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Wadesville Opens Honoring Ira Wade

Miss St. John Festival Queen Kinia Blyden, St. John Festival Princess Ashyria Kelly and Festival Village Honoree Ira Wade cut the ribbon to officially open Wadesville on Wednesday night, June 29, with the help of Lt. Governor Gregory Francis, Cheryl Francis, Delegate Donna Christensen (front), and Senator Ronald Rusell, Senator-at-Large Craig Barshinger and Senator Shawn Michael Malone (back). **MORE FESTIVAL: Pages 2-4, 12-13 and 24**

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Sahara Dust Blankets the Territory

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An air pollution alert for dust from the Sahara Desert in Africa was issued by Department of Planning and Natural Resources Commissioner Alicia Barnes last week.

The dust causes the skies around the Virgin Islands to be hazy, which reduces the visibility and results in poor air quality. As a result of the dust storms and a rise in warm air, the sand rises above the desert. These sandy dust particles are transported from the North African desert westward over the Atlantic Ocean across the Caribbean.

Walter Snow, Senior Meteorologist at the National Weather Service in San Juan, Puerto Rico, last week confirmed that dust haze was expected to remain over the territory through the weekend and should start to subside due to the expected tropical system, but will be still visible thereafter.

While this haze may not be an immediate threat, persons with allergies or respiratory ailments should remain indoors when possible, and consult their physicians or healthcare professional for further guidance.

Sahara dust storms pass through the region several times a year, but mainly in the spring and throughout the summer months.

For more information call 774-3320 or go to www.nasa.gov or <http://weather.noaa.gov/weather/current/TIST.html>.

Starfish Market Summer Party July 9

The community is invited to kick off Summer at Starfish Market on Saturday, July 9, from 3 to 5 p.m. Stop by the first floor of the Marketplace to sample different types of melon and enjoy some fresh barbecue items like hamburgers, hot dogs and maybe even corn on the cob.

"Kekoa" Catamaran Hosting Benefit Cruise for Amos Rutnik's Family

Kekoa Catamaran is hosting a sunset cocktail cruise on Sunday, July 10, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. to benefit Amos Rutnik's wife, Cindy, and children, Cristian and Jessica.

Meet at the National Park dock at 5:15 p.m. Tickets are \$100 per person and \$20 for children between 3 and 12 years old. Kids under three are free.

Space is limited to 60 people and advanced reservations are required. Email sailkekoa@gmail.com or call 340-244-7245 and be sure to include the number of spots needed. Also check out the Facebook event page "Amos Rutnik's Family Benefit Cruise."

Those want to help the family, donations can be made to "Cristian and/or Jessica Rutnik," 5000 Estate Enighed PMB #192, St. John VI 00830.

Dennis Hart's Shark Mobile Auction Set for July 10 at High Tide

Stop by High Tide on Sunday, July 10, at 4 p.m. for the chance to take home Dennis Hart's famous Shark Mobile.

Hart passed away last month and his widow Angie is hoping to auction off his beloved vehicle to raise funds to cover his last expenses. Angie is also planning to raffle off one of Hart's original paintings.

Stop by High Tide for the chance to win original art work, the chance to drive home a truly one-of-a-kind ride and help make life a little easier for Angie Hart.

See you there!



Residents of all ages came out to Wadesville on June 29 to enjoy the flavors, sights and sounds of the St. John Festival celebration.

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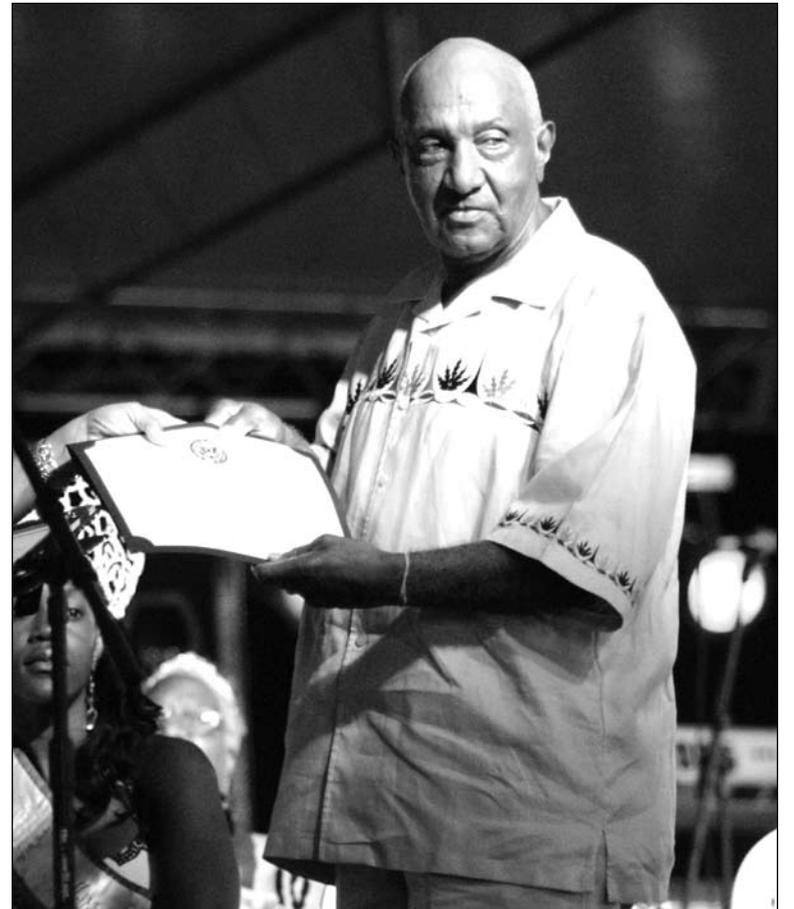
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Residents packed Festival Village on opening night, above, named Wadesville in honor of Ira Wade, at right.



Wadesville Kicks Off with Bang of Steel Drums

2011 Festival Village Opens in Honor of Ira Wade

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

The sound of steel drums rang through the air as Ira Wade beamed with pride on the stage during the opening ceremony of Festival Village in the U.S. Custom's parking lot in Cruz Bay on Wednesday evening, June 29.

Wadesville officially opened with the cutting of a white ribbon at the Festival Village entrance, but not before government officials and St. John residents took the opportunity to honor Wade.

As the St. John Deputy Commissioner of Operations for the Department of Public Works for the past 16 years, Wade has played an integral role in helping the island recover in the wake of natural disasters.

As a volunteer with the Love City Pan Dragons for the past 17 years, Wade takes great pride in the youth steel band's impressive performances on Love City and throughout the territory.

The Pan Dragons seemed to play with extra gusto on June 29 as St. John gathered to open Festival

Village in honor of Wade. Following a powerful rendition of the National Anthem by Shikima Jones, the Pan Dragons played the Virgin Islands March and Jane Johannes welcomed the crowd to the 58th annual Festival Village opening.

Introducing Wade, mistress of ceremonies Alecia Wells talked about his hard work and dedication to the community of St. John.

"Everyone knows that if there is a hurricane, Ira is going to be out there," said Wells. "Everyone knows that if there is a natural disaster, Ira is going to be out there. He started at FEMA and then Human Services and finally he ended up at Public Works, where he has been for 16 years."

Drawing on his 30-year military career helps Wade run an efficient department, Wells added.

"With his military background, Ira doesn't stand nonsense," said Wells. "He is a time-oriented person and he always gets the job done. Ira is the type of person if someone is not moving fast enough, he takes it over and then it becomes his job."

After years of turning down the offer, the reluctant honoree finally agreed to stand on the stage and accept his accolades, Wade explained.

"I've been fighting this for four years," Wade told the crowd at Festival Village. "I didn't want to come here and stand up in front of you all. I like to be in the background watching them cut the ribbon."

When Wade arrived in the Virgin Islands more than two decades ago, he didn't know the first thing about Festival or steel pan music, he explained.

"When I came here 22 years ago, I didn't know anything about Carnival; I didn't know anything about steel pan; I didn't know anything about Public Works," said Wade. "What I knew was 30 years of military training. Then I met someone named Hugo on September 17, 1989 and everything changed."

"I came here to retire, not to work," he said. "I had two weeks off when I first got here and those were the last two weeks I've had

off in 22 years."

Wade has also worked with the St. John Festival and Cultural Organization, as the chairperson of Pan-O-Rama and is responsible

for constructing the village and pageant stages. Most of that time has been positive, Wade told the audience at Festival Village.

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at Trunk Bay**

MONTH OF JUNE

4.37 inches

AVERAGE

2.50 Inches

TOTAL YTD

18.49 Inches

AVERAGE YTD

16.15 Inches

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V.I. Delegate to Congress Donna Christensen congratulates Ira Wade, above at right, at the opening ceremony of Wadesville on June 29 in Cruz Bay.

Wadesville Honors Ira Wade's Long History of Community Service

By Andrea Milam
 St. John Tradewinds

Each year the St. John Festival and Cultural Organization singles out one person on which to bestow a great honor — the naming of Festival Village, the hub of activity for the Fourth of July Festival celebration.

This year it was almost a no-brainer for the organization in choosing to honor Department of Public Works Deputy Commissioner of Operations Ira Wade, explained chairperson Leona Smith.

"We chose Ira because of his dedicated services to the Festival Organization and the community as a whole," said Smith. "He's a very hard working individual and we are proud to honor him. Of course we have our differences from time to time, but we always come together for the common good."

Twenty-two years ago, Ira Wade arrived in the Virgin Islands with the intention of relaxing and enjoying retired life after a 30-year military career, which took him to Germany, Korea, Vietnam and Thailand.

Little did he know that his mili-

tary training — in particular, the past 12 years he'd spent as a command sergeant major in logistics — would prompt him back to action when Hurricane Hugo devastated the islands just three months after his arrival on September 17, 1989.

After Hugo left a shattered Virgin Islands in its wake, Wade came across a flyer at Nisky Center on St. Thomas seeking employees to help with FEMA's effort to restore life in the islands.

"They interviewed me on the spot, and about 15 minutes later, the lady came out and says, 'I think we have a job that would fit your military experience,'" Wade said.

And just like that, three months into his retirement, Wade was thrust back into the working world, verifying documents that came into FEMA from residents applying for assistance. The transition was easy, Wade explained.

"I think it just came naturally," he said. "We all want to retire and take the easy life, but if you've been working most of your life, you become bored if you're around doing nothing."

Wade eventually traded in his position at FEMA for a job with the Department of Human Services, where he worked as the territory's claims and accountability officer for the food stamp program.

Finally, in 1995, Wade assumed the position he still toils at daily — Deputy Commissioner of Operations for the V.I. Department of Public Works for the island of St. John.

The island of St. John could not have hoped for a better person to come on board just before Hurricane Marilyn. Wade drew from his military experience, and recalled lessons he'd learned from Hugo as Marilyn bore down on the islands in September 1995.

Wade now counts the recovery from Marilyn as one of his proudest moments.

"I believe it was my destiny," he said. "I got the education from Hugo, and from the elderly people of Coral Bay who gave me a lot of information on how to prepare for storms. I used a military technique called prepositioning, where you get all your logistics in place before the storm arrives."

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Amos Rutnik, 40, Dies in Single Car Accident in Fish Bay

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

The crowd in the Winston Wells ball field heard emergency vehicle sirens heading out of town on Saturday night, June 25, but no one was prepared for the news.

Emergency medical personnel and V.I. Police Department officers that night responded to a one-car accident near the entrance to Estate Fish Bay around 9:45 p.m. which claimed the life of one St. Johnian.

The driver, Amos Rutnik, 40, of Guavaberry Farms was ejected from his vehicle when it hit a hillside just before the entrance to Fish Bay. Rutnik died early the next day at the Roy Lester Schneider Hospital surrounded by family members.

St. John VIPD officers were dispatched by 911 to the scene of the accident, according to the initial report from the VIPD. When police arrived, Emergency Medical Technicians were already on the scene providing medical attention to the three occupants of the vehicle.

VIPD officers spoke to the front seat passenger, Cindy Rutnik, the wife of the driver. Another passenger was in the rear seat.



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Flowers and a candle were left at the site of the one-car accident in Fish Bay, above, which claimed the life of Amos Rutnik.

Cindy Rutnik stated her husband was driving and they were coming downhill and traveling "too fast," according to the police report. Rutnik lost control of the Nissan

SUV he was driving which hit the hillside and overturned near the entrance of Fish Bay, according to police.

As the vehicle overturned, Rutnik, the

driver was ejected through the front windshield, according to police. The two passengers were not ejected from the vehicle. Cindy Rutnik told police her husband was not wearing a seat belt.

EMTs transported the three passengers to the Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center. At about 10 a.m. Sunday, June 26, a medical doctor advised police the driver had died from his injuries at Schneider Regional Medical Center on St. Thomas.

Family and friends on St. John were devastated when news of Rutnik's death spread across the island on Sunday, June 26.

Raf Muilenburg, who grew up with Rutnik on St. John, remembered his friend as full of enthusiasm for life.

"It's just unbelievable," said Muilenburg. "We grew up together and Amos is the person I've known the longest in the entire world. We knew each other since we were babies."

"There is an absolutely enormous hole in our lives," he said. "We are still struggling to comprehend how much of a loss this is. I think of his enthusiasm, his zeal and zest for

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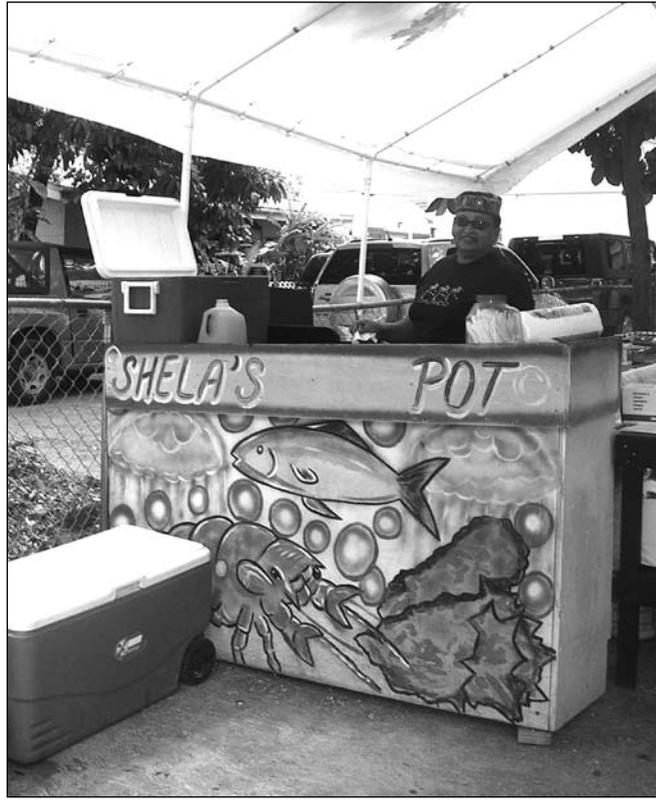
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After being forced out of her normal location next to the bandstand in Frank Powell Park due to park renovations, beloved local chef Sheila Liburd was finally spotted serving up her delicious fare next to the Beach Shop in Cruz Bay last week. Liburd was only expected to serve food through Monday, July 4, and still expects to return to her old location after work is complete.

Police Make Five Weekend Arrests in STT/STJ District

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V.I. Police Department officers arrested four persons in separate incidences and charged them with Aggravated Assault and Battery Domestic Violence.

Deborah Karlin, 60, of Estate Winterberg was arrested on Friday, June 24, at about 12 noon. Police said Karlin assaulted her husband and caused a disturbance at his office near Estate Nazareth.

At about 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 25, Thomas Edward Small, 51, of New Jersey was arrested after police said he assaulted his wife bruising her on her nose, above her right eye and on her wrist. The incident occurred in Estate Carolina and Small was arrested on St. John.

Also on Saturday just before 8 p.m., police arrested 40-year-old Charles Azille of Lindberg Bay for slapping his minor daughter and bruising her. This incident happened at the rear of K-Mart on 10th Street.

On Monday, June 27, at about 4:30 a.m., 22-year-old Shandos Powell of Commandant Gade was arrested after a complaint was made to police that he assaulted his pregnant girlfriend by punching her in her stomach and her face.

All the Domestic Violence suspects were held without bail pending further review by a judge or their appearance at advice of rights hearing.

Police also arrested a 17-year-old minor on Saturday, June 25, after he was identified as the person who broke into a private residence, stole a laptop computer and took a vehicle from the same residence without the owner's permission.

The incident happened in Estate Fortuna at about 2 p.m. and the minor was arrested about an hour later. He was released into his parents' custody pending further court action.

Officers arrested a 17-year-old minor over the weekend for vehicle theft and other charges.

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WAPA officials at Frank Bay oversee Kerite Cable Service's crew laying a redundant electrical cable between St. Thomas and St. John last week.

WAPA Lays Underwater Cable from Red Hook to Frank Bay

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Kerite Cable Services, under contract from V.I. Water and Power Authority, started laying submarine cable on Friday, June 24, from Red Hook, St. Thomas, to Frank Bay, St. John.

The installation of 18,000 feet of 34kV cable began at 8 a.m. and was completed within 24 hours.

The new cable is expected to greatly improve power transmission reliability to St. John in the event that the two cables now serving the island experience unforeseen or accidental failure, according to WAPA Executive Director Hugo Hodge.

The new cable will accommodate the rapidly growing electrical demand on St. John for the next 25 to 30 years and is a major step in meeting WAPA's reserve planning criteria, Hodge explained.

The project is funded by the utility's Series 2010 electric revenue bond issue at a cost of \$4.4



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Mares Crane

A backhoe was used to ensure the cable from Red Hook would have enough space when it came ashore in Frank Bay, above.

million and was approved by the St. John Coastal Zone Management Committee in June.

Mariners were urged to move with caution from the Red Hook

Point area to Frank Bay while work crews were in the area. No incidents were reported during the work time, which wrapped up on time Saturday, June 25.

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A young St. John baseball player takes a swing at a ball during the Love City Live!-sponsored free baseball clinic last month.

Reggae for a Cause

More than 60 Kids Take Part in Baseball Clinic

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Glen "Wasi" Philbert remembers a time not too long ago when the baseball skills of St. Johnians were feared on diamonds throughout the Virgin Islands.

Philbert, owner of Global Venture Consultants LLC, grew up on the infields and outfields of St. John before heading off to the states where he played baseball in high school and college.

Frequently on island from his Atlanta home, Philbert dreamed of bringing those halcyon days of baseball back to St. John.

After years of working in the major league baseball industry, Philbert launched Global Venture Consultants LLC, which hosts concerts and events across the states. With his vision of kids playing on Love City baseball fields, Philbert brought his two passions together all for St. John.

Philbert's Global Venture partnered with local sponsors St. John Brewers, Innovative and Boyson Inc to host Third World Band's Patriots album launch in the Winston

Wells ball park at the first annual Love City Live! in January.

The concert drew a huge crowd and raised funds for Philbert to pursue his dream of bringing baseball back to Love City.

"The the whole intention for Love City Live! was to give back to the youth of St. John," said Philbert. "St. John used to dominate baseball. We were known for our players."

"All of our coaches went above and beyond," he said. "Your parents knew you were safe when you were down by the field because that was your extended family. They were involved in your grades and your discipline and if there were any problems they would speak to your parents."

Seeing how things changed since he was a child, Philbert was determined to help bring a thriving sports community back to his home island.

"We've gotten away from that almost totally," he said. "The athletic culture that used to exist here is gone. Back then if you were from St. John, you played ball —

baseball, basketball — you played some sort of ball."

"If you weren't playing you were trying to make a team because those teams were hard to get on," Philbert said.

Instead of lamenting how times changed, Philbert wanted to take action.

"Instead of just complaining about it, I wanted to do something about it," he said. "We're bringing baseball back. This is my platform; this is what I know."

"There is a need for youth development programs on the island and this is just my unique way of giving back to the community," said Philbert.

From June 15 through 18 that is exactly what Philbert did — gave back to the community. Love City Live! joined with the Major League Baseball Players' Alumni Association to host a free youth baseball clinic at the V.I. National Park ball field.

In addition to the four sessions for kids between the ages of four and 12, the clinic also offered a

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Underwater Images by Caroline Rogers To Be Showcased at Bajo el Sol July 8

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Bajo el Sol Gallery will be teeming with fishes, corals, shrimp and turtles, on Friday, July 8, as Caroline Rogers unveils new underwater photography at an artist's reception starting at 5 p.m. at the gallery located in Mongoose Junction.

Rogers, a coral reef specialist for the U.S. Geological Survey, has called St. John home for the past 25 years, but did not start snapping pictures under the waves until about five years ago.

"Part of it is that we really started to use photography in our research and I started seeing more and more things that I wanted to capture," said Rogers. "I just began going out on my own time really to look into getting better images and more images."

Two years ago Rogers compiled many of her favorite shots into her first book, *Coral Reef Stars*, but she never stopped using her camera on her often weekly snorkeling trips.

A second book, *Mysterious, Magical Mangroves of St. John*, should be out in a few months, and as the title suggests, much of Rogers' time lately has been spent in the mangrove areas of Hurricane Hole. The mangrove area in Coral Bay is also where Rogers snapped most of the photographs for the Bajo el Sol show, explained the scientist and photographer.

"I'm really excited about the show because I love Bajo el Sol and I really think that [owners] Tom and Livy Hitchcock do a really great job showcasing St. John artists," said Rogers. "It is really an honor for me to have this show at their gallery."

The hardest part for Rogers was determining which of her thousands of pictures would grace the Bajo el Sol walls.

"I have tens of thousands of pictures and I selected a wide variety of photos that celebrate the biodiversity of St. John, from tiny, colorful shrimp that measure less than two inches long, to a large Hawksbill turtle," said Rogers. "Even though I am a scientist, I chose the photos based on their beauty, but they also show the ecological importance of the mangroves."

Part of what drives Rogers' excitement is the incredible diversity of Hurricane Hole's mangrove area.

"Most of the photographs are from Hurricane Hole inside the Virgin Islands Coral Reef National Monument," said the photographer. "This area may be unique in the Caribbean in terms of the numbers of different kinds of corals. There are almost 30 different coral species, which is phenomenal."

"I've asked experts all through the Caribbean and no one knows of any area like it," she said. "It's really exciting that this little island has this particular coral mangrove environment. It's important ecologically as a nursery for both corals and fish."

The extent and the health of corals growing in Hurricane Hole area is a rare source of excitement in the progressively deteriorating ocean environment, Rogers added.

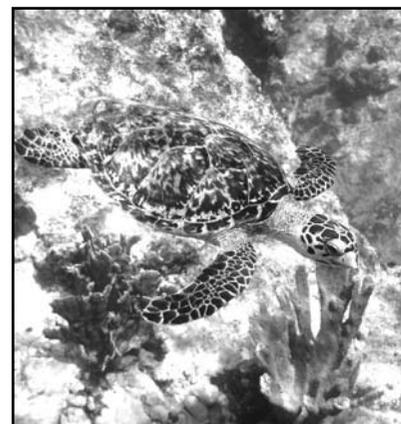
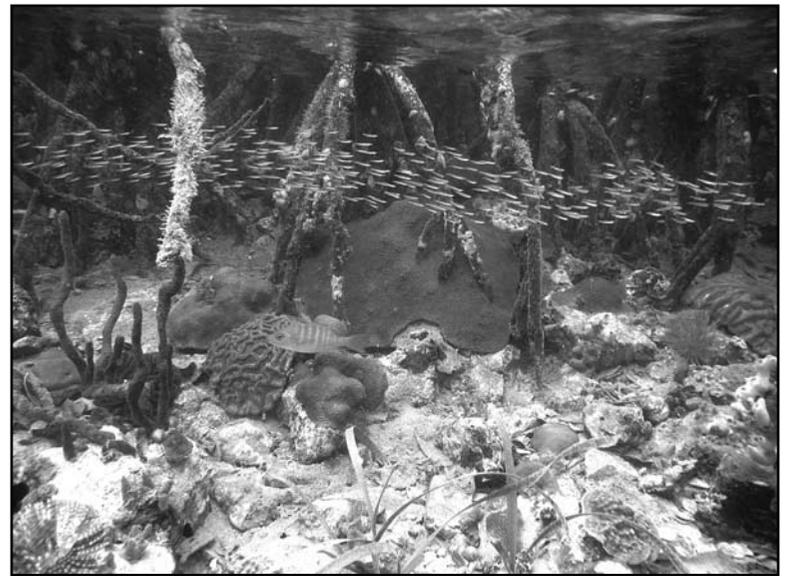
"One thing that really excited me is the number of large corals growing in the area," she said. "Corals are thriving there and they don't seem to be doing as well on the coral reefs. There are also some rare corals in Hurricane Hole that you seldom even see on the reefs."

"I think it's really important to me because I've watched the coral reefs declining over the last many years and I know there is still a lot in the waters of St. John that we can celebrate," said Rogers. "It's an exciting area for me from the research point of view and also for the artistic point of view with all of the different textures and colors."

Although the esteemed scientist can usually identify all objects in her path, Rogers was stumped by one sighting in Hurricane Hole.

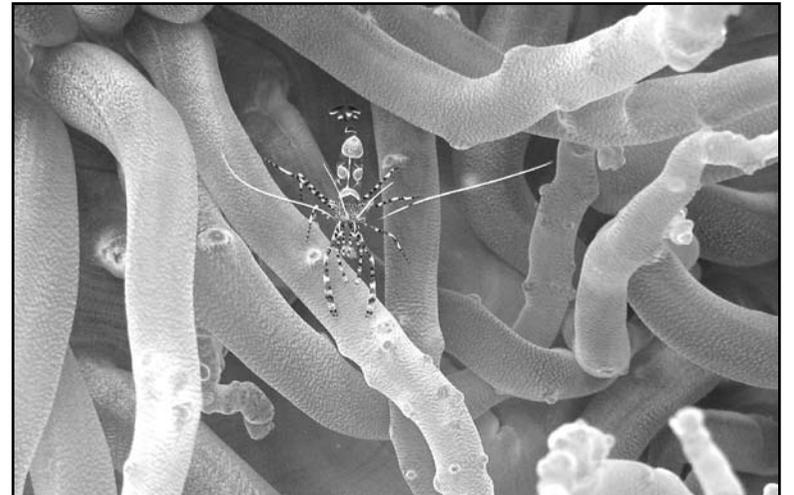
"One day while I was snorkeling in Hurricane Hole, I was swimming along and I saw a little yellow blob and it just caught my attention," she said. "It was a little blob about one and half inches long and it had a tail and was clinging to some seaweed on a prop root. I thought it was some kind of a little frogfish so I took a picture of it."

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Rogers' show will feature thriving coral, above, and creatures both small — a shrimp, below — and large, a Hawksbill turtle, at left.

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Rogers Wins 2011 Scotiabank International Regatta

St. John Tradewinds

Sailing fast and hitting the wind shifts “just right” is what led 11-year-old Wiley Rogers, from Houston, Texas, to win the 19th annual Scotiabank International Optimist Regatta, hosted out of the St. Thomas Yacht Club, from June 24 to 26.

“The waves and wind are what I like about sailing here,” said Rogers, who led going into the last day and held his lead in spite of 2010 defending champion, Jorge Gonzalez from Puerto Rico, winning the last race and closing the score gap to a mere seven points after 11 races.

“I also like meeting so many kids from other countries,” said Rogers. “Jorge is very good and very fast upwind. He has been like a brother to me the last three years I’ve sailed in this regatta.”

Gonzalez finished second, while St. Thomas’ Scott McKenzie placed third overall. McKenzie was also the top scoring U.S. Virgin Islands sailor.

Seventy-nine sailors ages 8 to 15 years from 10 nations — Barbados, the British Virgin Islands, Curacao, Canada, the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, St. Maarten, Trinidad & Tobago, the United States and all three U.S. Virgin Islands — set sail in this Virgin Islands Sailing Association sanctioned event. Eleven races were completed for the Advanced Red, White and Blue Fleets and 19 for the Beginner Green Fleets.

Gonzalez’s finish earned him a first place in the 13- to 15-year-old Red Fleet.

“I hadn’t sailed for two weeks before this regatta, so I felt nervous at first,” said the 15-year-old Gonzalez who will compete in the Optimist North American Championships in Long Beach, California, next week. “Then, I started sailing and going fast. But, it wasn’t that easy to win this year.”

Eleven-year-old Rogers also won the 11- to 12-year-old Blue Fleet. Rogers’ 9-year-old brother, Zane, bested the 10- and under White Fleet.

“Sailing in the clinic really helped me in the regatta,” said Zane Rogers, who credited his father for teaching him how to sail. “It helped me learn to get front row starts.”

The Scotiabank International Optimist Regatta marked

RED FLEET

1. Jorge Gonzalez, Puerto Rico (40)
2. Justina Pacheco, Dominican Republic (70)
3. Mack Fox, USA (80)

BLUE FLEET

1. Wiley Rogers, USA (33)
2. Scott McKenzie, USVI (53)
3. Sam Morrell, BVI (69)

WHITE FLEET

1. Zane Rogers, USA (283)
2. Juan Martin Pacheco, D.R. (331)
3. AnaClare Sole, USA (351)

GREEN FLEET

1. Christopher Sharpless, USVI (45)
2. Jack Finley, USVI (97)
3. Santiago Pacheco, D.R (105)

only the second regatta that St. Thomas’ Christopher Sharpless had ever sailed. Still, the 10-year-old handily won the Beginner Green Fleet against 28 other sailors from a host of locations.

“My goal was to really try hard because I really wanted to win,” said Sharpless. “My coach definitely pushed me hard and trained me well. It was a lot of fun.”

Fifteen-year-old Justina Pacheco, from the Dominican Republic, finished as Best Female and fifth overall.

“I’ve been training very hard, four days a week,” says Pacheco, who earned Top Girl and 7th overall at the Optimist South American Championships in Chile in April. “Here, I looked at the wind and waves and tried to make the best calls. It paid off.”

Puerto Rico’s Miguel Monllor won the Pete Ives Award, given for a combination of sailing prowess, sportsmanship, determination and good attitude both on and off the water. Meanwhile, Trinidad & Tobago’s Abigail Affoo won the Chuck Fuller Sportsmanship Award.

The regatta’s Principal Race Officer, Ken Legler, who is also the Head Sailing Coach at Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts, was impressed with the fleet.



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Dean Barnes

USA's Wiley Rogers, above, sailed to victory in the 2011 Scotiabank Regatta out of St. Thomas Yacht Club.

“All the kids handled their boats well, surfing downwind and wave jumping upwind,” Legler said.

The Scotiabank International Optimist Regatta has been sponsored by Scotiabank almost since the event’s inception. The week started off with the Sea Star Clinic, run from coaches from OptiSailors.com, and included the one-day Sea Star Team Race on Thursday.

For full results, visit www.regattanetwork.com and for more information about the regatta, visit www.styc.net. Also visit the Scotiabank International Optimist Regatta on Facebook.

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Senator-at-Large Report

By Senator Craig Barshinger

Happy St. John Carnival One and All!

St. John Tradewinds

Happy St. John Carnival to One and All! Whether you prefer to call it Carnival or Festival, whether you prefer to visit in the Village or dance in the parade, whether you look forward to the shows or the fireworks over Pillsbury Sound, there is something for everyone at this festive time of year.

I enjoyed the opening ceremony this year, as we honored Ira Wade, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works. For many years Ira has supported Carnival, building the stages, organizing cleanup, and most recently recommending the purchase of the modern aluminum stage with professional lighting.

Due to Ira's connection to the Pan Dragons, we were treated to a veritable concert of pan music during the opening ceremony. I find the Love City Pan Dragon's music breathtaking. It's all natural, with no artificial amplification needed. Their repertoire ranges from traditional pan pieces to skillfully arranged and executed Bach fugues!

The Children's Carnival Village was better than ever this year. It was originated by the St. John Community Foundation and the

St. John Yacht Club. The tradition is carried forward by St. John Rotary, which has added new games and carried forward the old favorites. Where else can children play for hours with just a pocketful of change? The Rotary does this all with volunteer help. The adults have as much fun as the children. See a Rotary member and plan to volunteer next year!

Carnival is not the only activity this time of year. July 3rd is Emancipation Day. I plan to start the day "fore de mahnin" by walking from Fort Christiansvaern in Christiansted to Fort Frederik in Frederiksted. Senator Terrence "Positive" Nelson has made this trek an annual event for those who wish to make a pilgrimage commemorating Emancipation in 1848.

There follows a full day of celebration in Frederiksted. I will be there for several hours, but will be back on St. John before nightfall to enjoy the biggest night of the Carnival. And of course I always look forward to the parade on July 4, followed in the evening by the fantastic fireworks.

The past two weeks in the senate have brought huge developments, which I will report on fur-

ther in next week's *Tradewinds*.

The good news is that in Session on June 22 the Legislature passed the bill I introduced to build a traditional vendor's market on St. John which will showcase items that are made, grown or caught on St. John.

A committee composed of vendors and other community members will work with the Depart-

ment of Licensing and Consumer Affairs to select a location, set criteria for how it will be run, etc. If you are interested come get a copy of the bill 29-0072. As well, you can see it online at Legvi.org; click on "Billtracking."

Another bill was passed in Session, 29-0123, called the Economic Stabilization Act of 2011. I voted NO. In section three the bill gives the Governor the authority to "divert" up to 80 percent of any funds in the government coffers to stabilize the economy.

This is a complete abrogation of the Legislature's responsibility. The Organic Act charges the 15 senators to be in charge of the purse strings of the V.I. Government, not to give that responsibility away.

Another provision of 29-0123 is an 8 percent across the board

pay cut for all government workers making above \$26,000 per year. This is too much for people in the \$20,000 to \$50,000 salary range. With soaring WAPA bills and other expenses, families just cannot afford it.

I offered an amendment to implement a sliding scale pay cut: 0 percent at \$20,000, 2.5 percent at \$40,000, 5 percent at \$60,000, and 10 percent at \$100,000, are examples. I felt that this was fairer and more sustainable for reasons that I will discuss in a future *Senator at Large Report*.

The majority accepted no amendments from the non-Majority. Too bad. The majority's bill was not well-conceived.

Please let me hear from you by email or telephone if you'd like to weigh in on how to deal with the fiscal crisis. Until next time...

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Kids Pack Children's Festival Village



St. John kids came out in force to Children's Festival Village last week, enjoying face painting, jump houses and games of all sorts. The annual village is staffed by volunteers all week and is organized by the Rotary Club of St. John with support from the St. John Community Foundation and sponsored by the St. John Accomodations Council.

St. John Tradewinds New
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St. John Tradewinds News Photos

The silver award winning V.I. Culinary Team smiles for the camera.

U.S. Virgin Islands Culinary Team Wins Silver at Taste of Caribbean Competition

St. John Tradewinds

The Hotel and Tourism Association's V.I. Culinary Team left for last week's Taste of the Caribbean Competition with one thing on their mind — winning gold.

This year's competition was hosted in Miami, Florida and featured a new format, separating food categories — seafood, beef, cheese, pastry — allowing for more individual recognition. Teams were still presented with a mystery basket of ingredients to use in creating their dishes in the respective categories.

The Virgin Islands Team had a stellar showing, proving that months of practice and experience can place one center stage and, in the eyes of the judges, top of the game.

Overall, the team won silver but individual chefs came home with the following medals:

David Benjamin (The Ritz Carlton) – Silver in the seafood category

Negust Kaza (Tutu Bene-St. Croix) – Gold in the Certified Angus Beef category, Best use of Cheese

Dennis Vanterpool – Chef of the Year – Silver

Afiya Augustus (St. Croix Complex graduate, Johnson & Wales student) – Bronze Junior Chef

Al Boston (The Ritz Carlton) – Bronze in the rum category, Bronze overall

One of the most impressive showings was that of pastry chef Kunal Chakrabarti of The Ritz

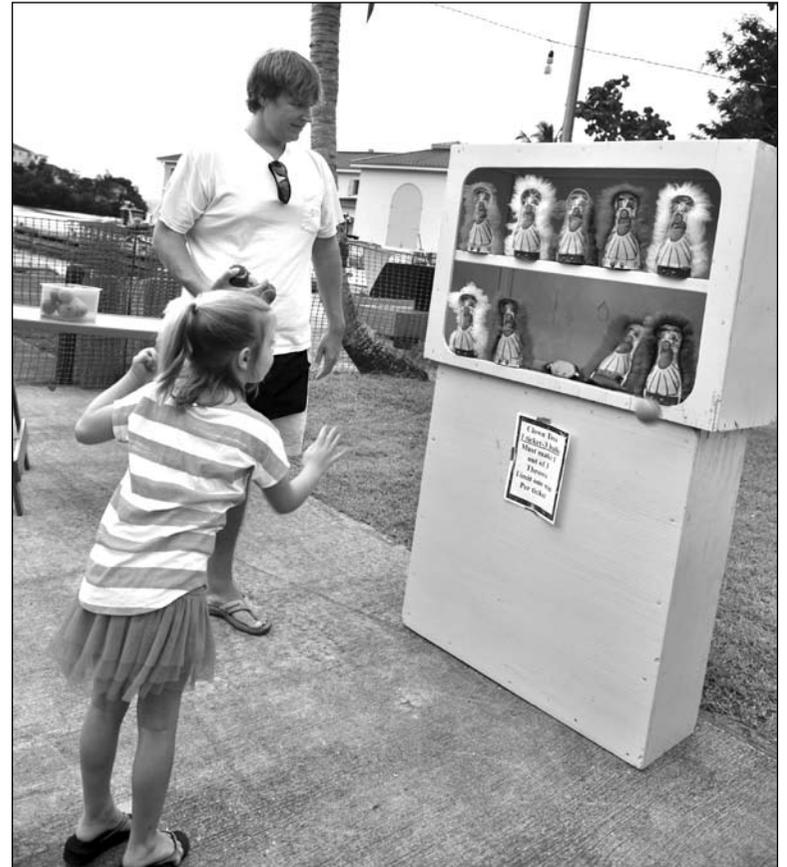


Kunal Chakrabarti's award winning dessert.

Carlton. Chakrabarti's impressive "A play of chocolate and island fruits" won him the Albert Uster Imports Pastry Chef of the Year Award and a place in the Hall of Fame. The creative dessert included chocolate scotch bonnet spirals, mango sorbet, guavaberry, and speculoos cookies.

"I am beaming with pride for this team," said Lisa Hamiton, President of the Hotel and Tourism Association. "They have worked so hard since last year's competition and now have proven themselves to be talented, creative and skilled chefs."

The success of the team would not be possible without the support of the following sponsors: The Department of Tourism, Frenchman's Reef Marriott, Innovative, International Capital & Management Corporation, Merchants Market, Premier Wines & Spirits/Cruzan Rum, The Ritz Carlton, St. Croix Hotel & Tourism Association, Taste of St. Croix, and the West Indian Company Limited.



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Volunteers Make Children's Festival Village a Success

Scotiabank officials were among the volunteers who came out on Thursday night, June 29, to help out at Children's Festival Village in Cruz Bay. Each year the village is set up and staffed by volunteers the week of St. John Festival to give kids a safe and drug- and alcohol-free environment. Thanks to volunteers like Scotiabank vice president Lawrence Aqui who had his face painted at Children's Village, Maho Bay Campground employees and more, the village is offered at a low cost, allowing children to enjoy games and win a multitude of prizes for only a few dollars. The children's village is organized by the Rotary Club of St. John with assistance from the St. John Community Foundation and support of the St. John Accommodation's Council. Happy Festival!



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Armed Robberies: 1

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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: 1

2nd Degree Burglaries: 4

3rd Degree Burglaries: 18

Grand Larcenies: 30

Rapes: 1

Letters To St. John Tradewinds

Virgin Islands National Park Has No Justification for Killing Goats, Cats or Other Animals

I'm writing in response to Ital Anthony's letter to the editor in the June 13-20 issue of *St. John Tradewinds*.

Ital believes the National Park rangers are shooting our island goats because they are eating indigenous plants. Just what are the indigenous plants that justify these rangers from the mainland to kill our island goats in cold blood?

Would to God some non-indigenous persons or animals would find a way to eradicate the indigenous and very dangerous ketch-and-keep that is overrunning four-fifths of the island.

In fact, these same National Park rangers have trapped and probably killed my pet cats at Cinnamon Bay. Would to God some local person had seen what these rangers did to my cats.

To this day, no Park ranger has admitted just who authorized trapping 10 cats (two of which were my

beloved pets) in the absence of the Chief of Resource Management Rafe Boulon who was off-island at the time and knew nothing about this trapping and eradication of our companion animals.

According to Ital, the rangers justified killing these goats simply because they did not have tags in their ears. I personally have rescued a non-indigenous pet dog three times, a little dog belonging to an important Park official. This dog ran loose — did she deserve to be shot because her owner failed to keep her penned? Apply this lesson to our goats, our cats and our other precious animals.

Like Ital, I ask, can't the National Park Service on St. John devote its resources to more beneficial purposes than practicing target shooting on our animals? I question why Park rangers carry guns — to protect themselves from mongooses?

Oriel Smith

Park Should Have Been Complete by Festival

Honorable Governor of the Virgin Islands:

I am writing to ask about the promise you made to St. John about having Frank Powell Park ready by the St John Festival.

It is now July 1, 2011 and the Park is NOT finished nor does it look to be finished soon.

Residents of St. John asked to delay the remodeling of the Park which started in December of 2010, another busy part of our important tourist season. We asked to please start the work after the St. John Festival when we would be in our slow tourist season

Since the implementation of this work we have not had sidewalks for the arriving guests to safely navigate to or from the ferry dock.

I have heard the blame game going on about rain delays, etc, etc. Why was work not being done on weekends to meet this demanding schedule?

Governor, we need our Park back, we need our sidewalks back. Your help on this issue, now will be greatly appreciated

**Sincerely,
Dan Boyd**

Crossword Answers — Puzzle on Page 20

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Signs of the Times

Located on the fence of the Julius E. Sprauve School is a sign for a church service and now an alcohol advertisement.

In the Bible, the apostle Paul instructed Timothy to take a little wine for medical reasons. So therefore, I'm not against drinking in moderate portions.

There is also another restaurant opening across from the school which undoubtedly will be serving mixed drinks. Hmmm, the proportion of bars to school is crazy. First of all, I know that many people would like the school to be moved to a better location. That is fine.

But for the moment, how in the world are we allowing businesses with this type of product to be situated next to a place of learning?

Not even the library is located next to the school. On the other hand, if we were to remove the school from Cruz Bay they may turn the buildings into a shopping center with more questionable businesses.

Cruz Bay feels like every square inch is being turned into a pleasure haven. I may be stretching things a bit, but if school officials want to educate the kids about sexual matters, it won't be long before they are teaching them about drinking responsibly.

I hope that it won't come to that, but the way things are progressing, our school is battling a war right on its front steps.

**Blessings,
Emmanuel Prince**

ISLAND NOTES from the publisher

Sincerest sympathies to the Rutnik Family for their deep loss. — MN

Amos & Andy

I never thought I would be burying my son Amos next to his sister Ruby. In fact I had privately shown Amos where I wanted to be buried next to Ruby in our Garden of Tears at Guavaberry Farms.

Now Amos will rest there, right next to his sister under the outstretched limbs of a Guavaberry tree. I knew I could count on him to make sure my wishes were fulfilled and when his mother died she would be buried right between us under the same Guavaberry tree.

Amos was so proud of Guavaberry Farms, as it was with him that I first cut a path through the thick bush and discovered the first of many Guavaberry trees that graced the property.

As a child he was always at my side wherever or whenever I did anything, his sun blond hair hanging in his eyes and bright smile ready to charm my clients

or friends. For we were Amos and Andy, always bringing a smile to anyone who was old enough to remember those radio shows.

I cannot sum up his life in just a few words nor memorialize his good qualities in a few memories or stories. Amos was bigger than that and that is why I am missing him so much.

We are a small family that had our hearts broken with the death of our beloved Ruby and now more sorrow as our Amos has left us to join his sister. His last day was one of laughter and happiness as Amos and Cindy spent the day with Sophie and friends celebrating her birthday.

His last minutes were spent clinging to life with Cindy and Janet while Sophie and I were praying and pleading that he stay with us while his sister Ruby with an outstretched hand waited for him

on the other side. It is how it must be; his family and friends left with overwhelming sorrow while he rejoices in his reunion with Ruby, the sister he loved.

For my family to survive this unimaginable tragedy we will look to each other and our community of friends to give us the hope and love we need to heal our broken hearts.

I have so much to live for with Sophie, Brummell, Jameer, Cindy, Cristian and Jessica all needing a PaPa and a Gram to give them strength to go on and the memories they will need to keep Amos in their hearts.

I am happy Amos is with Ruby and am sure he knows I will give his family all the protection and nurturing they will need.

Amos, may you rest in peace with Ruby at your side and our love as your comfort, Dad.

Remembering Amos Rutnik

A Dreamer, Perfectionist and Dedicated Family Man

I first met Amos the week I learned that I was carrying twins. Soon Cindy was pregnant too, and, over the years, we became an extended family, as is uniquely possible on St. John.

I grew to love to Amos. He was a dreamer and a perfectionist, a conflicting combination of fancy and will that drove him to proud exhaustion. I have watched Amos toss two batches of gravy, for one perfect turkey, because they were not quite right (and yet delicious); risk his limbs for the perfect branch of guavaberries; burst into tears with a desire to change.

Amos was happiest when he was at home: laying boulders with the backhoe, romancing the grill, playing football with the children, collecting fruit, pruning trees, blowing leaves, maintaining every corner of the property to perfection, while envisioning the next phase at Guavaberry Farms. It was his great canvas, and he obsessed over details such as the depth and quality of stones, from one step to the next.

I can see him now, working in the sun, gesturing to the kids, some dirt on his face. At the end of such days, he entered the kitchen the Herculean vision of manhood, complaining of the trials he had himself invented, and then unwound over the stove, ready to discuss the perfect glazed chicken or merits of mystifying roots.

When he left the kitchen for a shower, he did so with hilariously detailed instructions on how to proceed in his absence. One of my favorite after-

noons was spent up in the trees collecting guavaberries with Cindy and Amos, which we squashed into rum and drank outdoors as the winds of a storm began to blow. Those were good times.

Amos was fanatically dedicated to his family and felt in some way that every muscle of work was for Cindy, Jessica and Cristian. He discussed everything with Cindy, sat in on his children's classes, promoted good nutrition with a dose of candy, and laughed at the charming foibles of the children who frolicked at Guavaberry Farms — to them, the Central Park of St. John. He dubbed Paul "Cupid," and referred to our unit as "Cupid and the Gang."

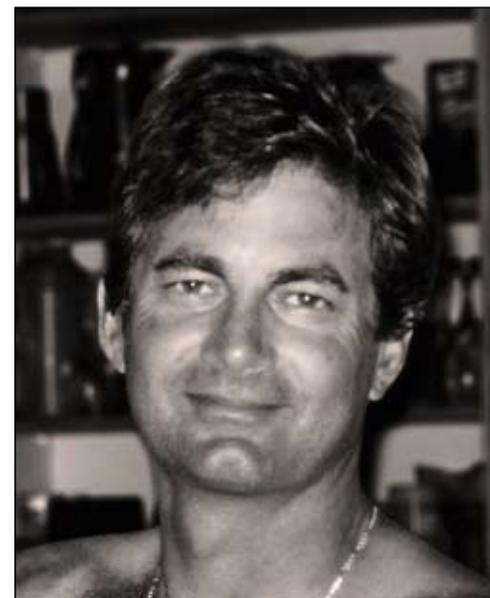
When I think of Amos, I think of his hands. They suffered from his risky activities, and caused him pain, but they expressed most vividly his dreams, and were always in the air, like wands of passion — carving out a design, enriching a vision, dancing around his words or frustrations, both fragile and strong.

He was extremely proud of his parents, of his beautiful sister, of his loving wife Cindy, and of Jessica, and Cristian. There was not a conversation I had with Amos that was not in some way about them.

Jessica and Cristian, your father's love lives in every breath you take. It sings in the breeze at Guavaberry Farms, and will continue to blossom for you every day. You are so loved.

— Downing Child

Obituary



Amos Rutnik August 17, 1970-June 26, 2011

Amos Rutnik, 40, of Fish Bay, St. John, died Sunday, June 26, at Roy L. Schneider Hospital. He died peacefully with family around him.

Amos was born August 17, 1970, at Knud Hansen Hospital on St. Thomas. He lived all his life on St. John. He attended Julius E. Sprauve School and All Saints before graduating from Christian Brothers Academy in Albany, NY, his grandfather's alma mater.

After graduation Amos sailed up the Gambia River and along the coast of West Africa and back to the Virgin Islands aboard the sailboat *Breath* with the Muilenburg family of St. John before going away to school in Florida.

Amos attended Hillsborough Community College and the University of Florida, Tampa, studying horticulture, water and irrigation management and computer systems. He returned home in 2000 and in 2004 he married and built a home in Fish Bay.

Amos was preceded in death by his sister, Ruby.

He is survived by his wife, Cindy, and their children, Cristian and Jessica; his parents, Andy and Janet; sister, Sophie and partner, Brummell Germain. He is also survived by parents-in-law, Ginny Allen and Dennis Daugherty; brother-in-law, Rob Daugherty; uncles, Vince Rehbit, Greg, Doug, Chris, and Jonathan Rutnik; aunts, Diana Rehbit, Frances, Monica, Gwenn, Patty and Alexis Rutnik and Ginny Heller; nephew, Jameer Germain; cousins, Jennifer Rivera, Nicole Whitlow, Lisa, Laura and Amy Rehbit, Erik, Josh, Denise, Jordan, Jared, Brooke and Dougie Rutnik, Carron Tessitore, Tiffinay Rutnik Lodico, Erin Tschantret, Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand and their families; special friends and their families, Rafael Muilenburg, Colin Hilliard, Alisa Gross, the Schnells, the Sewers, Ross Ortiz and many others.

Services were Saturday, July 2, at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Cruz Bay, St. John. The burial was at Guavaberry Farms in Fish Bay, St. John. Funeral arrangements were by Davis Funeral Home.

An education trust has been established for his children through the St. John Community Foundation.

Remembrances can be sent to amosrutnikremembrances@gmail.com.

Wadesville Kicks Off with Bang of the Steel Drum

Continued from Page 3

“My experience with the Festival Organization has been 99 percent positive,” he said. “Sometimes it is challenging. We are a small group of hard working people who all have their own ideas.”

Wade took a break from the microphone to share a special gift with the organization and the crowd — the Love City Pan Dragons.

“I would like to give something to the committee and the crowd,” said Wade. “We spend hours with these children and I would like them to pay tribute to the platform guests and the audience. Hear these children play.

The Pan Dragons wowed the crowd with their rendition of Johann Sebastian Bach’s Toccata and Fugue in D Minor.

“See what we can get out of these children if you invest time and a little bit of money,” said Wade about the Love City Pan Dragons. “I want you all to see if you invest time, what you can get out of the future of St. John. That is the future right there.”

While handing Wade a plaque in honor of Wadesville, Johannes had one reminder for the man of the night.

“This does not mean that your work is over,” she told Wade.

Delegate to Congress Donna Christensen, Senator at Large Craig Barshinger, Senator Shawn-Michael Malone, Senate President Ronald Russel and Lieutenant Governor Greg Francis each took the microphone to honor Wade and urge the crowd to enjoy the sights, sounds and flavors of Festival.

As the Pan Dragons kept the crowd entertained, St. John Festival Queen Kinia Blyden, St. John Festival Princess Ashyria Kelly and Wade gathered with other dignitaries to cut the ribbon at the Village entrance and officially open Wadesville, but the party was just getting started

A huge crowd sampled the food in village on June 29 and stayed to dance to Cool Session Brass and Poison until late into the night.



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Del. Donna Christensen, Sen. Ronald Russel, village honoree Ira Wade, Sen. Craig Barshinger, Sen. Shawn Michael Malone and Lt. Governor Gregory Francis.

Festival Honoree Ira Wade

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Within less than five hours after Marilyn tore through the territory, Wade and his crew had all of Love City’s roads open to traffic. Progress in the cleanup effort was visible on a daily basis, he explained.

Sixteen years later, Wade’s work ethic is no less strong than it was when he first came on board with DPW.

“I come to work every morning around 5:15 a.m., and I leave when the day is finished,” he said. “Some days it’s early, some days it’s late.”

As if his job with Public Works doesn’t keep him busy enough, Wade also volunteers with an organization he holds near and dear to his heart — the Love City Pan Dragons. Wade has worked with the youth steel pan band for the past 17 years and beams with pride when he speaks about them.

Wade has also served on the St. John Festival and Cultural Organization for the past 10 years and oversees construction of the professional village stage each year as well.

Although Wade shied away from praise at the opening of Wadesville on Wednesday evening, June 29, his character was lauded again and again by various speakers during the opening ceremony, and the crowd heartily applauded while the Love City Pan Dragons rang their drums in honor of the man who works tirelessly for Love City.

Amos Rutnik Dies Car Accident

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life, his incredibly creativity and more than anything else his kindness and courtesy to everyone — he was a true gentleman.”

“Amos would help anyone at any time,” he said. “He would always stop and help people. That was an intrinsic part of his nature — it was just who he was.”

Rutnik was born at Knud Hansen Hospital on St. Thomas on August 17, 1970, and was raised on St. John. He was a true St. Johnian, explained Muilenburg.

“Amos was a true native son of St. John,” he said. “He spent almost his entire life on St. John and was really connected to the island and the people.”

After graduating from the University of Florida, Tampa, where he studied horticulture, water and irrigation management, and computer systems, Rutnik eventually

returned to St. John and started his own business, Artistic Landscaping.

This is the second time tragedy has struck the Rutnik family in the form of a fatal car accident. The family buried Amos’ sister, Ruby, at Guavaberry Farms in 1996, after she died in a car accident in Washington, D.C. where she was studying at American University.

Ruby Rutnik was a star windmill pitcher at Antilles School and was only 21 when she died. The Rutnik family keeps her memory alive by hosting the Ruby Rutnik Memorial Softball Tournament each April which raises scholarship money for local students.

Rutnik left behind his wife Cindy and two children, Cristian and Jessica; his parents, Andy and Janet; his sister Sophie and her son and partner, and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins, as well as countless friends.

Family members and friends gathered on Saturday morning, July 2, at Our Lady of Mount Car-

mel Church in Cruz Bay for Rutnik’s funeral. Rutnik was buried at his family’s Guavaberry Farms in Fish Bay following the church service.

Rutnik was a man full of passion who should be an example to all, Muilenburg explained.

“He was an example to us all,” said Muilenburg. “His enthusiasm was incredible. He was gung-ho about everything.”

“He had this amazing energy and was great to be around,” Muilenburg said. “We must just celebrate that. We got 40 great years with him, those of us who were privileged to know him.”

“As much as we would have liked 40 more years, he left an amazing legacy,” he said.

Remembrances of Rutnik may be sent to amosrutnikremembrances@gmail.com.

The family has established an education fund for his children through the St. John Community Foundation. Call 693-9410 for more information.

Christensen Commends Census for Territorial Statistics

St. John Tradewinds

Delegate to Congress Donna Christensen said last week that she was pleased that the U.S. Department of Commerce Bureau of Census has expanded its County Business Patterns to include economic statistics for American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Christensen held hearings with the Bureau of Census in May of 2008 asking them to include the four small territories in more statistical surveys.

"I am pleased that they have begun the process," she said. "The Department of Commerce and other federal agencies are doing more to include the insular areas in statistics that are necessary for planning and for the proper allocation of funding."

The County Business Patterns statistics provide the only detailed annual information on the number of establishments, employees, and first-quarter and annual payroll for most of the 1,100 industries covered at the national, state and county levels.

Last week's report, which covered 2009 statistics, showed that there were a total of 2,845 establishments with a total annual payroll of \$1 billion in the Virgin Islands.

The complete report shows that the entire United States lost 168,000 establishments between 2008 and 2009 and lost more than 6 million employees.

The data can be accessed at <http://www.census.gov/econ/cbp/>.

Police Log

Friday, June 24

10:54 a.m. - An Estate Bethany resident r/ a break-in at the Animal Care Center. Burglary in the third.

12:14 p.m. - A citizen r/ an assault in the area of Bellevue Village. Simple assault.

6:48 p.m. - The manager of C&C Car Rental p/r a breach of contract. Breach of contract.

Saturday, June 25

3:18 a.m. - While providing crowd control at Cruz Bay dock after Carnival Music Festival, VIPD officer observed a man having several altercations with several individuals. He began to get physical with the VIPD officer and was restrained and transported to Leander Jurgen Command. Delaying and obstructing.

12:35 p.m. - An Estate Carolina resident requested police assistance. Police assistance.

2:32 p.m. - An Estate Pastory resident r/ that he was shot at. Assault in the third.

6:15 p.m. - An Estate Carolina resident r/ that she was assaulted by her husband.

6:21 p.m. - An employee at Love City Mini Mart c/r a disturbance. Destruction of property.

8:00 p.m. - Badge #730 p/ at Leander Jurgen Command with Thomas Small of Estate Carolina, under arrest and charged with aggravated assault and battery, domestic violence. No bail was set due to domestic violence laws. He was detained at Leander Jurgen Command and later transported to the Bureau of Corrections on St.

Thomas.

9:00 p.m. - A citizen c/r an accident in the area of Fish Bay. Auto accident.

Sunday, June 26

1:32 a.m. - An Estate Contant resident p/r that he was threatened. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

6:43 p.m. - An Estate Hard Labor resident r/ that he was threatened by his cousin. Disturbance of the peace, threats (D.V.)

9:16 p.m. - An Estate Pastory resident c/r that his cellular phone was stolen from his residence. Burglary in the third.

Monday, June 27

11:42 a.m. - An Estate Contant resident p/r that a male threatened to slap her. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

Tuesday, June 28

2:38 p.m. - An Estate Contant resident p/requesting police assistance. Police assistance.

8:31 p.m. - An Estate Pastory resident p/r that she was harassed by her landlord. Landlord/tenant dispute.

10:07 p.m. - A St. Thomas resident c/requesting police assistance to retrieve her son from his father. Police assistance.

Wednesday, June 29

9:47 a.m. - An Estate Chocolate Hole resident p/r that he was assaulted by his son's mother. Assault in the third.

11:50 a.m. - A visitor from VA p/r that her watch was missing from her beach bag. Grand larceny.

5:12 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident p/r that he was threatened

by another male. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

Thursday, June 30

8:10 a.m. - An Estate Bethany resident p/r that his landlord changed the locks on the apartment he was renting. Landlord/tenant dispute.

10:28 a.m. - An Estate Bethany resident p/r that he is being harassed. Disturbance of the peace.

11:05 a.m. - An Estate Enighed resident p/r that her dog was stolen. Grand larceny.

2:05 p.m. - An Estate Carolina resident p/r that a necklace was stolen from his store. Grand larceny.

6:00 p.m. - A George Simmonds Terrace resident p/r that she was threatened. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

Friday, June 1

12:25 a.m. - A St. Thomas resident p/r that a male created a disturbance and swung at her. Aggravated assault and battery.

1:05 a.m. - A citizen p/r that her parked vehicle was struck and damaged. Auto accident.

1:12 a.m. - A citizen p/r that he was assaulted by a female in Cruz Bay Village. Simple assault.

2:35 a.m. - An Estate Contant resident r/ that he was assaulted. Police assistance.

3:31 p.m. - A St. Thomas resident r/ that he was assaulted in Cruz Bay. Police assistance.

4:32 a.m. - An Estate Power Boyd resident c/r that she observed someone on her property. Suspicious activity.

Underwater Images by Rogers Presented at Bajo el Sol

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Rogers sent the image to Dr. Jack Randall, an internationally known fish expert who spent several years on St. John.

"I looked in a book and I knew it was unusual to see something like this in the mangroves so I sent it to Dr. Randall, who sent it to a global frogfish expert at the University of Washington," said Rogers. "That scientist confirmed that it was a Sargassum Frogfish and the first report of frogfishes living in mangroves. I ended up seeing over 20 more of these guys."

Although dedicated to art, Rogers is always mindful of the scientific side of her nature as well. Through her images, she hopes to share the beauty of the undersea world, but also affect positive change for the sensitive areas in which she works.

"Mangroves are even more threatened than coral reefs in

general," said Rogers. "These are very fragile communities and it's best if people don't speed in the area or tie up to the mangroves. Many people think of mangroves as waste lands so it's good for people to understand how important they are."

"When you snorkel, it's easy to overlook some of the smaller animals," she said. "I encourage people to go really slowly and look very carefully. You never know what you might see."

Rogers' images also show how this underwater world is so accessible.

"All of these images were taken in less than 15 feet of water while I was snorkeling," she said. "I want people to look in a different way at mangroves in general and know that these are accessible areas."

Don't miss Rogers' artist's reception on Friday, July 8, at Bajo el Sol in Mongoose Junction starting at 5 p.m.

CRIME STOPPERS U.S.V.I.

Organization Seeks Information on Recent Crimes

St. John Tradewinds

Crime Stoppers needs the community's help to solve the following crimes. If anyone knows something, they should say something, as law enforcement cannot control crime without help. Even the smallest bit of information may be just what law enforcement needs to solve these cases.

St. John

On June 4, at 4:57 a.m. at Sapphire Breeze Villa in Estate Bethany, an armed robber forced his way from the patio into the master bedroom. After a brief scuffle with the father, his three children entered the bedroom. The intruder waved his gun, demanded money, and became enraged when he discovered there was little to be had. The intruder is described as a black male with short hair, 5'9" to 6' tall wearing a black T-shirt, black pants and a mask. If you saw anyone that morning or the night before fitting this description, please tell us.

St. Thomas

On Wednesday, June 22, at approximately 6:30 p.m., police responded to a report of shots fired in the area of Frenchtown near the ball park. Details are sketchy as to who fired the shots or the motive. This incident happened in a very public area.

We need to get the criminals who were involved in these crimes off the streets. Please tell what you know 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 state-side 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 of up to \$2,500. The minimum reward for the arrest of a murder suspect is \$1,500. Only anonymous callers to Crime Stoppers are eligible for these cash rewards.

Ferry Schedules - Cruz Bay and Charlotte Amalie

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

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White Centerline Road Stripping Defines Shoulder



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Residents were thrilled to see white stripes along the sides of Centerline Road last week. Many residents said the lines made driving at night much easier and thanked officials for the quick paint job.

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Wednesday Testimonials
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Sun., 5 p.m., STJ, Lumberyard

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Coral Bay, Sun. 9 a.m. 776-6713

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Tuesdays Prayer 7:30 p.m.,
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Sunday 9 a.m.; Bible Class, Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.
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Community Calendar

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Mondy, July 4

— St. John Festival Parade starts at 11 a.m. across from Mongoose Junction.

— Fireworks over Cruz Bay Harbor at 9 p.m.

Starts Saturday, July 9

— The community is invited to kick off Summer at Starfish Market on Saturday, July 9, from 3 to 5 p.m. Stop by the first floor of the Marketplace to sample different types of melon and enjoy some fresh barbecue items like hamburgers, hot dogs and maybe corn on the cob.

— Anyone who wants to learn how to defend themselves, should learn from the best of the best and St. John School of the Arts will have the best to offer in a Women's Self Defense Class and Defense Tactics 101 with Grand Master Instructor Ron Van Clief. Classes are Saturday, July 9, 16, and 23 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Each class is \$20 and participants must call to sign up to reserve a spot. Space is limited, so call SJSA early at 779-4322.

Sunday, July 10

— Stop by High Tide on Sunday, July 10, at 4 p.m. for a chance to take home Dennis

Hart's famous Shark Mobile. Hart passed away last month and his widow Angie is hoping to auction off his beloved vehicle to raise funds to cover his last expenses. Angie is also planning to raffle off one of Hart's original paintings.

— *Kekoa* Catamaran is hosting a sunset cocktail cruise on Sunday, July 10, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in benefit of Amos Rutnik's Family. Meet at the National Park dock at 5:15 p.m. Tickets are \$100 per person and \$20 for children between 3 and 12 years old. Kids under three are free. Space is limited to 60 people and advanced reservations are required. Email sailkekoa@gmail.com or call 340-244-7245.

Starts August 16

The Real Estate Sales course will be offered by the University of the Virgin Islands - Community Engagement and Lifelong Learning (UVICELL) Center. On St. Thomas, classes will be from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning August 16, at the UVICELL Center on the St. Thomas Campus. For fees and more information on the course, call 693-1100 or <http://cell.uvi.edu>.

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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- 21 In a very angry way
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- 23 Jagger and Fleetwood out in a blizzard?
- 25 Stencil work
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- 27 Pay to play
- 28 Bags used by some opera stars?
- 29 Faunae counterparts
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- 34 Santa — wind
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- 36 King of Thebes gets into a crash?
- 40 Job detail, briefly
- 43 Triage areas, briefly
- 44 Perform the duties of
- 45 2.0 grades
- 47 Tibetan city
- 51 Shia's god
- 52 Golf course on another planet?
- 55 Concerning
- 58 Massey of film
- 60 Knight's mount
- 61 "Take — from me ..."
- 62 Fumigated hair?
- 65 Pageant adornment
- 67 Palindromic "before"
- 68 Silk alternative
- 69 Opposite of east, in Spanish
- 72 Of a forearm bone
- 74 Suffix with 26-Across

- 75 Actress Teri
- 79 Dixie rodeo horses?
- 83 Former New York stadium
- 85 Is lionlike
- 88 Nosy one
- 89 Impostor
- 90 Hits from a loggerhead?
- 93 Inserted bud
- 95 — Gyra
- 96 Delhi dress
- 97 Came about
- 98 Suffix with sheep or owl
- 101 Just barely
- 104 Nails for company use?
- 107 Solicit
- 110 Rocker Ocasek of the Cars
- 112 Cellar, in real-estate ads
- 113 Ump's shout
- 114 Spanish boy grades test papers?
- 118 Hurts
- 121 Little hotel
- 122 Obsessive zeal for a single thing
- 123 Big trucks for company use?
- 127 Have supper
- 128 Like a hand with fingers spread
- 129 180 hung by a motorist
- 130 Most hazardedly icy
- 131 Rebuffed
- 132 Tpk., e.g.

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- 1 Animal throat
- 2 Sales pitch deliverer
- 3 Sol and Helios
- 4 With 5-Down, hang on a clothesline

- 5 See 4-Down
- 6 Papa's other half
- 7 "To put — a nutshell ..."
- 8 Pastors
- 9 Ethylene or propylene
- 10 Fleur-de- —
- 11 Soccer icon
- 12 Kagan of the Supreme Court
- 13 Rock climbers' spikes
- 14 Petty tyrant
- 15 Prez Eisenhower and singer Turner
- 16 Irene of "Fame" fame
- 17 Novelist Cynthia
- 18 Sri —
- 19 Teen turmoil
- 24 TV actress Spelling
- 28 Givers' opposites
- 29 Rival
- 30 "Be — and help me out!"
- 31 Big name in ancient geometry
- 33 Nero's "Lo!"
- 37 Shower area
- 38 Western cry
- 39 Split-off group
- 41 Pipe shape
- 42 Potted "pet"
- 46 Drags to court
- 48 Rabbit ears
- 49 Downhiller's accessory
- 50 Attack with evil reports
- 51 Golfer Isao —
- 52 Create
- 53 Irish actor Stephen
- 54 QB's pickups
- 55 Aids
- 56 Bad traffic accident
- 57 Walking shakily
- 59 S.Sgt., e.g.
- 63 He was attached to Chang

- 64 Leaky tire sound
- 66 "Ben- —" (1959)
- 70 Exceeds
- 71 Spain loc.
- 73 Hay holder
- 76 "Chances —"
- 77 Pull an oar
- 78 Fan noises
- 80 Big striped cat, in Spain
- 81 Grinders
- 82 Saucy
- 84 Razor name
- 86 Broccoli —
- 87 Surgeon's duds
- 91 Filming area
- 92 Lip smack
- 94 Fancy party
- 97 Fighting a common viral illness
- 98 "Agreed"
- 99 Kept from scoring any points
- 100 Pres. after FDR
- 102 Fashion giant Giorgio
- 103 Senator Feinstein
- 105 Devotee's declaration
- 106 Song in an opera
- 107 Pinnacles
- 108 Tideland
- 109 Kunta —
- 111 Blubbers
- 115 Body of laws
- 116 Not include
- 117 Go- —
- 119 Bird's perch
- 120 Natural wound cover
- 123 Photo — (Kodak moments)
- 124 Summer, in Lyons
- 125 Sm.-lge. link
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Adam Thill helps his son Benjamin with his t-ball swing.

Kids Take Part in Baseball Clinic

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free hour-long class for coaches as well. Philbert was hands-on leading batting and fielding practice along with Skip Lockwood, who pitched for the Brewers, Angels, Mets and Red Sox before hanging up his glove in 1980.

The two hosted more than 60 children eager to make contact and run the bases.

“The clinic went extremely well,” said Philbert. “We had about 62 kids and a lot of parents who came out. There is definitely demand for this type of activity.”

“The word was still spreading around and I think even more kids would have come out had their parents known about it,” he said. “There is demand and interest in this. On Monday, after the clinic was over, there were about 10 kids who showed up to the field hoping they could play ball again.”

The clinic was the just the first event in Philbert’s plan to revive baseball on Love City, he explained.

“Up next we’ll probably host a follow-up clinic in the fall,” he said. “We’ll do a few days of practice and follow up with parents. The intention is to start a T Ball league in February.”

“We have the kid and the interest is there, so we’ll start with T Ball for 4- to 6-year-olds,” said Philbert.

If there is enough interest, Philbert also hoped to launch a coach pitching league for St. John 6- to 8-year-olds, he added. And it’s not too early to mark those calendars for January 28, 2012 for the second annual Love City Live! to continue raising funds for more sports leagues for St. John youth.

For more details on Love City Live! email Philbert at infor@globalventurellc.com.



Glen Philbert helps a baseball player with her swing during the clinic.

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"Great Cruz Bay Land" with dual water views of both Great Cruz Bay and Chocolate Hole from this oversized 1.03 acre parcel with a very gentle grade allowing easy access and building. Popular rental area with paved roads & close to Cruz Bay town location. Established HOA with deeded beach access to Chocolate Hole and Hart Bay beaches. *Buyer and Seller to equally split stamp tax. **\$595,000**

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"Villa Meritage" - a private oasis nestled into the verdant hillside overlooking Hart Bay, Chocolate Hole and beyond to the island of St. Thomas and offshore cays. Facing west to capture stunning sunsets, the four bedroom, four bath pool home with Jacuzzi offers a separate one bedroom cozy cottage (built in 2000), with its own private Jacuzzi. Beautifully furnished and lavishly decorated with custom artwork, this home is a must see. **\$1.5M**

Mango Terrace Villas - Brand new and spacious condos on a hillside overlooking the turquoise waters of the Caribbean. All units have spacious interiors, ample decks from which to enjoy the cool easterly breezes & expansive water views. Amenities include private laundry, private decks, granite, counters, travertine floors, large shared pool and deck. Only six units in two buildings with proximity to Cruz Bay Town & Frank Bay beach. Reasonable financing available. **\$499,000 to \$1.2M.**

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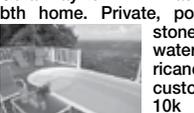
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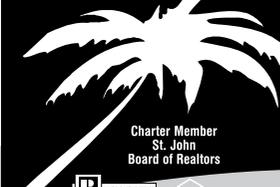
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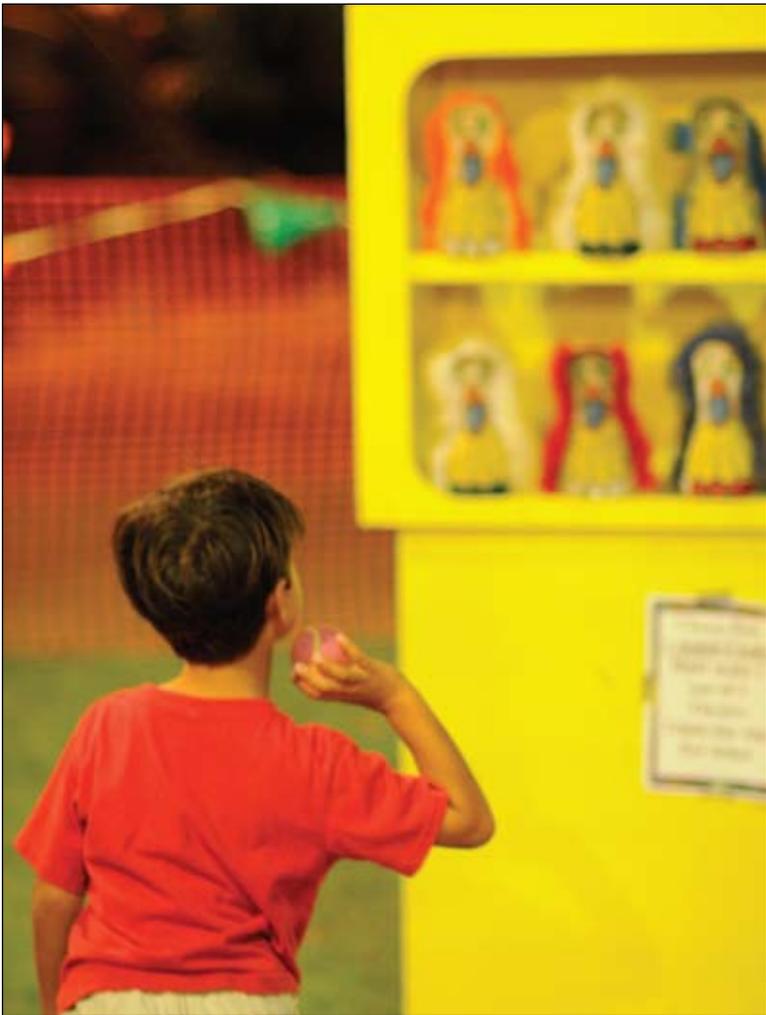
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Children's Festival Village



St. John youth of all ages congregated at Children's Festival Village last week where they enjoyed games of skills and chance thanks to a bevy of volunteers and St. John Rotary Club.

MORE CHILDREN'S VILLAGE PHOTOS INSIDE: Page 12 and 13

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