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Giff Hill School Auction Raises More Than \$150,000

Darron Meares of Meares Auction Group led a spirited and lucrative live auction at The Westin Resort & Villas on Saturday night, March 12, during the Giff Hill School's 25th annual auction. More than \$150,000 was raised through a live and silent auction to support the St. John private school's scholarship fund.

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New Legislature Building Nearing Completion



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The building which reportedly will be the new home of the St. John Legislature got a new coat of paint last week as construction on the building nears completion. Government officials had no word last week on when the building would open for business.

Market Day on St. John Set for March 16

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The VI Department of Agriculture, in partnership with the Office of the Governor, farmers, the Department of Tourism, and the UVI Cooperative Extension Service, invites the general public to join in the celebration of National Agriculture Week March 14 to 18.

The theme for this year's observance is "VI Agriculture: Your Food — Your Farmer." This celebration seeks to promote awareness of the importance of agriculture, and bring attention to the many areas of professional work in the industry.

Throughout the territory, a series of activities have been planned, including radio program interviews, market days and open house activities.

Market day on St. John will be from 9 a.m. to 2

p.m. on Wednesday, March 16, at the National Park Ball field in downtown Cruz Bay.

The market day and open house activities will feature the sale of fresh commodities, value added products, grafting, beekeeping, and box garden demonstrations. The open house program will also offer displays and presentations by the various VIDOA divisions, including hay baling and land preparation.

The VIDOA and its partners encourage students, teachers, and the general public to come out and celebrate National Agriculture Week. Learn about the agricultural services and programs available to producers in the territory while purchasing fresh, nutritious wholesome food from our farmers.

For more information contact Audrey Browne at 778-0997 ext. 228 or audrey.browne@doa.vi.gov.

CBCC Planning Discussion Mar. 14

The next Coral Bay Community Council planning discussion series meeting will be on Monday, March 14, at 6 p.m. in room six at Guy Benjamin School in Coral Bay

Department of Planning and Natural Resources' Division of Comprehensive and Coastal Zone Planning Director Stuart Smith will lead a discussion about the draft Zoning Code revisions, focusing on the first detailed draft sections which are ready for review.

These drafts cover proposed new processes for development review and approval, managing violations and enforcement and creating a future territorial comprehensive plan. The latest draft of this "Module 1" will be available for public review on DPNR's website about March 9 at <http://planning.dpnr.gov.vi/documents/pubs.htm> and at www.coralbaycommunitycouncil.org. Lending copies will be available in CBCC's office.

This is an opportunity to review and help guide these changes early in the law draft process, and consider the proposed law's relevance to Coral Bay and St. John issues. Everyone is welcome to participate. For more information call the CBCC at 776-2099.

Film Screening at Sputnik's March 15

Join the St. John Film Society on Tuesday, March 15, for a free screening at Sputnik's in Coral Bay.

The first film is "A Tribute to Annie Love," an eight-minute film by Jeremy Garza and Trent Myers, which documents the event at Rhumb Lines in memory of Annie Love on June 6, 2009.

The second film is "Heart of the Sea," by Lisa Denker and Charlotte Lagarde, a portrait of Rell "Kapolioka'ehukai" Sunn, who died in January 1998 of breast cancer at the age of 47.

Known worldwide as a pioneer of women's professional surfing, at home in Hawaii Rell achieved the stature of an icon — not only for her physical power, grace and luminous beauty, but for her leadership in a community that loved her as much as she loved it.

Attendees are asked to bring their own folding chairs. For more details visit www.stjohnfilm.com or email info@stjohnfilm.com.

Free Tax Seminar at JESS March 16

The V.I. Small Business Development Center in collaboration with the V.I. Bureau of Internal Revenue will conduct a seminar entitled "Filing Your 2010 Business Tax Return" on Wednesday, March 16, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Julius E. Sprauve School cafeteria.

The presenter is Clifford Charleswell Senior Revenue Agent. Admission is free, but attendees are asked to preregister.

Topics which will be covered include: tax changes for 2010; how to compute taxes; how to file business taxes accurately; and how tax returns are selected for audit

To pre-register or for more information on this seminar and/or other SBDC services contact: VI-SBDC, 8000 Nisky Center, Suite 720, St. Thomas, VI 00802. Call 776-3206 or fax 775-3756 Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Tyre Palm Broom Making Demo Mar. 17

Justin Todman will be demonstrating the art of tyre palm broom making on Thursday, March 17, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in front of the Friends of the Park store in Mongoose Junction.

Stop by and enjoy this West Indian culture bearer and his art. Todman learned the skill of weaving the fronds of a date palm into distinctive brooms when he was six years old.

Brooms will also be for sale. Anyone interested in signing up for a tyre palm broom making class should contact Cid Hamling at Connections at 776-6922 or email connections@islands.vi.

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Twice the Fun: 9th Annual Johnnie Walker St. John Blues Festival

Blues concert in Coral Bay will feature two main concerts on Saturday and Sunday

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Get ready St. John!

The ninth annual Johnnie Walker St. John Blues Festival is this weekend and Blues Boss Steve Simon is kicking things into high gear this year.

Presented by Steve and Jeff Simon, the festivities kick off on Wednesday, March 16, and don't slow down until Sunday, March 20. There are concerts scheduled at bars and restaurants across St. John starting on Wednesday, March 16 (see full Blues Festival Schedule on this page).

And Simon is packing in twice the fun this year. Instead of the traditional culminating sole main concert in the Coral Bay ball field on Saturday night, this year's festival will include two amazing concerts in the field.

The Friday night, March 18, concert will feature the musical stylings of Albert Cummings, Candye Kane and Grady Champion. On Saturday night, March 19, Curtis Salgado, Reba Russell and Moreland and Arbuckle are set to rock the crowd at the Coral Bay ball field.

"For many, many years, so many people who attend the Blues Festival have told me how much they love it and enjoy it," said Simon. "But the common denominator statement I always hear is 'You go through all of this energy and effort to set up the ball field why don't you do it for more than one night.'"

"It really is a tremendous amount of work to set up the infrastructure for the festival and we tear it all down right after the show," Simon said. "After last year's show, we were tearing it down after the concert and I turned to my crew and said 'This is so much fun, we really ought to do this two nights.' I'm so happy about it and we're really taking it to a whole different level."

Not only is Simon taking the festival to new heights with two nights of concerts in the Coral Bay field, but he's upping the ante with the level of talent in this year's festival as well.

Friday night's lineup is sure to



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

Aaron Moreland and Dustin Arbuckle, above, will close out the second night of the 9th Annual St. John Blues Festival on Saturday, March 19.

impress. Hailing from Massachusetts, Albert Cummings will kick things off, opening the first show. His particular style of blues packs a soulful and explosive punch sure to get the crowd in fine form.

Taking the stage next will be Candye Kane, who was nominated for three 2010 National Blues Foundation Awards for BB King Entertainer of the Year, Best Blues Contemporary CD and Best Contemporary Blues Female, the highest honor for blues artists.

Originally from East Los Angeles, Kane has 10 CDs, six record labels and millions of international road miles to her name and her energetic live shows are the stuff of legend.

Mississippi blues man Grady Champion will have no problem keeping the energy high in the Coral Bay ball field. Wrapping up the Friday night concert, Champion will show off his distinct blues voice which earned him the crown of the Blues Foundation 2010 International Blues Challenge.

The blues don't even come close to stopping on Saturday night. Curtis Salgado will get things started right with his impressive vocal talent and his jaw-dropping harmonica skills. The man who inspired John Belushi to create "The Blues Brothers" certainly knows how to

get a crowd going, so don't miss Salgado on Saturday night.

Reba Russell, known as the reigning Queen of Memphis, will keep the ball rolling with a voice that has captivated many a blues fanatic. Taking the stage last on Saturday night will be Moreland and Arbuckle.

Guitarist Aaron Moreland, harpist and vocalist Dustin Arbuckle and drummer Brad Horner are certain to keep the crowd on its feet and wrap up the ninth annual St. John Blues Festival like none before.

After meeting at an open mic session in Wichita, Kansas, more than a decade ago, Moreland and Arbuckle are just hitting their stride, putting out amazing blues tunes without painting themselves into a corner. That means the blues crowd is in for a treat on Saturday night.

"The crowd should expect something different from us," said Arbuckle from his Kansas home before heading down to Love City for the first time. "We like to listen to a lot of different music and we're all influenced by a lot of different things. Our core stuff, what we started the band to play years ago, was kind of this electrified Mississippi blues, delta blues stuff."

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— Dustin Arbuckle
Harpist/vocalist

"That early Chicago sound, like Muddy Waters and Howling Wolf, that is really at the core of what we do," Arbuckle said. "But as time has passed we have kind of let other influences creep in. We all love a lot of music."

From bluegrass, heavy rock and soul to classic rock and jazz, Arbuckle listed the band's influences as many and varied.

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9th Annual St. John Blues Festival Event Schedule

WEDNESDAY - MARCH 16 The St. John Blues Festival Opening Party

- **Place:** Sun Dog Cafe - Mongoose Junction - Cruz Bay
- **Time:** 7:30 to 11 p.m.
- **Starring:** Mitch Woods & The Rocket 88's

- **Place:** The Beach Bar - Wharfside Village - Cruz Bay
- **Time:** 8 to 11 p.m.
- **Starring:** Live Blues music all evening

- **Place:** Island Blues - Coral Bay
- **Time:** 7 to 10 p.m.
- **Starring:** James Cobb

- **Place:** Shipwreck Landing - Coral Bay
- **Time:** 8 to 11 p.m.
- **Starring:** Dave Gerard & Groove Thang

THURSDAY, MARCH 17

- **Place:** Island Blues - Coral Bay
- **Time:** 7 to 10 p.m.
- **Starring:** Mojones Red Hot Rockin' Blues

- **Place:** The Beach Bar - Wharfside Village - Cruz Bay
- **Time:** 8 to 11 p.m.
- **Starring:** Dave Gerard & Groove Thang

FRIDAY, MARCH 18

- **Place:** Island Blues - Coral Bay
- **Time:** 3 to 6 p.m.
- **Starring:** Mitch Woods

- **Place:** Shipwreck Landing - Coral Bay
- **Time:** 5 to 7:30 p.m.
- **Starring:** Jimmi "Prime Time" Smith

The 9th Annual Johnnie Walker St. John Blues Festival

- **Place:** Coral Bay Ball Field
- **Time:** 8 p.m. to Midnight
- **Starring:** Grady Champion, Candye Kane, Albert Cummings

SATURDAY, MARCH 19

- **Place:** Island Blues - Coral Bay
- **Time:** 4 to 7 p.m.
- **Starring:** Mojones Red Hot Rockin' Blues

The 9th Annual Johnnie Walker St. John Blues Festival

- **Place:** Coral Bay Ball Field
- **Time:** 8 p.m. to Midnight
- **Starring:** Moreland & Arbuckle, Reba Russell, Curtis Salgado & The Big Band

SUNDAY, MARCH 20 The St. John Blues Festival Closing Party

- **Time:** 4 to 7:30 p.m.
- **Place:** The Beach Bar - Wharfside Village - Cruz Bay
- **Starring:** Surprise Celebrity Blues Artists

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DOH officials remained refused to comment on rumored personnel issues at the Morris F. deCastro Clinic in Cruz Bay, above.

VIPD Called to deCastro Clinic; Officials Offer No Explanation

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

V.I. Police Department officials were called to the Morris F. deCastro Clinic in Cruz Bay on Tuesday night, March 1, but Department of Health officials offered no explanation.

“For the matter of law enforcement being called to the clinic, there was no reason immediately for the call,” said DOH spokesperson Eunice Bedminster. “There was no arrest reported from the facility.”

The VIPD were reportedly called to the community health clinic because someone had entered the clinic in violation of an order to not do so, according to an official familiar with the situation who wished to not be named.

While officials remained mum, it seemed apparent that something is afoot at the Cruz Bay public health

clinic. DeCastro Administrator Ronnie Jones has not been seen at the clinic for the past several weeks, according to sources. Bedminster declined to comment on where Jones is working and why.

“I did a bit of investigating and honestly, I am not at liberty to discuss the personnel issue,” said Bedminster.

The DOH spokesperson, however, did confirm that someone besides Jones is currently “in charge” at the clinic.

“As far as who is in charge at deCastro, that is Ms. Linette George, Deputy Commissioner of Public Health Services, who is assisted in day-to-day operations from staff,” Bedminster said.

George did not return telephone calls from *St. John Tradewinds* requesting comment as of press time.

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Senator Millin-Young Leads School Tours on St. John

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“St. John schools are in desperate need of attention,” said Senator Janette Millin Young last week.

The senate chairperson of the Committee on Education, Youth and Culture, said that after touring the two public schools on St. John, she urged Department of Education officials to develop a stricter maintenance schedule.

On Wednesday, March 9, the Committee on Youth and Culture continued its ongoing assessment of the V.I. public schools system by conducting school site visits on St. John. There is widespread concern that public schools are failing to

provide a conducive learning environment for children, according to Millin Young.

“As such, it is imperative that we conduct these tours to assess the current state in our public schools on a first-hand basis,” she said. “We must ensure a quality education for our territory’s children as it prepares them for a better life and thereby become greater contributors to the Virgin Islands.”

Last week’s school visits were the latest in a series of site visits the Committee on Education began in February. Accompanying Millin Young last week on tours of Guy Benjamin School and Julius E. Sprauve School was committee member Senator at Large Craig Barshinger.

Green Decking, Lighting Products Showcased at IGBA Meeting

By Andrea Milam
St. John Tradewinds

Virgin Islands residents are well aware that “environmentally friendly” and “durable” rarely go hand in hand when it comes to building products, especially considering the harsh heat, humidity and salty air that such products must endure over their lifetime.

As part of the Island Green Building Association’s mission to provide advice on environmentally sustainable development on St. John, the non-profit group featured presentations by two companies at its Wednesday evening, March 9, meeting, whose products are both incredibly durable, environmentally friendly and low-maintenance to boot.

“The way we build and the products we use have such a great impact both locally and globally,” said IGBA development director Karen Vahling.

The evening’s first presentation was by Hawaii-based Beachside Lighting’s Rick Benedict, who displayed several of the company’s outdoor light fixtures, many of which use energy efficient LED light bulbs.

“LEDs give a lot of punch for not much wattage, and they’re not in a landfill two to three years after you buy them because they last a long time,” said Benedict.

The LEDs are not permanent parts of Beachside Lighting’s light fixtures, and can easily be replaced if needed, Benedict added. Beachside Lighting’s fixtures are made of copper and brass, materials that are ideal for tropical environments.



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Quigg Lawrence

Rick Benedict of Beachside Lighting shows off some of the company’s light fixtures, which are designed to be both environmentally friendly and durable in tropical environments.

The company also offers outdoor lighting that meets Florida Fish and Wildlife standards for turtle nesting areas. The amber LEDs in these fixtures don’t disorient turtles coming on to the beach to nest.

The second presentation of the evening was by Decks and Docks’ JC Rentschler, who discussed several different composite and other alternative outdoor decking materials offered by the company.

Moisture Shield, the most competitively priced product of its kind in the Virgin Islands, according to Rentschler, is made up of recycled grocery bags, milk jugs and wood fiber.

“No trees are cut down to make Moisture Shield,” said Rentschler. “The wood fiber is a byproduct of cabinet makers that would otherwise end up in a burner or landfill.”

Each 12-foot-by-12-foot deck constructed with Moisture Shield effectively reduces greenhouse gases by the equivalent of taking 54,000 passenger vehicles off the road, according to Rentschler.

“It’s 100 percent resistant to moisture, and the Everglades National Park uses it exclusively,” he said. “It cuts like wood, it doesn’t expand or contract and it’s skid resistant.”

Rentschler also discussed Evolve, a decking material made by Renew Plastics from 100 percent recycled milk jugs.

“It doesn’t stain, won’t fade more than seven percent of its color over its lifetime, and it can be made into any length needed,” he said. “Virtually no maintenance is required.”

Trimax, another decking product distributed by Rentschler’s company, is a structural lumber used by several parks and recreation organizations in Florida for boat docks, playgrounds, fencing and more.

Beachside Lighting is represented locally by Rosie Nichols, who can be reached at 642-8981, and Decks and Docks is represented locally by Jeff Bleyer of General Builders Supply, who can be reached at 954-687-2182.



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In the wake of heavy rains last Fall, Maho Bay Beach, above, was particularly impacted in areas where cars park on the beach and disrupt tree roots.

Protect Maho Bay by Not Parking on Beach

By Christy McManus
Special to St. John Tradewinds
 Is Maho Bay your favorite beach?

Please protect Maho Bay by not parking on the beach side.

Seven years ago it was difficult to find anyone who parked on the beach side of North Shore Road near the popular beach. Cars were always tucked into the off-shore side of the roadway. While that might not have been ideal, it did not destroy the beach.

Now rental cars and local vehicles are frequently seen parked on the beach side. Why is this an issue?

It damages the roots of the trees which are the only things holding

the beach and the road together. In the wake of Hurricane Otto and the rains that followed, most of the roadway and all of the beach in sections of Maho Bay were washed away.

Which areas were most affected?

Yes, that's right — exactly where people pull off to park, and damage the tree roots, is where the beach was completely lost. Where there are gaps between the trees is just where the beach was washed out leaving three foot drops in some areas. In other areas, the rain washed away even the roadway.

The areas where people have parked close to the trees for the last several years, the waves washed

around leaving a little island of a tree but taking out all of the beach sand and even some of the road. And the erosion is certain to get worse during the upcoming hurricane season.

With the increase of storms and rains heavier than the island has ever experienced, it is up to residents to protect and improve the beach's own protection systems, not damage them further.

Please do not park on the beach side of North Shore Road at Maho Bay. If there is not parking on the opposite side of the road, move to another beach. Every car which parks on the roots of the existing trees puts this precious beach at ever greater risk.

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Special St. John Youth Employment Program Launched

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Department of Labor Commissioner Albert Bryan announced that the department has begun accepting and processing Summer Youth Employment applications for summer 2011.

As part of this initiative, special outreach efforts have been planned for St. John students; staff will be available on St. John every Friday and Monday from April 11 through June 17 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Administrator's Office at the Cruz Bay Battery.

Applications are now available on the department's website at www.vidol.gov (under the forms tab) at public libraries territory-wide and at any of the Department of Labor office locations. A Summer Employment Fact Sheet is also available online providing additional information for participants and parents.

This summer, special priority will be placed on participants who: have not previously received work experience; are 11th graders and 12th grade graduates; and "Out-of-School/Unemployed and Dislocated Youth."

Youth under age 18 should be accompanied by a parent/guardian to sign an authorization form for participation in the program. All applicants should be prepared to provide proof of their educational and legal residency status and must be able to show proof of enrollment in college, high school, or basic education. Applicants must also provide proof of citizenship though possession of a social security card, photo ID, or copy of a resume, if available.

For more information, contact Shenika Sebastian on St. Thomas at 776-3700 ext. 2080, scsebastian@vidol.gov.

After Decades of Retail, Coral Bay Jewelers' Kralls Returning to Wholesale

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

After a decade of selling hand-crafted fine gold jewelry from their premier Cruz Bay store, Alice and Tom Krall will shutter Coral Bay Jewelers at the end of this year.

Christmas Eve, December 24, will be the last chance to stop by Coral Bay Jewelers' Frank Powell Park store and see the Kralls.

The two are not packing it in, but have finally had enough of the retail world. Instead of their usual 70-hour work weeks with barely any time off, the Kralls are excited to rededicate themselves to their passions.

"I want to get back to my bench," said Tom Krall. "We've been working 70-hour weeks and haven't been able to get away for any length of time for 20 years. I'm 59 years old and I want to get back to my hands-on creative work."

Tom Krall will spend more time at his work bench and easel — and perfecting his winemaking — while Alice Krall will focus on launching a metalsmithing school in Cruz Bay.

Coral Bay Jewelers' many fans, however, need not fear. The pair's unparalleled fine gold jewelry will be available exclusively at

Verace, Caneel Bay Resort Gift Shop and at the new store which takes over the Krall's current location.

"We're going back to wholesale," said Tom Krall. "The business plan was and still is to provide top quality, hand made, full service fine jewelry to the general public at wholesale pricing. We didn't raise prices when we went retail."

While details of who would be taking over Coral Bay Jewelers' Cruz Bay space were still not definite as of press time, the Kralls expect another jewelry operation to move into the high-profile location.

Before opening in the Frank Powell Park location, the Kralls first opened a jewelry store in Wharfside Village in 1988, Tom Krall explained.

"We were wholesale on St. Croix before we came to St. John," he said. "We had our first retail store in Wharfside in 1988, with the first choice of spots, center front on the water. Unfortunately, the back of Wharfside by design became the main entrance as DPNR did not allow development of the front-face to function as designed with a boardwalk and yacht docking."

"It was still a great spot," said Krall. "Af-

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ter 10 years there we closed for 18 months to have Khaleila and build a house."

After the birth of their daughter, the Kralls opened shop on the other side of Frank Powell Park above Sparky's as an "interim part time jewelry, part time daycare playhouse thing," before settling into their current location.

Going back to wholesale is a happy return for the Kralls. Tom Krall has always been a painter and is looking forward to focusing on his creative work.

"I have always painted and always been a sculptor, working in many mediums, adding gold to that in 1983," he said. "Retailing is extremely time consuming. I have more ideas about what I will do when we close than anyone could do in a lifetime."

"First, I am expanding my winemaking," said Tom Krall. "Everything else should follow neatly."

With a Bachelor of Arts degree from Arizona State University in metalsmithing and a Master of Fine Arts degree in metalsmithing from Temple University's Tyler School of Art, Alice Krall has the most prestigious training possible in the field, as there is no doctorate.

With her expertise, 20 years of creating exquisite pieces on her bench and dedication to education — Alice is a former president of the Julius E. Sprauve School parent teacher student association and continues to be actively involved with the school — the metalsmith is excited to share her skill.

"Details on the school are not set yet, but we are targeting non-college bound youths out of high school, focusing on metalsmithing and practical jewelry business training," Tom Krall said about the school his wife envisions kicking off on St. John.

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Get Your Irish On

14th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade Is Saturday, March 19

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

The calendar might have St. Patrick's Day listed as Thursday, March 17, but St. John will get its Irish on at noon on Saturday, March 19.

Quiet Mon Pub owner Kelly Krall and Mary Pat Brown of Connections are hosting the 14th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade at high noon on March 19. The parade will feature a full line up of dancers, animals, hula hoopers, jugglers, the famous Middle Aged Majorettes and much more.

Traffic from the roundabout to the Cruz Bay Fire Station and from the roundabout to FirstBank will be blocked off for at least a few hours.

"We meet at the tennis courts around 11:30 a.m.," said Brown. "We have a good number of participants this year and anticipate the parade will run a good half-hour or more."

So forget about driving anywhere in Cruz Bay, throw on something green and join the fun. Quiet Mon will open around 10 a.m. for people to stake out a good parade viewing seat on the deck, or just bring a chair and get a spot on the sidewalk.

Bellows International is sponsoring the day's Guinness and Hei-

neken specials and Quiet Mon's Van Cole will be whipping up corned beef and cabbage and Reuben sandwiches. So eat and drink like the Irish do while watching fire trucks, steel pan players, majorettes and more saunter down the Cruz Bay street.

Brown and Krall started the annual parade 14 years ago when the Quiet Mon Pub first settled into its position as a premier Cruz Bay watering hole.

"We started when the Quiet Mon Pub got established about 15 years ago and we decided we wanted to do a parade," said Brown. "There was a group from the church who did a parade prior to us, but a lot of them left island and it just faded out. We decided to pick up the baton."

"We are Irish and can't get to our home towns for the St. Patty's Day Parade, so we started one here," Brown said.

The first parade back in 1997, saw a few participants walk a few feet down the street, Brown added.

"That first year we had 17 participants who traveled an estimated 1,700 feet and it lasted 17 minutes," she said.

This year Brown expects everyone from the Cruz Bay Fire Department to the American Legion



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One of the youngest troupe members in last year's St. Patrick's Day Parade Bannan Beatty, above, will be this year's Grand Marshall.

to take part.

"It's going to be one of the best parades we've ever had," she said.

While the parade this year is being hosted after the official holiday — instead of its traditional day (the Saturday before St. Patty's Day) — the day also coincides with the Ninth Annual Johnnie Walker St.

John Blues Festival which runs from March 16 though 20.

"Instead of having the parade the weekend before St. Patrick's Day, that weekend is the Blues Festival so there will be a lot of people here," said Krall. "I think it will be a great event to have in the afternoon for people to chill

out ahead of the Blues Festival in Coral Bay that night."

Have a great costume or car to show off in front of Cruz Bay? Anyone is welcome to join the parade. While Krall and Brown would appreciate a heads-up from people looking to join the St. Patrick's Day Parade, if someone doesn't get the chance to call, that is okay too.

"Anyone interested in participating is welcome but we would appreciate a heads-up to any new participants so we can assemble the parade in advance of its beginning," said Brown. "But if you don't call, just show that morning at the tennis courts and we'll figure it out."

This year's St. Patrick's Day Parade Grand Marshall is Bannan Beatty. Krall is looking for someone with a convertible car to transport the Grand Marshall and his troupe. Contact her at the Quiet Mon Pub at 779-4799 to donate the use of a car or to join the parade.

And while the parade is on Saturday, Quiet Mon will be celebrating on Thursday, March 17, as well. Stop by the pub after 12:30 p.m. for corned beef and cabbage and Reuben sandwiches to get in the mood for Saturday's festivities.

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Guy H. Benjamin Elementary School students enjoyed a sail aboard Coral Bay's tall ship *Silver Cloud* at last year's flotilla.

15th "Almost Annual" CBYC Flotilla Is March 26 at Miss Vie's Campground

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

For the past 15 years, the Coral Bay Yacht Club has hosted one of the most anticipated beach parties on the island almost annually, and always for a great cause.

Benefitting Guy Benjamin School, CBYC's 15th "Almost Annual" Flotilla will be on Saturday, March 26, at Miss Vie's Campground. While CBYC officials may have missed one or two years over the past 15, mark those calendars now because a full day of sailing — or driving — music, food and fun is certainly in store.

If tantalizing West Indian food prepared by the Coral Bay elementary school's teachers and parents, fresh grilled hotdogs and hamburgers prepared by Chef Will and exciting raffle prizes aren't enticing enough, then come to the party for the music.

The island's premier reggae band Inner Visions will perform at the flotilla this year and is sure

to draw a huge crowd, explained CBYC Commodore David Dostall.

In years past the flotilla was hosted on an off-shore cay, but CBYC officials moved the location to the East End several years ago giving party-goers the chance to drive to the fund raiser as well.

But sailing over is still an option, Dostall added.

"Some of the most beautiful boats offer a great deal on a day sail over to and back from the party," said Dostall.

Only \$40 gets one a sail over to the East End aboard a CBYC member's vessel, lunch at the beach, live entertainment by Inner Visions and a sunset sail back to Coral Bay harbor.

"It's only \$40 for all that," said Dostall. "You can't go wrong."

Flotilla-goers sailing over should meet at the Coral Bay dinghy dock at 9 a.m. for a 9:30 a.m. departure out to the party. GBS students certainly start the flotilla

day off right by enjoying a sail aboard Coral Bay's tall ship *Silver Cloud*.

"The kids always love sailing over with Elliot aboard *Silver Cloud*," Dostall said.

Those not interested in sailing are welcome to drive out to Miss Vie's Campground and pay only \$20 for lunch and entertainment. Gates open at noon and the afternoon will also feature a raffle for the chance to win exciting prizes, including \$500 in cash.

Bring those bathing suits and beach toys too. The almost annual flotilla always entices children and adults to have fun in the waves.

"Come out and hang out all afternoon," said Dostall. "Dance in the sand, listen to Inner Visions, eat some great food and win some raffle prizes, all while supporting education."

For more information or to make a donation to the CBYC Flotilla benefiting GBS call Dostall at 643-2630.

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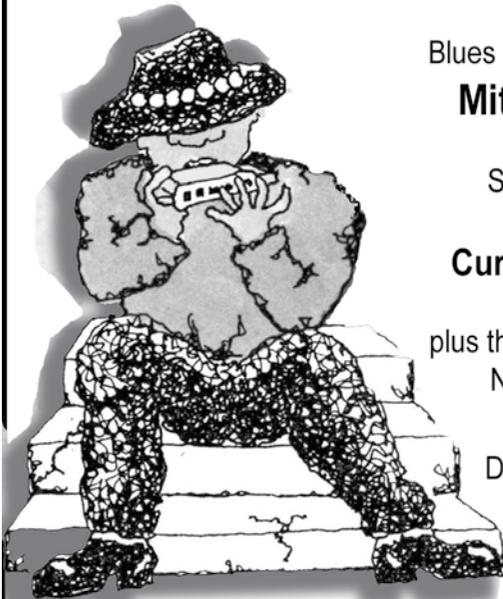
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Residents browse through rows of plants at the V.I. Audubon Society's annual plant sale at the Nazareth Lutheran Church yard.

Audubon Society Rakes In \$4,000 at Annual Plant Sale for Educational Efforts and More

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Orchids and herb and vegetable plants flew out of the Nazareth Lutheran Church yard on Saturday morning, March 5, as the V.I. Audubon Society hosted its 14th annual plant sale.

The group raked in \$4,000 from the sale, which will go to fund a new viewing platform at the Small Pond at Frank Bay as well as the Audubon Society's educational efforts.

"We also use the funds for educating the children," said V.I. Audubon Society president Elaine Estern. "We work with the V.I. National Park and sponsor bus trips for students to go on field trips. We also send people into the schools to give kids information on local birds."

Plant sale co-chairs Mary Moroney and David Spoth — and their spouses — worked for months growing some plants from seeds, propagating others and ensuring the orchids arrived on time, Estern added.

Organizers arrived at the Nazareth Lutheran Church yard at 5:30 a.m. on Saturday morning to start

unloading, Estern explained.

"By the time I arrived with my grandkids at 8:30 a.m., the orchids were all sold out," she said.

In addition to the orchids, residents also snatched up herb and vegetable plants, explained Spoth.

"The biggest sellers were herb plants by far," said Spoth. "We ran out of mint first, then Italian parsley and basil sold out too. Tomatoes sold really well also and there seemed to be a lot of interest in people growing their own food and herbs."

Spoth donated about 600 plants himself and — thanks to donations from members and island gardeners — estimated that a total of around 1,000 plants were available for purchase at the sale.

This was the first year the group hosted its annual plant sale at the church, having relocated due to renovations at its traditional site in Frank Powell Park.

"The church yard worked out really well," said Spoth. "It allowed us to do different things with the displays. We didn't know how it would work with the park being closed, but in the end our numbers were the same as last year."

"So it was a successful sale," he said.

Spoth, who owns a garden center at his stateside home, starts propagating on St. John first in November during a short visit to the island. When he and his wife return to their Love City home in early January, he gets planting for the sale in earnest.

When Spoth and Moroney took over the plant sale last year, the fundraiser doubled in sales. Those figures remained the same this year, but Spoth already had some ideas for upping the sales next year.

"We could have sold more herbs and vegetable plants," he said. "I think the demand is there. People were asking for peppers and more herbs, so we'll see about that for next year."

Spoth takes part in the plant sale for the pleasure of it and as a way to give back to the community, he explained.

"When I'm down here, I don't have a business, so my wife and I volunteer for different things," said Spoth. "It's our way of helping and I enjoy it. And I think the plant sale also fills a little niche."



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Pan Dragons Relaunching Baby Dragons Steel Band

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Love City Pan Dragons re-launched its Baby band last week.

After enjoying a successful run in the late 1990s under instructor Victor Provost, the Baby Pan Dragons faded out around 2000.

With a lot of new interest in developing five- to eight-year-old pan players – and a grant from the Law Enforcement Planning Commission – organizers welcomed a new crop of tots at the pan yard last week.

Under director Chazmal Miller, the Baby Pan Dragons met at the Department of Housing, Parks and Recreation’s pan yard on Thursday evening at 5 p.m.

“We are seeing a lot of children who want to start with the big group but are too young,” said Pan Dragons president Ira Wade. “We received a small grant from LEPC so we’re starting the Baby Pan Dragons again.”

Miller led a group of about 12 children last week in the band’s first practice. The group is still accepting members and interested players should go to the pan yard

Thursday from 5 to 6:30 p.m. or Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon.

A \$25 insurance and registration fee is required. Parents must accompany their children to the practice and pick them up after, Wade explained.

“We are encouraging kids to come out and join us here,” said Wade. “They can start in the Baby Pan Dragons and move up to the big group when they’re older.”

The Love City Pan Dragons recently returned from the St. Croix Agriculture Fair, where they were widely considered the best pan band at the fair, according to Wade.

Up next for the steel pan players is the Virgin Gorda Carnival on April 25. Then the Pan Dragons will entertain the crowd at the St. Thomas Carnival Pan-o-Rama on May 1 and join the Children’s Parade on May 6.

The pan players will stay close to home to kick off the St. John Festival at Pan-o-Rama on May 28 in Cruz Bay. For more information on the Love City Pan Dragons and Baby Pan Dragons call Lottie O’Neal at 776-6346.



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The youngest and newest pan players on St. John got started last week in the relaunched Baby Pan Dragon band, above.

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GHS EARTH Program Enjoys Fiesta; Hosts Iowa State's College of Ag. Dean

St. John Tradewinds

Giffit Hill School middle school students celebrated the gardening/Spanish partnership by organizing a Fiesta last month at the campus as part of the school's Education And Resiliency Through Horticulture (EARTH) program.

"For weeks, students harvested and saved tomatoes from the school's garden for making fresh salsa," said GHS EARTH program coordinator Kris Bennett. "On Monday, students collected bell peppers, banana peppers, jalapeno peppers, bok choy, collards, parsley, basil, eggplant, and more. On Tuesday, students carried home ingredients to prepare



Students made salsa using tomatoes and peppers from their school garden.

dishes with their family."

The middle of the week saw middle school students, Iowa State students, and GHS faculty slicing, dicing and chopping their way through several more reci-

pes, explained Bennett.

"The result was colorful, flavorful, and fun and represented the successful work of countless happy hands," said Bennett.

Then last week, GHS officials were thrilled to host Dean Wintersteen from Iowa State University's College of Agriculture, Bennett added.

"Administration, board, faculty, undergrads, as well as students from both campuses, led a tour of our blossoming program and answered questions about our future plans," she said. "The students could not have been more proud. Thanks to all who participated in this fabulous day."

Pulitzer Prize Winning Author T.J. Stiles Presenting *First Tycoon* at Elaine I. Sprauve Library March 22

By Jaime Elliott

St. John Tradewinds

Pulitzer Prize winning author and St. John home owner T.J. Stiles will be honored at the Elaine I. Sprauve Library in Cruz Bay on Tuesday, March 22, at 6 p.m.

The public is invited to hear Stiles present his 2010 Pulitzer Prize winning biography "The First Tycoon: The Epic Life of Cornelius Vanderbilt," at the library. Stiles will be available to sign his book following the presentation and light refreshments will be served.

Stiles is now recognized as one of the premier biographers in the United States, with his two award-winning publications. His first book "Jesse James: Last Rebel of the Civil War," also won multiple awards and is now being used by several universities' history departments.

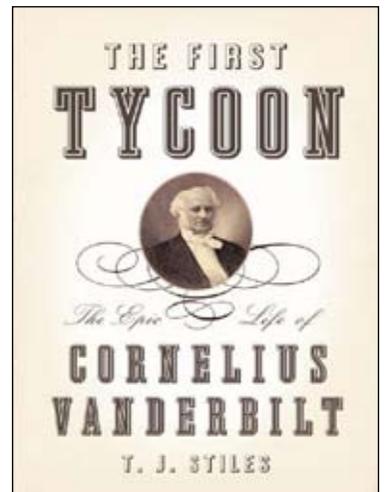
The Vanderbilt biography won the prestigious National Book Award for non-fiction in 2009 and then the coveted Pulitzer Prize for biography in 2010.

When choosing the subject for a biography, Stiles looks for someone who is an iconic figure, larger than life, but with a personal history which attracts the attention of the reader, the author explained.

Stiles found all of that in his first book on Jesse James and then again with the life of Cornelius Vanderbilt, a 19th century shipping and railroad magnate. Born during the Washington presidency, with no formal education, Vanderbilt managed to build a fortune and became the richest man in the United States.

"Vanderbilt was the first man to be dubbed a robber baron," said Stiles. "He was big, tough, profane and competitive to the core. He was often hard on his family."

"He was ruthless, yet forgave business conflicts and often befriended his rivals after their battles ended," said the author. "He got into fist fights, which he usu-



Author TJ Stiles will present his award-winning book and sign copies at the Friends of the Library-hosted gathering.

ally won. He was hardly a nice man."

Stiles spent seven years researching every small item that ever made it into the published records about Vanderbilt. Because of his poor grammar and spelling, Vanderbilt's family burned many of his papers upon his death, which further complicated and prolonged Stiles' research process.

Stiles earned his bachelor's degree in history from Carleton College and his master's degree and PhD from Columbia University. The author, his wife Jessica and three-year-old son Dillon, reside in San Francisco when they are not on St. John.

The biographer is already busy working on his next project, a biography of General Custer, between speaking dates and writing for a number of national magazines and newspapers.

His parents, Carol and Cliff Stiles, live on St. John in Estate Fish Bay. The event is sponsored by Friends of Elaine I. Sprauve Library. For more information call 779-6359.

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Rhythm & Views

An outlook on young adult interests and concerns
by Maggie Wessinger

Hello, my name is Maggie

St. John Tradewinds

Don't mistake me for a mainland girl; I was born in a house hospital in MoBay, Jamaica. The first few years of my life were spent in the "garden parish" living in one of the most historic properties in all of the Caribbean — Lydford Park Great House.

Since my dad was the managing director of the residential school located at the great house, I lived with 50 Jamaicans seven days a week.

I was 10-years-old when we moved to St. John. We lived in a tent for eight months while my dad built our home. I love St. John because I don't have to worry when I walk down the streets; I can hitch by myself, tourists go home, there is no traffic, and we are all a big family here.

There is nothing more important than relationships on St. John. The longest and most trusting relationship I have personally had here all started when I was at the KATS (Kids And The Sea) program six years ago in Coral Bay.

My mom forced me to go up to a girl I had never seen in my life and introduce myself, because I knew no one. Ever since then, that same girl and I do everything together. Even though she has moved off island to attend a boarding school in Wisconsin we remain, and always will remain, the best of friends.

I know that if anything ever happens to me, she will always be the first one to have my back. She is the most forgiving and hilarious person I have ever met and she really does bring out the best in me. I miss you so much Lila Uzzell!

I have gone to the Giffit Hill School since sixth grade. I am now in the 10th grade, which I must say is the worst year of all. You're not an excited Freshman anymore, and you're not quite a Junior who is so excited because you are almost a Senior. Seniors, now they just have it all.

My favorite subject in school is definitely Litera-

ture. It has always been a passion of mine. I want to try to get in to the University of Georgia for journalism and creative writing. After I graduate, I want to travel and be a journalist. I would love to report about the kids in Africa and their struggles.

Through all my years in GHS I have participated in a lot of their after school activities and programs. I can never seem to miss out on the Giffit Hill School Auction. They auction off trips, dinners, jewelry, villa stays, boat trips, and art work made by professionals and the Giffit Hill student body.

Most of the students, including me, go and volunteer to help serve food to everyone. All of the money raised goes towards the school's scholarship fund, helping kids get a better education every day. Most students who attend GHS receive financial aid, which comes from donations from people around St. John and events like the auction.

The 25th Annual GHS Auction took place at the Westin Resort and Villas Ballroom on Saturday, March 12, from 5:30 to 10 p.m. An after-party took place at La Plancha del Mar, in Mongoose Junction, but it was for adults only.

Finally, a matter very dear to my heart. Every month my eight best friends and I put on dresses, high heeled shoes, and go eat out at a restaurant. We crack jokes, laugh, talk about our lives, and are just there for one another.

We have a great time just inspiring each other and spending time with one another without the stress of school or work. We take out time for one another and appreciate who is in our lives.

This week whether it is going to the beach with your siblings or taking your best friend out to dinner, I am encouraging you to get off your couch and do the same. This week foster one relationship which is meaningful to you, there is nothing more important.



Dave Gerard, at right, and his Groove Thang band are back this week!

Gerard's Groove Thang Celebrating 10 Years of Rocking the Virgin Islands

Dave Gerard's Groove Thang is celebrating a decade of touring in the Virgin Islands this week.

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March 17, starting at 8 p.m.

Or catch the guys on Wednesday, March 16, at Shipwreck Landing, from 8 to 11 p.m. For more information on Groove Thang check out www.gerardtruffle.com.



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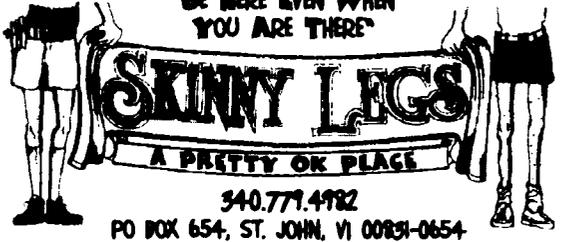
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Letters To St. John Tradewinds

Not the Way on Love City

In regards to Onesie's saga reported in *Tradewinds*, I respond to two concerns.

First, cats living in small colonies develop special relationships just as most of us pick and choose friends. Fiki was bonded to Onesie, according to your article, and when neighbors trapped Onesie for relocation they broke asunder Fiki and Onesie's special relationship. As a result, two cats suffered instead of just the

one elderly cat trapped and relocated.

Second, trapping your neighbor's cats without permission and dumping them at distant locations is not proper conduct for those of us who live here.

The Animal Care Center of St. John and the Department of Agriculture do not lend out traps to neighbors seeking to eliminate other people's beloved pets.

Dr. Elaine Campbell

Protect Our Wow Factor

I, like many residents, enjoy nature. To preserve this, we must protect it through persuasive involvement.

There was a time when one could sit on the sideline and allow others to work on our behalf. Those days, however, are gone. EAST, RHCA, VICS, St. John Foundation, Save Lindberg Bay, including The Bovoni Homeowners Association, The East-Enders Association, West-end Alliance, Rotarians, African Liberation Group and many other organizations, are working diligently to protect what is left of our beautiful Islands.

During a recent Rotary meeting, the Historical Trust conducted a presentation and the presenter, Mr. Milliner, did an excellent job of explaining the "street step design." He made clear how one could not thoroughly appreciate the history of St. Thomas until he knew the way things were done in times gone by.

Because of the steep terrain, steps were constructed as a public thoroughfare. The steps were built with the height of the riser and the length of the tread, (the part you stand on) to a dimension that allowed one to use them comfortably. As a lad, I lived on two such streets.

I remember those at the Catholic Church with some fondness. The steps ranged in length from 51 to 209 treads. The most famous of these steps is named the 99 Steps. These have been featured in movies, documentaries and international magazines. There are approximately 50 street steps throughout historic Charlotte Amalie.

Designing a town like ours took time and effort, foresight, brilliance and most importantly responsible development! The same thought process must be applied when we consider coastline developments. All of my friends who love the environment also want our

territory to develop and do well responsibly.

To effectuate this we will fight against corruption, greed, the fork-tongue syndrome and irresponsible developments. These rob us of our open air, green spaces, and white sandy beaches, all by the name of progress!

The Governor spoke about the "wow" factor in our tourism product as our next challenge. Governor, look no further. God has already given us the wow factor — it is called Nature! To date, I have yet to meet a tourist who was not left in awe by the three ecological blessings God bestowed upon us, and we are to tend them well — clean air, green hillsides and white sandy beaches!

What we must do, is preserve the wow factor which God has given us that draws millions of visitors to our territory. Please remember this, our ecology can survive without our economy. However, our economy cannot survive without our ecology.

The sun and sand vacationers are going the way of the dinosaurs. The only reason people travel to the Caribbean is to see the "Caribbean." Not one vacationer wants to see replicas of Miami Beach, Atlantic Beach, Myrtle Beach, Galveston Beach, or Virginia Beach.

We must protect our fragile ecology, and diversify our tourism base to protect our economy. We must also include eco-tourism, historic tourism and address our environmental issues. Only when we retain our attractiveness, can we expect to enjoy sustained growth.

Today's tourist is younger and more energetic than ever, and we can expect that to increase. We must protect ourselves: put the property in imminent domain status, and working with the community, purchase it.

Clarence Payne

Keeping Track of Crime

2010

Homicides: 0

Shootings: 0

Stabbings: 0

Armed Robberies: 1

Arsons: 0

1st Degree Burglaries: 3

2nd Degree Burglaries: 22

3rd Degree Burglaries: 70

Grand Larcenies: 67

Rapes: 0

2011-TO-DATE

Homicides: 0

Shootings: 0

Stabbings: 0

Armed Robberies: 0

Arsons: 0

1st Degree Burglaries: 0

2nd Degree Burglaries: 2

3rd Degree Burglaries: 3

Grand Larcenies: 13

Rapes: 0

Crossword Answers — Puzzle on Page 20

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Corrosive Conditions in the Virgin Islands

This year, we noticed several unpleasant surprises. We had to exchange the refrigerator, two gas stoves which showed advance corrosion of the burners, a dishwasher because of electric problem and a washing machine with faulty switches and corroded pipes.

Thereafter, we had electric problem with the computer (we already had to replace three computers during the past five years) and multiple car problems caused by corrosion of electric connections and corrosion of a copper water pipes.

I asked around and many people have similar problems. The mechanic told me that corrosion of copper pipes in the car are common. A fast corrosion of surfaces of cars is also a common problem.

Fortunately, we do not have to spread salt on the roads to melt the ice, which is a well described reason for fast destruction of the bottom of cars in the north. Our corrosion problems are caused by the presence of salt in the air.

In quiet weather, the salt from the air mostly deposits itself on the surfaces and is then washed back to the sea with the rain. During windy weather, the

salt deposits itself on our windows, cars and appliances causing premature aging of the electric contacts and pipes. This is nature and we cannot influence it.

However, we aggravate our corrosion problems by blowing the salt deposited on the surfaces back into the air. Many people keep blowing the leaves with strong blowers. This blows also the salt and sand back in the air and on our electric contacts and steel of our cars. We hear those noisy gasoline blowers all the time. Besides the damage they do to our electric contacts and bodies of our cars, they are also smelly, noisy and they blow up dust and sand together with the leaves. This is unhealthy for our lungs.

I strongly believe that use of air blowers — mainly strong gasoline-powered blowers — should be prohibited in order to improve the quality of our air and endurance of our electric and steel appliances. If somebody wants to remove the leaves, he should do it quietly and by hand without disturbing the dust, sand and salt deposited on the ground.

Z. Hruza
St. John

Obituary



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

Nancy Hayes, above, enjoyed living, working and playing on Tortola for several months during a short break from St. John.

Nancy Hayes, 56, Passes; Celebration of Life Set for March 27

St. John Tradewinds

Nancy Hayes, 54, left this Earth surrounded by family and friends while listening to the song "Super Freak" on February 13, 2011, after a short battle with cancer.

Nancy was born July 8, 1954, in Washington, D.C. She moved to St. John in 1990, and filled up many a belly with her top-notch home-style cooking. Famous for her soups, crab cakes, fried catfish and more, Nancy cooked in kitchens across the island. Starting at The Backyard, she moved over to the Quiet Mon Pub before heading out to Coral Bay to cook at Sea Breeze, Island Blues, when it was called Just Pepe's, and finally Shipwreck Landing, where she worked until she fell ill last year.

With an unparalleled palette, Nancy created the famous condiment Valley Doll Hot Sauce, much in demand across St. John and the states. An avid gardener, Nancy was often happiest tending to her prolific heirloom tomatoes, arugula and peppers, which she used to make Valley Doll Hot Sauce.

Friends have many memories of Nancy's fun-filled garden parties where she would cook up amazing food and preside over the "turned up loud" stereo. Her infectious laugh, kindness and willingness to do anything for a loved one will be sorely missed by everyone who had the pleasure to know Nancy.

She is survived by her sister Donna of St. John, brother Doug and Trish of St. John, and brother Chris and Christy of Virginia, brother in law Mark Stamford of St. John, nephews Collin and Linda of Maryland, Galen and Cherri and Violet Sky of St. John, Darron and Crista and children Kayla, Xan, Mya and Aly, Elliott of Maryland, Zack of Maryland, nieces Kimberly, Rachel and Dave and children Charles and Will of Georgia, Lindsey and Yukiko and children Noah, Leah and Julia of Japan, and Krysten of Maryland and many loving cousins and countless friends including Rupert Marsh of St. John, Mike and Susan of St. John, Ralph and Nina of St. John, Marie Fletcher of Maryland and Tom and Joe of Maryland, Julietta Mason and Tiffany Jensen.

Family, friends and loved ones will gather to celebrate Nancy's life at Shipwreck Landing on Sunday, March 27, from noon to 3 p.m. Jaime Elliott will officiate. A music-lover to the core, "Turn It Up" Nancy would approve if musicians brought their instruments to the gathering.

Cook-Rutnik Featured in 2011 Transfer Project

St. John Tradewinds

Artists Janet Cook-Rutnik and Edgar Endress and anthropologist Lori Lee will be presenting the 2011 edition of their ongoing Transfer Project at Caribbean Museum Center for the Arts.

The opening of the show, Transfer 2011, will be Friday, March 18, at 6 p.m. Transfer 2011 attempts to evoke critical thinking about the processes of migration in the islands and encourage people to explore the history and the present nature of migration in the Virgin Islands. A central focus of the project is the transfer of the islands from the Danish to the United States in 1917.

This year the project will feature several new pieces that examine migration and recontextualize history from multiple vantage points.

A video projection of St. Thomas Eudora Kean High School's ROTC drill team called "Stomp" evokes the multi-layered history of the islands, particularly ritual, gender, and cultural continuity and transformation.

A third piece "Red Birds" superimposes images of animals over historic photographs. The animals represent the fable of the Caribbean as a utopia, while at the same time representing migratory beings. The historic photographs represent realism. The banners beneath the photographs proclaim "I maintain" which emphasizes the endurance of local culture despite the ruptures wrought by migration.

The artists are interested in collecting the stories of individuals who received passports to travel around the time of the transfer of the islands from the Danish to the United States (see www.transferproject.vi). The main purpose is to return focus to the people, who



Cook-Rutnik's new work focuses on the nature of migration.

they were, where they were going, where they were coming from, and why.

The group strives to bring the focus back to the people of the Caribbean, their culture, and their heritage, which is interwoven with threads of migrations and away from the natural landscapes that many tourists seek. Anyone with information about these individuals, their ancestors, or their descendants should contact the artists. There will also be a "Living History" table to share and record new information.

The show will be on view from March 18, through April 30. Teachers are invited to bring their students. Call CMCA to set up a time. For additional information contact Janet Cook-Rutnik at 693-8069 or CMCA at 772-2622 or www.cmcart.org.

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“Our tours with the troops are the most important work I’ve ever done. I am thrilled and excited and I can’t wait to go.”

— Musician Steve Simon, founder
Johnnie Walker St. John Blues festival

9th Annual St. John Blues Festival

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“I think that you can hear pieces of all of that come through at various times in our music, especially on our last record,” he said.

Moreland and Arbuckle’s latest release, “Flood” deeply plants the band’s roots in the blues while sounding a few new bells as well.

“We talked for a long time about how the record has a little earthier vibe to it than what we’ve done in the past,” said Arbuckle. “In certain ways it is true to the whole Mississippi blues sound, but in other ways the record gets as heavy as anything we’ve ever done before.”

“The earthiness comes from the fact that the roots vibe is really strong, but other influences are coming out in a strong way too,” he said.

While the guys are sure to blow away the audience in the Coral Bay field, the band never plays with a pre-determined set list, choosing to play off the vibe of the audience instead, Arbuckle explained.

“We always do our best to make sure our passion for the music comes through and in our performances we definitely feel like it comes through,” he said. “We’ll play some things off ‘Flood,’ and some newer stuff that we’ve written since then and some older stuff. We like to work on traditional songs live too.”

“We never make set lists, so what we play on a given night is real up in the air,” said Arbuckle. “It can be anything, and is often a surprise to us even.”

After rocking the crowd on St. John, Moreland and Arbuckle will join Simon on his upcoming Bluzapalooza tour, playing for the troops in Afghanistan. Shemekia Copeland will also join the April tour of Kryrgyzstan, Afghanistan and Qatar, with most of the shows being played at forward operating bases within the war zone of Afghanistan.

“Our tours with the troops are the most important work I’ve ever done,” said Simon. “I am thrilled and excited and I can’t wait to go.”

Simon isn’t slowing down when he gets back to the states either. The Blues Boss will get right to work on Bluestock, at Hunter Mountain, New York, from August 26 to 28. Featuring Greg Allman, Buddy Guy, Elvin Bishop and more, the festival is sure to put Simon on the New York music map as well.

All that concert production might sound like work, but don’t tell Simon that.

“For me, it’s like a fantasy camp for boys,” he said.

Tickets for the St. John Blues Festival are \$25 for one night or \$45 for both nights in advance. Tickets at the gate are \$30 for each show. All kids 18 years and younger will be admitted free. On St. John pick up tickets at Connections in Cruz Bay and Coral Bay, and Chelsea Drugs at The Marketplace.

For more information on Bluzapalooza, check out myspace.com/bluzapalooza. For more information on Bluestock, visit bluestock.com. For more information on the St. John Blues Festival check out stevesimonpresents.com.

NPS Director Jarvis Meets With Top Brass in Territory

St. John Tradewinds

On Thursday, March 3, Governor John deJongh sat down with National Park Service Director Jonathan Jarvis and V.I. National Park Service leadership to discuss a number of initiatives of shared interest, as well as collaborative efforts underway regarding the preservation and utilization of park lands in the territory.

“My administration is committed to protecting our precious natural resources and working collaboratively with federal and local partners to ensure the cultural and historic preservation of our Virgin Islands park system, while also engaging young people toward educational and employment opportunities in these areas,” said deJongh. “We are focused not only on preserving the park lands through a number of unique initiatives, but creating additional pathways to grow our economy, especially within the tourism industry.”

The preservation efforts underway present “tremendous opportunities” and require joint investment of time, resources, and funding to achieve broader, shared goals, the governor added.

Jarvis commended the governor on the partnership with the NPS and indicated that education is one of his top priorities in designing programs to inspire youth to become more active in the parks and outdoors.

“There are incredible natural resources in the territory and the opportunities are truly unique,” said Jarvis. “We want to motivate youth to see the potential in themselves by encouraging them to connect with the outdoors.”

Topics discussed at the meeting include: the co-management of the Salt River National Historic Park; the collaborative efforts on the Marine Research and Education Center; the historic preservation and tourism potential at the Hassel Island property, especially the joint effort toward its development and leading into the centennial anniversary of the Danish transfer in 2017; funding opportunities available through the Obama Administration as part of the “America’s Great Outdoors” initiative, including economic revitalization in communities and a 21st century conservation ethic that builds on



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

Governor John P. de Jongh, Jr. met with National Park Service Director Jonathan B. Jarvis and VI National Park administrators at Government House, St. Croix on Thursday. Pictured from left to right: Karl Knight, Policy Advisor to the governor; Governor John P. de Jongh, Jr.; Pamela B. Berkowsky, Deputy Chief of Staff to the governor; Joel Tutein, Superintendent, V.I. National Park, St. Croix District; Mark Hardgrove, Superintendent, V.I. National Park, St. Thomas/ St. John District; Basil Ottley, USVI Field Officer, Insular Affairs, U.S. Department of Interior; and Jonathan B. Jarvis, Director, NPS.

local ideas and solutions for environmental stewardship.

The governor expressed appreciation for Jarvis’ support for the VI acquisition of park service land on St. John suitable for the construction of a school in exchange for the Alexander Hamilton historic site at Estate Grange on St. Croix. This initiative continues to be a top priority for deJongh.

Additional discussion focused on potential collaborative efforts with the V.I. school system and the park system; the Castle Nugent national historic site proposal, with reference to the legislation introduced by Delegate to Congress Donna Christensen to establish this area as a unit of the NPS; efforts to designate Danish fortifications on St. Croix as World Heritage Areas; and the continued progress in seeking to establish the island of St. Croix as a National Heritage Area, for which legislation is currently before the federal Office of Management and Budget.

Jarvis became the 18th director of the NPS on October 2, 2009. The NPS seeks to preserve and manage some of the most treasured landscapes and valued cultural icons

in the nation. Prior to taking the helm as director, Jarvis most recently served as the Regional Director of the Pacific West Region, with responsibility for 58 units of the National Park System in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, California, Nevada, Hawaii, and the Pacific Islands of Guam, Saipan, and American Samoa.

“Our mission is to preserve this nation’s natural and cultural heritage, unimpaired for the enjoyment of this and future generations,” said Jarvis. “In so doing, we also seek to inspire young people and to expose them to history and natural history in an environment that lends itself to further education and unique life experiences.”

Joining the Chief Executive and Director Jarvis for the meeting were: Basil Ottley, USVI Field Officer, Insular Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior; Joel Tutein, Superintendent, National Park Service, St. Croix District; Mark Hardgrove, Superintendent, National Park Service, St. Thomas/St. John District; and Government House executive staff.

This was Director Jarvis’ first visit to the territory.

Annual CBYC Flotilla at Miss Vie's Campground To Benefit Guy Benjamin School on Saturday, March 26

The Coral Bay Yacht Club is hosting its annual Flotilla to benefit Guy Benjamin School on Saturday, March 26, at Miss Vie's Campground beach.

Come to the party by boat, for only \$40, or by car. To sail over and back, meet at the Coral Bay dinghy dock at 9 a.m. for a 9:30 a.m. departure.

To attend by car, come out from noon to 4 p.m. and pay only \$20 for a great afternoon of BBQ, local food, drinks and live music by Inner Visions. Don't miss out on the raffle for a chance to win \$500 cash.

Montessori Kids Festival Fish Fry Apr. 2 at John's Folly Learning Institute

It's time for fun! The St. John Montessori School is hosting its annual Kids Festival and Fish Fry on Saturday, April 2, from noon to 5 p.m. at the school

Families can fill up on a healthy meal while having a great time with games, prizes, donkey rides and more. The school grounds are located at the John's Folly Learning Institute, just before Concordia. Call the school at 775-9594 for details or to volunteer.

Julie Stiles To Speak at UU Fellowship

The Unitarian Universalists of St. John meet at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday in the Great Room at Giff Hill School. On Sunday, March 27, 2011 the guest speaker is Julie Stiles who will speak on "The Journey of Transformation."

For transportation from Cruz Bay, call 776-6332. Childcare is available upon prior request. For more information visit www.uufstjohn.org.

Rotary Club's Javon Jade Alfred Scholarship Applications Available; Deadline Set for March 24

The Javon Jade Alfred Scholarship is offered by the Rotary Club of St. John to assist a resident of St. John graduating from a high school in the U.S. Virgin Islands in the pursuit of higher education.

A need and merit based scholarship award will be an annual scholarship totaling \$5,000 during the student's first year, \$3,500 the second year, \$2,500 the third year and \$1,500 the fourth year. Recipients may reapply for consideration annually.

Monetary awards shall be made on an annual basis and disbursed at the beginning of each semester. Students are expected to maintain a 3.0 average.

Application forms can be obtained from high school guidance counselors, at Connections or by email from william@willigerod.com or jfuller@rotarystjohn.org. All applicants meeting the eligibility requirements will be interviewed.

The interviews will be conducted in April 2011. Eligible applicants will be notified of the date, time and place of their interview. The applications, including an essay, letters of reference and proof of financial need must be completed and submitted to the Vocational Services Committee of the St. John Rotary Club c/o Connections of St. John or William Willigerod, 16213 Spring Garden, St. John, VI, 00830, no later than 5 p.m. March 24.

Police Log

Friday, March 4

12:25 p.m. - An Estate Chocolate Hole resident p/r that her neighbor's dog entered onto her property and killed her cat. Allowing vicious animals to stray.

7:19 p.m. - An Estate Fish Bay resident c/r trespassing on his property. Trespassing.

7:51 p.m. - An Estate Pastory resident r/ an assault. Assault.

Saturday, March 5

2:51 a.m. - A citizen c/r that a male was assaulted while in the area of Cruz Bay. Suspect unknown. Assault in the third.

No time given - VIPD Officers p/ at Leander Jurgen Command with one Robert Clouden of St. Thomas, under arrest and charged with aggravated assault and battery and disturbance of the peace. Bail was set at \$1,500 by order of the court. He was detained at Leander Jurgen Command to later be transported to the Bureau of Corrections on St. Thomas.

5:15 p.m. - An Estate Adrian resident p/r a disturbance of the peace, D.V. Disturbance of the peace, D.V.

Sunday, March 6

3:00 p.m. - The People of the Virgin Islands r/ a man in the area of Cruz Bay who couldn't walk. Police assistance.

3:15 p.m. - Citizen r/ an assault in the third at Estate Pastory. Assault in the third.

3:41 p.m. - A citizen r/ being hit with a bottle at a bar in Estate Pastory. Assault in the third.

8:15 p.m. - Badge #98 p/ with one Rafael Nolasco of Estate Enighed under arrest and charged with assault in the third. Bail was set at \$25,000 by order of the court. He was detained at Leander Jurgen Command and later transported to the Bureau of Corrections on St. Thomas to be remanded.

Monday, March 7

2:13 a.m. - A Calabash Boom resident r/ that she had an altercation with her husband. Disturbance of the peace, D.V.

11:10 a.m. - An Estate John's Folly resident p/r that an employee was observed stealing some items from Starfish Market. Grand larceny.

11:21 a.m. - A citizen r/ an accident in the area of Jacob's Ladder. Auto accident.

6:21 p.m. - An employee at the Westin c/requesting police assistance with an inebriated female. Police assistance.

9:15 p.m. - A visitor from Kansas c/r a lack of contact with her son in 24 hours. Missing person.

Tuesday, March 8

12:50 a.m. - A Cruz Bay resident r/ a disturbance with his girlfriend. Disturbance of the peace, D.V.

2:08 a.m. - A Cruz Bay resident r/ a disturbance with her child's father. Aggravated assault and battery, D.V.

5:48 p.m. - A citizen r/an auto accident on North Shore Road. Auto accident.

11:41 p.m. - An employee of Jake's Restaurant r/ a disturbance. Police assistance.

Wednesday, March 9

9:35 a.m. - A citizen p/r that he lost his wallet. Lost wallet.

Thursday, March 10

7:30 a.m. - An Estate Grunwald resident p/r an auto accident. Auto accident.

1:30 p.m. - A visitor from Vermont p/r that he lost his wallet. Lost wallet.

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

Between Friday February, 18, at 4 p.m. and the following Monday at 7 a.m., Alfredo's Landscaping at #5 Enighed in the First Quarter Cruz Bay was burglarized. Two Stihl-85 weed-eaters and a motorized Stihl hedge trimmer were stolen. Help law enforcement locate this equipment and the burglar. The minimum cash reward is \$714 for the arrest of a burglary suspect.

St. Thomas

In recent weeks there have

been too many incidents of adult males being suspected of sexual assaults on children. It is time to put a stop to these incidents. Please assist law enforcement agencies and families to find and prosecute these predators of the young. Let someone know what is going on in the home or in the neighborhood.

St. Croix

On August 27, 2010 at about 7:10 p.m. on Rattan Road in the vicinity of #76-O La Grande Princess, Robert Richards, a 61-year-old, was found lying on the southern edge of the roadway after being struck and killed by a motorist. Accidents happen, but a hit and run is unacceptable. Anyone who was driving on Rattan Road around the time of this incident and saw something, please tell what you know. Help

detectives identify the driver and the vehicle and help bring closure to the family. If you were the driver of this vehicle, we recommend you turn yourself in, as the justice system will definitely take that into consideration.

Let's continue to help make the community a safer place to live by submitting information 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 speak several languages. If a tip leads to an arrest or the recovery of stolen property, illegal drugs, or weapons, the tipster will receive a cash reward to be paid according to their instructions. Only anonymous callers to Crime Stoppers are eligible for these cash rewards.

Ferry Schedules - Cruz Bay and Charlotte Amalie

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RED HOOK TO CRUZ BAY

Every hour on the hour from 6 a.m. to 12 a.m.

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Leaves Cruz Bay	Leaves Charlotte Amalie
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11:15 a.m.	1 p.m.
3:45 p.m.	5:30 p.m.

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**Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority
Job Vacancy Announcement
Staff Engineer
(Federally Funded Position)
St. Thomas**

SALARY: Commensurate with experience

DEADLINE: March 25, 2011

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Prepares, reviews, and updates the 5-year capital Improvement Plan.
- Recommends capital improvement projects for the Authority's infrastructure and assets to improve operational efficiency, reliability, redundancy, and life cycle.
- Prepares detailed engineering design reports and project plans.
- Prepares scope of work, bid documents, and cost estimates for wastewater and solid waste infrastructure projects.
- Reviews proposals and bids and evaluates and recommends the selection of qualified engineering consultants and/or construction contractors.
- Prepares and reviews Environmental Assessment Reports and other environmental, permitting, and easement documents.
- Performs and reviews civil/hydraulic design calculations as required.
- Prepares specifications for equipment for the Waste Management Authority.
- Monitors the work of engineering consultants and construction contractors.
- Prepare inspection reports and progress reports on projects, cost and schedule
- Perform other related duties as assigned.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

- A degree in Engineering from an accredited college or university and a minimum of five to ten years experience in Engineering Design and Construction Management.
- A professional engineering license is required (or the ability to obtain a license in twenty-four months.)
- Proficiency in CADD and GIS is required.
- Valid US Virgin Islands Driver's License is required.

Submit a letter of interest along with a resume to:
Director of Human Resources
Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority
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PURSUANT TO VIRGIN ISLANDS CODE, TITLE 12, CHAPTER 21, A MEETING OF THE ST. JOHN COMMITTEE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2011, AT 12:00 PM ON THE 2ND FLOOR OF THE MARKET PLACE, CRUZ BAY, ST. JOHN, VI.

THE ITEM ON THE AGENDA IS THE DECISION MEETING FOR MAJOR C2M PERMIT APPLICATION NO. CZJ-01-10(L). THE APPLICANT IS THE VIRGIN ISLANDS RESOURCE AND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, INC. THE APPLICANT PROPOSES THE CONSTRUCTION OF A STORMWATER SEDIMENT DETENTION POND.

PLANS FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECT ARE ON FILE FOR REVIEW BY APPOINTMENT AT THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND NATURAL RESOURCES, DIVISION OF C2M, CYRIL E. KING AIRPORT, TERMINAL BUILDING-SECOND FLOOR, ST. THOMAS, VIRGIN ISLANDS, (340) 774-3320, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 9:00 A.M. AND 4:00 P.M., MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY EXCEPT HOLIDAYS.

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The Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority (VIWMA) is soliciting prices for:

SC-WMA-001-C-11 Supply of Gasoline for the VI Waste Management Authority on St. Croix, St. Thomas and St. John.

Prospective submitters may secure a bid package for their use from the Authority's Procurement and Property Division, St. Thomas-St. John District Office at Wheatley Center II, Suite 2, St. Thomas, or from the St. Croix District Office at No. 1A La Grande Princesse, Suite BL1, Christiansted, St. Croix.

PROPOSAL DUE DATE and TIME: Thursday, April 7, 2011 at 4:00pm Atlantic Standard Time

PROPOSAL DUE PLACE: Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority
#1 La Grande Princesse, Suite BL 1 9500 Wheatley Center II, Suite 2
P. O. Box 1689 P. O. Box 303669
Kingshill, VI 00851-1689 St. Thomas, VI 00803-3669

(Six Sealed Proposal Packages:
SC-WMA-001-C-2011 SEALED BID PACKAGE-DO NOT OPEN)
NOTE: The proposal number must be placed on the outside of all Bid Packages.

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
P. O. Box 1689, Kingshill, VI 00851-1689
Email: 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.

May Adams Cornwall
Executive Director



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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, March 14

The next Coral Bay Community Council planning discussion series meeting will be at 6 p.m. in room six at Guy Benjamin School in Coral Bay

Tuesday, March 15

The St. John Film Society has changed the venue of its March screening to Sputnik's in Coral Bay. Join the group for a free screening of two films starting at 7 p.m.

Wednesday, March 16

The VI Small Business Development Center in collaboration with the VI Bureau of Internal Revenue will conduct a seminar entitled "Filing Your 2010 Business Tax Return" from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Julius E. Sprauve School cafeteria.

Thursday, March 17

Justin Todman will be demonstrating the art of tyre palm broom making from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in front of the Friends of the Park store in Mongoose Junction.

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.

Saturday, March 19

The calendar might have St.

Patrick's Day listed as Thursday, March 17, but St. John will get its Irish on at noon on Saturday, March 19.

Saturday, March 26

The Coral Bay Yacht Club is hosting its annual Flotilla to benefit Guy Benjamin School at Miss Vie's Campground.

Monday, March 28,

SJCF's annual meeting is scheduled at the Fish Trap Restaurant. A dinner will be hosted at 6 p.m. with the meeting kicking off at 7 p.m. and the community is invited.

Through March 31

An Exhibition of Fine Art will be hosted during the month of March at the Caribbean Museum Center for the Arts in Frederiksted. The exhibition can be viewed through March 31 during the hours of 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, except for cruise ship days when hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday, April 2

It's time for fun! The St. John Montessori School is hosting its annual Kids Festival and Fish Fry from noon to 5 p.m. at the school

Saturday, April 16

The 14th Annual Julius E. Sprauve School Benefit Gala will be at Caneel Bay Resort.

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.

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

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SPRING FORWARD

ACROSS

- 1 Finishes up
- 8 Judo school
- 12 Evolves favorably
- 20 Constitution modifier, e.g.
- 21 "House" actor Epps
- 22 Smart aleck
- 23 "Tartuffe" playwright
- 24 River of New Mexico
- 25 Flying an aircraft
- 26 Declarations written out in advance
- 29 Clean up text
- 30 6-Down or 98-Down, sometimes
- 31 Boxers' cries
- 35 Refrigeration
- 41 Competitive advantage
- 46 Spinning
- 47 Hardy breed of sheep
- 49 Pisa's river
- 50 Opposite of old, in Berlin
- 51 Half of a full set of dentures
- 53 Benchmark
- 56 Weeps
- 60 Dead ends?
- 61 Large handbags
- 62 Dumbo's jumbo pair
- 63 Martha in denture ads
- 64 Actress Zadora
- 65 Suffix with Caesar
- 66 Hosp. workers
- 67 British monetary unit
- 71 Pres. before Obama
- 74 Dad
- 75 Onetime Delta rival

- 76 "Jazz" author Morrison
- 77 Old New York stadium
- 78 Emma of "The Colbys"
- 81 Far offshore
- 83 Lean cut of beef
- 85 Certain batting position
- 88 "The Flies" playwright
- 89 Mo. #10
- 90 Do a fall job
- 91 Lyric substitution, perhaps
- 95 More adorable
- 96 Coupon for the needy
- 99 It's above the ground floor
- 101 Cost to ride
- 102 Innsbruck "I"
- 104 "Iliad" city
- 105 "Spring forward" occasion hidden in 10 answers in this puzzle
- 116 People fleeing for safety
- 119 Irish name of Ireland
- 120 Microscopic machine of a sort
- 121 Make empty
- 122 Singing voice
- 123 Like old Russia, politically
- 124 What kitsch shows
- 125 Strategy
- 126 German for "street"

DOWN

- 1 Site for tents
- 2 Love, in Latin
- 3 Soccer great
- 4 Salon sound
- 5 Music halls
- 6 Weasel-like animal
- 7 Liberty
- 8 Sirius
- 9 Forget to say
- 10 Hot pepper
- 11 Declaim
- 12 Did the butterfly, e.g.
- 13 Bees' home
- 14 T — "Tom"
- 15 With 114-Down, mulch material
- 16 Grinds down
- 17 Ecol. or biol.
- 18 Catering hall dispenser
- 19 Wooden pin
- 27 Critical
- 28 Afr. country
- 32 Barreled toward
- 33 Brother, in Bordeaux
- 34 Virile guys
- 35 One producing an effect
- 36 Parentless kid
- 37 Pariahs
- 38 Actions
- 39 Cameras for pros
- 40 RAM units
- 42 Palliate
- 43 Part of NEA
- 44 Paternity test material
- 45 Writer Susan
- 48 Doo-wop song, say
- 52 Barber's belt
- 54 Adored by
- 55 Mafia boss
- 57 Water, in Brest
- 58 "Anthem" author Rand
- 59 South African herbal drink
- 64 Educ. group
- 65 Writers Bagnold and Blyton

- 67 Stumpers
- 68 Ex-Steeler Lynn
- 69 Costello of comedy
- 70 Quaint lodging
- 71 Slummy area
- 72 Outfit sporter
- 73 Cake seller
- 74 Brit. bigwigs
- 77 Walk proudly
- 78 Jeer
- 79 Tinfoil maker
- 80 Engine
- 81 "May I — question?"
- 82 Rose holder
- 83 Rationalist Descartes
- 84 Egg pouches
- 86 "Gimme — ding!"
- 87 Money drawer
- 92 Ill-fated mythological hunter
- 93 San Diego Chargers head coach Turner
- 94 Consecrates with oil
- 97 Subtract
- 98 Grunting one
- 100 King or shah
- 103 Poorly made
- 106 Water, in Acapulco
- 107 House votes
- 108 NFLer Leon
- 109 "Point taken"
- 110 Madrid Mlle.
- 111 Growl
- 112 WWII film, when tripled
- 113 Wading bird
- 114 See 15-Down
- 115 Suffix with cigar
- 116 Soldier at Bull Run
- 117 One of the Gaborcs
- 118 Temporarily in thing

Church Directory

Baha'i Community of St. John
For Devotions and Study Circles, call 714-1641
7:30 p.m. Fridays; Study Circles 9 a.m. Sundays
776-6316, 776-6254

Bethany Moravian Church
11 a.m., Sunday School 776-6291

Calvary Baptist Church
13 ABC Coral Bay, 776-6304
Sunday School 10 a.m.,
Sunday evening 6 p.m., Thursday 7 p.m.

Christian Ministry
Cinnamon Bay Beach
Inter-Denominational, Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Christian Science Society
10:45 a.m. Sunday- Marketplace
Wednesday Testimonials
7:45 p.m. on last Wed. of Month

**The Church of Jesus Christ
of Latter-day Saints**
Sun. 9 a.m., on St. Thomas . 776-2379
Sun., 5 p.m., STJ, Lumberyard

Cruz Bay Baptist Church
Sunday 11 a.m., 6 p.m. 776-6315

Emmaus Moravian Church
Coral Bay, Sun. 9 a.m. 776-6713

Jehovah's Witness
7:30 p.m. Tuesdays; 7 p.m.
Saturdays (Español), 10 a.m. Sundays,
340-715-0530

Missionary Baptist Church
9:30 a.m. Sunday Services, 10:45 Worship,
Tuesday 7 p.m. Bible Study 693-8884

Nazareth Lutheran Church
Sunday 9 a.m., Sunday School 8 a.m.
776-6731

Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Sat. 6 p.m., Sun. 7:30 & 9:30 a.m., Spanish Mass
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Wednesday and Friday, 8:30 a.m. 776-6339

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Sunday 10 a.m, 693-8830

Seventh Day Adventist
Saturdays, 779-4477

St. John Pentecostal Church
Sunday 11:05 a.m., 6:30 p.m.
Tuesdays Prayer 7:30 p.m.,
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779-1230

St. Ursula's Episcopal Church
Sunday 9 a.m.; Bible Class, Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.
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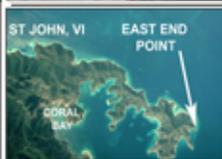
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"Villa Lantano" - Has magnificent North Shore views over Peter Bay to Jost Van Dyke from this spacious home in Upper Peter Bay. Features include custom kitchen with granite countertops and stainless appliances, travertine marble floors throughout, 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.**



"Villa Hibiscus" - All masonry construction on a large corner lot in Estate Chocolate Hole just 1.5 miles from Cruz Bay dock on paved roads. Deeded beach rights to Hart Bay and Chocolate Hole Bay and plenty of flat parking. Successful short term rental with two private units, separate storage building, plus big work shop/home office space below with separate drive way. Live in one unit and rent the other or rent them both. **\$895,000.**



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EPA Formally Asks Tortola To Stop Open Trash Burning

St. John Tradewinds

Governor John deJongh said last week that at his urging Environmental Protection Agency officials at the U.S. State Department have formally asked the government of the British Virgin Islands to stop polluting the air of St. John by burning trash in the open on neighboring Tortola.

The U.S. State Department requested from United Kingdom and BVI officials that they immediately cease the practice of open rubbish burning at the Pockwood Pond incineration facility, and that they give full priority to a new facility that will responsibly handle the island's waste disposal, according to deJongh.

"Our friends in the British Virgin Islands must responsibly process their waste," said the governor. "It is unfair for the people of the U.S. Virgin Islands, specifically residents of St. John, to have their air quality diminished by the actions of a neighboring country."

State Department officials encouraged BVI authorities to stockpile excess rubbish in a properly managed site on Tortola so as to make possible delayed incineration without open burning. They also proposed an alternative solution of setting up an interim solid waste disposal program until the new incinerator at Pockwood Pond is completed.

The communication between the two governments urged UK and BVI officials to install a new 100 ton per day incinerator plant to become operational by April of this year.

Plumes of smoke emanating from Tortola's incinerator can often be seen flowing toward St. John. In a letter to BVI Governor David Peavy, EPA Regional Administrator Judith Enck requested the government to take immediate measures to stop its open burning practices.

"I seek your personal intervention in resolving a serious and recurring situation which has potential adverse health impacts on the residents of the island of St. John," Enck wrote to Peavy. "The harmful air pollution from the open burning of trash on the island of Tortola is reaching the residents and visitors of St. John and contributing

to increased levels of respiratory problems and illness."

In her letter, Enck reminded Peavy of a 2009 meeting on the same subject, during which BVI officials assured US officials that the situation would be addressed.

"Last year, on November 13, 2009, EPA officials joined the Commissioner of the USVI Department of Planning and Natural Resources in a meeting with high ranking officials of the British Virgin Islands in Tortola," Enck wrote. "The purpose of the meeting was to discuss our concerns over the air pollution caused by the open burning of garbage at the Tortola Municipal Solid Waste Landfill."

"The open burning of trash is a major source of particulate matter, dioxins, and other harmful air pollutants," Enck wrote. "Such pollutants have major public health impacts. Therefore, I urge you to take immediate measures to stop the open burning of trash on the island of Tortola."

In a reply letter to Enck, BVI officials admitted the problem and stated that work on a new 100-ton incinerator were underway.

"The Minister of Health and Social Development Government of the Virgin Islands remains deeply concerned about the adverse effects of open burning at the dumpsite at Pockwood Pond," BVI Governor Boyd McCleary wrote to Enck. "This becomes necessary on occasions when the existing incinerator unit is brought off-line for repairs, and the accumulation of waste becomes overwhelming. These impacts are indeed pronounced among the residents of the western and northwestern communities on Tortola, and the island of St. John in the US Virgin Islands."

"On July 21, 2010 Cabinet awarded two contracts for the mechanical, electrical and plumbing works required to complete the Installation of the new unit. Contracts were signed last month and work has commenced on site," McCleary wrote. "The estimated completion time is six to nine months. Once the new plant is up and running the open burning of rubbish should no longer be necessary."

On March 3, deJongh met with

Enck at Government House on St. Croix to discuss the territory's environmental issues and concerns, including complaints from St. John residents about open trash burning on Tortola.

At that meeting, the governor

emphasized the importance of continuing to press the issue upon the BVI government through diplomatic channels. In addition, at the request of the Governor, EPA installed air quality monitors on St. John.

EPA officials have already raised concerns about open trash burning directly with Tony Bates, Head of the Caribbean and Bermuda Section of the UK Overseas Territories Directorate in London, at a February 8 meeting.

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