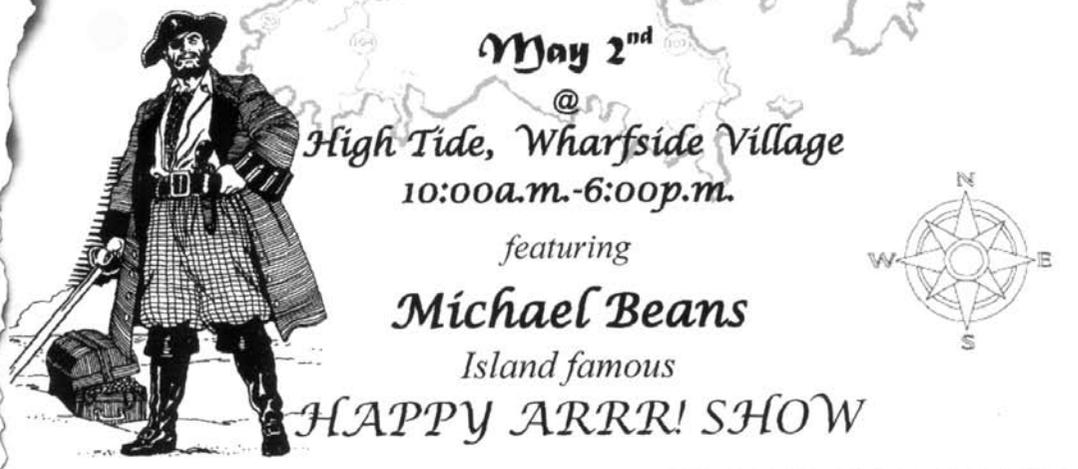


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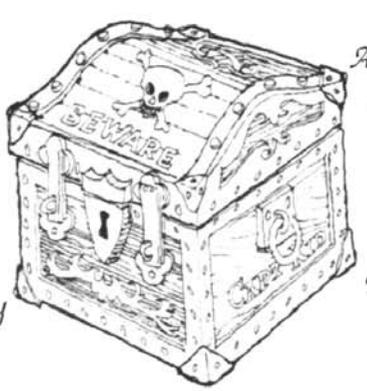
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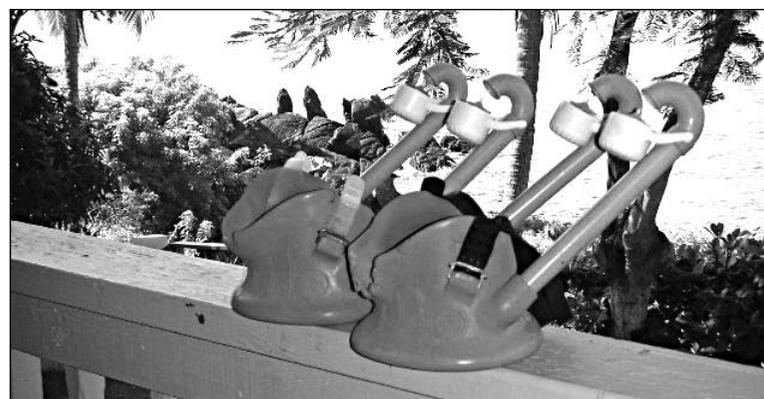
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Brenda and Martin Fairbarns still have their snorkels, above, purchased on their 1961 St. John honeymoon.

Vintage Snorkels Symbolize Island Legacy for Couple

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

As Mary Fairbarns looks back over more than 10 years of calling St. John home several months a year, two vintage snorkels remind the England-native that her St. John roots stretch back a lot farther than the last decade.

Sitting in the corner of Fairbarns' deck are two Italian-made Cressi snorkels purchased by her parents Brenda and Martin Fairbarns on their St. John honeymoon at Gallows Point Resort almost 50 years ago.

"We bought these snorkels in January 1961 whilst on our honeymoon," Brenda Fairbarns recalled. "There appeared to be no other type of snorkel on the market at that time. We were taken by some other young guests at Gallows Point over to Charlotte Amaile on a memorable day to a shop where dozens and dozens of these snorkels were stacked up on shelves, providing a full range of sizes."

"Later we were told that the present type of snorkel replaced our full-face variety as being safer should any snorkeler panic," said Brenda Fairbarns. "We have used ours ever since in many locations.

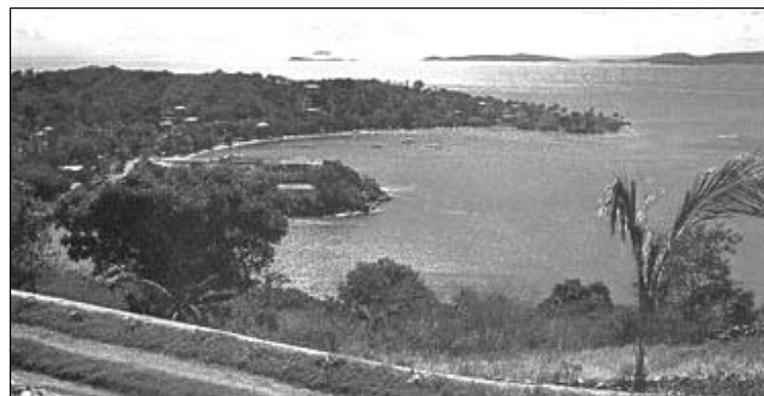
They give incredible visibility and comfort. They are still working but becoming increasingly perished after 48 years of continual use."

The Fairbarns, who live in West Sussex, still visit their daughter on St. John every year, having made their most recent trip in November. Close friends with Sis Frank, Inga Hiilivirta and Jean Mason for years, the Fairbarns brought daughter Mary and son Bill to St. John for the first time in 1980.

"My parents stayed at Gallows when there were only five cottages up there," said Mary Fairbarns. "After that they used to come back every year or so. I came first in 1980 with my parents and we stayed at Caneel. The second time we came back in 1987 and stayed at a little house in Catherineberg."

"I came back in 1998 and I've come every year since," she said. "Through my parents' friends I ended up here and fell in love with the island. It always feels like home and I'm very lucky to have so many friends and family here."

While Fairbarns prepares to go to England shortly, she is already looking forward to returning to Love City later in the year.



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Huge Crowd Enjoyed St. Ursula's Traditional Caribbean Music Festival

By Judi Shimel

Special to St. John Tradewinds

The festive sounds of steel pan and voices filled St. Ursula's Episcopal Church in Cruz Bay on Sunday afternoon, April 19, for the Traditional Caribbean Music Festival.

Spectators filled the church from the front pew to fold-up chairs at the back of the church behind the steel band and passersby paused on their way up the street to capture the melodies. The festival was organized by St. Ursula's and billed as a "service of praise and celebration".

It drew participants from St. John and St. Thomas who shared their talents over the three hour concert. St. Johnian soloist Evanna Chinnery, a young vocal talent on her way to the Berklee College of Music sang at the event. And youth choir and the steel pan orchestra from St. Andrews Church traveled across Pillsbury Sound.

Familiar faces from St. Ursula's Choir and Women's Group, Spencer and the Spencerettes and the Gospeltones offered their renditions of religious songs. Soloist Yvette Powell inspired the audience, along with the Moravian Church Choir, 'N Harmony and the All Saints Cathedral Men's Choir, led by Wes Williams. The Unity Dancers gave the event a visual quality.

The many who came also had a chance to witness the debut of Mike Sorzano's Kids Pans, a fledgling group of steel pan students,



Photo Courtesy of St. Ursula's Episcopal Church

St. Ursula's Choir performed during their musical service on Sunday afternoon, April 19.

honing their craft at St. Ursula's Church.

It has been the vision of the St. Ursula's congregation to nurture the next generation through music. For the past few years, efforts have been made to raise funds, purchase instruments and locate an instructor.

Sorzano, a veteran pannist from Trinidad, has been offering lessons in this unique Caribbean art to adults and children through St. Ursula's for several months.

The church's new pastor, Father William Potter, is supporting that vision by reaching out to the community. He is currently seeking support for the creation of a summer youth program where music will be one of the offerings.

Proceeds from the music festival will go towards the summer program. Potter is inviting individual contributions from supporters

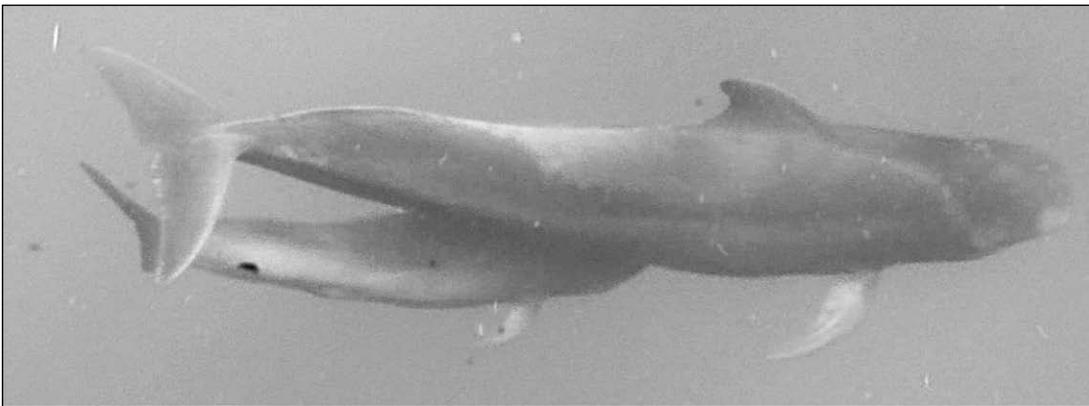
who would like to sponsor a youth attending the summer camp with a goal of hosting up to 35 youngsters during the summer activity.

Organizers of the program thanked Woody's Seafood Saloon, the Fishtrap, Barefoot Architect, the Browns, Carefree Getaways, Cox's, Rob Crane, Howard Heller, the Porters, the Prestons and Miles and Susan Stair for their support.

They also thanked the women of St. Ursula's and those from visiting congregations who contributed refreshments and helped serve the crowd on Sunday afternoon.

Bethany Moravian Church, Emmaus Moravian Church, Nazareth Lutheran Church, St. John Methodist Church, St. John Pentacostal Church of God, All Saints Cathedral Church, St. Luke's Episcopal Church and St. Andrews Episcopal Church all provided support and encouragement.

An Encounter with Melon-headed Whales



Tradewinds News Photos by Jeff Miller

Marine Biologist Jeff Miller and co-worker Andy Davis encountered a pod of melon-headed whales as the scientists were on their way to Buck Island recently. The scientists were about 10 miles off the shore of St. Croix when they spotted between 15 and 20 of the small non-aggressive whales.

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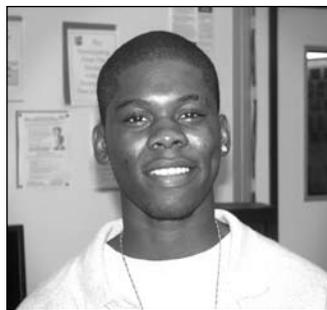
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An outlook on young adult interests and concerns
by Malik Stevens

Keep Love City True to It's Name

St. John Tradewinds

Can someone please tell me why is it that every week when we open the paper we have to read about some burglary, assault, or any other type of chaos taking place here on our home island?

Slowly, St. John is becoming a place where stealing, gun violence, fighting, and increasing animosity is becoming a part of our weekly routines.

In the past, we have prized ourselves as being called "Love City," but by the way things are going nowadays it seems as if St. John might need a new nickname.

Though some may not think the island has a lot of problems, there are problems and they are adding up to be too much for this small island of ours.

We might try to ignore the issues present on island and tell ourselves they do not affect us, but in actuality they affect all of us. Every small thing which takes place on island affects all of us.

These incidents affect our daily lives and how we interact with one another. They affect our youth

tremendously, and not only this, but they also affect tourism. No one wants to travel to somewhere where tourists are getting robbed on their first night of vacation.

Life here on St. John is supposed to be peaceful all the time. When we find ourselves being afraid of where we live, it means there is a big problem.

Back in the day, someone could leave their car open and go about as they pleased. Now everyone is locking their cars because they know the potential of some people out there. The expectation of being robbed should not be in our minds so often.

We do not have people getting killed, kidnapped and/or robbed everyday like some places, but there is always the potential.

So before it can even progress to where people are intimidated in their own homes, let us all stop and think and figure out how we can make sure our island is peaceful all year round and the suspects of these malicious doings are caught and punished.

If violence continues to plague our island, Love City as we know

it will lose its shine and what makes it so special.

Crime Stoppers

Many of us refuse to speak up on the issues because we are afraid of being a snitch, a rat head, and a tattle tale as they say or for many other different reasons. But sometimes it is necessary to speak out, especially when it can help the lives of everyone around you. No one wants to be known as a snitch, but it is sometimes much needed.

Luckily with the recent implementation of the Crime Stoppers program, it is easier to remain anonymous and still help solve a crime. Not only will people be improving the quality of life for everyone on island, but in the process they can make money for themselves — if someone is convicted.

With Crime Stoppers, the Police Department and the help of good citizens all around the island we can minimize our police log incidents and crime counts.

Let's all try our best to keep the peace and maintain our name of Love City St. John.

Art Show To Feature Four Painters and Glass Art

St. John Tradewinds

Four St. John painters working in oil, watercolors, and mixed media and the talented glass blowers from Maho Glass will be featured at an opening reception at Bajo El Sol Gallery on Friday, May 1, from 5 to 8 p.m.

The opening will be a wonderful opportunity for the community to see new works by Lisa Etre, Lucy Portlock, Patty Tacquard, Denise Wright, and to the continually emerging quality glass art from Maho Glass.

Lisa Etre, a long time resident of St. John, spends much of her time giving back to her islands as head of the Art Department at Ivanna Eudora Kean High School. Her paintings grace the walls of many St. John homes and her style and colors capture the feeling that is the Caribbean.

Lucy Portlock, who for many years introduced visitors to the underwater beauty of the islands as head of the snorkel concession at Caneel Bay Resort, now captures those moments in her wonderful watercolor paintings. Many of Portlock's paintings give the viewer a first hand look at the underwater world she has experienced.

Patty Tacquard's impressionistic style results in

oil paintings that depict a feeling of tranquility while celebrating solitude. Light and shadows play an important role in the overall design of her paintings, and within these paintings one can feel her attachment to her island home.

Denise Wright, an artist working in mixed media, has found a wonderful way to express herself through her art. She recently described herself as "having fun while painting," which clearly transcends to the canvas in her use of color and texture. Wright's paintings are indeed interesting and fun.

Color is a definite aspect of the glass sculpture created by the talented artists of Maho Glass. While art derived from glass is not a new concept, art derived from recycled glass has grown to recognizable value due to the talented artists at Maho Bay Glassworks.

Working in tandem, they create exciting pieces in vibrant colors. One can expect to see their signature wave bowl pieces as well as multi colored urns and vases. The exciting venue of Maho Bay is a great attraction for visiting artists and the high level of art talent on St. John continues to be impressive.

The gallery is located in Mongoose Junction, open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday. For more info call 693-7070.

Swimmers Gearing Up for Friends Annual Beach to Beach Power Swim

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Residents across the Virgin Islands are channeling their inner Michael Phelps in anticipation of the 6th Annual Beach to Beach Power Swim on Sunday, May 24.

Hosted by Friends of V.I. National Park, the event raises much needed funds for the non-profit, whose support is vital to the maintenance of the park. But while the fund raiser helps Friends of VINP advance projects and programs within the park, the power swim is also simply a fun event in beautiful surroundings.

"The Beach to Beach swim is a modest fund raiser for us," said Friends president Joe Kessler. "But more than that, it's a celebration of two of the most important features of VINP — the beaches and the water. As people swim along they see turtles, sting rays and lots of fish."

"It's really beautiful," said Kessler.

Three Races In One

The Beach to Beach Power Swim is actually three races in one, making it ideal for competitive and novice swimmers alike. While all courses start at Maho Bay beach and parallel the beautiful North Shore of St. John, the short course ends at Cinnamon Bay beach for a length of one mile.

The intermediate course ends at Trunk Bay, for a distance of two and one-quarter miles, and the long course finishes at Hawksnest beach, for a total distance of three and one-half miles. Swimmers can compete solo, with a three person relay team or in the assisted category which allows the use of fins, masks and snorkels.



St. John Tradewinds News Photo File

More than 150 participants packed Maho Bay beach at the start of last year's Beach to Beach Power Swim, above.

Inspired by 8 Tuff Miles

Taking a cue from one of the island's other main athletic competitions, the 8 Tuff Miles Road Race, Kessler wanted as many people as possible to be able to participate in the Beach to Beach swim.

"A lot of my inspiration came from 8 Tuff Miles and how accessible that race is," said the Friends president. "You don't have to be a serious runner or speedster to take part. While there is a handful of serious runners, the bulk of the people who take part in 8 Tuff each year walk the course or just try

to improve upon their time from the previous year."

"I wanted this swim race to be just as accessible," said Kessler. "Pretty much anyone can swim a mile with fins, a snorkel and a mask."

"Swimming World" Feature

Last year's swim drew 165 people and this year — with a major feature in the September 2008 issue of *Swimming World* magazine penned by Kessler's wife Cristina — the Friends president expects even more participants.

"We're expecting more people this year as the event is really being promoted state-side," said the Friends president. "We're targeting masters' swim teams, which is the demographic who love swimming and plan vacations around swim meets."

"The event will bring in more and more people from off-island," said Kessler. "Last year about 30 percent of the participants were from outside of the Virgin Islands."

The *Swimming World* article also allowed Kessler to state as fact a point he had long maintained.

"I used to describe the event as arguably the most beautiful open water swim in the world," Kessler said. "But since the article, I can now say that according to 'Swimming World' magazine the Beach to Beach Power Swim is the most beautiful open ocean race in the world."

The swim kicks off at 8 a.m. at Maho Bay with competitive swimmers on the long course paddling into Hawksnest after about an hour and 20 minutes. Kieran Locke owns the long course record — one hour, 11 minutes and 39 seconds — which he set in 2005. On the women's side, Annie Myrvang has the record with a time of one hour, 18 minutes and seven seconds.

Many Volunteers Needed

The event's success over the years has been due to the many volunteers, both on shore and a sea, who provide support for the swimmers, explained Kessler.

"We have about 25 to 35 kayaks, five power boats, St. John Rescue and several other dinghies on the water during the

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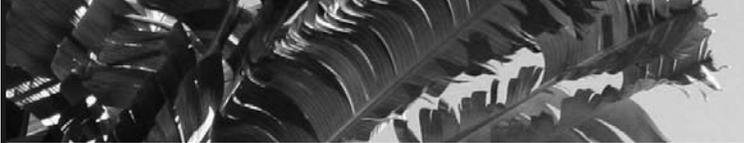

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Just My Opinion

by Andrew Rutnik

Making St. John More User Friendly

St. John Tradewinds

A small island can sometimes be a plus when it comes to solving problems. With only a little over a quarter of St. John under local government care for infrastructure improvements and maintenance, there is an opportunity to make our island more user friendly.

Let's start with accepting that pedestrians prefer sidewalks to dodging cars and navigating the crumbling edge of roadways to walk through our towns and country side.

All of us have brushed by a pedestrian as we cruised through town, made our way up Centerline Road or out the South Shore Road. With little or nowhere to go, our walking residents are forced against bushes, fences, parked cars or even into doorways to avoid being struck by cars, trucks, or worst of all giant tractor trailers.

School children let out at busy intersections with few sidewalks are the most vulnerable, their attention to danger overcome by their joy to be released. This scenario occurs daily and only by the grace of God do more injuries not occur. I am sure as a gesture of economy or being green, more people would walk if it was made safe.

Sidewalks should be part of

every town property owner's requirement, similar to parking requirements. No chains, barriers, parked cars, or fences should force people onto the street or in the path of vehicular traffic. Land should be acquired from property owners through purchase or eminent domain.

All new highways or improvements to existing highways should have sidewalks as part of the budget. This will not happen overnight, but gradually our sidewalk mileage will increase and our residents will breathe a sigh of relief.

We spend untold thousands of dollars a year on pruning our country roadsides of brush, only to see them grow back new and improved after one or two rains. We should be spending that money on a permanent solution — wide/level sidewalks with an additional clearance of manageable grass.

St. John has a lot going for it in terms of its beauty, people, and ambiance, however we are not as user friendly as we can be, should be, or want to be.

Our local government should lead the way on this issue; through planning, budgeting, and acquiring the needed property, sidewalks can become a priority. The recently-approved VI share of the

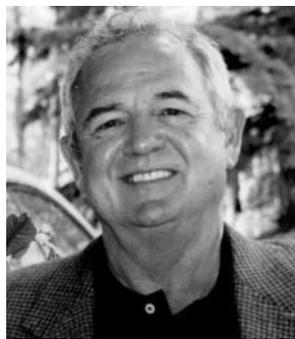
Economic Stimulus package has considerable funds for highway improvements, and sidewalks are a quick way of spending some of those dollars.

While we are at it, let's improve our existing sidewalks by replacing dangerous broken concrete and removing obstacles such as sign posts, broken fences, garbage bins, and parked cars.

Every thing has its place and everything has its time, but for too long we have accepted things out of place. Our government should learn to "cherry pick," take on the easiest, least costly, most do-able projects first. Then move on to the more difficult tasks that require expensive solutions, permitting, etc.

Here is my list of low hanging cherries: sidewalk improvements and repairs; street marking; broken fence repair at Julius E Sprauve School ball field; clean and functioning bathrooms for events; an additional government parking lot for police, fire, rescue, and other agency cars adjacent to the WAPA water stand pipe; eliminating long term parking in Cruz Bay lots; and finally removal of all government signs that do nothing to deter littering, loitering, or drug use.

What is your list?



Marsh Volunteers in Guyana

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

While most kids were relaxing on the beach during their spring break earlier this month, high school junior Christin Marsh was busy helping construct a house for under privileged families in Guyana.

The Seventh Day Adventist School student traveled to the small South American country with the National Association for the Prevention of Starvation April 2 to 8.

"I had fun," said Marsh "We helped build a house for three days and then we went into the community and talked to the kids and taught them songs."

While Marsh was bracing for third world living conditions, she was pleasantly surprised by the amenities available in Guyana, the 15-year-old explained.

"It wasn't as difficult as we thought it would be," said Marsh. "They have toilets and showers and stuff. It's just that everything isn't as modern as our things here."

The group of 16, which included six students from the Seventh Day Adventist School, stayed at a family's home and joined the community in worship services, explained Marsh.

"The best part of the experience for me was the religious aspect," Marsh said. "The songs we sang were beautiful and the people had some inspir-



Photo Courtesy of C. Marsh

Christin Marsh, center, with other volunteers.

ing words to encourage people to try to improve themselves. People were really easy to talk to and to get along with."

Marsh enjoyed support from St. John residents, several of whom donated funds to help cover the air fare to Guyana.

"I want to thank everyone who supported me," said Marsh. "I especially want to thank one woman who wrote a kind letter and told me that she's been watching me grow into a fine young lady. I hope I made her proud."

As Marsh, an honors student who graduated from Guy Benjamin School, ponders her future another NAPS trip might be possible.

"I would do another trip with NAPS," she said. "I had a really good time and I think it made me a better person."

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Historical Bits & Pieces

by Chuck Pishko

How Tektite Morphed Into La Chalupa

St. John Tradewinds

On February 15, 2009, we heard in detail about Tektite I from the design and construction of the base camp now known as VIERS, the habitat designed by General Electric, to the adventures of the aquanauts.

Tektite II followed bringing teams of female aquanauts led by Dr. Sylvia Earle whose accomplishments were manifold both for undersea exploration and ground-breaking for professional women scientists.

The audience at the initial celebration of the 40th anniversary of Tektite brought up many questions on whatever happened to the GE habitat and the program.

The answer seemed to be that it was towed to California and dismantled. However, undersea research continued including in Puerto Rico where a new habitat called La Chalupa was built by Perry Oceanographics with two chambers 50-feet by 20-feet by 10-feet.

It was not permanently affixed to the ocean floor like Tektite but moveable, increasing the range of experiments and the number of sites. Not being stationary also meant it could be raised to the surface with the aquanauts in it with no need for risky transfers to a diving bell and it could be used as a self-contained decompression chamber. At the surface, the interior could be thoroughly cleaned and sanitized eliminating troublesome bacteria buildup.

It was also known as the Puerto Rico International Undersea Laboratory (PRINUL) and operated for its first year off the coast of Mayaquez where 12 two-week missions were made, six and 12 miles offshore.

Ian Koblick, President of the Marine Resources Development Foundation (MRDF) developed and managed PRINUL. Dr. James Miller, Assistant Project Director of Tektite I and Project Director of Tektite II, and Scott Carpenter, the first Astronaut/Aquanaut to pen-



St. John Tradewinds News Photo Courtesy of NOAA

La Chalupa, built in 1972, now operates as Jules Undersea Lodge off Key Largo, Florida.

trate both inner and outer space were involved in this project as well.

In 1967, Aquanaut Carpenter was appointed Director of Aquanaut Operations during the Sealab III experiment. His office was responsible for directing the Navy's Saturation Diving Program which included development of deep-ocean search, rescue, salvage, ocean engineering, and man-in-the-sea capabilities.

MRDF reports that "in 1985, the MarineLab habitat called the 'Classroom in the Sea,' was moved to a permanent site at the Foundation's new headquarters in Key Largo, Florida. It is now known as the Undersea Laboratory and is used extensively in ongoing education and research programs.

"In 1988, the Foundation used its habitat to conduct a series of NOAA funded programs designed to study diver physiology under a variety of hyperbaric environments. These studies used Doppler ultrasound technology to detect small nitrogen bubbles in the blood of divers who had spent 12, 24, and 48 hours at depths of 12 to 24 feet in the lab.

"In 1992, NASA joined with MRDF to simulate the isolation conditions of a long term space mission, placing aquanauts in an undersea habitat for 30 days, the La Chalupa 30 mission. Overlapping this cooperative program was a privately funded endeavor, spon-

sored by MRDF, called Project Atlantis.

"The program raised public awareness about the possibilities of living and working in the sea and resulted in the establishment of the world record for living in an undersea habitat (69 days)."

On September 9, 1995, MRDF joined with NASA in a rare sea to space connection — only the second time such a link has ever been established. During the link, Koblick and Astronaut/Aquanaut Carpenter, speaking from the Undersea Lodge, communicated with Astronaut Michael Gernhardt on board the Space Shuttle Endeavour.

The event marked the 30th anniversary of the first such link-up when Carpenter spoke from the Navy's Sealab habitat on the bottom of the Pacific Ocean in 1965 to fellow former Mercury Astronaut Gordon Cooper, orbiting above in Gemini V.

Tektite and La Chalupa played important roles in the continuum of undersea research which becomes evermore important as the seas are affected by global warming.

The coral reefs are breaking down as corals are bleached and algae disappears. Melting ice affects ecosystems and currents, setting off chain reactions with other systems. Society must to continue to change its ways — we can't afford to treat the sea as an inexhaustible resource.

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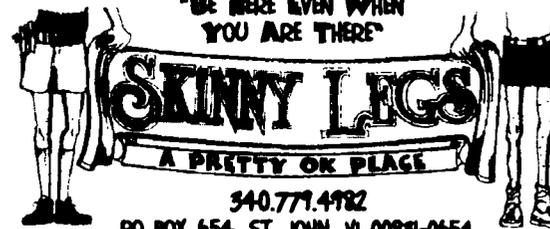
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Under Investigation: 0
Solved: 0

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Under Investigation: 1
Solved: 0

2nd Degree Burglaries: 18
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Solved: 0

3rd Degree Burglaries: 67
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Solved: 0

Grand Larcenies: 68
Under Investigation: 68
Solved: 0

Rapes: 0
Under Investigation: 0
Solved: 0

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

2nd Degree Burglaries: 14
Under Investigation: 14
Solved: 0

3rd Degree Burglaries: 27
Under Investigation: 25
Solved: 2

Grand Larcenies: 23
Under Investigation: 21
Solved: 1

Rapes: 0
Under Investigation: 0
Solved: 0

Letters to St. John Tradewinds

Friends of VINP Thanks Supporters for Making Earth Day Fair a Success

Editor,

More than 700 students from Guy Benjamin School, Giff Hill School, Infinite Possibilities Home School, Methodist Pre-School, St. John Christian Academy, and Julius E. Sprauve School attended the Earth Day fair.

Students learned essential ecological lessons and useful tips from Virgin Islands experts in the fields of natural and cultural resources, recycling, and environmental education, while visiting various booths with interactive and captivating demonstrations.

Friends would like to extend a special thank you to our event sponsors: Big Planet; V.I. Lottery; NPCA; and V.I. Audubon Society. Numerous island businesses and community partners donated supplies and giveaways for the event as well.

Friends would like to thank Baked in the Sun, Bayside Mini Mart, the Cruz Bay Fire Fighters, Deli Grotto, Dolphin Market, First Bank, iScream, June Mays Photography, Laurel Sewer, Love City Mini Mart, Maho Bay Camps, Our Market, Pine Peace Mini Mart, Ronnie's Pizza, Starfish Market, St. John Ice, St. John School of the Arts, St. Thomas Dairies, and Westin Resort and Villas for their generous contributions to the fair.

However, the real appreciation and thanks must go out to the numerous volunteers who donated their time to make this event happen. Your involvement and dedication is admirable and the event would have never been possible without you. Friends would like to extend a very special thank you to Peter Alter for the use of his tents and to the numerous National Park

staff members that helped during the fair.

We also want to thank the many presenters who were on hand to teach our youth about their fragile island and global environment through creative activities and booths.

Students got dirty excavating a simulated archeology dig, watched environmental movies, played ocean bingo, learned about local seeds and crafts, baked cookies in a solar oven, crushed recycled cans, joined a fact finding scavenger hunt, jumped like a frog, viewed a solar car, created recycled art, and helped to document numerous ways to keep St. John pristine for future generations.

Friends continued the celebration of Earth Day with an island wide cleanup by the participants of the Friends' Adopt-A-Beach/Trail program.

Each group removed debris from their adopted beach/trail beach leaving almost nine miles of trails and beaches much cleaner. The Friends sponsored their cleanup of Drunk Bay on Saturday with the help of a great group of volunteers.

Thank you once again to all who joined the Friends in removing numerous bags of marine debris from the windswept beach. Friends would like to personally thank all of the groups who participated in the Earth Day cleanups of their adopted locations.

If you would like to join the Friends in this year-long effort and adopt a beach or trail of your own call me at our office for more information at 779-4940!

Audrey Penn
Friends of VINP
Program Manager

Resident Heartened by Musical Service at St. Ursula's

Editor,

I got back a little while ago from an absolutely wonderful event, the service of praise and celebration at St. Ursula's church! What a blessing! I just can't say enough about it! Everyone involved deserves a standing ovation and huge, shiny halos!

Thank you so much, Irva Roberts and Carol Furneaux (et. al.) at St. Ursula's for putting it together! The one thing that really warmed my heart and lifted my spirit (on top of all the wonderful praise and worship music) was the spirit of unity, with talented

participants from many different congregations on St. John and St. Thomas coming together as one body of believers. Moravian, Lutheran, Methodist, Pentacostal, Episcopal and Catholic, all children of God, brothers and sisters in Christ.

We need more events like these, especially in these trying times, to encourage and hold one another up, and to show what can be done when people cooperate with one another. Thanks to all of you! God bless you!

Pam Dolson

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Memorial Service

Friends Say Goodbye To Jimmy Herrin

Friends and loved ones gathered on Elliot Hooper's tall ship *Silver Cloud* on Sunday afternoon, April 19, to say one last goodbye to Jimmy Herrin, who passed away in March.

A 30-year St. John resident, Herrin had many dear

friends on Love City who gathered to celebrate his life and deposit his ashes in the sea off of Coral Bay harbor. The afternoon was filled with stories, laughing, crying and a cannon salute for Herrin, who will never be forgotten.

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

Letters to St. John Tradewinds

Police Presence Needed at Late Arriving Ferries

Editor,

It is with sorrow that I read the report of a beating and robbery of a visitor to Cruz Bay last Sunday. I have never felt in danger at Cruz Bay at night. I guess this will make me think twice the next time I visit.

Is it not time for the V.I. Police Department to begin showing a presence at the dock when the late boats arrive from Red Hook? There should be an officer at the dock — not in a vehicle — for every late ferry arrival. Perhaps a criminal incident could be prevented

by having someone on the dock to help direct those in need at such late hours. Not everyone is fortunate enough to be able to arrive during the daylight hours.

The local government and Police Department owe it to the island visitors to have a safe experience while on island. Is not a large part of the island's economy based on tourism? If crime continues unchecked and people do not visit — then what?

John Bittner
Connecticut

Emergency Transportation Needs Improvement

Editor,

Everybody appreciates that health care in St. Thomas and St. John has significantly improved. The hospital personnel in both places is competent and devoted to the service for the patients.

There are many more doctors with almost all special medical fields covered in St. Thomas and also very good new expensive instruments which tremendously improves the diagnosis.

The St. John clinic is also much better. Of course, due to the small number of St. John inhabitants, the clinic cannot be equipped as a complete hospital and we are dependent on the hospital in St. Thomas for special care.

The problem of emergency medical care of course remains. We have a good local ambulance service but the transport of patients with heart attacks, severe trauma or strokes needs improvement.

The transportation of patients to the St. Thomas hospital is complicated: ambulance to the harbor; boat and another ambulance to the hospital. This last service may be — according to my experience — inadequate. The St. Thomas ambulance should wait at the harbor for our boat and this frequently does not happen meaning there is additional waiting of the patient for further transportation.

A much better solution would be another (different) boat which would accept the whole ambulance with the patient and continue to the hospital after landing.

Transporting the patient from the St. John ambulance to the boat, from the boat to another ambulance — in case that this one is immediately available — takes too much time. Direct transport from the St. John clinic to the St. Thomas hospital would save lot of precious time.

The best solution of course would be a transport by helicopter which can land at the designated place at our clinic. A helicopter with a licensed pilot is probably too expensive a proposition. The services which can be prepaid are also inadequate — they transport patients only between hospitals. Since these are not helicopter transports, ambulance service to the airport is still necessary.

Medicare also pays for an airplane service but again, it has to be from hospital to hospital like from St. Thomas hospital to San Juan hospital. This is mainly for superspeciality care, not for emergency care in general. In some emergency cases, time is a very critical issue. It is well known from our wars that the survival of our wounded soldiers is now much better than in the previous wars because transport of the wounded to the hospital is now very fast.

I would strongly recommend devoting some money and attention to the critical problem of transportation of St. John emergency patients to the proper place — to the St. Thomas or San Juan hospital.

Z. Hruza, MD (retired)

Boating Community Comes Through for GBS

Editor,

I feel compelled to make comment about the Coral Bay Yacht Club's annual cartilla-flotilla. As a CBYC member and citizen of our community, I am very proud of the people I know here. We had a great time at this event!

A very big thanks should be given to all who contributed their time and effort! The excitement of the children is something that one does not want to ever

forget.

For this annual fund raiser event for the Guy Benjamin School, we the boating community should be recognized for the great people we are, and for the contributions we make here. I am proud to be a boater and very proud of the way we conduct ourselves. We help, serve and give to many activities throughout the community. Thanks to all!

Name Withheld Upon Request

Berkebile Thanks Friends for Support

Editor,

I would like to thank everyone for all their kindness during my recent illness. Your thoughts, prayers, phone calls and contributions to help defray my medical expenses have left me overwhelmed with gratitude.

Both of my surgeries were successful and I am presently well on my way to complete recovery. I

must remain stateside for several more weeks to complete my recuperation. I am looking forward to seeing all of you so that I can thank you in person.

Until then, this will have to do. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

With love,
Grant Berkebile

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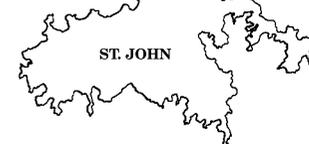
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Students Pack VINP Friends' Earth Day Fair

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 information about native plants on island and their uses. Students in the honors marine biology class at GHS set up an information booth which simulated snorkeling and introduced students to fish survey identification methods.

Junior Rangers

VINP Superintendent Mark Hardgrove distributed Junior Ranger ball caps to 40 Julius E. Spruave School and Guy Benjamin School students who completed the program with the park's education specialist Laurel Brannick-Bigrig.

"I hope you guys consider joining the Youth Conservation Corps when you're 15," said Hardgrove. "And maybe some of you will stick with the park. I'd love to be sitting over there in the shade one day as an old man and see one of you as the VINP Superintendent."

Biggest Turn Out

The Friends' environmental fair focused on highlighting the is-



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Students at the fair donned snorkels and picked out pictures of fish, simulating fish identification surveys, above.

land's initiatives, according to the group's program manager Audrey Penn.

"We have 600 kids here today learning all about the green initiatives on St. John," said Penn.

"We're trying to get the kids informed and excited about the green projects we have going on here. Everyone's having a great time and it's the biggest turn out we've ever had."

Friends Annual Beach to Beach Power Swim 2009

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race," he said. "We have so many people in the water looking after the swimmers as safety is very important to us."

"Overall we have about 80 volunteers who help out because, with the three races going on at once, it's pretty interesting logistically," said Kessler.

In addition to the on-site support, the Beach to Beach Swim also enjoys financial support from a host of local businesses, Kessler added.

Local Support

"There is a ton of local support for the event as so many members of the community come through with help," said the Friends president. "This year with the economy and everything, I was curious to see what kind of support we'd get, but we've had some of the best support ever."

Sponsors include the Depart-

ment of Tourism, Mongoose Junction, St. John Insurance, TOPA, Angel Electric, Theodore Tunick and Company and Scotia Bank. St. John Hardware is sponsoring the swim caps and Free Bird is donating the medals which are awarded to all finishers. Pirate Radio is the officials radio of the event and one of the deejays will even be competing, Kessler explained.

Awards Party at Oppenheimer

After swimmers emerge from the sea, the fun continues at Oppenheimer Beach where Friends hosts an after-party awards ceremony starting at 11 a.m. Participants can park at Maho Bay, Hawksnest, or Cruz Bay as Friends will provide a shuttle which will run up and down North Shore Road all morning.

Early registration, for \$30, is open through May 8. From May 9 to May 22, registration will be \$40. The last day to register for the event is Saturday, May 22,

at the pre-race meeting at Maho Bay Campground at 5 p.m. Participants can register on line at www.friendsvinp.org/swim, on St. John at Connections East and West and the Friends of the Park Store, on St. Thomas at Caribbean Surf Company and on St. Croix at Scuba St. Croix.

Warm-up Swims May 3 and 17

While the pre-race meeting is not mandatory, it is recommended that participants, especially first time racers, attend in order to get familiar with the different courses and buoy markers, according to Kessler.

Warm-up practice swims will be at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 3, and Sunday, May 17. Additional volunteers are needed this year. To volunteer for the Beach to Beach Power Swim call Friends program manager Audrey Penn at Friends of VINP at 779-4940.

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Top Gun, Sweet Ting, Soma Win Around St. John Race

St. John Tradewinds

Top Gun took top honors in the Spinnaker Racing class in the Around St. John Race, hosted by the St. John Yacht Club on Sunday, April 19.

About 10 boats battled in perfect weather conditions on a course which wound around the entire island.

"It was a beautiful day and we had a great party afterward at the Banana Deck," said SJYC race chairperson Jim Swan.

Sweet Ting won the Non-spinnaker class and the catamaran *Soma* won its class.



St. John Police Report

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Friday, April 17

4:40 p.m. - A citizen c/r that someone shot her vehicle while she was driving in the area of Estate Enighed. Police assistance.

Saturday, April 18

4:43 p.m. - An Estate Gift Hill resident requested police assistance to retrieve her car keys that her husband hid from her. Misunderstanding.

4:45 p.m. - A citizen r/ a disturbance in progress at the U.S. Customs Parking lot.

6:50 p.m. - A VIPD Officer requested assistance with a disturbance in the area of Cruz Bay. Disturbance of the peace.

9:29 p.m. - Management of Love City Mini Mart c/r that a male was causing a disturbance at the store. Disturbance of the peace.

10:30 p.m. - A citizen p/r that he was verbally threatened by a male in the area of Cruz Bay. Disturbance of the peace.

Sunday, April 19

4:45 a.m. - A citizen c/r a disturbance in the area of Nature's Nook. Aggravated assault and battery, DV.

5:30 a.m. - A citizen c/r suspicious activity in the area of Estate Enighed. Grand larceny.

4:15 p.m. - A citizen c/r that he was in trouble on a dinghy. Police assistance.

7:40 p.m. - A citizen c/r an over-turned vehicle in the area of Estate Chocolate Hole. Auto accident.

Monday, April 20

1:12 p.m. - A citizen r/ that his minor daughter went snorkeling and has been missing for approximately two hours. Police assistance.

Tuesday, April 21

10:35 a.m. - A citizen r/ an auto accident on North Shore Road between Trunk Bay and Peter Bay. Auto accident.

1:10 p.m. - An Estate Carolina resident r/ that someone tampered with his vehicle. Vehicle tampering.

4:35 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident p/r that she is being harassed by her neighbor. Disturbance of the peace.

6:00 p.m. - An Estate Contant resident c/requesting assistance with a male who is at her residence.

6:30 p.m. - A visitor from Massachusetts p/r that he was involved in an auto accident. Auto accident.

6:54 p.m. - A citizen c/r a fight in progress at the Cruz Bay dock.

Wednesday, April 22

1:58 a.m. - An Estate Enighed resident p/r that a male threatened him in the area of Cruz Bay. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

3:15 a.m. - Centurian Security c/r an activated alarm at Morgan's Mango. An inspection revealed a burglary in an adjacent building. Burglary in the third.

9:00 a.m. - A citizen p/r that someone removed cable from his job site. Grand larceny.

10:30 a.m. - A citizen p/r that someone is stalking her. Stalk-

ing.

1:20 p.m. - Department of Human Service official c/r that a student sustained burns to his legs. Injured minor.

Thursday, April 23

2:50 a.m. - Management at Quiet Mon Pub c/r someone trespassing at the establishment. Trespassing.

8:10 a.m. - A citizen p/r he was threatened. Disturbance of the peace.

10:15 a.m. - An Estate Enighed resident c/r that her neighbor spit on her. Simple assault. Arrest #0023J. Stephanie Jean McClain of Estate Enighed, Tradewinds Building, arrested and charged with simple assault.

1:25 p.m. - An Estate Bethany resident p/r that someone removed his vehicle from his home. Unauthorized use of vehicle.

2:20 p.m. - An Estate Rendezvous resident p/r that someone threatened her. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

2:30 p.m. - An Estate Pine Peace resident p/r that a female slapped him on the face. Simple assault.

4:34 p.m. - An Estate Upper Carolina resident p/r that she was assaulted by a female in the area of Johnson Bay.

5:46 p.m. - A citizen c/r an auto accident in the area of the tennis courts. Auto accident.

Friday, April 24

5:17 a.m. - ADT c/r an activated alarm at Cinnamon Bay Campground.

Community Calendar

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

Tuesday, April 28

The next Chapter Meeting will be on Tuesday, April 28, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Ocean Grill upstairs.

Tuesday, April 28

The St. John Film Society has secured a location on the second floor of The Marketplace for its free monthly film screening series and will host the first one on Tuesday evening, April 28, at 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 2

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

Saturday, May 2

A Coral Bay Shoreline Cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, May 2, from 9 to 11 am.

Sunday, May 3

Friends of V.I. National Park are hosting a practice swim in preparation for the Beach to Beach Power swim on Sunday morning, May 3, at 8:30 a.m. at Maho Bay beach.

Monday, May 4

The St. John men's flag football league will kick off the first round of its playoffs on Monday evening, May 4, at the Winston Wells ball field. The first game will feature Woody's vs. Prime Time at 7:30 p.m. Fifteen minutes after that game ends, the Island Raiders will take on Westin All Stars.

Friday, May 8

The second round of the St. John men's flag football league will be on Friday evening, May 8, at the Winston Wells ball field. The highest seed from round one will play Prestige and the lowest seed from round one will play the Bulldogs.

Sunday, May 17

Friends of V.I. National Park are hosting a practice swim in preparation for the Beach to Beach Power swim on Sunday morning, May 17, at 8:30 a.m. at Maho Bay beach.

Sunday, May 24

Friends of Virgin Islands National Park is hosting the 6th annual Friends' Beach-to Beach Power Swim on Sunday, May 24, at 8 a.m.

Saturday, June 13

The St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce Wilbur "Bill" LaMotta Community Service Awards Dinner Dance will be at St. Peter Great House, St. Thomas, on Saturday, June 13, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

AA Meetings

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

Al-Anon Meetings

Al-Anon meets on St. John every Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the picnic table at the VINP ball field, and every Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at Our St. Ursula's Church.

Alateen Meetings

Alateen will meet on Mondays at St. Ursula's Church from 6 to 7 p.m. and is open to anyone interested in attending.

NA Meetings

Narcotics Anonymous has open meeting from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. every Saturday at St. Ursula's Church.

St. John Church Schedule & Directory

<p>3 Sail Church 10 Sunday, St. John School of the Arts</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; 7 p.m. Saturdays (Español), 10 a.m. Sundays 340-715-0530</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, 7:15 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Every 3rd Sunday: Service 9:30 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 Giffit Hill School. Call 774-8617</p>
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Ferry Schedules

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REPEATED BEGINNINGS

ACROSS

- 1 Goes from pub to pub
- 8 Suzanne of "Three's Company"
- 14 Decathlon event
- 20 Fast feline
- 21 Yarn for embroidery
- 22 Accompany, as to a party
- 23 Offending soldier's expulsion
- 26 Mil. no-show
- 27 Volume unit
- 28 Oak or olive
- 29 Yellow-flowered plant of the buttercup family
- 36 Split
- 38 Quirky
- 39 Boise site
- 40 Turkey Day veggies
- 41 Big bargains
- 43 Collars
- 46 Like some dedicated members
- 51 Mai —
- 52 Howe or Canetti
- 55 "— -hoo!"
- 56 With 117-Down, from that day on
- 57 Draws a crowd, say
- 64 Memorable time period
- 65 Iris' place
- 66 "Othello" foe
- 67 Relaxing resort
- 68 Boohoo
- 69 South Carolina women's school
- 77 Year divs.
- 80 Nail-biting NBA

- periods
- 81 Meal option
- 82 One more than bi-
- 85 "Lost" ailer
- 86 Method to manufacture a material
- 94 Actress Spelling
- 96 Actress Joanne
- 97 Dashed
- 98 Female pig
- 99 Like food that's good for you
- 105 Antiseptic
- 107 Spoof
- 108 Optimal
- 111 Singer Ronstadt
- 112 Tramp
- 114 "— Blue?"
- 115 Place to hang duds
- 119 Untrue tales
- 121 Tatum of Hollywood
- 123 Tenor's solo
- 124 Basis of a spy novel plot
- 133 Full of melodrama: Var.
- 134 "Doesn't matter who"
- 135 Aunts' kids
- 136 Low bow of respect
- 137 Shelves
- 138 Captivates
- DOWN**
- 1 A-E filler
- 2 Yellowfin tuna, on Hawaiian menus
- 3 Scale notes
- 4 Sly laugh syllable
- 5 Great Plains Indian
- 6 Old airline
- 7 — profit (end up in the black)
- 8 Antonin of the Supreme Court
- 9 Ball
- 10 Tillis or Ott
- 11 "The Seven Year Itch" Tony winner Tom
- 12 Gave a makeover to
- 13 Thin incision
- 14 Person denouncing
- 15 Suffix with bear or bull
- 16 "Shoo!"
- 17 Caustic compounds
- 18 Prompted
- 19 Track horse
- 24 "The Texan" star Calhoun
- 25 Mattress brand
- 29 Mazda model
- 30 Product-pitching cost
- 31 Uncommon occurrence
- 32 "Murder, — Wrote"
- 33 Bible book after Daniel
- 34 Safari or Sierra
- 35 Female bear, in Bilbao
- 37 Bogey beater
- 41 "Nae" sayer
- 42 Drain unclogger
- 44 Mom's forte
- 45 Use a pew
- 47 Bread option
- 48 Mafia leader
- 49 Caligula's nephew
- 50 Take hastily
- 53 "— sure you already know ..."
- 54 Swedish carmaker
- 58 Tape player abbr.
- 59 — Friday's restaurant
- 60 Melba —
- 61 Maui, e.g.: Abbr.
- 62 Unlatch, poetically
- 63 Hound
- 70 Alley- —
- 71 Item in an env.
- 72 Mil. show sponsor
- 73 Cato's 102
- 74 Rose asset
- 75 Diva Horne
- 76 List-limiting abbr.
- 77 Trig or calc
- 78 A woodwind
- 79 Melted and reused iron, e.g.
- 83 Varnish ingredients
- 84 Beloved of Tristan
- 87 Pivotal WWII time
- 88 WWW address
- 89 Agent's take
- 90 Mac alternatives
- 91 Eligible for Soc. Sec.
- 92 "Island of the Blue Dolphins" author Scott
- 93 Perspire
- 95 A Gershwain brother
- 100 Chorus bit
- 101 Soundalike word
- 102 Suburb of Minneapolis
- 103 It owns Cinemax
- 104 Still
- 106 Copa locale
- 109 Fossil rocks
- 110 Garr of film
- 112 Great joy
- 113 Rockies range
- 115 "Alfie" star
- 116 Frank — Wright
- 117 See 56-Across
- 118 "— a Hot Tin Roof"
- 120 Big name in video games
- 122 Plus others: Abbr.
- 125 "Danny Boy" star Stephen
- 126 Yule drink
- 127 Suffix with meth-
- 128 Bug's place?
- 129 "This — surprise!"
- 130 Band's job
- 131 French article
- 132 Tee lead-in

Classifieds

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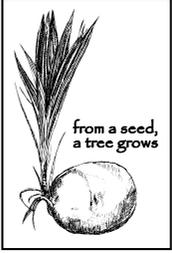
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CONDOMINIUMS



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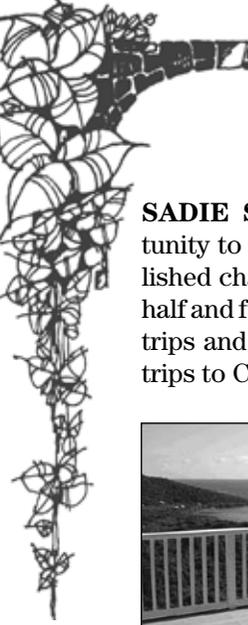
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"Island Fancy" Classic Island home high in Upper Rendezvous with stunning views from Thatch Cay to St. Thomas and south to St. Croix and east to Ram's Head. This charming house is strongly built and features highlights of native stone, open floor plan, large decks, mature landscaping and wonderful privacy. There is an apartment on the lower level, also with large decks and storage. **\$2,950,000**



"Fish Beach" - Brand New Mediterranean Style 2 bedroom luxury pool villa located in Cocoloba Beach Estates, an intimate & private waterfront neighborhood with community beach parcel & dock bordering the National Park near Reef Bay yet near all the amenities of Cruz Bay. Villa features premium finishes including travertine floors, tile roof, antique brick & coral patios, cook's kitchen with stone countertops, stainless steel appliances & luxurious baths. Secluded National Park beaches are just a stroll away. Unbeatable value at only **\$1,195,000 Just Reduced!**



"Snail's Pace" - "Cute As A Button" describes this cottage perfectly. Fronted by a white picket fence, this cozy studio home has all new cabinets, furniture, bath, paint, pumps, tropical landscaping, paved access and walking distance from Reef Bay beach. Includes 1996 Jeep Wagoneer and furniture. List price is below appraisal. The flat lot is a gardener's delight. Walk to Reef Bay Beach. **\$499,000**



"Palm Terrace Villas" - Four of the newest and most spacious condos to be found on St. John. New construction finished in 2005, beautiful views, sun deck and pool area, walk to town and Frank Bay Beach. The two bedroom is over 1700 sq. ft. and the three bedroom penthouse units are over 2100 sq.ft. All feature large kitchens, granite countertops, stainless appliances, large closets, private washer and dryer and ample storage. These condos have it all. **\$975,000 to \$1,399,000**

"Little Plantation" - Three and a half acres of subdividable land with beautiful easterly views over Coral Bay, Hurricane Hole and the British Virgin Islands. This property faces east to catch the cooling breezes, sun rise and moon rise. Walk to Cocoloba Shopping Center. Just reduced to \$1.95M. Also available the entire 7 acre parcel for just **\$2.4M**



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GREAT EXPECTATIONS - Ultimate 7 bd/7 bath compound features private doubles tennis court, 2 pools, excellent views, walk to beach. \$2,999,500.

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.

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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.

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