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“I Have A Dream”

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The following is an excerpt from the famous “I Have A Dream” speech by Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. delivered on August 28, 1963 on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial, Washington D.C. Monday, January 17, Martin Luther King Day is the perfect time to reflect on his words which still resonate with profound importance.

“I say to you today, my friends, so even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow, I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream.

I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: “We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal.”

I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood.

I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a state sweltering with the heat of injustice, sweltering with the heat of oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice.

I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.

I have a dream today.

I have a dream that one day, down in Alabama, with its vicious racists, with its governor having his lips dripping with the words of interposition and nullification; one day right there in Alabama, little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls as sisters and brothers.

I have a dream today.

I have a dream that one day every valley shall be exalted, every hill and mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made plain, and the crooked places will be made straight, and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together.

This is our hope. This is the faith that I go back to the South with. With this faith we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair a stone of hope. With this faith we will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood. With this faith we will be able to work together, to pray together, to struggle together, to go to jail together, to stand up for freedom together, knowing that we will be free one day.

This will be the day when all of God’s children will be able to sing with a new meaning, “My country, ‘tis of thee,



Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. addressed hundreds of thousands of people from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial during the 1963 March on Washington.

sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing. Land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrim’s pride, from every mountainside, let freedom ring.”

And if America is to be a great nation this must become true. So let freedom ring from the prodigious hilltops of New Hampshire. Let freedom ring from the mighty mountains of New York. Let freedom ring from the heightening Alleghenies of Pennsylvania!

Let freedom ring from the snowcapped Rockies of Colorado!

Let freedom ring from the curvaceous slopes of California!

But not only that; let freedom ring from Stone Mountain of Georgia!

Let freedom ring from Lookout Mountain of Tennessee!

Let freedom ring from every hill and molehill of Mississippi. From every mountainside, let freedom ring.

And when this happens, when we allow freedom to ring, when we let it ring from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God’s children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of the old Negro spiritual, “Free at last! free at last! thank God Almighty, we are free at last!”

Flamingoes Are Coming to Audubon Society Meeting on January 18

Michaeline Moloney will present the flamingoes of Necker Island at the V.I. Audubon Society’s next meeting, on Tuesday, January 18, at the Giff Hill School at 7 p.m.

Moloney is a local author and researcher residing on St. Thomas who is in the process of compiling a book of the flamingoes of Necker Island. She will be sharing her wonderful photos with the group.

In conjunction with the topic, the Audubon Society is hosting a trip to Anegada, BVI, to see the flamingoes there from March 25 to 27. The group will also take some time to see the fish on a snorkeling expedition and eat some lobster. Space is limited, due to housing, and deposits will be taken at the January 18 meeting.

Free Happiness Seminar January 17

Retired psychology educator Rane Sherman is hosting a free seminar on Creating Happiness on January 17 and 24 at the Mon-goose Junction Yoga Center at 7:30 p.m. Come by and learn about the 10 happiness techniques.

VA Outreach Health Services Grand Opening for St. John on Jan. 19

The Department of Veterans Affairs and the VA Caribbean Healthcare System will celebrate the new St. John outreach health services at Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center on Wednesday, January 19. The celebration will take place in the conference room at MKSCHC at 9 a.m.

Relay for Life Pep Rally January 20

Relay for Life organizers are hosting a pep rally on Thursday, January 20, at Winston Wells ballfield from 6 to 8 p.m.

Teams and volunteers are invited to get fundraising ideas and answers to any questions. The date also kicks off the 30-day countdown to the February 19 St. John Relay for Life American Cancer Society fundraiser.

ACC Annual Meeting Set for Jan. 26

The St. John Animal Care Center’s annual meeting is Wednesday, January 26, at 6:30 p.m. at the Giff Hill School’s lower campus greatroom.

Property Tax Waiver Ends Feb. 2011

Tax Collector Valencio Jackson advised Virgin Islands property owners that pursuant to Act. No. 7241, penalties and interest will be charged on the revised 2006 bills beginning February 16, 2011.

The revised 2006 property tax bills were issued in July 2010 and became delinquent on November 15, 2010. In accordance with prior legislation, property tax payers were not required to pay any penalty and interest on the 2006R tax bills.

“Notwithstanding the penalty and interest provisions of Title 29 Virgin Islands Code, section 2494, no interest or penalty may be levied on any assessment for the property tax years 2006, 2007, and 2008 for six months after the date of issuance of the respective year’s tax assessment.”, according to Act 7241.

Accordingly, Virgin Islands property owners are encouraged to pay their 2006 property tax bills before February 16, 2011 in order to avoid the assessment of penalty and interest. After that date, penalty and interest charges will be assessed.

For more information, call the Tax Collector at 776-6737.

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JESS ninth grader Mekai Valman, above and at right, was so moved by Edward Hawkins' vivid tales, he took time after the program to talk to the former gang member and had him autograph his school book.

JESS Students Get First Hand Account of Horrors of Gang Life

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

"I want you to wonder," Lisa Menna told a roomful of Julius E. Sprauve School sixth, seventh and eighth graders on Tuesday, January 11. "I want you to wonder what is going on in your life. I want to cause you to wonder."

Menna is the founder of the non-profit organization Cause to Wonder, which is dedicated to affecting positive change in the world. Menna, who is also a magician, took her anti-gang message and some tricks to JESS as part of Cause to Wonder's Virgin Islands program, which she also presented at Bertha C. Boschulte School, Ivanna Eudora Kean High School and Addelita Cancryn Junior High School last week.

After welcoming the students in the JESS cafeteria, Menna introduced Edward Hawkins, who was perched on the stage behind a tall desk.

"Meeting Eddy changed my life and he's here to tell you a story, one which gave me cause to wonder," Menna said as she pushed the desk out of the way to reveal Hawkins' torso, to which no legs were attached.

"Take a good look at me," said Hawkins. "This is what your life will be like if you decide to join a gang. I was 20 years old and 6'1" when I was shot 13 times."

"Right now use this information so you don't become the person I was."

— Edward Hawkins

Now 3-foot and 10-inches tall, Hawkins lost both of his legs after being shot by a young man he considered a son. Hawkins shared grisly details of the shooting and of his life growing up in a Camden, New Jersey violent gang with the JESS students.

"I had a little kid in my life when I was selling drugs," he said. "He had nothing; his mother was a drug addict and his dad was in jail. So I looked after him and took care of him."

"Then one day he and some friends shot me 13 times," Hawkins said. "And I thought he was like a son."

Hawkins urged the students to stay away from gangs and not to make the same mistakes he did in life.

"I've been in prison for 17 years of my life," he said. "I'm from Camden, New Jersey, and I've been a Blood all my life. I done and seen things I never thought I'd be a part of and now I'm in a chair with a half a body."

"Right now use this information

so you don't become the person I was," said Hawkins.

Students questioned Hawkins about how he entered the gang and what his life was like once he was a member.

"The first thing they do to you is use your body," Hawkins said. "You no longer belong to yourself. The gang was body in and body out, so if you joined, you had to murder someone some day."

It was a friend of his aunt's who made the gang life seem glamorous, instead of the horror that it is, Hawkins explained.

"There was a guy who was with my aunt who always had money, always had a new car," he said. "I wanted to be like him. When I was 13, he stood a man up against a wall and shot him in the head right in front of me."

Not long after, Hawkins committed the first of four murders he would be responsible for before turning his life around.

"I was 13 years old the first time I murdered someone," he said. "The second time I was 17; the third time I was 20 and the fourth time I was 21. When you take someone's life there are repercussions and consequences."

"I used to have nightmares and wake up with cold sweats with dead people all around me," said Hawkins. "You reap what you sow. There are all kinds of horrors that

come back to haunt you."

Although many young men and women look to gangs to fill a void of family or friends, gang members are not anyone's friends, Hawkins told the JESS students.

"These people are not your friends or your family," he said. "When you go to jail, you go alone. If you are in a gang there are three options and you are looking at the lucky one."

"Right here, me, I am the lucky one," said Hawkins. "The other two options are jail or death."

It's important to commit to school and to keeping their lives positive, Hawkins told the students.

"No one can force you to do something you don't want to do," he said. "It's not hard to just say no. Stop trying to follow these gangs; it's not cool."

"There is nothing you can gain from being in a gang," said Hawkins. "I'm telling you the true facts here. That's why I'm here in this wheelchair talking to you right now — so you don't end up like this."

Hawkins left the students will one final message.

"I see greatness in all of you," he said. "Choose your friends wisely."

Hawkins made quite an impression on many JESS students, several of whom stopped him outside

of the cafeteria and asked him to autograph their books.

"I want him to sign my book so I can remember him and his message," said Mekai Valman, a ninth grader at JESS. "The program was great. I am scared of that life."

"His story was so sad," said Kohun Eugene, also in the ninth grade. "I want to remember him."

For more information about Cause to Wonder, check out www.causetowonder.org.

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Two masked men, one holding a gun in each hand, entered Merchant's Commercial Bank in Greenleaf Commons, right, on January 11 and took off with an undisclosed amount of cash. They remained at large last week.

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 Photo by Jaime Elliott



Merchant's Commercial Bank Robbed by Two Armed Gunmen in Daytime Heist

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V.I. Police Department officials are investigating an armed robbery that occurred at Merchants Commercial Bank in Chocolate Hole on St. John at about 2 p.m. on Tuesday, January 11.

Two masked men, one holding a firearm in each hand, walked into the bank and ordered everyone to the ground, according to VIPD's St. John Deputy Police Chief Darren Foy.

One robber went through the drawers and collected cash from several desks, taking an undisclosed amount of money. Bank officials will determine the exact amount of cash that was stolen.

Both suspects fled in a blue GMC Jimmy. The suspects were described as medium build, and

between 5-foot 9-inches and 6-feet tall. One suspect was wearing a blue jump suit and sneakers.

The vehicle was discovered abandoned and a St. John K-9 officer scoured the bushy area. No suspects, however, were found at that time.

Police alerted V.I. Port Authority officers and made inspections at Coral Bay and Cruz Bay, including barges and ferries attempting to locate any suspicious individuals.

Forensic officers processed the crime scene for items of evidentiary value and detectives interviewed witnesses.

The suspects remain at large.

As of Friday, January 14, VIPD officials offered no further details about the robbery. In the wake of the robbery, Merchants — which

does not have a security guard — did open for business, but the bank's door remained locked, with a note requesting customers to identify themselves in order to enter.

While FirstBank in downtown Cruz Bay has employed a security guard for at least the past year, Scotia Bank in The Marketplace also added security detail last week.

Police are asking for the community's help in solving this crime. Anyone with any information, no matter how insignificant it may seem, is asked to call Deputy Chief Foy at 693-8880, or Lt. Milton Petersen, chief of detectives at 715-5522, 715-5516 or 714-9834.

Residents can also call Crime Stoppers USVI at 1-800-222-TIPS.

Multiple Agencies Respond To Fuel Spill at Enighed Pond

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Multiple agencies responded to a fuel spill at the Enighed Pond Marine cargo facility on St. John, which occurred about 2:15 p.m. Friday, January 7.

At about 2:15 p.m. a 10,000-gallon, five-compartment fuel tank was being off-loaded from a barge when the tank rubbed against the barge causing a five-inch puncture in the front compartment, according to V.I. Fire Department officials.

The fuel tank contained premium gasoline that was shipped from the HOVENSA Oil Refinery for the E&C Gas Station on St. John. The front compartment contained approximately 3,000 gallons of premium gasoline.

The Fire Services' Zulu Company immediately responded to contain the spill along with the V.I. Police Department which cordoned off Route 102 — from the V.I. Water and Power Authority's treat-

ment plant to the tennis court at Cruz Bay — from vehicular traffic.

The fuel tank was moved to an unimproved lot at Enighed Pond where the V.I. Department of Public Works worked with local trucking companies to quickly create a dirt barrier around the tank to contain the spill from spreading beyond the lot.

The Fire Service is estimating that about 1,000 gallons of fuel seeped from the tank's front compartment onto the barge and on land. The remaining fuel was suctioned out from the compartment. While some of the fuel spilled into the water, the amount was unclear.

Other responding agencies included VITEMA, the Department of Planning and Natural Resources and the VI Port Authority. As of 5 p.m. the spill was completely contained and traffic was once again flowing through Cruz Bay.

Quick Response Saves Snorkeler in Trouble at Trunk Bay

By Jaime Elliott
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Wednesday, January 5, dawned like most of David and Anne DeVoe's other vacation days spent on St. John, but would end in a way neither could have imagined.

It was only the quick-thinking and fast-acting response from everyone on Trunk Bay Beach, which saved DeVoe from serious trouble.

The couple from Massachusetts's North Shore spent a week on St. John in early January visiting friends. They had spent several days enjoying the island — and missing a snowstorm that dumped more than a foot of snow on their hometown — when they ventured to Trunk Bay on Wednesday afternoon, January 5, to snorkel.

DeVoe, who described himself as a "fairly active" 70-year-old, was out quite far from shore when he realized something was wrong with his snorkel mask.

"The nose valve leaked, causing water to come into the mask," he said. "Since I was very far out, it took some time to come in. Upon reaching the last buoy, I had ingested enough water so that I couldn't catch my breath and could go no further."

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— David DeVoe, 70 year old

It was about 4:30 p.m. when DeVoe's troubles began, meaning the lifeguards at Trunk Bay, who work until 4 p.m. were already off-duty and only a few people remained on the beach. While DeVoe's friend, who had already reached shore, realized he was in trouble, he was unable to get out and rescue him.

Instead DeVoe's friend alerted David D'Alberto, who leads snorkelers at Trunk Bay with Paradise Aqua Tours.

"David immediately jumped into the water and brought me in," said DeVoe. "I managed to get back to our beach area, and laid

down on my stomach to cough up water."

Another one of DeVoe's friends ran to find a lifeguard and managed to catch up with Alberto Samuel who was just packing up his equipment.

"Alberto came and immediately gave me oxygen," said DeVoe. "In the meantime my friend ran to find someone with a cell phone that worked to call an ambulance."

Trunk Bay lifeguard and certified EMT Terry Rogaczewski was on his way home by that time, but heard the radio call. Rogaczewski turned his vehicle around and raced back to the beach. Fellow Trunk Bay lifeguard and EMT Peter Hassen was with him.

"Terry and Peter came back to the beach," said DeVoe. "The police and the ambulance were there in short order. Terry recommended that I be taken to the hospital on St. John and said that I might also be going to the hospital on St. Thomas."

"He said that catching pneumonia was a real possibility and that fast medical attention could prevent complications," DeVoe said. "I was strapped down to a carrier and carried off the beach, then transferred to a gurney before being put into the ambulance.

My blood oxygen was way down and I got quite an escort to the hospital."

DeVoe ended up spending that night at R.L. Schneider Regional Medical Center on St. Thomas. He was released the following day and was able to enjoy the rest of his vacation before returning to Massachusetts. Looking back on his Trunk Bay ordeal, DeVoe felt lucky and impressed with the response from EMTs and others on the beach.

"Apart from the excellent medical attention I received, I want to say that the response on the beach from all concerned was fast, efficient and professional," said DeVoe. "I understand that lifeguard coverage ends at 4 p.m. at Trunk Bay and it was lucky that people were still there or nearby. A few minutes later and the outcome could have been very different for me."

"I am still feeling well and I shudder to think what might have happened to me if no one had been on the beach," he said. "I was very fortunate to have received such a great response after hours, from a team of such professionals."

The DeVoes returned home on Saturday, January 15, to several additional inches of snow in their yard.

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Animal Care Center volunteer Karla Schatzer selling raffle tickets at the organization's fundraiser on Saturday night, January 8.

Animal Printed Gala Goers Raise \$21K at Annual Christmas for the Animals

By Jaime Elliott
 St. John Tradewinds

Leopard prints and zebra stripes were the order of the night as about 175 people gathered at Glen and Joanne Hall's home overlooking Chocolate Hole for the St. John Animal Care Center's annual Christmas for the Animals fundraiser on Saturday night, January 8.

The soiree raked in about \$21,000 for the island's sole animal welfare organization which runs a no-kill shelter as well as feral cat feeding and spay and neuter programs.

Organizers deemed the event a success and thanked volunteers and supporters.

"It's really great," said ACC president Diana Ripley. "These things are so hard to judge. You never know how many people are going to participate."

"But we definitely did better than last year, so we definitely think the party was a success," Ripley said.

Music by Johnny B and Friends, face painting by Love City artist Elaine Estern, guest bartenders and a bevy of volunteers made the



Animal Care Center's Monica Munro with a leopard-painted face by Elaine Estern.

night a lot of fun for gala attendees, who fully embraced the night's Walk on the Wild Side theme.

"A lot of people wore jungle formal wear with animal themes," said Ripley. "It was great to see that so many people had fun with the theme."

"We want to send a special thanks to Elaine Estern who did the face paintings, that made so many people look amazing," said ACC

vice president Monica Munro.

With Jennifer Troisi and East West Catering's Julie Van Pelt overseeing the evening's menu, the fare was just as great as the evening's crowd.

"Jennifer Troisi and Julie Van Pelt headed up the food and they did a wonderful job," said Ripley. "A lot of restaurants and chefs took part and the food was wonderful."

"So many restaurants took part," said Munro. "I think most of the restaurants on the island participated either with food or by donating raffle prizes. It was wonderful."

The Hall's brand new home overlooking Chocolate Hole was the perfect site for the party.

"What a great venue," said Ripley. "The Hall's home was unbelievable. I can't say enough about them opening up their house to have a wild party for us."

Pushing the date of the event back from December to January also proved a success, according to Ripley.

"Changing the date to January really worked for us," she said. "It's such a crowded schedule be-

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Love City Live! Bringing Reggae Vibes to St. John January 21-30

By Jaime Elliott
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Get ready St. John — it's almost time for Love City Live, the biggest outdoor concert to rock island.

Reggae legends Third World will launch their new "Patriots" album right in the Winston Wells ballfield on Saturday, January 29. The reggae celebration will also include performances by Love City's own Inner Visions, Exodus and the Island Roots Band and Melame Gange and the BlackStar Band.

While the big concert in the field is the main event, the fun starts way before the end of the month. Love City Live fans got things started last weekend with a boat trip to Jost Van Dyke's One Love Bar in White Bay.

The fun continues this weekend with a Jackpot and Stiletto party at the Parrot Club on Friday, January 21, and keeps going with an Ole Time Fish Fry at Cases by Sea in Coral Bay on Saturday, January 22.

That should be enough to get reggae fans through the week, or mostly anyway. Jump start the weekend at a Beer Vibes Happy Hour at The Tap Room in Mongoose Junction on Thursday night, January 27.

To ring in the weekend, be sure to stop by Larry's Landing on Friday, January 28, for Rockers Friday, which might have some major stars taking the stage. Then the waiting is finally over, as gates open in the ball field at 6 p.m. on January 29.

Love City Live participants will be let down easy too. On Sunday, January 30, join Love City Live's hangover brunch at Miss Lucy's Restaurant from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The brainchild of St. Johnian Glenn "Wasi" Philbert, the concert is his way to get the good vibes be remembers as a child, flowing on Love City once again, he explained.

"I just want everyone to come out and have fun," he said.

Philbert also has another mo-

tivation — to revive baseball on St. John. A portion of all proceeds from events prior to the big January 29 concert will go to Reviving Baseball on Love City. A former ball player himself, Philbert envisions restarting the grassroots baseball league he enjoyed as a child on St. John.

"I know there is talent here," he said. "We just have to get out there and find it. And we need to give these kids something to do."

Tickets for \$30 will be available until January 23, when the price will go up to \$40. So be sure to head to Connections, The Tap Room, Cases by the Sea, the Parrot Club, W&W Fast Food or Love City Barbers to take advantage of the early bird ticket price.

Major sponsors for Love City Live are Boyson Inc, Innovative, St. John Brewers, 101.3 KISS FM and Global Venture Consultants Inc.

For more information on Love City Live, check out the website www.experiencelovecitylive.com.

Relay for Life Luminaria Ceremony — Lighting a Path Towards Hope

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The Luminaria Ceremony is the soul of the Relay For Life.

The community will quietly remember those whose lives have been touched by cancer at 9 p.m. on Saturday, February 19, at Julius E. Sprauve School.

Candles in white tribute bags will line the track, each bearing the name of a loved one. In the soft glow of the candles everyone reflects on the courage and strength of all who are affected by cancer.

A donation of \$5 will ensure a light in honor of a loved one. Remember a loved one lost, and honor the survivors.

For many people who attend Relay For Life, one of the most moving parts of the event is the Luminaria Ceremony. As the lights dim over the field and team members complete laps, the night is brightened by the glow of lighted bags called Luminaria, each of which has a special meaning.

Some Luminaria celebrate the survivorship of people who have battled cancer and lived to tell the tale. Many commemorate the lives of those who have been lost to this disease. All represent a person who has been profoundly affected by cancer and the family and friends who continue to be touched by that experience.

Please light a candle in support of or in memory of a friend or loved one who has had cancer. All contributions will help save lives, give hope and empower people through the American Cancer Society and its lifesaving mission.

Make a \$5 donation for a Luminaria at the St. John Community Foundation Office at The Marketplace, Connections in Coral Bay or by calling Karen Radtke at 779-4419.

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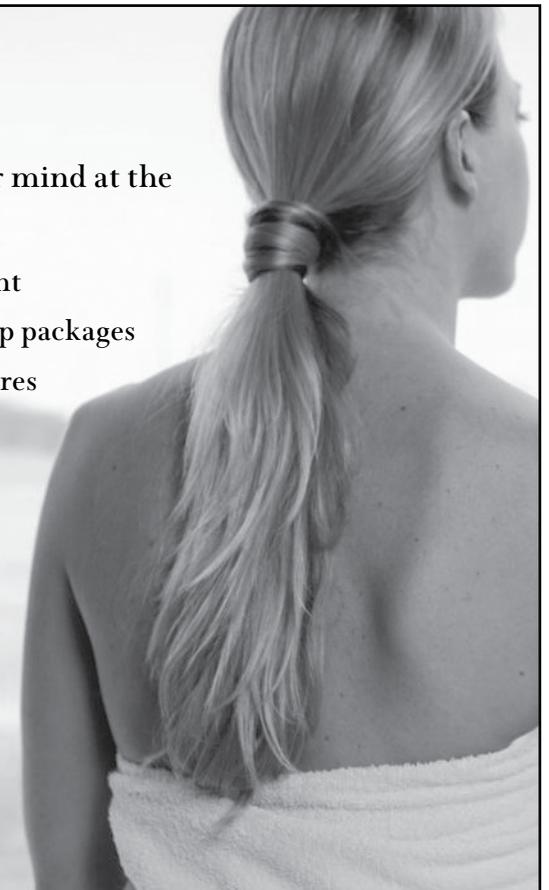
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GHS student actors (L to R) Mariah Scheer, Saaliyah Ali, Genesis Dawson, Jackson Barry, John Spinale and Shawn Attika, will perform in "Aladdin and His Magic Lamp."

GHS Performing "Aladdin and His Magic Lamp" Jan. 21

St. John Tradewinds

Giff Hill School and New England Youth Theater will present "Aladdin and His Magic Lamp" by Uncle Stevie Stearns of NEYT.

Performances, at GHS' lower campus great room, are on Friday, January 21, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, January 22, at 2 p.m. Tickets are at the door for a suggested donation of \$10.

"Aladdin" is a "drop dead funny" melodrama; a "slap stick," corny joke, wild and witty comedy, with mad chase scenes backed up by a real live rock band led by director Uncle Stevie's son, Ian Stearns, who is visiting from New York City where he runs Comedy Central Records.

The show's Rock Band will feature a core of GHS rockers, backed up by Barbie Barry on blues harmonica, Ian on lead guitar and other local St. John adult musicians. "Aladdin and His Magic Lamp" will entertain kids and adults alike. It brings the audience into the act by having them boo and hiss the villain, cheer the heros and sing along with the rock band.

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SJCF Is Set To Expand Its Recycling Program with "Go Green VI" Initiative

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

After more than a year of collecting aluminum cans across St. John for recycling, the St. John Community Foundation is launching a new comprehensive "Go Green VI" program this year.

The can collection program was under the auspices of Recycling Association of the Virgin Islands, but with its new "Go Green VI" initiative, SJCF hopes to expand its environmental efforts to reduce electrical usage, reduce waste and redouble its educational efforts both in schools and in the community, explained the group's executive director Paul Devine.

"We are still going to be recycling cans," said Devine. "But with this new program we want to expand our focus and get into the schools with education programs and engage the community. Recycling is a part of it, but it's just a part of a much greater picture."

A major aspect of the "Go Green VI" program is networking with other community stakeholders with similar missions, explained Celia Kalousek, resource and development for SJCF.

SJCF hosted a "Go Green VI" kickoff meeting on Tuesday, January 11, at The Marketplace. The group hoped to bring a wide array of organizations and citizens together to work towards shared goals.

"We sent out invitations to 86 concerned citizens and organizations," said Kalousek. "We asked them to come to the table with their mission statements and projects they have in mind. We wanted everyone to throw all of this out on the table and see where we can help each other."

About 30 people including representatives of Friends of the V.I. National Park, Environmental Association of St. Thomas, V.I. Waste Management Authority, St. John Recycling group members, Maho Bay Campground and the Island Green Building Association, attended the meeting.

"This is all about moving forward," said Devine. "We want to expand recycling, focus on education and see how we can get businesses and organizations



to work together to improve the territory."

SJCF, for example, will launch an anti-litter campaign this year and already has the signs, posts and approval to erect them. The group still needs help, however, with the physical installation of the posts, explained Kalousek.

"We also have an agenda of 12 'Reduce, Reuse, Recycle' monthly topics we want to take into the schools," she said. "If you're already working on those ideas, let's get together and work as a team. We don't want to duplicate efforts."

"We want everyone who is working in these areas to be working under one umbrella," said Devine. "This will be a collaboration of everyone who is working to improve the environment. We're initiating this and hope that all kinds of organizations will join us and stay with us."

SJCF is inviting any organization interested in joining the "Go Green" effort to attend the group's next meeting on February 22, at Sputnik's in Coral Bay. For more information about how to participate call Kalousek at 693-9410 or email celia@csivi.org.

EPA Seeks Nominations for Environmental Quality Awards

St. John Tradewinds

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is now seeking nominations for this annual award. Winners will be honored at an awards event in April 2011.

Each winner will receive a plaque recognizing his or her environmental achievement at a ceremony in late April coinciding with Earth Day. The Agency is accepting nominations for its Environmental Quality Awards until February 22.

Each year, the EPA honors individuals, businesses and organizations that have contributed significantly to improving the environment and protecting public health in New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and eight federally recognized Indian Nations over the past year.

"What better way to mark the annual celebration of Earth Day than by honoring those organizations

and individuals whose work has preserved and restored the environment and improved public health," said EPA Regional Administrator Judith Enck. "The achievements and dedication of each year's Environmental Quality Award winners are an inspiration to us all and I urge that you nominate people through EPA's website."

The awards recognize achievement in six categories: Individual Citizen; Non-Profit Organization, Environmental or Community Group; Environmental Education; Business and Industry; Federal, State, Local or Tribal Government or Agency; and Press and Media.

For award criteria, prior winners and nomination instructions, visit EPA's Environmental Quality Award web page at <http://www.epa.gov/region2/eqa>.

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Newest Wind Generator Is Not First To Grace Bordeaux Mountain

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

When Betsy Hutton read about the new wind generator atop Bordeaux Mountain in the December 20, 2010-January 2, 2011 issue of *St. John Tradewinds*, she had to laugh.

“First wind generator on Bordeaux,” said Hutton, who owns Virgin Java Coffee and founded Beni Iguana Sushi before passing the business on to her son. “Sorry, but I was doing this back in 1983 on Bordeaux. We had no power for 10 years.”

Hutton, her then-husband and several other Bordeaux residents were “green” long before the term became a catchphrase for post-consumer backlash, the former St. John resident recalled.

In the 1980s, residents on Bordeaux, and many other areas of St. John, were forced to be “green” because there simply was no power, according to Hutton. Instead they pioneered “green” energy and even started the business “Winddependence.”

“We had no WAPA up there back then,” said Hutton. “There was no electricity and no phones. You had to go to the pay phone outside of the fire station down in Coral Bay if you wanted to use a phone.”

Charging 30 golf cart batteries with solar panels and the wind generator, Hutton and her family eked out a comfortable life on Bordeaux, which was then a pretty remote neighborhood with only a few residents. While Hutton has fond memories of her Bordeaux time, it was hard work, she added.

“I would have to climb that tower in the middle of the night and pull the brake because the wind was blowing so hard you thought it was going to take off flying,” said Hutton. “In one of the pictures, I’m up there cleaning the panels with Q-Tips and gasoline. It was a lot of work.”

It might be safe to say, however, that the latest wind generator on Bordeaux is the first permitted such structure to rise on the island. Back in the 1980s when Hutton erected her tower, the V.I. Department of Planning and Natural Resources didn’t exactly have oversight of the area.

Betsy Hutton atop a wind generator on Bordeaux Mountain in the early 1980s.

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Delroy "Ital" Anthony shared information about numerous local plants and herbs — and their uses — during a Friends of VINP seminar.



St. John Tradewinds News
Photo by Jaime Elliott

Ital Anthony Shares His Extensive Knowledge of Local Herbs and Plants

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

From Monkey No Climb to Prickly Pear, Delroy "Ital" Anthony shared his extensive knowledge of local herbs and plants with about a dozen participants at a Friends of V.I. National Park seminar on Wednesday afternoon, January 12.

Standing behind several tables laden with plants, fruit, herbs and sticks at St. John School of the Arts, Anthony hosted "Medicinal Herbs," a new seminar in the Friends 2011 seminar series.

Anthony passed around a sample of each plant he discussed, giving participants the chance to smell and touch the specimen while learning about its traditional and current uses.

The group even got to sip on tamarind juice and soursop juice while listening to Anthony explain the uses of items like PC Bed Bush, which was commonly used to treat heat rash.

"You mash it up a bit and boil it in water," said Anthony. "You put it on the heat rash for a few days and it goes away."

Showing a piece of birchwood and another of guavaberry, Anthony explained that the two are often confused.

"To identify the difference you have to know that birchwood is more rough and guavaberry is smooth and grows little fruits," he

said.

Guavaberry is used to make tarts and stews while birchwood bark is used for the handles of brooms and for fashioning fish pots and bird feeders, Anthony explained.

"We used to harvest guavaberry in November and December," he said. "Recently our weather patterns have changed and it's hard to tell when things are ripe. But you use it for drinks, tarts, in rum but you have to take your time and remove all the seeds."

Sweet lime, which has little thorns and berries, can be used as a glue or to enhance lemonade, according to Anthony.

"It can give your lemonade a good kick, but just use a little," he said. "You can find sweet lime out by Hawksnest."

A good way to tell the difference between wild and imported frangipani is the size of their leaves, explained Anthony.

"Wild frangipani has thin leaves instead of the fat leaves with the white milky-substance in them," he said.

Anthony also showed some plants to avoid in the wild.

"This is wild pineapple," he said, holding a bunch of the small yellow fruit. "It will tear up your mouth and lips and make them itch for hours. You can use it, but you have to cut off all of the skin."

Bay rum, balsam, wild thyme,

papaya, mauby, wild tamarind, cow heel, wild coffee, cat's claw; Anthony didn't leave many plants found on St. John unexplained.

"This is sweet scent, or cattle tongue," he said, holding up a leafy green stalk. "It used to be used back in the day for deodorant. You would just take it and rub it under your arms."

Anthony also showed edible plants like what he called seaweed or seagrass, which can be eaten like a salad, and can be found near Salt Pond.

With a display of his local crafts and jewelry, Anthony also showed the group which plants he uses to make many of his creations, from a birchwood musical instrument to a necklace made from jumbie beads from the crab's eye tree.

"All of this was passed down to me from my mother, my elders and my ancestors," he said. "This is our environment and we need to take care of it. These native plants are very important for us to protect because a lot of the exotic plants brought in here bring invasive insects and such."

Friends of VINP has interesting seminars planned for the next few months wrapping up their series in April. For a complete list of seminars check out www.friendsofvinp.org/seminars.htm, or to register call the group's program manager Audrey Penn at 779-4940.

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Students Will “Dream, Wish, Believe” with Broadway Actors, Singers, Puppeteers

Continued from Back Page
time Tartaglia and his associates are doing something of this kind and despite a few doubts, it really was a no-brainer, according to Tartaglia.

“We’ve never done anything like this before and I definitely had a moment of ‘I don’t know if I can do this,’” he said. “But we can do this and we just have to take a chance and do it. Because we love St. John so much it’s an exciting thing to be able to give back to a place that has given us so much.”

For Lewis, a talented singer who has performed in a variety of Broadway and touring production hits from “Phantom of the Opera” to “Nine,” the key will be awaken a passion in the students.

“Right off the bat you have to wake up something inside of you that is ready to come out and play,” he said. “Singing uses the same tool you use to speak with, to have fun with, to yell. It’s all the same voice.”

Lewis, who has experience teaching arts to children around the world through a New York City-based non-profit, the whole

production revolves around one simple, but profound concept.

“This is all about kids discovering new ways to express themselves,” said Lewis. “That is all it takes. If you can challenge a child to perceive themselves differently, you can expand their possibilities. You challenge them to be smarter emotionally and intellectually.”

In addition to the excitement of working with Broadway actors, puppeteers, singers, choreographers and producers, the program will also be raising money to support St. John School of the Arts.

The students will stage two performances of “Dream, Wish, Believe” on February 18. The first show is for SJSA sponsors at 6 p.m. at the Westin and will be \$200 a ticket. That ticket price includes a champagne reception as well as dinner at one of Love City’s finest restaurants.

The night’s second performance will be at 8 p.m. at the Westin and will be open to the entire community for any donation.

“All we’re asking is that people donate whatever they feel they can give,” said Lee. “We expect that

show to be standing room only.”

SJSA is also raffling a once-in-a-lifetime New York City trip to raise additional funds for arts education on St. John. The prize is two round trip plane tickets and two orchestra seats to three top Broadway shows, “Chicago,” “La Cage aux Folles” and “Priscilla, Queen of the Desert.” And that’s not all.

The raffle prize also includes a back-stage tour of a Broadway the-

ater, dinners for two at Sardi’s and Etcetera Etcetera and a three-night stay at a top mid-town hotel. Only 200 tickets will be sold for \$100 each, and will be on sale soon at SJSA and Connections.

The whole program is also a way for SJSA to honor the school’s founder, Ruth “Sis” Frank, who passed away in November.

“I’m thinking of this as the year of Sis,” said Lee. “This is a great

way to honor her.”

The entire project would not be possible without the magnificent support of the Westin Resort, according to Lee.

SJSA is still looking for someone to be a “star-sponsor” by making a major contribution and hosting a final farewell dinner for the New York guests on February 19. Anyone interested should call SJSA at 779-4322.

Broadway Comes to St. John

Five Broadway professionals including Tony Award nominated actor John Tartaglia, will work with our island fourth graders to put on two shows on Friday, February 18, at the Westin Ballroom. The first showing, at 6 p.m., will be for the St. John “Angels” who will pay \$200 for a ticket, followed by a reception and then gourmet dinners at various restaurants. The 8 p.m. show is open to everyone with no set charge, but a request for a donation. All proceeds benefit the St. John School of the Arts.

ANGEL TICKETING INFORMATION

The “Angel” tickets to the 6pm performance will go on sale January 19th at 10am at Connections & Chelsea Drug Store. If you purchase an Angel ticket you will also have access to our pre-sale of Raffle tickets. For \$100 you have the chance to win a three day trip to New York City! Details are below. There is a limit of 1 Raffle ticket per person.

RAFFLE TICKETING INFORMATION

SJSA will kick off the sale of Raffle tickets on February 7th from 4-6pm in front of Starfish Gourmet Market at The Marketplace. Starfish Gourmet will be having a wine tasting. There will also be meet & greet with the Broadway actors at 5pm. Tickets sold are on a first come first serve basis.

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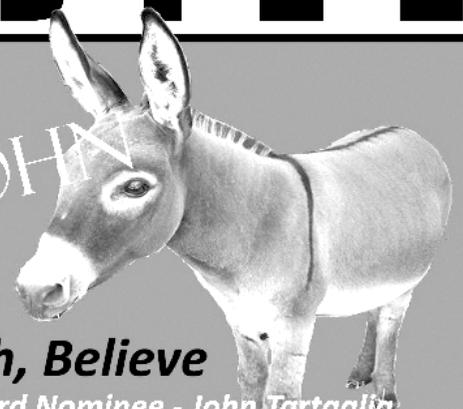
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Corrections:

In last week's edition, Andy Rutnik's private birthday party invitation was inadvertently printed. *St. John Tradewinds* deeply apologizes to the entire Rutnik Family and sincerely regrets the printing error.

Happy 65th Birthday Andy!

In the article "Nikki Barnes and Agustina Barbuto Represent VI at International 420 World Championship," in the January 10-16 edition of *St. John Tradewinds*, the report did not include two other sailors who also represented the territory in the competition. Jozsi Nemeth and Alex Coyle, who finished 22nd overall, also competed in the 420 World Championship early this month in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Letters To St. John Tradewinds

VIPA Should Be Ashamed of State of Cruz Bay Dinghy Dock

Our V.I. Port Authority should be totally ashamed at the conditions of the dinghy docks in Cruz Bay. They have been in disrepair since Hurricane Otto lashed the docks with high tides and waves.

Not all of our visitors to St. John come by ferry boats, many come by dinghies when they leave their large boats anchored offshore. They come ashore to spend money in St. John, going to dinner, shopping, taking island tours.

The businesses of St. John rely on visiting tourists to keep their businesses open, which in turn pay taxes to our government. They are also used by people like myself who live on out lying cays, using the docks to tie up while we go to work on St. John

I was at a Chamber of Commerce meeting in November. I pointedly asked Mr. Ken Hobson when our dingy docks would be repaired/replaced? His response was that it would be going out to bid. I offered to do the work if the VIPA would supply the materials. Mr.

Hobson said that would not be necessary; they would be fixed soon.

It is now mid-January and nothing has been done, nothing at all.

Why do the people of St. John have to ask St. Thomas VIPA about fixing our dock? Why do we have to wait until the docks are in disrepair to get work done on them?

The dinghy docks are one of the first things people see when landing on St. John. We need to fix this blight and keep it looking good, in season and out of season.

I for one am willing to help rebuild these dinghy docks. I know there are many others in our community who also will volunteer to help fix our dinghy docks.

Sincerely,
Dan Boyd
Lovango Cay

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Homicides: 0

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1st Degree Burglaries: 3

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3rd Degree Burglaries: 0

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Pepper enjoyed a last trip to the beach, getting her nose sandy and smelling the sea air, before she passed away last week.

Crossword Answers — Puzzle on Page 24

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An Honorable End To An Amazing Life

My sweet little, 2010 Wagapalooza, 1st Place, "Best Old Timer," died at the age of 14-and-one-half years old this past Tuesday, January 11.

Pepper had no way to thank Dr. Jan Perkins for coming to our home and so lovingly ending her suffering in her last days, but she would want me to do so. Much appreciation from the bottom of our hearts, Jan! Also, I thank you for sitting with Pepper and me after Pepper left; so gently stroking her still little body and letting me throw my arms around you and sob uncontrollably.

That is part of the reason I can smile now. Also, thanks to Dr. Laura and Joe for answering my questions as Pepper declined. Joe, you were right! I knew when it was time to let her go. Following is a special truth which gives me strength, and may help others when the time comes.

The Best Place to Bury a Dog

We are thinking now of a setter, whose coat was flame in the sunshine and who, so far as we know, never entertained a mean or unworthy thought. This setter is buried beneath a cherry tree.

Beneath a cherry tree or an apple tree or any flow-

ering shrub is an excellent place to bury a dog. Beneath these places, he slept in the drowsy summer or gnawed a favor bone or lifted his head to challenge an intruder. These are good places, in life or in death.

Yet it is a small matter. If a dog be well-remembered, if sometimes he leaps through your dreams actual as in life; eyes kindling, laughing, begging, it matters not at all where the dog sleeps. On a hill where the wind is unrebuked and the trees roar, beside a stream where he played, or a pasture where he swiftly ran.

It is all the same to you and to the dog — if memory lives on. There is one best place to bury a dog. If you bury him in this spot, he will always come to you when you call; come to you over the sad frontiers of earthly death, down a well-remembered path, and right at your side again! For there you both know he belongs. People who have never shared the life of a dog will not understand how this could happen.

Simply smile, for you know some thing that is hidden from them, yet a comfort well worth knowing! The one best place to bury a dog is always in the heart of his master.

Susan Mann

Cancer Survivor Sharon Lees To Help Plan St. John Relay for Life

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Not many people would still have a sense of humor after discovering a nine-centimeter tumor on her breast.

But Sharon Lees is not many people. The long-time St. John resident not only maintained her distinctive wit throughout her battle with breast cancer, she brought smiles to chemo wards and surely made doctors and nurses blush each time she discussed her “angry boob.”

Now Lees is part of the planning committee for the first ever St. John Relay for Life American Cancer Society Fundraiser, set for Saturday, February 19. She was motivated to share her personal breast cancer story in hopes of educating others about the resources available.

“This is my way of giving back and getting the word out to people,” she said. “I didn’t know what was available when I was

diagnosed and I hope through this other people will know.”

Lees first realized something was wrong with her chest in late 2008, she explained.

“One of my breasts was enlarged and it was getting bigger,” said Lees. “I was in California at the time and I went to a gyno there who said it was very strange. ‘Are you sure you didn’t just get one done,’ she asked me.”

Since there was no silicone in the picture, Lees was pretty sure something was wrong.

“They couldn’t figure it out,” she said. “At first they thought it was nothing. It just kept getting bigger and bigger and this went on for like four months.”

“I went to a local doctor here who thought it was an infection and finally I went to the emergency room,” Lees said. “It was a doctor on St. Thomas who told me I needed a biopsy. As soon as she said that, I went online and heard about IBC and then it all made



St. John Tradewinds News Photo Courtesy of Sharon Lees

Lees flashes a smile through the chemo during treatment at Charlotte Kimmelman Cancer Center on St. Thomas

sense.”

IBC, or inflammatory breast cancer is often difficult to diagnose since it causes swelling instead of the common breast lump. This often means that the cancer is advanced by the time it is diagnosed and is more difficult to cure

— which was the case with Lees’ cancer.

Lees was diagnosed with stage four breast cancer in March 2009 and immediately underwent a bevy of tests.

“I started getting tests done immediately and it didn’t stop,” said Lees. “It was like hell. I had to get lots of blood work, I had to get my heart monitored and get a bone scan.”

“The cancer had spread to my lymph nodes, but thank goodness, not to my internal organs,” she said.

After getting her chemo port surgery, Lees started chemo therapy in April 2009 to shrink the nine-inch tumor in her breast.

“The doctor gave me the option to do either two poisons for six weeks and then do another six weeks of a different poison, or do all three at once,” said Lees. “I decided to take all three at once. I took very well to chemo. The first round, the tumor shrunk that night.”

Lees’ chemo regime consisted of one full day and then three weeks between treatments. Her last chemo was on July 15, 2009 and she underwent surgery to remove the tumor just three weeks

later in August.

“Geez, I thought I was going to get a break,” she said. “But no. And they found out that the chemo melted my lymph nodes, so I didn’t have to get them surgically removed.”

Three weeks after successful surgery on St. Thomas, Lees was back at the Charlotte Kimmelman Cancer Center on St. Thomas to begin seven weeks of radiation.

“It was seven weeks of radiation,” she said. “Monday through Friday, but I had weekends and holidays off. A funny thing was, I got weighed after my surgery and I had lost two pounds.”

“I thought, ‘Wow, that was one big, angry boob,’” she said.

Lees finally completed her last radiation session in October 2009 and was back working in the hospitality industry by December. While she didn’t receive monetary help from the St. Thomas/St. John chapter of the American Cancer Society, friends on St. John hosted several benefits and she did qualify for federal assistance.

Now, Lees hopes to raise awareness about how the American Cancer Society can help others.

“I didn’t really know about the American Cancer Society when I was going through this and I think they dropped the ball on me,” she said. “They will pay if you need to go off-island, but I chose to stay here to be with my friends, who are my family.”

“You don’t know what to do when you get cancer,” she said. “I want to give back and get the word out that there are resources out there.”

To support the local American Cancer Society and raise much-needed funds, all of which will remain in the territory, organize a team or donate to the first ever St. John Relay for Life on February 19. For more information email event chair Mary Bartolucci at marybartolucci@gmail.com.

Birth Announcement: Valerie Lynn Callwood



Barbara and Laurien “Chucky” Callwood welcomed baby girl Valerie Lynn Callwood into the world on January 2, 2011. Valerie was born at 8:11 a.m. weighing seven pounds and 13.5 ounces and measure 21-inches long.

She was born at the Glens Falls Hospital, in Glens Falls, New York. Valerie’s paternal grandmother is Doreen Callwood of St. John and her maternal grandmother is Shirley Winch of South Glens Falls, NY.

Congratulations Barbara and Chucky!

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Send your letter to editor@tradewinds.vi

**NEXT DEADLINE:
THURSDAY, JANUARY 20TH**



St. John Tradewinds News Photos by Tropical Focus



Bedecked in leopard prints the crowd, at left, embraced the Walk on the Wild Side theme including Mares and Rob Crane, top left. Glen and Joanne Hall, above with their sons and family friends, hosted the fundraiser at their beautiful villa. Jennifer Ewald, top right, celebrates her raffle prize win with friend Anna Foote.

Animal Printed Gala Goers Raise \$21K at ACC Christmas for the Animals

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fore Christmas and this way we didn't have a conflict with any other event. And I think everyone was back in the party mode after a little hiatus."

"I think we'll keep the party in January from now on," said Ripley.

"January definitely worked out better than having the party in December," said Munro. "I think people were over the Christmas rush and there weren't so many other things going on. It worked out very well."

As one of the ACC's three major fundraisers, the annual gala goes a long way to ensuring the group is able to con-

tinue its work. Funds were raised through a combination of gala ticket sales, exciting raffle tickets sales and the night's silent auction.

"We had wonderful raffle prizes this year that all were valued over \$500," said Munro. "The door prize was a stay at Briar's Creek and we had a painting by Livy Hitchcock, five dinner gift certificates worth \$700, dining for four with Mathayom, a boat charter trip with Southern Hospitality and more."

Other raffle prizes included stays at Gallows Point and the Westin Resort and Villas, a sculpture from Freebird and a sunset sail for six aboard Magic Moments.

While animal printed party goers danced into the wee hours of the night, many ACC Christmas for the Animals attendees never forgot the evening's importance.

"Everyone loves the animals and they all come out to support us," said Ripley. It's really special."

"The funds are needed to keep our feral cat program and our spay and neuter program going and to allow us to continue to take in abused and neglected animals for adoption," said Munro.

To find out how to help the St. John ACC, call the group at 774-1625 or check out the website www.stjohnanimal-carecenter.com.

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New 90-day Gross Receipts Tax Amnesty Period — Deadline Is January 25, 2011

Director of the V.I. Bureau of Internal Revenue Claudette Watson-Anderson, CPA, announced last week that the new, 90-day gross receipts tax amnesty went into effect upon the implementation of Act 7233, which was signed into law by Governor John deJongh on October 26.

Watson-Anderson urged taxpayers to file and pay delinquent gross receipts taxes before the deadline of January 25, 2011. All delinquent gross receipts returns are eligible for the amnesty.

For more information, call the Delinquent Accounts and Returns Branch on at 715-1040, extension 2232.

Free Vow Renewal Ceremony Feb. 14

It's that time of year again! Love City's own Barefoot Minister Anne Marine Porter is hosting a free marriage vow renewal ceremony on Monday, February 14, at Trunk Bay Beach at 5 p.m.

For more information call Porter at 693-5153 or 626-4658.

Audubon Society Annual Plant Sale Set for March 5 in Frank Powell Park

The V.I. Audubon Society will host its annual plant sale on March 5 at Cruz Bay's Frank Powell Park.

Mary Moroney and Dave Spoth are chairing the Plant Sale this year. One gallon pots are needed, and can be dropped off at Elaine Estern's studio. The group is trying to propagate more native and non-invasive plants to sell this year.

With that in mind, anyone who has Bay Rhum trees, any edible fruit or vegetables potted, are asked to donate these to the sale. Spoth will also be propagating some vegetables and ornamentals for the sale and orchids will be ordered.

25th Annual GHS Auction March 12

The 25th Annual Giff Hill School Auction will be Saturday, March 12, at the Westin Resort and Villas. For more information call the GHS development office at 340-776-1730 or email ghsdevelopment@mac.com.

VIPD and ICE Seize \$6 Million of Cocaine After Routine Traffic Stop on St. Croix, Arrest DR Native

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A 33-year-old Dominican Republic national who resides in Caguas, Puerto Rico, was arrested by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations special agents Sunday in Christiansted, St. Croix, following a routine traffic stop by the V.I. Police Department that led to the discovery of 202 bricks of cocaine with an estimated weight of 228 kilograms and an approximate street value of more than \$6 million.

On Sunday, January 9, the vehicle driven by Miguel Pascual was stopped by the VIPD officers in Christiansted, for a traffic violation.

Pascual consented to a search of the vehicle which revealed seven large bags containing brick-like objects in the cargo area and back seat of the vehicle that was later tested positive to cocaine.

VIPD officers notified ICE HSI special agents who responded to the scene, arrested Pascual, and seized the 228 kilograms of cocaine.

Pascual is in ICE custody awaiting the outcome of his criminal case.

Police Log

EMERGENCY NUMBERS:

EMERGENCY LAND LINE: 911

EMERGENCY CELLULAR: 340-776-9110

POLICE DEPT: 340-693-8880

FIRE STATION: 340-776-6333

Friday, January 7

2:16 p.m. - A citizen c/r a gas tank collided with a barge in the area of Enighed Pond. Auto accident.

4:28 p.m. - A citizen c/r that she was struck by a taxi in the area of Cruz Bay. Auto accident.

11:20 p.m. - An Estate Carolina resident p/r that a male entered her property, went into an abandoned vehicle and removed personal items. Grand larceny.

Saturday, January 8

12:15 p.m. - A Denis Bay resident p/r that he heard loud music at 2:30 a.m. Disturbance of the peace, loud music.

Monday, January 10

2:10 p.m. - Badge #723 p/ with one Omar Stephens of Estate Contact and Enighed under arrest and charged with burglary in the second. Bail was set at \$50,000 by order of the court. He was detained at Leander Jurgen Command and later transported to the Bureau of Corrections on St. Thomas.

5:41 p.m. - A citizen c/r that someone stole items

from Grande Bay Resort. Grand larceny.

7:26 p.m. - A Calabash Boom resident r/ that her upstairs neighbor is throwing trash on her porch.

7:40 p.m. - An Estate Emmaus resident c/requesting police assistance to have a tenant removed. Police assistance.

8:00 p.m. - A visitor from Milwaukee p/r that she lost her beach bag containing important documents. Lost bag.

Wednesday, January 12

1:17 a.m. - A citizen p/r that he was robbed and assaulted by three males in the area of the Cruz Bay dock. Assault in the third.

11:40 a.m. - A citizen p/r that he was assaulted by his stepfather on December 20. Assault in the third.

2:41 p.m. - A citizen p/r that she was assaulted by her ex-boyfriend. Aggravated assault and battery, D.V.

Thursday, January 13

1:25 p.m. - A citizen p/r that her husband took her birds to the animal shelter without her permission. Police assistance.

CRIME STOPPERS U.S.V.I.

Organization Seeks Information on Recent Crimes

St. John Tradewinds

Crime Stoppers is asking the community's help to solve the following crimes. If anyone knows something, they should say something. Even the smallest bit of information may be just what law enforcement needs to solve these cases.

St. John

Sometime during the night on Sunday, December 26, a burglar broke into a locked residence at 5G Estate Pastory by removing a screen and opening the latch on a door. A carry-on bag and a cell phone were removed. The bag was found on the patio with its contents on the floor. A wallet and the cell phone were recovered, but \$80 in cash and a silver-colored Tissot ladies watch

valued at \$400 were stolen. The minimum cash reward for the arrest of a burglar is \$714.

St. Thomas

On Thursday, January 6, at about 2 a.m., the lifeless body of Shakir Richardson was discovered with a gunshot wound to his head in the area of Joseph Gomez Elementary School.

St. Croix

On Tuesday, December 28, at about midnight, VIPD officers were dispatched to investigate a call of shots fired in Christiansted. When they arrived, they found 23-year-old Christian Harley with several gunshot wounds, lying in the intersection of Prince and Water Gut Streets. He was transported by ambulance to the hospital, where he

later died from his injuries.

Please help VIPD to identify the persons responsible in the above murder cases. Tips will help to put the killers behind bars where they belong, and helping to bring closure to the families of these victims. The minimum cash reward for a homicide arrest is \$1500.

Community members can submit tips on these or any other crimes at www.CrimeStoppersUSVI.org or by calling 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). Tips are completely anonymous, and the stateside operators are bilingual. If a tip leads to an arrest or the recovery of stolen property, illegal drugs, or weapons, the tipster receives a cash reward to be paid according to their instructions.

Ferry Schedules - Cruz Bay and Charlotte Amalie

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3:45 p.m.	5:30 p.m.

Classifieds

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776-6731

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Sunday 10 a.m, 693-8830

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Saturdays, 779-4477

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| RFP-WMA-003-T-2011 | Transport and Unloading of Solid Waste Compactor Trailers from the St. John Transfer Station, Virgin Islands |
| RFP-WMA-004-T-2011 | Management and Transportation of Solid Waste on St. John, VI in and from Roll-On/Roll-Off Bin Sites and St. John Transfer Station to the Bovoni Landfill on St. Thomas, Virgin Islands |

Documents pertaining to this Request for Proposal (RFP) may be obtained from the VIWMA's Division of Procurement and Property, St. Thomas-St. John District Office at 9500 Wheatley Center II, Suite 2 or from the St. Croix District Officer at #1 La Grande Princesse, Suite BL1, Christiansted between the hours of 8:00am and 4:30pm, Monday through Friday, or by contacting the Director, Mrs. Cecile Lynch, directly via phone or email.

PROPOSAL DUE DATE and TIME: Thursday, February 3, 2011 at 2:00pm Atlantic Standard Time

PROPOSAL DUE PLACE: Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority
9500 Wheatley Center II, Suite 2, St. Thomas, VI 00802
P. O. Box 303669, St. Thomas, VI 00803
#1 La Grande Princesse, Suite BL 1, Christiansted, VI 00820
P. O. Box 1689, Kingshill, VI 00851-1689
(Six (6) Sealed Proposal Packages Marked Proposal for RFP No. RFP-WMA-003-T-11 OR RFP-WMA-004-T-11, DO NOT OPEN)
NOTE: The proposal number must be placed on the outside of all Bid Packages. Proposals may not be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of the submission deadline.

DIRECT INQUIRIES: Mrs. Cecile Phillip-Lynch
Director, Procurement and Property Division
Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority
#1 La Grande Princesse, Suite BL1, Christiansted, VI 00820 OR
Email: clynch@viwma.org Phone: 340-718-4489

All questions pertaining to the submission of proposals, scope of services and the award process should be directed in writing either in hard copy or by email to Mrs. Cecile Phillip-Lynch, Director of Procurement and Property, at clynch@viwma.org.

The Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority reserves the right to waive any non-substantive informalities, technicalities, or irregularities; or reject any or all qualifications and proposals; or to re-advertise for proposals, and to award or refrain from awarding the contract for the work. The Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority also reserved the right to accept or reject any Proposal or any item listed therein. VIWMA further reserves the right to waive any informality in Proposals received.

May Adams Cornwall
Executive Director



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, January 17

Retired psychology educator Rane Sherman is hosting a free seminar on Creating Happiness on January 17 and 24 at the Mongoose Junction Yoga Center at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 18

Michaeline Moloney will present the flamingoes of Necker Island at the V.I. Audubon Society's next meeting at the Giff Hill School at 7 p.m.

Wednesday, January 19

The Department of Veterans Affairs and the VA Caribbean Healthcare System will celebrate the new St. John outreach health services at Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center. The celebration will be in the conference room at MK-SCHC at 9 a.m.

Thursday, January 20

A Relay for Life pep rally at Winston Wells ballfield from 6 to 8 p.m.

Wednesday, January 26

St. John Animal Care Center's annual meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. at the GHS's lower campus greatroom.

Monday, February 7

Meet the five Broadway professionals who will teach island fourth graders singing, dancing, puppetry and choreography to produce a show entitled "Dream, Wish, Believe," during a meet and greet in front of Starfish Gourmet at 5 p.m.

Friday, February 18

Five Broadway professionals along with island fourth graders will put on two shows at the Westin Resort ballroom. The first show, at 6 p.m., will be for St. John "Angels," followed by a reception and then a gourmet dinner at an island restaurant. The 8 p.m. show is open to all with no set charge, but a request for a donation.

Saturday, February 19

St. John Relay for Life will be at Winston Wells ball field.

Saturday, March 12

The 25th Annual Giff Hill School Auction will be at the Westin Resort and Villas.

March 18-19

The 9th annual Johnnie Walker Blues Festival will feature two nights of celebrity concerts in the Coral Bay ball field starting at 8 p.m.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

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

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

Narcotics Anonymous has open meetings 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 St. Ursula's Multi-purpose center.

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.

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

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INNER LANES

ACROSS

- 1 "GoodFellas" co-star Joe
- 6 London subway route diagram
- 13 Plate umpire's call
- 20 "Par —" (stamp on air-mail)
- 21 Religious hermit
- 22 Wyoming tribe
- 23 "A Boy and His Dog" sci-fi writer
- 25 Pronto
- 26 Bus, college course
- 27 Aircraft abbr.
- 28 Star of the silent film "Madame Du Barry"
- 30 "Dharma & Greg" co-star Jenna
- 33 Pupil locale
- 34 Pick — (cavil)
- 35 In a certain folk singing style
- 37 Relief pitcher with the 2004 World Series-winning Red Sox
- 43 Revered one
- 44 Horse's kin
- 45 Padlock part
- 46 Sneaker stringers
- 47 Even if, briefly
- 48 Old crane
- 50 — -di-dah
- 51 "Got some thoughts?"
- 53 Old city buried by the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius
- 57 Man-mouse link
- 58 Additionally
- 59 Bun seed
- 60 1965 Yardbirds hit
- 62 Bad, in Brest
- 65 Census stat
- 66 Novocain, for one
- 70 Twisty curve
- 73 U lead-in
- 74 Foray
- 75 First family as of 2009
- 79 Coal mines
- 81 High-fashion inits.
- 83 Boarding of a jet
- 85 Derides
- 88 Before, in verses
- 89 Hair stiffener
- 90 Sea, to Fiji
- 91 Forest feline
- 92 Dark loaves
- 94 Greek letter
- 96 Domicile
- 97 Native of Fiji or Vanuatu
- 99 Places to see stars in science centers
- 102 Back part
- 103 Lab bottle
- 104 Bond girl player d'Abo
- 105 Have practical usefulness
- 110 Kin of Ltd.
- 111 In a crowd of
- 112 Stage names
- 113 Assorted
- 119 Tooth puller
- 120 Unicellular swimmers
- 121 Romanov royals
- 122 Chip away at
- 123 Gets thinner
- 124 Toss about

DOWN

- 1 Oom- — band
- 2 Hungarian-born Gabor

- 3 English title
- 4 Gary of "Diff'rent Strokes"
- 5 How soup is often sold
- 6 Juvenile
- 7 Address for a dot-com
- 8 Minsk locale
- 9 Oskar Schindler's wife
- 10 Sea vapors
- 11 — -Z (thoroughly)
- 12 Letter-writing friends
- 13 Attach with brads, e.g.
- 14 In a florid way
- 15 "Slither" star James
- 16 Church nook
- 17 Sharp taste
- 18 Blacken on a grill
- 19 Arizona tribe
- 24 All-or- — (with)
- 29 More or less even
- 30 Wharton and Bunker
- 31 Chinese nut
- 32 They're often tile-covered
- 33 Brains have high ones
- 36 Trilogy, often
- 37 Spa sound
- 38 — tai
- 39 A-F filler
- 40 Movie units
- 41 Make blank
- 42 County whose seat is Newark
- 45 Hard-hitting carpenters
- 48 Comic's forte
- 49 Baldwin and Guinness
- 50 Greg Evans comic strip
- 52 Dog tag info
- 54 Fresno loc.
- 55 Zip
- 56 PC letter
- 57 Saloon sign
- 61 In unison
- 63 Make up for, as sins
- 64 Slander's kin
- 67 "Comin' —!"
- 68 "Good" cholesterol abbr.
- 69 Spying aid, briefly
- 70 — salts (cathartic)
- 71 After then
- 72 Sword material
- 76 Recollection
- 77 Vigorless condition
- 78 Watercourse
- 80 "Sisters" co-star Ward
- 82 Tiny grooves
- 84 Opposed to, in dialect
- 86 Politico Paul
- 87 Most severe
- 88 Nighttime, in verses
- 93 Hired lawn maintainer
- 94 Sugar pill
- 95 1968 film computer
- 96 Most difficult
- 98 Attends
- 99 — movement (military maneuver)
- 100 Actress Watson
- 101 Infects
- 103 Sunshade
- 105 Get dimmer
- 106 Intestine divisions
- 107 Dryer fluff
- 108 Sol followers
- 109 F — "Frank"
- 111 Heady brews
- 114 "— -comin'!"
- 115 Judge's field
- 116 Scull mover
- 117 Suffix with strict
- 118 NNE's opposite

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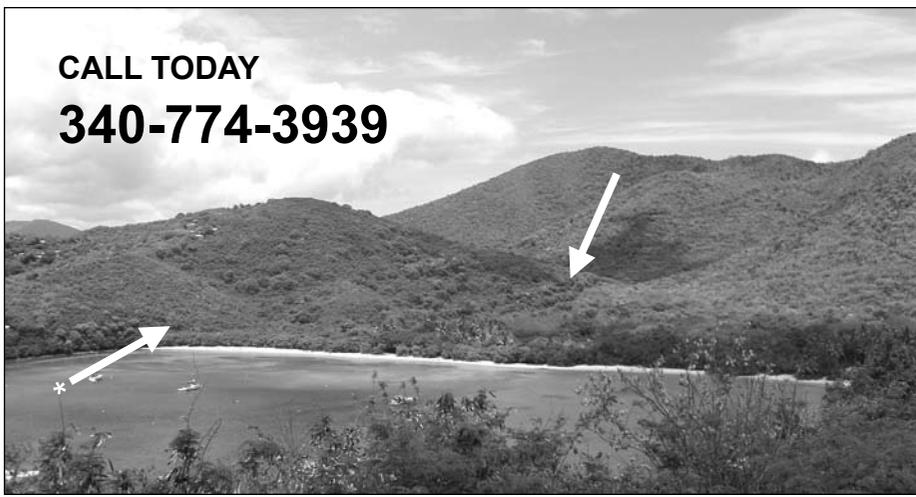
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"Seashore Allure Condos" - These new waterfront Condos set a higher bar for quality in St. John condos. These are a "must see" with such features as travertine & Brazilian hardwood floors, native stone work, graceful arches framing water views, solid mahogany doors, custom cabinets, rain head showers, bidets, spa jet tubs & high end appliances. The sounds of the surf, trade wind breezes & beachfront location make these condos a tropical dream come true. **\$1.97M to \$3.39M.**



"Villa Tramanto" - an elegant contemporary styled villa located high atop a level site within the gated community known as Virgin Grand Estates. Constructed in 2010, the stately fully air conditioned four bedroom home offers sweeping water and sunset views from Great Cruz Bay to St. Thomas and beyond. Amenities include large pool and entertainment deck, underground utilities and paved access roads. **\$2.67M**



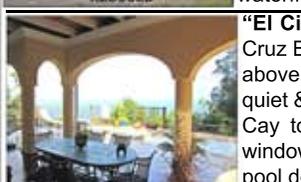
"Villa Lantano" - Magnificent North Shore views over Peter Bay to Jost Van Dyke from this spacious home in Upper Peter Bay. Features include custom kitchen, granite countertops, stainless appliances, travertine marble floors throughout, including decks, large pool deck with adjoining spa, water views from every room and the pool and lush professional landscaping. A beautiful new arched, native stone gazebo has been added that makes a very comfortable, shady outdoor seating area. **\$7.9M.**



Mango Terrace Villas - New & spacious condos on a hillside overlooking the turquoise waters of the Caribbean. All units have spacious interiors, ample decks from which to enjoy the cool breezes, expansive water views, private decks, granite counters, travertine tiles & shared pool & deck. Just six units in two buildings and close to Cruz Bay and Frank Bay beach, these are the best choice in St. John condos. **\$650,000 and up**



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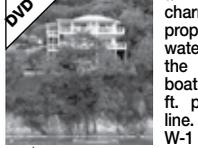
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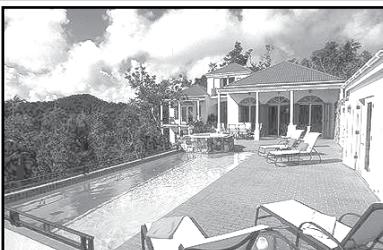
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St. John Students Will “Dream, Wish, Believe” with Broadway Actors, Singers and Puppeteers

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Inspired by St. John School of the Arts co-founder Sis Frank’s fervent attendance of many Broadway theater performances and events, Ronnie Lee looked to share a bit of his own passion with St. John youth, while supporting arts education on the island.

“I was very, very impressed with Sis’s love of Broadway,” said Lee, who started a Broadway group ticket sales company in 1960, which his daughter runs to this day. “Every time she came to New York, she made it a point to see Broadway shows.”

A former child and adult actor, Lee, vice president of St. John School of the Arts board of directors, drew upon his love of the theater and his Great White Way (nickname for New York City’s famous Broadway district) connections to bring Broadway to St. John students with an exciting program launching next month.

After seeing a performance of John Tartaglia’s original production “ImaginOcean” on Broadway, Lee approached the Tony-nominated actor with his idea of doing something with St. John students.

“John has been to St. John on his own before and he loved the idea of doing something with the children here,” said Lee.

Tartaglia, who was nominated

for best actor in a musical for his role in “Avenue Q,” immediately jumped on board, recruited several equally talented friends and created an original musical production.

The actor and puppeteer — Tartaglia was one of the youngest Sesame Street actors, joining the cast when he only 16 — along with Michael Shawn Lewis, Donna Drake, Rhonda Miller and Laura Barnao, will teach “Dream, Wish, Believe” to fourth graders at the Julius E. Sprauve School, Guy Benjamin School and Giffit Hill School as well as SJSA students.

With a deep affection for St. John, Tartaglia was excited to do something for the island.

“We’ve been to St. John a lot and we’re huge fans of the island,” said Tartaglia. “We call it heaven. Every time we’re there we have this feeling of wanting to be a part of the community in some way.”

The actors are definitely going to be a part of the community in a big way in February. They will work with the students at each school every day for two weeks teaching singing, dancing, puppetry, choreography and production.

And then it’s show time! At the end of the two weeks, on Friday, February 18, the students will perform “Dream, Wish, Believe,” for the community at a specially-constructed stage at the Westin Resort and Villas.

“Planning this, you go through a conversation of ‘how much is too much,’” said Tartaglia. “But we’re big believers that kids always rise to the challenge. These kids are so excited and we know they can do this and it’s going to be amazing.”

For all of their time and energy, Tartaglia, Lewis, Drake, Miller and Barnao are not getting a dime and are even paying for their own travel expenses.

“Honestly, when we talked to Ronnie he told us to come down

for three weeks, enjoy the weather and the sun and all we ask is you to teach the kids a few hours a day and put on a show,” said Tartaglia. “Who could argue with that.”

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