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JESS ninth graders, including valedictorian Savannah Lyons-Anthony, front row far right, posed outside the Westin ballroom before graduation.

JESS Graduates Reminded To Make Good Choices

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

When 13 Julius E. Sprauve School ninth graders graduated at a ceremony at the Westin Resort and Villas on Tuesday evening, June 9, the festive mood was tempered by the reality of how fleeting life can be.

The St. John students were reminded of the importance of their choices by Department of Education Insular Superintendent Jeanette Smith-Barry as she remembered Karence DaCosta, the Charlotte Amalie High School student who died in a car accident just hours after graduating on June 7.

"Make your next choice your best choice," Smith-Barry told the JESS graduating class. "It starts tonight. Every choice you make has consequences."

"Make each moment you have count," said Smith-Barry.

While the students are sure to enter larger classes and schools, that doesn't mean they will get lost, according to the DOE Superintendent.

"We're really proud that you made it this far and we want to encourage you to continue," said Smith-Barry. "As you leave St. John, you leave a little school and a little family and many of you will go off to bigger schools."

"But that doesn't mean that you no longer have a family," Smith-Barry said. "It means you have a much bigger family. And all families stick together."

The DOE District Superintendent urged the graduates to reunite in three years.

"I would like each of you to make a pledge to make it through the 12th grade," said Smith-Barry. "I hope you have a JESS reunion then."

JESS principal Mario Francis took time to remark on each of the graduates personally.

"With a class the size we have, it's easy for us at JESS to be very intimate," said Francis. "With our

students we call ourselves the JESS family and that is really what we are."

JESS staff members took over the spotlight as teachers and faculty sang moving renditions of "I Believe I Can Fly," and "Oh Happy Day," to the delight of the crowd in the Westin ballroom.

Class Valedictorian Savannah Lyons-Anthony and Salutatorian Javon Venzen delivered impressive speeches to their peers, teachers, family members and friends.

Venzen focused on the word "choice" and recited Robert Frost's "The Road Not Taken."

"Hard work guarantees you nothing, but without it you don't stand a chance," said Venzen. "Make choices that count and make choices that make a difference."

Lyons-Anthony thanked family members and teachers who helped her achieve her goals.

"Three years ago I walked through the gates of the Julius E. Sprauve School not knowing what to expect," said Lyons-Anthony. "Now I am socially and mentally ready for what comes next, whatever that may be. It was the special attention we got at JESS that was the key to a healthy learning environment."

"We can make anything happen," said the JESS valedictorian.

Other distinguished guests who offered encouraging words to the ninth graders included Senate President Louis Hill, Senator at Large Craig Barshinger and Board of Education member Oswin Sewer. JESS alumni Antonio Powell delivered the keynote address.

The 2009 JESS ninth grad promotees were Frailen Castillo, Shevani Chickester, Natalie Dalmida, Nicole Dalmida, Travis Dalimda, Iesha Dawson, Clarissa Doyling, J'Kail Jacobs, Ohene Lambertis, Lyons-Anthony, Franklyn Perez, Alexa Richards and Venzen.

Festival Food Vendors Meeting June 15

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There will be a meeting at Julius E. Sprauve School for all food vendors who will be participating in the St. John Festival on Monday, June 15, at 5:30 p.m. Representatives from Departments of Health, Fire, Waste Management and Police will be setting the rules and regulations for all vendors.

For further information please contact 690-3692 or 690-1725.

Recycling Meeting Set for June 16

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The St. John Chapter of the Recycling Association of the Virgin Islands, will host its monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 16, at 6 p.m. at the St. John Community Foundation Office on the third floor of The Marketplace. Everyone is invited to attend.

For more information call Paul Devine at 693-9410.

IEK Energized Program Meeting Jun. 17

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Ivanna Eudora Kean High School Principal Dr. Sharon McCollum announces that a mandatory meeting has been scheduled for eighth graders who expect to be freshmen at IEK during the 2009-2010 school year and their parents on Wednesday evening, June 17, at the school's cafeteria at 6 p.m.

"This meeting is the second in a series of meetings to introduce incoming freshmen to the Program and to outline expectations of parents," Dr. McCollum said. "The program begins on Monday, June 22, 2009. We, at the Ivanna Eudora Kean High School, look forward to serving all parents and new students."

Applications for Summer Pan Camp

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The Love City Pan Dragons Youth Steel Orchestra is hosting a Summer Pan Camp from June 22 through July 31 at the group's pan yard in Estate Enighed.

Students between the ages of seven and 17 are welcome to join. The cost is \$50 and lunch and snacks will be provided. Applications are available at the Love City Pan Dragons' pan yard on Friday or Saturday afternoons, at the Department of Public Works in Susannaberg and at Courtesy Car Rent.

For more information call 776-6346.

HPR Offers Summer Camp Programs

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A variety of recreational, cultural and educational programs and activities will be offered by the V.I. Department of Housing, Parks and Recreation as well as sports camps, which will provide the participants an opportunity to choose a camp that specializes in their particular interest, according to Commissioner St. Claire N. Williams

"The six week summer program will allow participants to be trained in various sports and will assist them in learning particular disciplines as they relate to sportsmanship, teamwork, leadership, character and responsibility," Williams said.

The six-week summer camps will take place in the St. Thomas/St. John District from June 22 to July 31, 2009. Applications are available at the Cruz Bay Recreation Center on St. John.



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Stevens, Samuel Graduate at Top of Giff Hill School Class

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Eleven Giff Hill School students made history as the largest senior class to graduate on St. John on Thursday evening, June 11.

With threatening skies overhead, the GHS graduation was moved to the indoor restaurant at Caneel Bay Resort, but the shift of location didn't dampen the mood. The large crowd spilled almost onto the beach to celebrate with the school's, and the island's, fifth graduating senior class.

V.I. First Lady Cecile deJongh delivered the commencement address and offered a few pieces of advice to the graduates.

"Always be passionate about the process and success will follow," said deJongh. "The joy is in the journey. The secret is to enjoy the journey while it's happening."

The first lady also urged the students to be lifelong learners.

"Always be learning," deJongh told the GHS seniors. "Learning is the antidote to ignorance and hatred."

In a speech before his proud family and friends, Valedictorian Malik Stevens, who is heading to Georgetown University in the fall, recalled the day he first went "up the hill" to GHS three years ago.

"At first I was a bit skeptical," said Stevens. "I was scared that I would not mesh well and the work would be too much. But I came."

"I decided I would take the road less traveled," Stevens said. "That was three years ago and I do not regret it one bit. I have tried to make the most of my time at GHS."

Salutatorian Jessica Samuel recited and found inspiration in Dr. Suss.

"Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind," Samuel said.

After winning a prestigious Quest Bridge grant, a four-year scholarship worth more than \$250,000, Samuel is heading off to Wesleyan University in the fall.

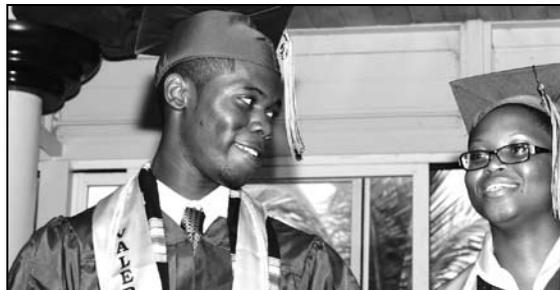
Evanna Chinnery, who will be attending Berklee College of Music, brought the house down — and the crowd to their feet — with her rendition of "I Hope You Dance."

Before handing out diplomas to the 11 graduates, GHS Head Master Ben Biddle shared intimate stories of each student. Graduating from GHS were Stevens, Samuel, Chinnery, Chade Edwards, Kerla Fessale, Mathew Gibney, Zenobia Howe, Tafari Olliviere, Denique Thomas, Shawana Thomas and Matty Trayser.



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The Giff Hill School Class of 2009 is all smiles during their commencement ceremony.



Malik Stevens and Jessica Samuel.



Class of 2009 and their supporters.



Benjamin and Mullen Celebrate 75th Anniversary of Graduation

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Guy Benjamin of St. John and Ulla Mullen of St. Thomas attended the 75th anniversary of their graduations from Charlotte Amalie High School last week.

Representing the Class of 1934, they made a presentation of \$1,400 to the CAHS library, collected from their fellow classmates. Benjamin was the first St. Johnian to graduate from CAHS. Both Mullen and Benjamin have elementary schools named for them as recognition of their contributions to education.

Propane Gas Leak Prompts Marketplace Evacuation

By Jaime Elliott
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It only took seven minutes for the entire Marketplace to evacuate after a propane gas leak was detected by maintenance staff on Tuesday morning, June 9, around 11:30 a.m.

Once the emergency alarm system was activated, employees and customers at every business in the Marketplace evacuated within seven minutes and the St. John Fire Department responded within 10 minutes, according to Marketplace officials.

Propane tanks on the third floor behind the office suites were filled by Antilles Gas the morning of June 9, and apparently were

topped off too high. As the day heated up, the propane expanded, and eventually generated so much pressure the cover to the tank shot off into the air near where a welder was working on the roof.

Had a spark been ignited anywhere in the area, the incident could have easily turned devastating. Instead, maintenance officials set off the emergency alarm and notified authorities.

An Antilles representative inspected the tank shortly after the incident and The Marketplace was reopened for business within an hour. An official from Antilles was expected to conduct a full inspection of the tank and certify its safety.

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Guy H. Benjamin Elementary School Promotes 10 Students

By Tom Oat
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The cool breeze off Coral Bay flowed into the Emmaus Moravian Church to carry several hundred friends, family and classmates through an hours-long celebration of the promotion of 10 sixth graders from the Guy H. Benjamin Elementary School, one of the territory's oldest operating schools.

While students Xavia Bruce-Thomas and Kiana Athanase were the leading scholars, their classmates also received numerous accolades, acclaim and awards in the touching annual ceremony for the island's "country" elementary school — which includes at least one building dating from its genesis as a 19th Century Moravian school.

First Honor Student Bruce-Thomas and Second Honor Student Athanase were presented with numerous academic honors and awards as were every member of the graduating class: DeVante Monsanto, Kenisha Estrado, Ohemmaa Lambertis, Malik Richards, Jaqualyn Clarke, Adaiah Brown, Shalise Wade and Ashly Powell.

A program of dignitaries and public officials addressed the promotees and the audience of friends and family members, including the 100-plus students in grades kindergarten through five at the public school serving the east end of St. John.

Homespun pomp and circumstance was interspersed with musical interludes includ-



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Guy Benjamin School sixth graders pose outside the Emmaus Moravian Church in their best dress before the promotion ceremony.

ing a stirring rendition of the U.S. National Anthem by music teacher Danielle Greenaway and an enchanting solo performance of Somewhere Over the Rainbow by GBS second grade student Gabriel Brocker.

Principal Dionne Wells delivered welcoming remarks. V.I. Insular Superinten-

dent Jeanette Smith-Barry and V.I. Board of Education Member Oswin Sewer addressed the students, as did Senator Wayne James, Chairperson of the V.I. Senate Committee on Education, Youth and Culture and representatives of the St. John Administrator and of the Senator at Large.

"Guy Benjamin School is small and unique," said Wells. "It is a tight-knit family. That is a quality we try to instill in every one of our students."

GBS works to "mold them into well-disciplined girls and boys," Wells declared.

"Listen to yourself," Sen. James told the students in an address which reminded them of the role of the Moravians in teaching slaves to read the bible. "The spirit that will guide you through life is in yourself."

Reverend Lillette I. George, a foster mother, told the students to remind themselves they are "fearfully and wonderfully made."

"Children will give you back what you give to them," Rev. George told the audience. "We have to learn how to invest in them. God gave you the best He had to offer."

The faculty and staff members delivered their annual musical salute to the graduating class to close the promotion event which also marked the retirement of two longtime educators.

Idalia Scimeca retired after 40 years teaching around the hemisphere, Ms. Scimeca finished her career at GBS primarily teaching Spanish. Juanita Canton returned to GBS, where she started teaching in 32 years ago to retire after a career which took her to schools on all three U.S. Virgin Islands. (See related stories on Page 6.)

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CZM Okays Well Drilling and R/O Plant at Pond Bay Club

By Jaime Elliott
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Pond Bay Club officials got the green light to further alter the scope of their original permit from the St. John Coastal Zone Management Committee at a Thursday morning, June 11, decision meeting at the Cruz Bay Legislature building.

Under its second modification request, First Development Group Carib, which is developing the luxury fractional ownership resort Pond Bay Club, won't be extending V.I. Water And Power Authority utilities to its Chocolate Hole Bay site. Instead, the 52-unit development requested permission to construct a reverse osmosis facility and drill three wells for intake and one well for discharge of brine to make potable water.

St. John CZM Committee members Madeline Sewer and Andrew Penn, adopting CZM staff recommendations, approved the modification request, while member Gerry Hills abstained from voting. Member Edmund Roberts was absent.

Hills requested additional information regarding the environmen-

tal impact of discharging 100,000 gallons of brine a day into a 150-foot deep well and eventually into the aquifer.

"I'm worried about the impact of brine being discharged in the amount of 100,000 gallons a day into the aquifer in an environmentally-sensitive area," said Hill. "Your asking me to give approval without any documentation from any agency that says doing this is okay."

The go-ahead from CZM now allows Pond Bay Club officials to complete applications with both the territorial and federal Environmental Protection Agencies to actually drill and test the wells, explained project architect Tracy Roberts of Springline Architects.

"I've been in communication with local and federal EPA and they understand what I'm doing," said Roberts. "Drillers have looked at the site and everyone believes this will not be a problem."

Extending WAPA's water line over Jacob's Ladder to Pond Bay Club's Chocolate Hole location was determined to be an "economic burden" for the developer after the Westin — which already

"I've been in communication with local and federal EPA and they understand what I'm doing. Drillers have looked at the site and everyone believes this will not be a problem."

— Architect Tracy Roberts, Springline Architects

has a R/O plant on site — declined to join the project, Roberts explained.

"Originally, we got an estimated cost from Majestic and the Westin was interested in buying in and tapping into the line as well," said Roberts. "Now the Westin has backed out and Majestic came back and said they made a mistake and doubled the cost. The WAPA plan has become an economic burden on the project."

The modification request also included several changes to the back of the house and roadways at Pond Bay Club. One of the two planned administration buildings was eliminated, the Pond Bay Club building — which will include a restaurant, pool decks and bar — will be one story instead of two and the planned roadway around the property will now in-

clude more permeable materials instead of concrete.

Since Auberge signed on to manage Pond Bay Club, the resort has taken on a more pedestrian feel in order to comply with the company's strict standards, according to the resort's request for modification application.

"The permittee states that the main revisions are caused by the redesign of the restaurant and pool," according to the application. "This occurred as a result of Auberge Resorts being selected as the operator of the hotel and directing changes made in the pool and restaurant to fit within their world class, six-star dining and leisure standards."

The St. John CZM Committee included several special conditions in its approval of Pond Bay Club's modification request, in-

cluding notifying the committee of all work prior to commencing and obtaining all federal and territorial permits before starting construction activities.

This latest modification approval is the last in Pond Bay Club's years-long process to build a luxury resort on its Chocolate Hole waterfront property. Their original major CZM permit was approved in January 2007.

The developers came back to the committee in August 2007 to request a modification to reduce the number of units and parking spaces and eliminate the planned tennis courts. That modification request was approved in October 2007.

The developers were back in front of the St. John CZM Committee in November 2008 to request beach nourishment activities be allowed at the site. Pond Bay Club's request to sift the sand and hand clear cobble and stones from the Chocolate Hole Bay beach was approved in January 2009 with the condition that beach nourishment can only occur after a pilot study of the process and its effects on the environment is completed.

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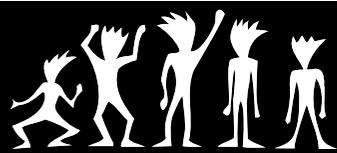
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Scimeca Retires After 40 Years of Teaching

By Jaime Elliott
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After an education career which spanned almost 40 years and an entire hemisphere, Idalia Scimeca is putting away her grading book.

Scimeca is retiring this year from Guy Benjamin School where she most recently helmed the second grade class. The Puerto Rican native's teaching career took her everywhere from Connecticut to the Marshall Islands before she moved to St. John in 2004.

Even on Love City though, Scimeca shuttled around filling the void wherever she was needed. She spent her first three years as an itinerant elementary school Spanish teacher traveling back and forth between GBS and the Julius E. Sprauve School in Cruz Bay.

Last year Scimeca settled down at GBS where she taught Spanish before shifting to the second grade this past year.

The educator began her teaching career in 1970 in the Bronx, NY, before moving to Connecticut,



Idalia Scimeca

Pennsylvania, the Marshall Islands and Hawaii. Scimeca was back teaching on her home island of Puerto Rico when she met her future husband, married and relocated to St. John.

It was all the moving around she did which Scimeca attributed to keeping education exciting to her 40 years after teaching her first class.

"When you work with children,

they keep you on your toes," said Scimeca. "They energize you and keep you going and challenge you. Kids stretch you in every way you can imagine."

"Also I guess the fact that I did move around always kept things fresh," Scimeca said. "Even though I've been in education for so many years, I've been in different aspects of education in very different places."

Looking back at her nearly four decades of education, it was reaching each student in her class which Scimeca said was both the most rewarding and the most challenging aspects of her career.

"Regardless of what you're doing, you always have quite a range of abilities in any one group," said the teacher. "When you're trying to meet the needs of every child, that is both the biggest challenge and reward."

"When you can say, 'I was able to get to each one of them and I provided each one of them with

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Retirement Won't Slow Ms. Canton Down

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Guy Benjamin School first grade teacher Juanita Canton is retiring where she began her career 32 years ago.

"It's perfect that I started teaching kindergarten out here and now I'm retiring from here teaching first grade," said Canton.

In the intervening three decades, Canton taught kindergarten through sixth grade and English as a Second Language classes across St. Croix, St. Thomas and St. John.

Looking back over her career, Canton has seen a trend which she said is key to improving the education system in the territory.

"My hope for the future of education is to focus on getting parents involved with every aspect of their students' education," Canton said. "If parents were on the ball with a lot of things, it would make education easier for everyone. It makes such a difference when parents get involved."

Education is important for more than just teaching children how to read and write, explained Canton.



GBS Teacher
Juanita Canton

"Education is an important factor in making the community one in which we all are proud," she said. "A lot of the problems we're seeing in our community are due to problems in our education system."

For Canton, the best part of teaching was seeing the difference she made in her students.

"I love to see the children become more expressive individuals," said the teacher.

Canton even kept several letters

from students over the years who shared their appreciation with their teacher.

"Because I loved your class, I loved coming to school," wrote Yvette Juste in a letter to Canton. "You made learning fun."

The keepsake letters are a reminder to Canton of the importance of her work, she explained.

"When kids become more expressive and they write a letter like that, it makes me feel like I really made a difference," said Canton. "It doesn't get much better than that."

Canton has no intention of letting retirement slow her down, she added.

"My mother is ill and I'll devote some of my time to taking care of her," said Canton. "But also I'm going to garden and I want to travel. I also think I'll volunteer because I want to share my time with the community."

Even after 32 years of teaching, Canton relished her job right until her last day.

"I really hate to leave," she said. "I love teaching, but it's time for me to move on."

Princess, Prince Show Is Sunday Night

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It's that time of year again. The stage is being built in Winston Wells ball field and young ladies are spending hours memorizing their dance routines for the big night.

Three young ladies from both Rock City and Love City will vie for the title of St. John Festival Princess on Sunday evening, June 21, at the Winston Wells ball park at 6 p.m.

Contestant number one Akwasha Braithwaite is excited to wear all the pretty dresses and strut her stuff in front of the crowd.

Mekayla Smith, a Wesleyan Academy second grader from St. Thomas, is contestant number two. Smith is looking forward to dancing, especially to her favorite artists Beyonce and T.I. Smith is also excited to win some prizes if she is crowned St. John Festival Princess.

Julius E. Sprauve School third grader Daniela Joseph, couldn't name only one thing she's looking

forward to, because she's excited about everything.

"I am looking forward to the music and the dancing and just everything," said Joseph. "I wanted to run because I want the crown."

The ladies have an able escort in crowned St. John Festival Prince Davon Alfred, a 10-year-old fourth

grader at JESS.

"I'm not afraid to take the stage in front of the crowd," said Alfred. "It's going to be a fun night."

Don't miss the annual St. John Festival Princess Selection Pageant on Sunday evening, June 21, at 6 p.m. For more information call Migdalia Feliciano at 344-6142.



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#2 – Mekayla Smith



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Three St. John Women Gearing Up To “Walk Abreast” in October

By Jaime Elliott
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The three women taking turns walking on a treadmill in The Marketplace on Saturday, June 6, weren't just getting some very public exercise, they are team “Sisters Walking Abreast.”

Karen Radtke, Catherine Fahy and Jessica Severance hosted a walkathon tune-up session on a treadmill on June 6 outside Kaleidoscope Video on the first floor of The Marketplace to gear up for a 60 mile walk in October.

The three St. John women were training — while raising awareness and funds — for the Breast Cancer 3-Day Walk in Washington D.C. October 9 through 11. Radtke, Fahy and Severance,

along with two other team Sister Walking Abreast and thousands of other participants, will walk 60 miles over three days to raise funds for breast cancer research.

Eighty-five percent of the funds raised at 3-Day series events — which will be hosted in 15 cities nationwide this year — go to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure, the largest grassroots network of breast cancer survivors and the largest source of non-profit funds for breast cancer research.

The remaining 15 percent of funds raised at 3-Day series events goes to the National Philanthropic Trust Breast Cancer Fund, to contribute to an endowment for breast cancer initiatives.

Before Radtke, Fahy and Sev-

erance can even lace up their shoes, the ladies must raise at least \$2,300 each. The Sisters Walking Abreast team, however, has set a team goal of \$17,000 for themselves.

The June 6 tune-up was the team's second fundraising effort and already the women have already raised half of their goal amount.

After Radtke participated in a 3-Day event with her sister last September in the Twin Cities, she knew it wouldn't be her last walk.

“It's really a life changing experience,” said Radtke. “It's sometimes hard to put into words but it's the most amazing thing I have ever done in my entire life.”

While the walk is a great way to

get in shape, it's about more than just hitting the pavement. The actual walk itself is the culmination of the journey which starts when a participant signs up for a 3-Day event and begins fundraising, explained Radtke.

“It's not an athletic event at all,” she said. “People who think, ‘I can't walk 20 miles a day,’ it's not about that. It's all about raising money.”

“You are walking with survivors and cancer patients who are undergoing treatment,” Radtke said. “All day long there are support cars going by picking up people if they want a lift. It's not a race, it's to raise money.”

In addition to walking side by side for three days, participants also sleep in a “tent city” each night of the event.

“There is a sea of pink tents where everyone stays each night,” said Radtke. “It's a really nice communal feel there and everyone shares stories from the day.”

While raising awareness and fostering a sense of community for cancer survivors and patients,

Breast Cancer 3-Day Series events raise serious cash for the cause. Last year's Twin Cities walk alone drew 3,000 people and netted \$7 million. Each of the 15 events this year is expected to rake in even more funds for breast cancer research.

The ultimate goal of 3-Day events is stamping out breast cancer.

“No family should lose a mother prematurely,” according to the website www.the3day.org. “Or a dear friend, sister, wife, daughter, co-worker. No one of us, just diagnosed, should have to look at the mirror in the morning and say, ‘will I survive?’”

“Everyone deserves a lifetime: We feel it deep in our bones,” according to the 3-Day website. “Each step you take on the Breast Cancer 3-Day brings us closer to ending the disease forever.”

Keep an eye out for an upcoming Team Sisters Walking Abreast fundraiser in the near future. For more information about the 3-Day events, check out the web site www.the3day.org.

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(L to R) Catherine Fahy, Karen Radtke and Jessica Severance fund raise for the 3-day events benefitting breast cancer research and initiatives.

Merchants Commercial Bank Appoints St. John Client Development Officer

St. John Tradewinds

Abigail Schnell O'Connell has been named the St. John Client Development Officer for Merchants Commercial Bank, according to James Crites, President/CEO of the St. Thomas-based bank.

O'Connell's responsibility will be to foster good relations between existing clients and Merchants Commercial Bank as well as to present new banking solutions to both existing and prospective clients on St. John.

O'Connell graduated from Antilles School on St. Thomas and attended the Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale before excelling in Public Relations with legendary retailer Neiman Marcus. After leaving Neiman Marcus, she began working in the highly competitive Fort Lauderdale real estate market, where she met quick success. This experience opened the door for her to return home to St. John and



Abigail Schnell O'Connell

further her real estate career with Holiday Homes, where she has worked since 2002.

"I look forward to having the opportunity to expand Merchants Commercial Bank's sophisticated level of banking service to the St. John community," said O'Connell, who joins Merchants Commercial Bank with eager in-

tent to carry on the bank's mission in continuing to provide the highest level of customer service while offering clients the most complete range of technologically advanced and convenient business products.

Persons interested in Merchants Commercial Bank's range of products and services may contact O'Connell, St. John Client Development Officer, by telephone at (340) 998-1934 or via email at abigailoconnell@mcbvi.com.

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Drift Away Spa Offering Father's Day Weekend Specials

St. John Tradewinds

A Battle of the sexes won't be necessary at Drift Away Day Spa during the month of June with two fantastic promotions sure to please everyone.

Father's Day weekend the day spa is going man. St. John Brewers and Drift Away are uniting to bring Dads the ultimate experience with a "Hot Rocks and Cold Brews" promotion. Saturday, June 20, and Sunday, June 21, Drift Away is changing the way people spa.

Ice cold beers, Buffalo wings and free product giveaways will make any Virgin Island man — or beer-loving woman — wish the Summer Solstice

would last even longer.

Then the very next weekend things are changing up again. Friday, June 26, and Saturday, June 27, is the "Get Your Carnival Glow" promotion. Women are invited to come and get some fresh ideas with Mineral Makeup.

There will be bright colors, 24-karat gold shimmers, and lots and lots of product savings to take advantage of before going out and jumping up for Festival.

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Stock Up on Sustainable Fabrics at New Green Island Breeze

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

A love of scuba combined with a passion for protecting the environment led Walter Hobot to open Love City's hottest new store.

Green Island Breeze has been open on the second floor of Greenleaf Commons for just over a week, but is already enjoying a steady stream of customers who share Hobot's love of sustainable materials.

"I'm often asked about the term 'sustainability,'" said Hobot. "In 1987, the World Commission on Environment and Development created a definition for sustainability, which reads 'to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of the future generations to meet their own needs.'"

When Hobot couldn't find an appropriate souvenir during a trip to St. John, he realized there was a void that needed to be filled.

"I've been down to St. John many, many times as scuba diving is one of my passions," said Hobot. "On one of my trips, I was looking to bring back some t-shirts and stuff that would be appropriate for my daughters back home in Minneapolis. But I couldn't find anything."

"That started me thinking maybe other people have the same problem," Hobot said. "Also I've always had this passion for the environment and with the store I've brought the two together. I was looking to start a business on St. John and we'll eventually move down."

"It might not happen for a while, but we'll get there," said Hobot.

As a retired U.S. History and Government teacher, Hobot also brings his love of education to Green Island Breeze.

"You can take the teacher out of the classroom, but you can't take the classroom out of the teacher," Hobot said. "I thought I could have eco-friendly clothing at the store and educate people at the same time."

Having researched the business of eco-friendly clothing materials, Hobot believes that the industry is at a crossroads.

"Through my research, I found



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Jaime Elliott

Sales associate Gemmesha Ashly shows off some Green Island Breeze merchandise.

that manufacturing isn't going to put all this money in research and development of green products if it's just talk," said Hobot. "Public policy is changed by consumers' purchases. They are kind of waiting to see if this green thing is just a buzz word or if people are serious about changing public policy with their buying power."

With a full selection of clothing made from sustainable materials and high-quality cotton, Green Island Breeze can help customers take a stand with their purchases. Two-thirds of the products in the store are made from bamboo, hemp and organic cotton.

There are numerous merits to using sustainable materials over other materials which depend on pesticides and have more of an impact on the environment. As the fastest growing plant on the planet, bamboo can grow up to three feet a day, according to Hobot.

"Bamboo grows anywhere and leaves the topsoil in great shape," said the Green Island Breeze owner. "Bamboo produces more oxygen than trees and bamboo products are softer than cotton."

While hemp is just as soft as bamboo, it's even more durable and has been used for centuries, Hobot added.

"George Washington's uniform was made from hemp and so was

the first flag of the United States," said Hobot. "Hemp is probably the most durable fabric you can find and it's cooler than cotton. It's like a miracle fabric and I can't believe it hasn't caught on much sooner."

Products made from 100 percent cotton round out Hobot's inventory.

"Some people just like 100 percent cotton, so that is the rest of our merchandise," he said. "But we did something a little different, we contacted a company which has been embroidering fabrics for 35 years and found out the optimal weight to have the most comfortable clothing that retains its shape."

The optimal weight for cotton, according to Hobot, is 6.1 ounces at which weight the material is best able to hold dyes and screen printings and still maintain its shape over repeated washings.

Green Island Breeze offers a full range of t-shirts, hemp and organic cotton dresses, dharm pants, dress shirts, hats, souvenirs and more.

"We've kept the locals in mind and I think we have something for everyone," said Hobot.

Stop by the shop — located on the second floor of Greenleaf Commons across from the Westin Resort and Villas — between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

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Guests Flip for Rosewood with Caneel Bay's New Flip Video Program

By Andrea Milam
St. John Tradewinds

Caneel Bay Resort, long known for its laid back, low-tech approach to vacations, is bringing guests into the 21st century with its Flip For Rosewood program.

Along with four other Rosewood resorts, Caneel is now offering its guests complimentary access to Flip UltraHD camcorders during their vacations. At the end of their stay, Caneel's concierge will download guests' videos to YouTube or burn the footage to a DVD as a souvenir to share with friends and family.

The program began when Rosewood approached Pure Digital Technologies Inc., the company which manufactures the Flip UltraHD, to create a special new offering for its guests, explained Caneel Managing Director Nikolay Hotze.

"We wanted to create a unique program that our guests would enjoy and benefit from," said Hotze. "We created Flip for Rosewood to provide guests with a unique experience — something they can't find anywhere else."

The rise of Internet social networking has made it possible for vacationers to share their trip with friends and family, according to a press release issued by Rosewood.

"With the rise of Facebook, YouTube and Twitter, the thrill of a perfect vacation is magnified by the knowledge that your



Caneel Bay guests have access to use these Flip UltraHD cameras to record their vacation memories.

getaway is being enjoyed, virtually, by your loved ones back home," according to the release.

The newly released Flip UltraHD is an easy to use, pocket-sized high definition camcorder which features 120 minutes of record time, a large LCD screen and rechargeable batteries.

Caneel concierges will present guests with the camcorder upon their arrival and share easy to use tips for the best results.

The camcorders are also available at

Rosewood Sand Hill, Menlo Park, California; Rosewood Mayakoba, Riviera Maya, Mexico; Rosewood Little Dix Bay, Virgin Gorda; and Rosewood Inn of the Anasazi, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

The Flip For Rosewood program is in keeping with Rosewood's tradition of offering its guests a unique experience, according to the press release.

"Differentiating itself from other luxury hotel companies by offering unique amenities and programs that cannot be found any-

"The Flip For Rosewood program provides guests the opportunity to capture their vacation memories on the digital camcorder and instantly share with their social network."

— Nikolay Hotze,
Managing Director
Caneel Bay Resort

where else, Rosewood has a proud tradition of providing guests with once in a lifetime opportunities and the most in demand new products," according to Rosewood's release.

Above all, the program makes it easy to share vacation memories with loved ones, explained Hotze.

"The Flip For Rosewood program provides guests the opportunity to capture their vacation memories on the digital camcorder and instantly share with their social network," he said. "Whether filming their children diving into the ocean, a romantic moment over dinner, or a stunning sunset, guests of Caneel Bay are able to share these special vacation memories with their family and friends."

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“Calypso Dream” Screening June 16

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With Carnival time approaching, the St. John Film Society is screening a free film about the roots of Calypso music on Tuesday, June 16, at 7 p.m. on the third floor of The Marketplace.

The featured film is “Calypso Dreams,” an 85-minute documentary by Geoffrey Dunn and Michael Horne.

The film was the winner of the Best Caribbean Documentary Film at the 2002 Jamerican Film Festival and was also screened at the 2003 Mill Valley Film Festival. The film features performances by Mighty Sparrow, Calypso Rose, Lord Superior, Brother Valentino, Regeneration Now, and Mystic Prowler.

Check out the group’s website at www.stjohnfilm.com for more information.

Sen. Sprauve Hosting St. John Hours

St. John Tradewinds

In an effort to be readily accessible to the residents of St. John, Senator Patrick Simeon Sprauve will host office hours on the island from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, June 19, when the senator and his staff will be available in the St. John Legislature building.

“Although I have an open-door policy, I know that it may be a challenge for some St. John residents to travel to St. Thomas to meet with me,” Sprauve said. “I want to hear first-hand the concerns of St. Johnians and by having these office hours people have better access to me and my staff. I look forward to meeting with the people of St. John.”

Based on the response from the residents of St. John, the senator said he may consider establishing office hours on St. John on a monthly basis.

Sprauve is the chairman of the 28th Legislature’s Committee on Health. He also serves on five other committees: Rules and Judiciary; Planning and Environmental Protection; Appropriations and Budget; Public Safety; Homeland Security and Justice; and Housing, Sports and Veterans Affairs. Senator Sprauve is also an ex-officio member of the V.I. Public Services Commissions.

Residents of St. John who would like to meet with Senator Sprauve may make an appointment or may walk-in. For more information or to make an appointment call 693-3613.

VIPD Arrests 2 Men in Cruz Bay

St. John Tradewinds

V.I. Police Department officers on St. John arrested two men over the weekend of June 6 and 7 in the Cruz Bay area.

VIPD officers arrested 23-year-old Melgin De La Cruz Belez, also known as Daniel Rodriguez, and charged him with Simple Assault and Battery and Identity Theft following an altercation in a St. John night club.

According to the initial report police responded to a fight at Cap’s Place at about 10:30 p.m. on June 6.

The 46-year-old victim said he told his girlfriend to stop dancing with Belez and then Belez struck him several times causing bleeding and injuries to his face.

Upon his arrest, Belez gave his name as Daniel Rodriguez and produced a valid driver’s license issued in Puerto Rico. VIPD later contacted Belez’s mother who confirmed that the suspects’ name is Melgin De La Cruz Belez, a native of the Dominican Republic.

Belez was placed into the custody of the Bureau of Corrections pending further court action.

Belez appeared in V.I. Superior Court on Monday, June 8, before Judge Leon Kendall who dropped charges of carrying a dangerous weapon, aiding and abetting and third-degree assault. Kendall upheld only the charge of simple assault against Belez.

Since Belez, a native of the Dominican Republic, is in the territory illegally, Kendall remanded him to the Bureau of Corrections to allow the Justice Department to contact immigration officials, according to a published report.

VIPD officers arrested 39-year-old Devon David Crooke on Sunday morning, June 7, and charged him with Possession with Intent to Distribute a Controlled



Above Left: Devon Crooke

Above Right:
Melgin De La Cruz Belez

Substance.

Crooke was arrested June 7 at about 11:30 a.m. in the Pine Peace area of St. John. At the time of his arrest Crooke had in his possession 43 dime bags of marijuana and another larger zip lock bag full of marijuana. Crooke was also charged with Resisting Arrest, Aggravated Assault and Battery, Destruction of Property, Delaying and Obstructing a Police Officer

and Disobeying a lawful order.

According to police, while on routine patrol in the area Crooke was observed acting in a suspicious manner and ran when approached by police officers. After a foot chase Crooke was apprehended, however, he continued to resist arrest by kicking and striking the officers.

While being transported to the command, Crooke damaged the patrol car by kicking it and continued to kick when he placed in a holding cell. Crooke also made threats on the lives of the police officers while in custody.

Crooke was held on \$15,500 bail and was remanded to the custody of the Bureau of Corrections pending further court action.

Appearing in court on June 8, Kendall upheld the charges against Crooke, but reduced his bail.

“The defendant is indigent,” Kendall was quoted in the *V.I. Daily News*. “He can’t afford to pay an attorney and most likely he would not be able to post bail.”

Kendall ordered Crooke to be released upon posting \$100 cash bond. Crooke alleged that he was beaten at the Leander Jurgen Command, a charge which Kendall ordered public defender Samuel Joseph to investigate, according to the *Daily News*.

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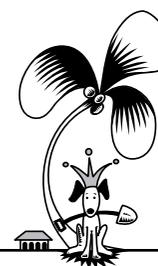
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Historical Bits & Pieces

by Chuck Pishko

National Prohibition 1920-1923

St. John Tradewinds

The 1920 Volstead Act, which defined how Prohibition was carried out under the 18th Amendment, outlawed the manufacture, sale or transportation of "intoxicating liquor."

The Volstead Act was riddled with loopholes, including a lack of criminal penalties for possession and consumption of alcohol. The Anti-Saloon League kicked off its drive for a constitutional amendment in 1913 with a march on Washington and a massive letter-writing campaign that flooded Congress with mail.

The amendment failed in 1914 but the League raised the stakes by associating beer with the German-American brewers. The anti-German hysteria during World War I sealed the deal on the 18th Amendment and Prohibition became the law of the land.

The Volstead Act only applied to the 48 states, not the territorial possessions. Regulations had to be written by the U.S. Treasury Department to include Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Thousands of people on St. Thomas protested the new regulations. They marched and signed petitions.

The residents had not been made U.S. citizens and therefore shouldn't be subject to the 18th Amendment. Even the Governor protested in his dispatch to the Secretary of the Navy. The Danish corporations, the West Indian Company and the National Bank of the Danish West Indies, appealed on the grounds that the regulations violated the Transfer Agreement since Congress changed the laws adversely lessening the rights of Virgin Islanders.

In this land of punch and painkillers, it's hard to imagine that the United States applied the National Prohibition Act of 1920 to the U.S. Virgin Islands in light of the tough economic conditions at that time.



"All Fours" by Alfred Codallo (courtesy Angostura Holdings Limited)

Rum anyone?

World War I had literally shut-down international commerce which was just coming back. Foreign ships entering Charlotte Amalie harbor had their stores of liquor confiscated and fines levied for violations of the regulation.

Also, the bay rum industry was the one bright spot in the economy. St John's Bay Rum had an international reputation as a bath rub and aftershave lotion. Markets existed in Europe, the West Indies, Central and South America, and the United States.

There were setbacks when the Hamburg-America steamship line pulled out of St. Thomas (they had carried bay rum to Europe); Michelsen moved his bay rum business to New York City; and a devastating hurricane severely damaged the St. John bay trees.

Initially, Prohibition was administered by the Puerto Rican Director Mariano R. Pasquera. The Governor of the Virgin Islands pe-

tioned the Secretary of the Navy to transfer the administration of the National Prohibition Act to the V.I. and President Harding issued an Executive Order effecting the request.

Black-strap molasses, the residue from sugar-making, had no market since rum production ceased. A group of American investors obtained a permit from the Governor to establish a small distillery for the manufacture of industrial alcohol and related products.

The distillery called the Virgin Islands Products Corporation was located in Frederiksted where they converted the black-strap molasses into alcohol which was sold to local pharmacists and bay rum manufacturers as well as into secondary products such as candy glaze, rose perfume spray, and virginol spray. Unfortunately, these alcohol products were being diverted into

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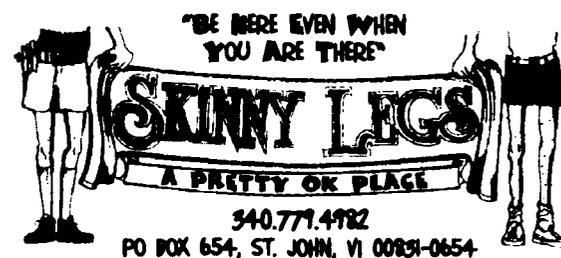
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Under Investigation: 2
Solved: 1

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Under Investigation: 14
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Editor,

Julius E. Sprauve School Parent Teacher Student Association thanks everyone who purchased raffle tickets to help raise funds for our Clarice A. Thomas Scholarship Fund. We raised over \$3,000 and were able to award five scholarships to bright, young students.

Murray David won the round trip to St. Croix, Carl at Jake's won the round trip for two to Fajardo, PR, on Transportation Services, Lydia Oliveri won the Ipod touch and Jarrel Penn won the racing bike.

We would like to thank Seaborne Airlines and Transportation Services for their generous donations

which helped make our raffle a success.

Shakwana Albert, Kurt Marsh Jr., J'nay Penn, Kamaria Penn and Malik Stevens all received scholarships to help with their higher education.

Sincerely,
Pres. Alice Krall, JESS PTSA

"Real People" Answer Phone at Social Security Office

Editor,

We all know making phone calls these days can be confusing with all the "Push One" for this and "Push Five" for that and still wind up with a computer voice.

I have found a place where they have real people who take care of you, know what they're doing and follow through, all the while being polite and professional.

When you're ready for information on Social Security or Disability services or know someone who needs help, call the Social Security office at Nisky Center and a Miss Janel Todman and her office of angels will have all the answers you need and will help you step by step with courtesy and respect. What a pleasure!

Thanks to everyone at the Social Security office in Nisky Center for all your help!

Joanne Sica

Dealing with Rude Customers

Editor,

For all who work with rude customers. It's a shame we can't actually do this! An award should go to the Virgin Airlines desk attendant in Sydney some months ago for being smart and funny, while making her point, when confronted with a passenger who probably deserved to fly as cargo.

A crowded Virgin flight was cancelled after Virgin's 767s had been withdrawn from service. A single attendant was rebooking a long line of inconvenienced trav-

elers.

Suddenly an angry passenger pushed his way to the desk. He slapped his ticket down on the counter and said, 'I have to be on this flight and it has to be first class.'

The attendant replied, 'I'm sorry, sir. I'll be happy to try to help you, but I've got to help these people first, and I'm sure we'll be able to work something out.'

The passenger was unimpressed. He asked loudly, so that the passengers behind him could

hear, "Do you have any idea who I am?"

Without hesitating, the attendant smiled and grabbed her public address microphone.

"May I have your attention please, may I have your attention please," she began — her voice heard clearly throughout the terminal. "We have a passenger here at Desk 14 who does not know who he is. If anyone can help him find his identity, please come to Desk 14."

— Submitted by Zdenek Hruza

Coral Reef Restoration and Coral Growth

Editor,

I read an article in the *New York Times Weekly* about transplanting coral. The subject has come up a lot in recent times. It's not actually new.

I was a research assistant working on coral growth experiments way back in 1979. We transplanted coral colonies all over the place in Panama in both the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans.

The basic technique was to keep the corals in sea water and then glue them to new places with marine epoxy. This was and is a very successful way to establish coral colonies in new places or re-establish them in former habitats.

We were moving them around to compare their survival and growth rates in different conditions. We used a bone stain to make the nor-

mally white coral skeleton turn pink. After a period of time (typically a year) the stained colonies were removed and dried. All the new growth was white and the original skeleton was pink. We also moved corals to see what effect certain animals had on them (like damsel fish).

The indisputable conclusions from these and previous studies is that corals grow very slowly in ideal conditions which are clean, clear and warm (but not too warm) water.

It takes thousands of years for a substantial coral reef structure to develop. Therefore if corals are transplanted somewhere it will take thousands of years for a structural reef to develop and that is only if environmental conditions are ideal.

There is nothing wrong with

transplanting corals. It needs to be known that this cannot re-create a coral reef in anywhere close to dozens of human generations. It is analogous to the problem of replanting a tropical rain forest. If these types of restoration are successful they will be recorded by students of ancient history.

There is a useful quick fix with replanting coral that has been recently broken. If a boat crashes into a coral reef, the broken pieces can be re-glued and damage will be minimized. The real issue and difficult task remains.

We have to stop the pollution and environmental degradation that has already killed the majority of coral reefs on earth. The good news is that we have the knowledge and technology to do it.

Captain Grumpy

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Letters to St. John Tradewinds

Proposed V.I. Constitution Does Not Comply with Federal or Local Laws

Dear Fellow Virgin Islander,

Earlier today, I announced the decision I have taken with respect to the Proposed Constitution recently forwarded to me by the Fifth Constitutional Convention. Since receiving the draft, I have been reviewing its provisions. I also requested a legal opinion from the Attorney General.

Based upon the Opinion of the Attorney General, and my own reading of the plain language of the laws and documents before me, I have determined that the Proposed Constitution does not comply with the requirements of federal and local law.

Because it fails to do so in fundamental and essential ways, I accept the Opinion of the Attorney General that my duty as Governor here is clear and that I am not in a position to legally forward the document that was sent to me to the President of the United States.

I have far too much pride in, and on behalf, of the people of the Virgin Islands of all ancestry and color to support any law which does not protect and defend

the Constitution of the United States and the principles of equality and justice that make us proud to be Americans and Virgin Islanders.

For me, this is not just a legal argument; it is a civil rights issue. And I know on which side I stand: I stand with the vast majority of Virgin Islanders, both native and those who have chosen to become Virgin Islanders. I stand on the side of equality and equal opportunity.

Now it is up to all of us as a community to determine how we wish to move ahead. We must collectively decide how best to get to the goal of a VI Constitution worthy of our past, but also designed for our future. The next chapter in our history must be written with all people of goodwill in the territory taking part. Surely we can do that together.

God bless you and God Bless the Virgin Islands.

John P. deJongh, Jr.
Governor
U.S. Virgin Islands

Jane Roskin Should Have Permanent Position at GBS

Editor,

Several months ago, Dionne Wells, principal of Guy Benjamin School, arranged a tour of her school for the board of directors of Kids First!, a nonprofit corporation formed to support education on St. John.

We left our visit with a very favorable impression of the school and its teachers, particularly the woman who led our tour — Jane Roskin. Her commitment to the children of Guy Benjamin School and the professionalism with which she did her job were impressive.

The ability to read and comprehend are essential “core skills” necessary for success in life. It’s critical that these skills be developed early in a child’s schooling so that they can succeed in the increasingly rigorous years ahead. That is why we were so pleased to see someone of Jane Roskin’s ability leading the efforts to promote reading and literacy.

A few months after our visit we learned that Jane’s

job was in jeopardy due to a funding shortfall. As a result, the Kids First! board quickly and unanimously provided an emergency grant to sustain Jane’s position through the remainder of the school year.

In addition to ensuring the continuity of this program we were confident that the need for this position and the proven competence Jane brought to the job would enable Guy Benjamin School to receive the support necessary to maintain her position.

The recent demonstrations at Guy Benjamin School confirm that the parents of children there also recognize Jane’s importance to the quality of education their children receive. We strongly encourage the leaders of our education system to listen to the needs of the Coral Bay community and permanently employ Jane in this important position.

Sincerely,
Bruce L. Clafin, President
Kids First!, St. John, VI

A Sad Day for Coral Bay

Dear Editor,

I thought a face lift was something you did when you didn’t like your looks anymore. Who decided that the infamous Triangle needed a “Face Lift”!??

The triangle has been a feature on postcards and many tourists would stop to take pictures. It had character! Each sign was easily recognizable. You see the Donkey and you know where to find Donkey Diner.

Now you will have tourists stopping, holding up traffic to try to read the sign because — guess what —

they are all two-foot by two-foot signs! No character — just squares.

What was the liability anyway? Was it that someone might slip and fall into the sign and hurt themselves? I don’t get it.

This is not a “win-win situation for Coral Bay” as Rymer has said. This is a sad day for Coral Bay. I wish I had taken a picture of it before it was taken away.

Sadly,
Nancy Nemeth

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.

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Scimeca Retires After 40 Years

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what they needed,' is the biggest reward," Scimeca said. "There is nothing more exciting and rewarding than to watch a child's face light up when they know they know something."

As she looks ahead at retirement, Scimeca is not about to slow down — she's moving back to her home town of Arroyo and into a new house.

"I have so many plans," she said. "The first thing I'm going to do is get my house in order and then get to work on my garden. I'm looking forward to moving back home."

"And I'll also have the Baha'i activities which will definitely keep me busy," said Scimeca. "I'll stay so busy I won't really feel like I'm retired."

While Scimeca is returning to her home town of Arroyo this summer, she's not saying goodbye.

"I've made some great friends here who I plan to keep in touch with and I have Baha'i responsibilities which will bring me back so I won't be a stranger," said Scimeca. "I'll just be saying farewell. I won't be saying goodbye."

Tristan Ewald Among Winners of Share My USVI Photo Contest

St. John Tradewinds

After the judges reviewed nearly 1,000 photo submissions and the public cast more than 2,000 votes, the winners of the Share My USVI Photo Contest at www.ShareMyUSVI.com have been decided.

The Department of Tourism extends its congratulations to the overall winner of the main contest, Garvin Powell of St. Croix, for his photo Festival, and John Gordon, the runner-up from St. Croix for his photo Sunset at Sandy Point. Powell will receive \$2,000 cash and Gordon will receive a brand-new digital camera.

The three winners of the Ages 17 and Under contest will each receive a savings bond valued at \$2,000. The winners are:

Ages 5-10: Jordan Swainson of St. Croix for her photo Old Momma Tree watching over the kids

Ages 11-13: Jai Thomas of St. Croix for his photo A red and green mango

Ages 14-17: Tristan Ewald of St.

John for his photo Island Time

The overall winner Powell is a born-and-bred Crucian completing his last year of college with the Art Institute of San Diego, where he is a photography major. Following his graduation in 2010, he hopes to become a professional commercial or fashion photographer.

His winning photo, Festival, was captured last year during the St. Croix Crucian Christmas Festival. While in school, Powell formerly worked as a part-time photographer for the St. Croix Avis.

Runner-up Gordon of St. Croix is a process operator by day. He was snapping photos of sunsets on the beach one evening when a couple caught his eye. He showed the couple his photos, and they in turn suggested he enter them in the Share My USVI photo contest.

Swainson is a fifth grader at St. Croix's Country Day School. Though she's never taken any photography classes, she's had an interest in photography since she was

6 years-old. After passing by the Frederiksted playground one day, she looked up at a gnarly tree and thought it looked like an Old Momma, watching over the children in the playground. This tree was the inspiration for her winning photo.

Thomas attends St. Croix Country Day School in St. Croix where he is in the 8th grade. He took a photography class for a week during his school's Mini Gusto program. Though he doesn't want to be a professional photographer when he grows up, he enjoys taking photos and was inspired to snap A Red and Green Mango because he loved the way the color of the mango looked against the tree.

Ewald Wins 14-17 Age Group

Ewald is in the 11th grade at St. John's Giffit Hill School. He has taken photography classes with Steve Simonsen, whom Ewald credits with "setting him on the right track" with photography. Though he's not quite sure whether he wants to be a professional pho-

tographer, he does think it will be an ongoing side project.

His winning photo was taken while awaiting his turn in a video production class at Maho Bay with Simonsen. His favorite subjects are his friends, and pal Justin is featured in this shot.

The residents of the Virgin Islands chose the winners in an online vote. The top two photos in the Main contest with the most overall votes, regardless of category, were selected as winner and runner-up. The top scoring photo in each of the three Ages 17 and Under contest categories were named contest winners.

The DOT launched this contest as part of the overall web redesign and rebranding initiative, with the goal of creating a special collection of images that best capture the essence of the USVI. Photos will be used for marketing to potential visitors.

The winning photos can all be seen at www.ShareMyUSVI.com.

Historical Bits and Pieces: National Prohibition 1920-1923

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illegal channels. The spray products became potable alcohol with little manipulation.

The Prohibition laws failed as a reaction against the powers of the federal government, a rejection of the effort to legislate social reform, and a fear that society would lose respect for all of the law. Also, in the states people had had enough of the gangsters in control of the liquor industry and the corruption

of government enforcement officials.

The government also lost \$11 billion in liquor excise taxes. Prohibition had to go. It was officially repealed by the 21st Amendment. Just as the Congress had to pass a special act to apply Prohibition to the islands, however, they had to pass a special act to end it a few months after the 21st Amendment.

At that time, seven permits were issued to manufacture rum.

The permits were issued to Isaac Paiewonsky, Josephine and Marie Hoffmann, Santa Cruz Distillers, Bornn Distilling Company, the Diamond Rum Company, and the St. Croix Distilling Company. Six permits to import liquors were issued to Waldemar A. Miller, A.H. Lockhart, A. Lugo and Company, the West Indian Company, Daniel Valls, and M.E. Trepuk.

Thus the noble experiment ended almost like it started.

Information on Prohibition in the Virgin Islands is almost nonexistent or simply anecdotal. The only reliable source I could find is an essay by Isaac Dookhan published in the Journal of the College of the Virgin Islands, No. 5, May, 1979 entitled "Volsteadism or National Prohibition in the United States Virgin Islands." The only copy is in the Ralph DeChabert Collection at UVI on St. Croix. I borrowed very heavily from it.

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Summer Slim Down

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Women With Focus will host KSD Summer Slim Down for St John children ages 7 -12. In an effort to keep children fit and healthy, this summer Women with Focus invites parents to register their children, ages 7 to 12, to afternoon walks, tennis and aerobic classes on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 5 p.m. To register a child call 643-4772.

VINP Fee-Free Weekends

St. John Tradewinds

In support of a declaration issued by Sectary of Interior Salazar, the V.I National Park will add three fee-free weekends over the summer, the V.I National Park and V.I. Coral Reef National Monument Superintendent Mark Hardgrove has announced.

VINP will honor fee-free days at Trunk Bay on June 20 and 21, July 18 and 19, and again August 15 and 16.

These fee-free days are in addition to National Public Lands Day,

September 26 and Veterans Day, November 11.

Trunk Bay is one of the most visited beaches on St. John, and is home to an underwater trail. One may snorkel over the reef and read plaques which identify coral and fish along the trail.

Hardgrove encourages visitors to Trunk Bay during the fee-free days to ride safari taxis in order to avoid over crowding in the Trunk Bay parking lot.

For more information call 340-776-6201, ext. 249.

Friends SCA Summer Trail Crew Program

St. John Tradewinds

This is the ninth summer Friends of V.I. National Park is working in partnership with Student Conservation Association and V.I. National Park to sponsor a student trail crew for four weeks in June and July.

This year's crew arrived on June 11 and will work on island through July 10. Friends' SCA

Trail Crew Program provides students between the ages of 15 and 19 with a unique outdoor experience repairing and maintaining hiking trails while living in VINP.

Through this program, trail crew members are introduced to a variety of topics including outdoor work, camping and hiking skills, low impact outdoor living, and a basic cultural and ecological

knowledge of the island.

This summer's crew consists of two Virgin Island students from St. Croix, two Virgin Island students from St. Thomas, one locally hired crew leader, and three students and one leader from the continental U.S.

At the request of the Park's maintenance department and with the assistance of Friends Volunteer Coordinator Jeff Chabot, the crew will be clearing vegetation, building and repairing stone steps, repairing damaged drainage ditches, and removing loose rock on our trails. Their work will reduce erosion to trails vulnerable to deterioration due to steep slopes, shallow topsoil, and severe rain.

In addition to learning about trail maintenance and developing an understanding of their role as responsible stewards of the environment, the students will learn important team building and leadership development skills while living together at Cinnamon Bay Campground.

The crew's combination of local residents and non-Virgin Islanders also provides the participants with a unique and beneficial cross-cultural experience.

At the end of the four-week program, VINP will have between 6 and 8 miles of its most heavily utilized trails in safe and environmentally sound condition.

The VINP continues to face severe maintenance challenges due to continued federal budget cuts. The VINP relies more and more on volunteer groups, like SCA, to help maintain the natural and cultural resources of the park

Energy Office's Strategy Plan Town Meeting Is Scheduled for June 18

St. John Tradewinds

The Virgin Islands Energy Office is hosting three town meetings to receive input from residents concerning the V.I. Comprehensive Energy Strategy.

The plan was produced over the last few months by the Southern States Energy Board under the direction of Energy Office and a policy advisor within the office of the Governor. Funding for the project was made available, in part, from the United States Department of the Interior.

The strategy is designed to ensure the availability of affordable and reliable energy for the future and maintain a high standard of living for the citizenry.

The strategy outlines the current energy situation, notes energy resource options, and lists specific strategies to meet the main objectives.

The plan sets forth 31 strategies to support the above energy goals. The strategies cover broad areas such as energy efficiency, alternative energy and specific issues such as reducing the Water and Power Authority's transmission and distribution system losses and adopting an updated Tropical Energy Code.

The hearing will be on St. John on Thursday, June 18, at the Cruz Bay legislature building from 6 to 9 p.m.

Copies of the plan can be reviewed at www.vienenergy.org. There will also be copies available at the hearing. All members of the public are invited. Members of the Energy Office staff and members of the Southern States Energy Board will be available to answer questions.

For more information call VIEO, a division of the Governor's Office, at 774-3320 on St. Thomas.

St. John Police Report

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St. John Fire Station: 340-776-6333

Friday, June 5

11:00 a.m. - A citizen r/ a vehicle stolen. Unauthorized use of vehicle.

12:00 p.m. - A citizen p/r being threatened by a male. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

9:14 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident c/r that she was assaulted by her ex-boyfriend. Aggravated assault and battery, D.V.

11:05 p.m. - An employee of Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center c/r an assault victim. Aggravated assault and battery, D.V.

Saturday, June 6

No time given - VIPD broke up a fight at the Frank Powell Park between two individuals who did not want to press charges against each other.

10:40 p.m. - VIPD Ofc. Hyndman c/r a disturbance in the area of Cap's Place. Arrest #032J-09. Simple assault and battery.

Sunday, June 7

1:00 p.m. - Unit 74B and Unit 402E p/ with one Devon Crooke who was placed under arrest and charged with possession with intent to distribute, resisting arrest, aggravated assault and battery, destruction of property and disobeying a lawful order.

6:25 p.m. - A citizen c/requesting police assistance with her mental patient daughter. Police assistance.

10:55 p.m. - A citizen c/r loud music in the area of Cap's Place. Loud music.

Monday, June 8

9:50 a.m. - VIPD Ofc. Clark with another officer was dispatched to investigate a D.O.A. D.O.A.

No time given - A visitor r/ that his rental vehicle was damaged.

Tuesday, June 9

11:40 a.m. - Management at The Marketplace r/ a propane gas leak. Gas leak.

5:20 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident r/ that someone has been illegally using his identification in various states. Forgery.

5:34 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident r/ that a male threatened her. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

Wednesday, June 10

7:00 a.m. - A citizen c/r there were suspicious trees on her property so he is requesting police assistance. Police assistance.

1:30 p.m. - A citizen p/r someone stole her cell phone while on the island of St. Croix. Grand larceny.

3:00 p.m. - A citizen r/ that a male is trying to kill himself in the Pine Peace area.

Thursday, June 11

3:30 p.m. - VIPD Det. Vincent and VIPD Ofc. Callwood r/ with one Clayton Boyce, age 31, under arrest and charged with third-degree burglary. Arrest #234J-09.

4:35 p.m. - A citizen r/ an auto accident in the area of Upper Carolina. Auto accident.

6:12 p.m. - A visitor from Wisconsin p/r that someone stole his phone on board a vessel in Caneel Bay. Grand larceny.

6:40 p.m. - An Estate Grunwald resident p/r that her ex-boyfriend has been harassing her via the telephone. Telephone harassment.

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.

Monday, June 15

There will be a meeting at the Julius E. Sprauve School for all food vendors who will be participating in the St. John Festival on Monday, June 15, at 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 16

The St. John Chapter of the Recycling Association of the VI, will host its monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 16, at 6 p.m. at the St. John Community Foundation Office at The Marketplace.

Tuesday, June 16

The next meeting for the Recycling Assoc. of the VI will be Tuesday, June 16, at the Marketplace in the St. John Community Foundation office.

Tuesday, June 16

With Carnival time approaching, the St. John Film Society is screening a free film about the roots of Calypso music on Tuesday, June 16, at 7 p.m. on the third floor of The Marketplace

Wednesday, June 17

Ivanna Eudora Kean High School will have a mandatory meeting has been scheduled for eighth graders who expect to be freshmen at IEK during the

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.

NA Meetings

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

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. *Meetings will resume in September.*

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. *Meetings will resume in September.*

2009-2010 school year and their parents on Wednesday evening, June 17, at the school's cafeteria at 6 p.m.

Thursday, June 18

The Virgin Islands Energy Office is hosting a town meeting to receive input from residents concerning the V.I. Comprehensive Energy Strategy. The hearing will be on St. John on Thursday, June 18, at the Legislature from 6 to 9 p.m.

Friday, June 19

In an effort to be readily accessible to the residents of St. John, Senator Patrick Simeon Sprauve will host office hours on the island from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, June 19, when the senator and his staff will be available in the St. John Legislature building.

Saturday, June 20

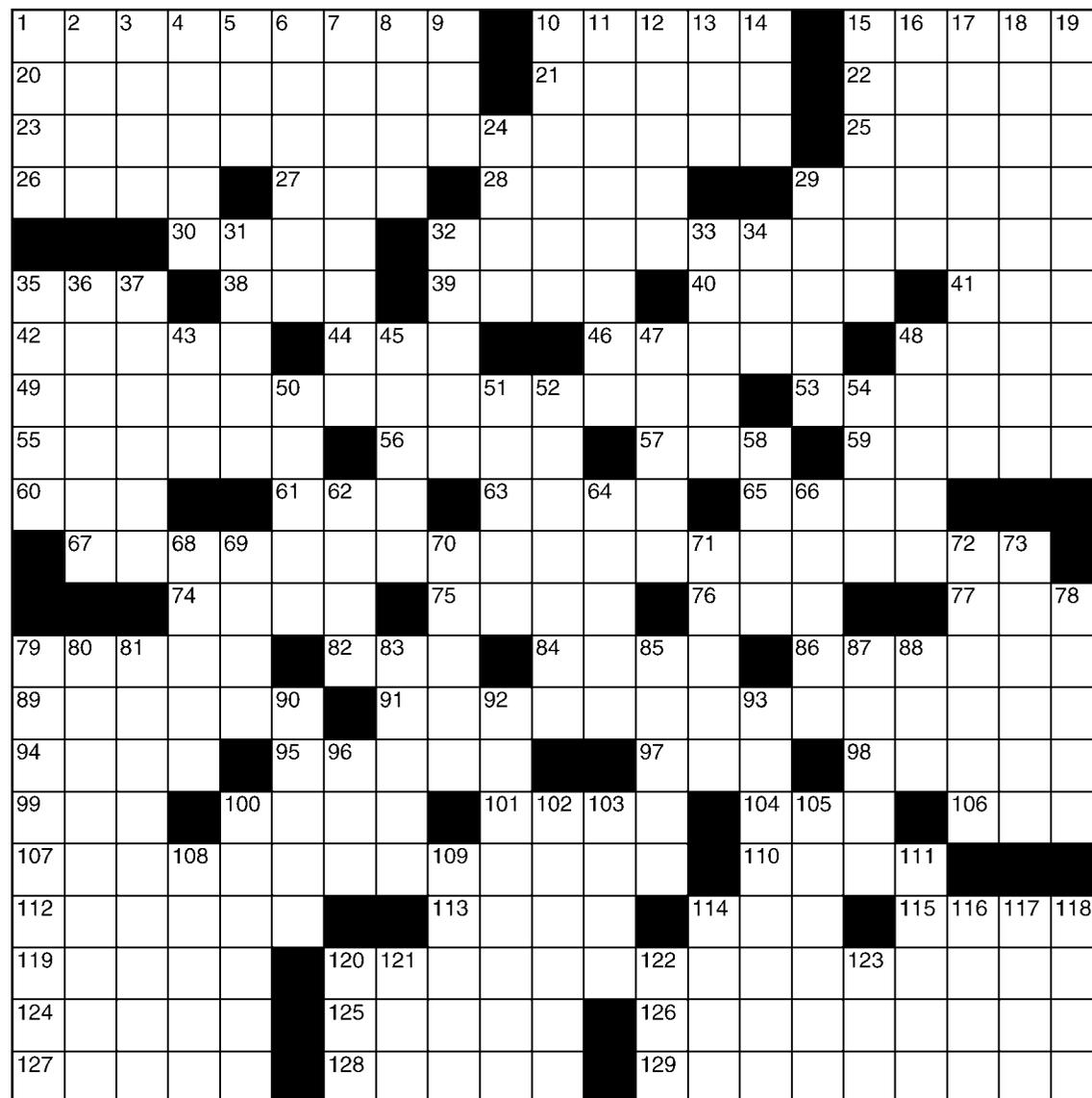
The Love City Pan Dragons Youth Steel Orchestra is hosting a fish fry on Saturday, June 20, starting at 3 p.m. on the Cruz Bay waterfront.

Tuesday, June 23

The St. John Chapter of the St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce will meet on Tuesday, June 23, at 5:30 p.m. at Ocean Grill upstairs.

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo



FOR WHAT WIT'S WORTH

ACROSS

- 1 It shows the layout of a college's buildings
10 Camper enthusiasts, informally
15 Thick cuts
20 Become adjusted
21 Moray lurer
22 Conspiring group
23 Famous lithographer plus his polygamous clan?
25 Isolated
26 Molecule part
27 Inc., in London
28 Blue-ribbon
29 Sci-fi writer Arthur C. —
30 — -am (Dr. Seuss character)
32 Unseen bit of flirting?
35 Penpoint
38 Got the blue ribbon
39 Merriment
40 Deutschland dwelling
41 Suffix of shapes
42 — Gay (B-29 of WWII)
44 Prefix meaning "the same"
46 See 61-Across
48 Setting
49 Having a salary limit?
53 Movie parts
55 Wore down
56 Former U.S. gas brand
57 Musical gift
59 Put duds on
60 Turn rancid
61 With 46-Across, emulate

- Peggy Fleming
63 Cease
65 "Let it be," to a proofer
67 Stare at a burning candle with anticipation?
74 Votes of dissent
75 At this spot
76 Summer mo.
77 Canon camera name
79 Horse gaits
82 Summer top
84 Suffix with meteor or Aaron
86 Sloping
89 Language of Israel
91 Eat nothing but a hunk of cheese?
94 As well
95 "Aida" is one
97 — Canals
98 Devoured
99 Habitual spasm
100 Govt. agent
101 "Bug off!"
104 Ovid's 1,900
106 — gestae
107 Equiangular cranking devices?
110 Kazan of film directing
112 Deep dish
113 Currency of Germany
114 Punk music offshoot
115 Sandal, say
119 Fur-covered
120 What the construction crew put up during one 9-to-5 period?
124 Palmer of golf, to fans
125 Fitzgerald and Grasso
126 Diverse array
127 "The —" (William Blake poem)

- 128 Roger of film criticism
129 Indigence

DOWN

- 1 Imogene of comedy
2 Stuck in — (stagnant)
3 Spanish artist Joan
4 Wavy dos in salons
5 One: Prefix
6 Sailors' guardian
7 Gin drinks
8 Just slightly
9 Ink-filled tool
10 Interlaced again
11 Having the most lines, as a leaf
12 Munchkins
13 Riddle-me- —
14 This year's grads: Abbr.
15 Piano drills
16 Former TV legal drama
17 Australian native
18 Forms of paper money
19 Streamlined quality
24 Pioneer Boone, for short
29 Investigation aids
31 Enlightened
32 Ivanov and Stravinsky
33 "If — nickel for every ..."
34 Cave dweller
35 More recent
36 Lined up single-file
37 Capital of Colombia
43 Piloted
45 Pilot
47 — stiff upper lip
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The show was filmed in December 2008 and features a couple (Ted and Sharon Prosser of Asheville, NC) searching for a villa on St. John to be used as a second home/vacation rental.

The Prosser's were followed around St. John as they view three villas in Coral Bay and decide which one is the best for their villa rental. It included beautiful views of the island, beaches, shopping and give a real feel for St. John villa vacationing.

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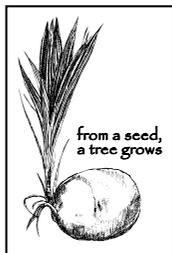


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"COMMERCIAL ZONING" Reduced - Business Zoned (B-3) Property. Excellent long term investment. .43 Acres located between Cruz Bay and the Westin Resort, on the way to the many rental villas on St. John's South Shore, and abutting the now under construction, fully leased office building and Guinea Grove Apartments. Zoning Laws allow for 3 stories, & commercial and residential combined. Preliminary use plan available. Call Islandia for more information. **\$495,000**

"VOYAGES BUILDING" - A combination commercial & residential property in the heart of Coral Bay between the Cocoloba Shopping Center & a proposed marina, this is an ideal location for a restaurant, retail shops or offices. There are two beautiful 2 bedroom apartments on the 2nd floor and a swimming pool on site. This well constructed building is just across the road from the waterfront, with views of the anchored boats, cool breezes and parking. **\$2.6M**

Best Deals: Seagrape Hill - \$95,000 & \$99,000, Calabash Boom lot with fantastic water views for just \$199,000, "Amorita" - 4 BR masonry house with pool & water views near the Westin Resort now just \$999,000, "Bella Vista" - 4 bedrooms with terrific views to the BVI for only **\$850,000.**

"REEF BAY" - Large lot adjoining National Park with 270 feet of waterfront on pristine Reef Bay.. Easterly trade winds, a vest pocket beach & sweeping views of St. John's south shore. The 1.32 acres & adjoining park land on the south this parcel affords wonderful privacy. **\$2,499M**

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CBR HOME LISTINGS

PERELANDRA - Excellent 2 bd/2 bath rental villa high above Cruz Bay. Stunning water views, privacy, lovely pool set in lush gardens. A good buy at: \$1,050,000.

CHOCOLATE HOLE - Unique ruins of 1700's Great House, along with a 1960's island home on a beautiful 1.42 acre lot. \$899,000.

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STONE HOUSE - Unique native stone 3 bd/3 bath villa w/ covered rotunda, freeform pool, and spectacular Coral Bay views. \$1,800,000. With adjacent parcel \$2,100,000.

CALYPSO del SOL - Very successful rental villa with excellent views of Chocolate Hole Bay and St. James islands. Newer masonry home with 3 bd/3 baths, large screened porch, A/C, beautiful pool and hot tub. \$2,445,000.

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BOATMAN POINT - Masonry 4 bd. home on spectacular 1 ac. waterfront site with amazing views & outstanding neighborhood. \$2,795,000.

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