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## **New Issue of *St. John Magazine* Delights Readers**

The sixth edition of *St. John Magazine* hit news stands last week to the delight of fans of the over-sized, glossy publication who have been waiting for the newest issue. **See story and more photos on page 3.**

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St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Jaime Elliott

Taetia Phillips-Dorsett explained new health care reform to St. John seniors at St. Ursula's Multi-purpose Center last week as part of the government's ongoing campaign to engage stakeholders territory-wide.

## St. John Residents Get Opportunity To Share Health Care Reform Views

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

Members of Governor John deJongh's Health Reform task force met with residents across St. John last week to gather input on the territory's upcoming health care reform.

As part of the government's ongoing campaign to gather public input on how the territory should implement federally mandated Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Taetia Phillips-Dorsett

and Nicole Wheatley met with seniors, young adults and the general public at a series of outreach meetings on St. John last week.

The duo work with both the Governor's Office and Lieutenant Governor's Office, and the Health Reform Task force on implementing the Affordable Care Act in the Virgin Islands. Phillips-Dorsett and Wheatley have been meeting with various segments of the community across the territory since October.

From appearances on radio and television to meeting with stakeholders, Phillips-Dorsett and Wheatley are hoping to engage every stakeholder in the community in order for their voices, and opinions on health care reform, to be heard.

In January, the women will report their findings and the community's opinions to the governor's Health Care Reform Task Force. The Task Force will then make

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### Annual Pre-Christmas Dinner Dec. 10

Bethany Moravian Church's annual pre-Christmas dinner is on Saturday, December 10, at 6:30 p.m. at Bethany Fellowship Hall.

A donation of \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under will be appreciated. For more information call 626-6279.

### Montessori Holly Bake Sale Dec. 10

St. John Montessori School is hosting its third annual Holly Bake Sale on Saturday, December 10, on the first floor lobby of The Marketplace from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Stop by the table to pick up tasty cookies, pies, cakes, brownies and more. Funds raised at the event will support the school's scholarship fund and its annual Kid's Fest in April.

For more information call 775-9594.

### Love City Pan Dragons Christmas Concert on Dec. 11 at Westin Resort

The Love City Pan Dragons Youth Steel Orchestra invites the community to its Fifth Annual Christmas Concert at the Westin Resort and Villas ballroom on Sunday, December 11, at 4 p.m. Tickets, \$10 for adults and \$5 for children, are available from band members, Courtesy Car Rental and at the door.

### Financial Aid Night Set for Dec. 13

Giffth Hill School would like to invite all St. John parents and students to Financial Aid Night on Tuesday, December 13, at 6 p.m.

While this program is most relevant for juniors and seniors and their families, all interested residents are invited to join. This informative evening will be hosted at the Upper Campus of GHS. Suzanne Adrien, Assistant Director of Financial Aid at UVI, will present. In order to allow organizers to plan the evening, please RSVP to Meghan Duffy at [meghanduffy@giffthillschool.org](mailto:meghanduffy@giffthillschool.org) or 776-1730.

### Christmas Bird Count Set for Dec. 17

Get those birding shoes and binoculars ready because the annual Audubon Christmas Bird Count date has been set for the VI Audubon Society.

This year, the group will head out to count St. John birds on Saturday, December 17, with a rain date set for Sunday, December 18.

This will be the 112th Christmas Bird Count sponsored by Audubon. Plan to be a part of this nationwide environmental activity. Since the Christmas Bird Count began more than a century ago, it has relied on the dedication and commitment of volunteer citizen scientists.

There is a specific methodology to the Christmas Bird Count, but everyone can participate. The count takes place within "Count Circles," which focus on specific geographical areas.

Each circle is led by a Count Compiler. If your home is within the boundaries of a Count Circle, you can stay home and report the birds that visit your feeder once you have arranged to do so with the Count Compiler.

Laurel Brannick, education specialist with V.I. National Park, is VIAS' Count Compiler. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact Brannick at [laurel\\_brannick@nps.gov](mailto:laurel_brannick@nps.gov).

The CBC is a chance to enjoy nature and provide valuable information about bird habitats. Usually the time commitment is about two hours or it could be more, depending on one's preference.

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**Top Left:** A full moon night is captured at Annaberg Plantation by Steve Simonsen.

**Above:** An indigenous orchid.

**Right:** Victor Provist performing with the 21st Century Band during a local tour.

**Bottom Left:** Sea creatures are discovered at Drunk Bay by Fernando Ramos.

# Sixth Edition of *St. John Magazine* Delights Readers

By Jaime Elliott  
*St. John Tradewinds*

The newest edition of *St. John Magazine* landed on St. John shores last week, with the signature breath-taking photography and in-depth editorial features which readers have come to expect from the MaLinda Media publication.

The sixth edition of the glossy, over-sized publication is full of editorial spreads covering the distinct island life, people and history which make Love City so special. From food, two very talented local chefs who approach their art from vastly different standpoints are featured this year, history to beaching activities, native plant information to coral education, the newest edition of *St. John Magazine* will entertain and educate readers. Which is exactly what makes the publication different from other local feature fare, explained publisher MaLinda Nelson.

"*St. John Magazine* is editorial-based," said Nelson. "It's not cluttered with advertisements, allowing readers to become easily engaged in our articles. The advertisements speak for themselves

**"Another inspiration is the team of writers and photographers I work with on each issue. Their talents are beyond professional. They are able to connect to their assignments and subjects through their writing and photography like I could not have imagined. They are truly the heart and soul of *St. John Magazine*."**

— MaLinda Nelson, publisher of *St. John Magazine*

and appeal to readers because they're not cluttered throughout the magazine. The clean layout of the magazine is one of our trademarks."

Although St. John is merely 20-square miles, there is no shortage of fascinating tales to share and interesting people, from artists to culture bearers, on which to report. Nelson had a difficult time choosing one favorite story in the sixth edition of *St. John Magazine*, she explained.

"Answering the question which is my favorite feature in the magazine is tough because I love all of my articles," she said. "I have

never published something I didn't love. My ever-growing idea list is full of stories I believe are essential to what makes St. John stand out."

The very existence of the latest publication, released during a still lagging world wide economy, is testament to both Nelson's talent and the continued appeal of all things St. John.

"Thankfully, even with the down economy, I still have loyal advertisers who believe in me and the product my team produces," said the publisher. "Trust and consistency have taken me further than actual dollar amounts. The

real challenge is always the deadline - it constantly gets pushed in all facets of production from editorial material to advertising copy and the design phase."

"Even I push it," Nelson said. "When I'm not feeling creative, I

can't get myself to layout articles even though I have all the necessary components. However, many times I'm waiting for material at the last moment, and then I'm forced to be creative with limited

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### NOVEMBER

5.46 inches

### AVERAGE

6.77 Inches

### TOTAL Y-T-D

51.96 Inches

### AVERAGE Y-T-D

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A St. Thomas man was stabbed in the back and arm on this Cruz Bay street on Monday night, November 28.

St. John Tradewinds News  
Photo by Jaime Elliott



## Man Stabbed in Back on Cruz Bay Street; Fire Truck Washes Away Pool of Blood

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

Many residents who saw a V.I. Fire Service truck in Cruz Bay on Monday night, November 28, thought there was fire somewhere in town.

The truck, however, was used to wash away a pool of blood from the roadway in front of Uncle Joe's Diner in the aftermath of a stabbing on the Cruz Bay street.

Classified as a first-degree assault by the V.I. Police Department, the incident began inside a Cruz Bay mini-mart, when several men began arguing.

"According to police report, a concerned citizen called the Leander Jurgen Command Monday and reported a fight in progress at the store," according to a prepared statement by VIPD. "When officers arrived on the scene, they saw a 27-year-old man lying on his back with injuries to several parts of his body. The victim told police he was attacked by an unknown suspect as he entered the store."

"The victim had stab wounds in his back and right arm," according to the release. "He was taken to the Myrah Keating Community Health Center on St. John and then transferred to the Roy Lester Schneider Regional Medical Center on St. Thomas."

According to the VIPD blotter, a St. Thomas resident reported that he had an altercation at Bayside Minimart at 7:36 p.m. It seemed that the altercation eventually led to the stabbing of the 27-year-old

man, who was seen by several witnesses laying in the street bleeding profusely in front of the Cruz Bay Bracelet Company.

Residents and owners of businesses on the Cruz Bay street which leads from Connections to Uncle Joe's BBQ, have been complaining about what amounts to an open air drug market for months. Recently, several VIPD officers have been spotted walking the street from time to time. The presence of VIPD officers, however, did nothing to deter last week's violent crime.

"Due to how things are at night in this area of Cruz Bay, I have known for quite a while that something like this could happen at any time," said one St. John citizen.

Residents in the area last Monday night heard shouts of "911" and saw blue lights flashing and a large pool of blood.

"I will never forget the sight of all that blood," said the resident.

Several rumors were circulating last week about an altercation between several males which led to the stabbing. One scenario has several individuals trying to deter the would-be attacker, who was at large as of press time, to no avail.

"I was told by someone on the street that the victim was stabbed in the back by another male who had 'come after him,' when he did not like what was said to him in the mini mart," said a St. John resident, who wished to not be identified. "I also heard that several individuals inside the mini mart had attempted

to detain the attacker."

The stabbing occurred sometime between 7:30 and 8 p.m. and spilled so much blood onto the Cruz Bay street that a fire department truck was called in to wash down the area.

"It was not splatter, more like an actual pool of blood," said one eyewitness. "It could have been maybe a two feet by three feet pool. The entire street from the corner where the victim lay, to the corner where the post office is situated, was completely hosed down."

There was no information available last week on how that action affected the ability of VIPD forensic officers to investigate the crime scene.

While violent crime is still not common place in Cruz Bay, the incident led at least two visitors to change their plans.

"I heard two tourists talking right after the incident," said an eyewitness. "One of them said to the other, 'You know, I think we need to change our plans, with what has happened and all.' She then looked at me and remarked, 'We were going to go out for drinks, but I think maybe we should just buy a bottle of wine and go home.'"

VIPD's Criminal Investigation Bureau detectives are actively investigating this case. Anyone with any information is urged to contact detectives at 693-8800 ext. 5215 or 5213, or call Crime Stoppers USVI at 1-800-222-TIPS.

# Sis Frank Estate Auctions Rake in More Than \$20,000 for SJSA

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

St. John School of the Arts officials last week celebrated a successful fundraiser thanks to the enduring legacy of the school's co-founder, Ruth "Sis" Frank.

Frank, a passionate supporter of music and art who co-founded the school and helped ensure its continued success, passed away November 2010.

Frank's legacy continued to be felt by SJSA students last month through an online auction and live silent auction of her estate, which benefited the arts school. From 1950s costume jewelry to diamond-crusted cocktail rings, Frank's estate allowed for a variety of bids ranging from \$25 to several hundred.

Enlisting the help of R&I Patton owners Rudy and Irene Patton, SJSA officials cataloged Frank's entire estate. Part of the estate was put up for auction through

the website BiddingforGood.com, allowing off-island residents to support SJSA. The online auction wrapped up on Thursday, November 24, and netted the school more than \$17,000.

The website owners take nine percent of the profits, and the rest will go to SJSA's scholarship fund and operating costs.

The items which didn't sell online, joined the rest of Frank's estate at a live auction hosted during Mongoose Junction's annual holiday season kick-off shopping event Evening in the Courtyard, on Friday November 25.

About 200 residents flooded through the doors of R&I Patton to get an up-close look at Frank's jewelry, hand-held mirrors, lipstick cases and signature pearl necklaces.

"R&I Patton Goldsmithing opened their doors to SJSA to host the silent auction and house many

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St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Bill Stelzer

Residents packed R&I Patton Goldsmithing on November 25 to bid on items from Sis Frank's estate as part of a fundraiser for SJSA.

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## ACC Hosting Open House for the Holidays

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The dogs and cats at the St. John Animal Care Center in Cruz Bay are wishing for new homes for Christmas.

But more than that, they just wish that everyone knew they were there and knew about the ACC and all the wonderful things they do for the island's homeless and abandoned animals.

The ACC is hosting its first Holiday Open House at the Cruz Bay shelter for anyone and everyone to come in and visit. Stop by the shelter, located next to the Elaine I. Sprauve Library entrance across from the Tamarind Inn, on Tuesday, December 13, from 5 to 7 p.m.

"We want our fans and supporters to see how great this place is and we also want all the animals to have an opportunity to have visitors, they thrive on people and nothing makes them happier than to have visitors," said shelter administrator Sally Nelson. "Each dog kennel and cat cage will have a stocking and all the animals are hoping for people to show up with treats or toys to put in their stocking. We are going to completely



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

Stop by the ACC shelter and say hi to Buster, dressed here as Santa, on December 13.

decorate the ACC and make it very festive for the animals — they deserve a wonderful Christmas too."

Be sure to stop by the ACC on December 13, when residents can also purchase a license for their dog, sign up or renew their ACC

membership, meet the ACC staff and volunteers and sign up to be a part of the team. Snacks and beverages will be served.

"Of course, everyone is invited to adopt and take home a dog or cat," said Nelson.

## IGBA Meeting on Pending New V.I. Law Regarding "Basement" Living Dec. 8

### St. John Tradewinds

The Island Green Building Association is hosting a community meeting on Thursday, December 8, at Nazareth Lutheran Church hall at 5:30 p.m. to discuss a pending V.I. law which would allow existing homes in the territory to legally have a filled in "basement" living space underneath, regardless of zoning and permitting violations.

The proposed law conveys that, as long as a home has Certificate of Occupancy, by the date the vote passes, the property owner would only need to come forth and apply, and could be granted amnesty if they are compliant with safety and building code standards.

IGBA feels there are many issues and ramifications which need to be discussed and planned before this legislation is passed, as it can affect density, zoning, parking, environmental and other issues for the future.

The basement space law has already passed through the committee, and is likely to be voted on as early as Wednesday, December 14. In response, IGBA is working quickly to set up a community meeting, with a discussion panel to include senators, architects, zoning professionals and Department of Planning and Natural Resources officials. Details will be announced on the IGBA website as soon as it becomes available at [www.igba-stjohn.org](http://www.igba-stjohn.org) or call Karen Vahling at 227-1110 for more information.

## Sax and Strings Concert December 11

The musical group Sax and Strings will be hosting a Christmas concert in downtown Cruz Bay on Sunday, December 11, at 3:30 p.m. The public is invited to join in the celebration of the season.

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Gene Emanuel's widow, Mrs. Mary Emanuel, listens to speakers discuss the 1733 Revolution at Fortsberg, left.

Myron Jackson, below, offers libations for the departed freedom fighters.

St. John Tradewinds News  
Photos by Churck Pishko

## FORTSBERG:

### *A Time of Remembrance and Rejoicing*

By Chuck Pishko  
St. John Tradewinds

On Friday, November 25, 2011 we participated in the 28th annual commemoration of the 1733 Revolution of the Enslaved Africans organized by the Pan African Union and St. John Celebration Committee.

More than 100 people toured 1733 Revolution sites on the island, climbed Fortsberg and enjoyed a program of insightful comments by local historians and culture-bearers on the events. This revolution was the first in the New World to reaffirm humanity and restore freedom to the suffering masses.

While this freedom lasted only six months, it set a chain of events in motion that would change the world. However, the race is not quite over yet as witnessed by the United Nations' yearly requirement of reporting the United States' progress in establishing total self government for the Virgin Islands.

Unfortunately, one of the champions of this cause was not here



this year. Gene K. Emanuel departed this life on July 28 after decades of fighting for the rights of the oppressed and teaching university students and others about their heritage.

Therefore, this year's commemoration was like a double-edged sword; lamenting the death of an important leader while celebrating his outstanding accomplishments. Many came to honor Gene and to acknowledge his contributions to

the occasion. We were honored to have Gene's widow, Mrs. Mary Emanuel, with us for the day. After the walk up Fortsberg, she was presented with gifts in his honor.

Also walking were Dr. David Hall, President of the University of the Virgin Islands, and his wife, Marilyn Braithwaite-Hall, who made it to the fort in good stead. Dr. Hall was amazed at the rich display of Virgin Island culture and the personal involvement of so many people in such a solemn but strenuous endeavor.

The events of the day are evolving yearly and even today plans for change are being discussed. For example, the walk up Fortsberg may be scheduled earlier in the day to take advantage of the cooler morning temperatures. This year extended food service was available to trekkers. It was well-received and should be continued. Better methods for anticipating attendance and transportation options need to be explored.

We have to build on Gene Emanuel's legacy and expand community participation.

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Patricia Reed recently joined the Coral Bay Community Council as the group's environmental projects manager.

*St. John Tradewinds News*  
 Photo by Jaime Elliott

## CBCC Members Welcome Patricia Reed as Environmental Projects Manager

By Jaime Elliott  
*St. John Tradewinds*

Patricia Reed has wasted no time getting to know the Coral Bay community.

As the new environmental projects manager for the Coral Bay Community Council, Reed brings technical expertise, a passion for the environment and a dedication to the community.

Reed first arrived on St. John last year with her husband, who worked at Concordia Eco-Preserve as an exchange employee. The relationship worked and Concordia asked him to return as a full-time employee this season.

While Reed's husband was settling in on the south shore, the environmental projects manager focused on offering her expertise on storm water and wetlands issues to CBCC.

Thanks to a three-year grant, currently wrapping up, from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, CBCC officials completed about 20 projects throughout the Coral Bay watershed aimed at stemming the tide of storm water runoff.

CBCC partnered with the Fish Bay Homeowners Association, and the V.I Resource Conservation and Development Council to obtain the multi-million-dollar federal grants.

From paving projects to restoring natural gut flows, the projects brought together neighborhood as-

sociations, territorial and federal agencies all working with CBCC to reduce the amount of runoff in the watershed.

The NOAA grant, funded by the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act funds, allowed CBCC officials to save money on the non-profit's operating costs. During the life of the grant, CBCC was able to hire temporary employees including storm water engineer Joe Mina, who was replaced by Chris Laude. The group also hired Blake Parker, who served for 18 months as the NOAA project coordinator under the federal grant.

Saving on operations costs during the grant period allowed CBCC the opportunity to hire a full-time employee, and the group looked for someone with a strong environmental background.

With a master's degree in environmental management from Duke University, Reed brought just the right skill set for which CBCC officials were looking.

"As the NOAA projects were completed, the CBCC Board began to assess how future CBCC work should be conducted," said CBCC president Sharon Coldren. "It was decided to hire an environmental projects manager, with expert skills to write and manage grants and also perform and manage environmental research and analyses."

In addition to overseeing the technical aspects of CBCC's

projects, Reed will also allow the group to expand its educational efforts, Coldren added.

"This new position will allow us to continue and expand our environmental protection activities and grants on a professional basis, while freeing up volunteer resources to address more of the broad range of community needs," she said.

Reed officially started working for CBCC in October and has been enjoying her position already.

"My passion is ecology and I'm excited for the opportunity to work for CBCC," said Reed. "I really like the community and am excited about expanding CBCC's projects and outreach."

As the group's environmental projects manager, Reed will oversee water monitoring and analyses and hopes to broaden the group's water quality testing. She also plans to identify additional storm water issues in the watershed.

"I come from an education background; my parents and my grandparents were all educators," said Reed. "So I'm really happy to be a part of a group like CBCC."

Reed invited community members to stop by CBCC's office across from Skinny Legs in Coral Bay and say hello.

For more information about CBCC, call the organization at 776-2099 or check out their website [www.coralbaycommunity-council.org](http://www.coralbaycommunity-council.org).

## Esteria Austin Creative Workshop December 11 at Giff Hill School

*St. John Tradewinds*

Esterita Austin, the speaker at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship on December 11, will also be hosting a workshop after the meeting.

The title of her talk at the UU meeting is "A Spiritual Journey through the Art of Quilt-making." Austin is an international award-winning quilt-maker, designer and teacher. She studied for her MFA at the Pratt Institute in graphics and photography and has a unique fiber art style.

A workshop is being hosted after the Sunday service in the Giff Hill School Great room. Participants are asked to bring a lunch. Austin brings creative energy to all her workshops, stimulating the imagination and invigorating the soul.

Please join in the workshop in creating a Christmas gift suitable for framing. The workshop will run from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, December 11.

The project will be a small still life on a tropical theme, either fruit or plant related. Participants will be working with multi value fabrics, which Austin will provide. They will be fusing (like gluing) them to an 8x10" background fabric and enhancing with paint to make them dimensional.

Austin usually uses a rotary cutter and mat but the participants can use paper and fabric scissors instead. A few straight pins would be helpful and Austin will have some with her. Most everything will be provided in a kit. Participants are welcome to use their own fabrics.

The workshop and kit is \$50. Sign up by on Monday, December 5, and the price is \$47. For more information or to register call Suki Buchalter at 642-3739.

## Next Chamber Meeting December 20

The St. John Chapter of the St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce will meet next on Tuesday, December 20, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at a location yet to be confirmed.

## Rock Ridge Road Is Home To Blooming Cacti

*St. John Tradewinds*

Bruce Munro recently planted several cacti in the divider on Rock Ridge Road, just past the Westin Resort and Villas.

Recently, those cacti have bloomed with impressive displays of blooms and buds.

Munro shared information on the beautiful cacti with the community.

Both plans are native to Madagascar.

The central one is commonly called Madagascar Palm, its botanical name is *Pachypodium laurel*, and it has a gorgeous bloom stage which this particular plant has not yet experienced.

This is one of the many species of exotic plants that played a prominent part in the collection of Robert Farmer, a long-time St. John resident who had a passion for exotic succulent plants.

The succulent in bloom just now is *Kalanchoe pinnata* (syn. *Bryophyllum calycinum*, *Bryophyllum pinnatum*, also known as the Air Plant, Life Plant, Miracle Leaf, Goethe Plant and the Katakataka (Filipino)).

It is distinctive for the profusion of miniature plantlets that form on the margins of its leaves, a trait it has in common with the other members of the *Bryophyllum* section of the *Kalanchoe* genus.

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The majestic Madagascar Palm, surrounded by blooming cacti, was planted by Bruce Munro, but delights all drivers who pass by.

throwing away these babies these plants are also known as "Bad Mothers" in Spanish.

This last has been a roadside weed on St. John for several de-

There are three other varieties of this sort of *Kalanchoe* (now known as *Bryophyllum*) also growing as roadside weeds around the island.



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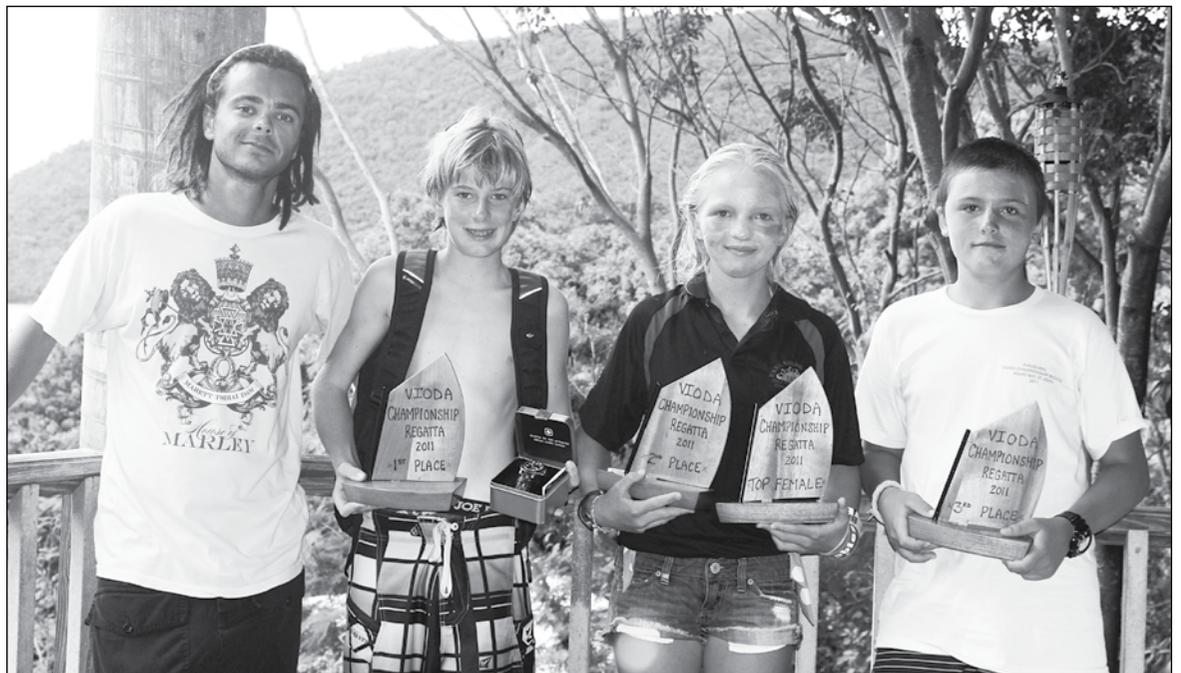
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(Left to right) Coach Agostino Galan posed with Scott McKenzie, Paige Clarke and Chris Murphy, who showed off their sailing awards after topping the fleet in the first VIODA regatta.

## Tough Competition Marks Inaugural St. John Optimist Championship Regatta

### *St. John Tradewinds*

The Inaugural Virgin Islands Optimist Dinghy Association (VIODA) Championship turned into a battle between two experienced USVI sailors and ended in a tie, each with 14 points.

But, in the end, Scott McKenzie's four bullets enabled him to prevail over Team ISV teammate Paige Clarke's three bullets.

The regatta, hosted during the Thanksgiving weekend in the waters off idyllic Maho Bay Campground, saw optimist sailors from St. Maarten, BVI, St. Croix, St.

Thomas and St. John compete in shifty, light winds with a challenging swell.

McKenzie started strong, earning four bullets and one second place finish to take the lead on the first day of the regatta, while Clarke stayed close with one bullet and four seconds behind McKenzie.

On the second day of sailing, Clarke came back strong and determined after a sixth place in the first race. Clarke sailed the next two races consistently with great tacks and an accurate read of the

wind shifts to bullet the last two races of the regatta.

Ultimately, it came down to the last race in which Clarke got a great start and held the lead for the entire race, while McKenzie rounded the leeward mark in eighth position. McKenzie, however, turned on the speed and overtook two sailors on the final upwind leg, to finish fifth and ended up tied on points with Clarke.

"She is a strong sailor and a great teammate," McKenzie said of Clarke. "I was happy with the

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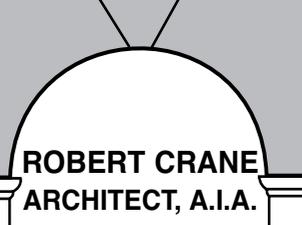
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## Live Music, Great Food Shared at CBCC Annual Meeting and Potluck

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

Residents from Hansen Bay to Mandhal gathered at Miss Lucy's Restaurant on Monday evening, November 28, for Coral Bay Community Council's annual meeting.

Neighbors shared a potluck meal under the sea grape trees on Friis Bay, as Miss Lucy's, which is closed on Mondays, opened its doors for the group. David Wegman, Bobby Blues and Rob Johansson entertained the crowd with live music.

Residents were able to register or renew their memberships to CBCC, receive information about the group's ongoing projects and find out how to get involved.

"We ended up with about 50

people there, which was great," said CBCC president Sharon Coldren. "Thanks to everyone who joined us and helped make it a really pleasant event at the wonderful Miss Lucy's Restaurant venue on the shores of Coral Bay."

Sharing the group's financial report, status of ongoing projects and completed initiatives from last year, Coldren and CBCC members are ready to look ahead to the group's eighth year in existence.

"It was our annual meeting and now we're ready to look forward to this coming year and for 2012 to be the best year yet for the CBCC," said Coldren. "We're getting ready for some new projects and we're really excited about the upcoming year ahead."



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Jaime Elliott

Coral Bay residents shared a potluck dinner at CBCC's annual meeting at Miss Lucy's.

## DeJongh Hosting Children's Holiday Party December 19

St. John Tradewinds

Amidst the holiday season celebrations last week Governor John deJongh and First Lady Cecile deJongh announced the schedule of events for the 2011 Children's Holiday Parties in both districts.

"Cecile and I are delighted to once again host the Annual Children's Holiday Parties, and look forward to celebrating the joy of the season with all residents of the Territory, including for the Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa and other holidays," deJongh said.

As part of the holiday festivities planned on St. Thomas, St. Croix and St. John, educational gifts, including the newly published book *The Lesson Box* by local author Tregenza Roach will be distributed to children in grades K-3.

"Every year, we work with a local author to publish a children's book to distribute at the end-of-year holiday season events," said First Lady Cecile deJongh. "This year's book is a wonderful story of family, friendship and community that is sure to delight children and families. The Governor and I look forward to sharing this enjoyable book with the children of the Virgin Islands."

On St. John the 2011 Children's Holiday Party will be on Monday, December 19, at the Battery, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Children and families throughout the Virgin Islands are invited to celebrate the holiday season with Governor and First Lady deJongh, along with Santa Claus and his merry elves. Light refreshments will be served.

## Christmas for Animals Set for Jan. 21

The St. John Animal Care Center's Annual Christmas for the Animals fundraiser gala will be Saturday evening, January 21, at A La Mer villa overlooking Great Cruz Bay.

The "Snow Ball" will be island fancy and will feature a live band. All proceeds will go to fund the ACC's important work for the neglected and abandoned animals of St. John.

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## Giff Hill School Kicks Off Third Annual "Seeds for Success" Matching Funds Campaign

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Giff Hill School is pleased to announce the third Annual "Seeds for Success" Annual Fund matching campaign.

Generous anonymous donors have again agreed to match gifts to the GHS Annual Fund at the following levels:

Parents, Students, Faculty and Alumni: 9 to 1

Grandparents: 3 to 1

New or increased gifts from Community Members: 2 to 1

Board member gifts: 1 to 1

Gifts must be pledged or received by December 31, 2011 in order to qualify for matching funds. GHS' Annual Fund supports the school's students, faculty, special programs and athletics and is vital to the continued success of the school.

Call the GHS Development Office for more information at 776-1730.

## Music Legends of Motown Taking the Stage at Reichhold Center for the Arts on January 14

*St. John Tradewinds*

The best in old-school comes to the Reichhold Center for the Arts on Saturday, January 14, 2012 at 8 p.m.

The Commodores, the Grammy Award-winning musical group and legends of Motown, will be live in concert singing classic hits such as "Three Times a Lady," "Easy," and "Brickhouse."

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Tickets are available on St. John at Connections and St. John residents should call 693-1550 to sign up for the discount shuttle.



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Giff Hill School's cross country team enjoyed success this year under the leadership of coach Arthur Jones, far right.

## GHS Cross Country Team Celebrates Success

*St. John Tradewinds*

Giff Hill School is proud to announce the success of this year's cross country team!

GHS Senior Coral Breuning took second place over all; Junior Varsity runner Evan Jones placed first; and

the elementary girls placed first for the season, defeating more than 10 other schools.

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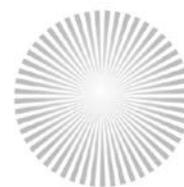
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# GBS PTO Launching Tri-purpose Fundraiser

## St. John Tradewinds

The Parent Teacher Organization of Guy Benjamin School in Coral Bay is hosting a “tri-purpose” fundraiser involving generously-donated “used but not abused” computer equipment.

The event will be a Holiday Fundraiser to be hosted some time before Christmas. The PTO is hoping for donations of old computer towers (or pizza boxes), monitors, keyboards, mouse pads, printers, ink, software, desk lamps, desks, files, file folders, file cabinet, or anything that residents would like to clean out from their cluttered office and donate to a very worthy cause.

The GBS PTO will be “matching up” all donations into as many complete computer setups as possible to benefit as many students as possible. Residents will be doing themselves a great favor, as well



as giving an “immeasurable” gift to the students of the Guy Benjamin School.

Anyone who would like to participate in this worthy cause should contact Donna Matthias at dematt@viaccess.net via email or at 776-6997 with information on the equipment available.

Please keep in mind that this is a Holiday Fundraiser that the GBS PTO hopes to have some time before Christmas.

All donations are welcome!

## Westin Resort Beach Gets New Sand



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After suffering erosion from last hurricane season's storms which battered Great Cruz Bay, the beachfront of the Westin Resort and Villas, above, was recently replenished with a barge-load of fresh sand.

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Rapes: 0

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Arsons: 0

1st Degree Burglaries: 2

2nd Degree Burglaries: 8

3rd Degree Burglaries: 40

Grand Larcenies: 53

Rapes: 1

## Letters To St. John Tradewinds

### Is It Time To Occupy the Virgin Islands?

I got my license today, my driver's license. It didn't take months like a business license — it only took three trips to DMV, a.k.a. Deep Medieval Void.

I only had to bring my passport and social security card on the first trip.

And then my Birth Certificate and Marriage Certificate.

And then on the third trip, my shawl to cover my shoulders. I had a sleeveless blouse on with a collar, not much skin to show in that tiny picture, so I couldn't

help asking if we had become a Muslim country. That probably contributed to the long wait I had to get my picture taken, in spite of the fact that only one other person came in the entire morning while I sat in Purgatory at the Den of Misery Validation.

And to think how hard I work and how hard it is to work in a place of such misery, to pay for this kind of punishment and disrespect. Maybe it's time to occupy the Virgin Islands.

**Janet Cook-Rutnik**

### Energy Crisis Is Not a Political Issue

Another somber financial hearing on Monday, November 13, leaves the public clamoring with rumors of a payless pay day in December.

How can a society ever become stabilized with so much distrust between the Legislature and the Executive branch — with the public not trusting either one?

The Legislature triple guesses everything that comes down from the Executive branch, and the Executive branch scolds whenever the Legislature calls to question the almighty and all knowing machination wielded by the Governor's financial team.

With all of this hullabaloo, and both branches trying to one-up the other on the public air waves, who is actually working to address the excruciating cost of living in these islands?

Collaboration is essential if our society is to endure this financial catastrophe bestowed upon us by President George W. Bush through his tax cuts for the rich and his careless and uncalled for invasion of Iraq, which cost the US economy dearly.

The 29th Legislature, I don't know if you noticed that there have been at least four public protests over the past two weeks — it began on November 9 with a march on main street which lasted for about five days; then, a WAPA demonstration in front of the legislature on the same day; on 11-11-11, there was Flip-the-switch campaign; and finally, there was another exhibition on November 16 that commenced Government House with all parties involved demanding government action on a number of issues, and wound up in front of WAPA, Kingshill, St Croix.

Rumor has it that many more organized demonstrations are in the works. As a concerned citizen, I truly wish that our energy crisis was not tied to politics. Until then I am left with the audacity of hope.

How to convey the pain of the people to bodies of governments who can't trust each other? This letter is penned to bring the pain of the people frankly to you through this public medium so that our energy crisis can be addressed now. Every sector of this community is hemorrhaging financially from this volatile problem called LEAC.

We cannot operate as if this problem will go away; neither should we, take the Republican party approach to financial problem solving as former Republican

Presidential candidate McCain touted during his campaign in 2008: "allow the problem to correct itself".

Can one imagine what would have happened to the automobile industry if President Obama had embraced that "insane" philosophy of McCain and his party? Because our current President was proactive, astute and rational the big three auto-makers came back with a bang and they are better than they had been in decades. Let us applaud our president and his leadership through our financial crisis.

Resolving LEAC will require leadership, hand-work, teamwork and community participation on all levels. Politicians, de-politicize our energy crisis! It should not be used by those trying to get re-elected with peculiar statements geared towards misleading our electorate.

The 29th Legislature, you are about to debate Bill NO. 29-0164: casino bill being introduced by Senator Dowe. I realize that the bill speaks to dividing the Casino Revenue Fund into three parts — one, Government Employees Retirement System to assist with unfunded liability; two, WAPA to fund new energy power generating equipment and to assist with the issuance of bonds; and three, the General Fund.

Given that none of these suggestions speaks to the immediate need of the people, I feel compelled to speak out on behalf of the working men, women and the small business sector.

Our lawmakers should designate that an equal or greater portion of the revenue generated from this Casino bill be ear-marked directly towards the purchasing of fuel so that the people of this territory, along with the small businesses, can realize a financial savings on their LEAC burden!

There it is, crystal clear. As a matter of fact, on behalf of the working men, women and the small business sector of this territory I am demanding that every revenue-generating bill from now on must set aside some significant portion of the proceeds to go towards the purchasing of fuel so that we can realize a reduction of the LEAC.

Please contact the Primary Sponsor of this bill at the legislature at 340-774-0880 and demand a portion of the funds generated from the casino bill go towards the LEAC!

**Clarence Payne**

### Crossword Answers — Puzzle on Page 20

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## Letter Tradewinds

### SJSA Thanks Supporters of Sis Frank Estate Auction Sale

I would like to extend many thanks and huge hugs to Irene and Rudy Patton and Jo Anne Keele, who were fabulous in getting appraisals and researching the items for the Sis Frank Estate Sale auction.

MaLinda Nelson went above and beyond by producing some lovely ads each week for six weeks. Tammy Cummings helped download pictures and keep updating items online. Jenny Grondin was very creative and had some inspirational ideas.

Lori Barlas, who is a genius with numbers and running fundraisers, as well as Beth Jones. Both ladies work tirelessly during the GHS auction fundraiser. Susie O'Leary and Mares Crane were huge helps too.

Thanks to our students who helped that night, Chloe Jarvis, Tiareh Schaub, Kaitlyn Cummings, Emily Wild, Shawn Auguste, and Karen Ovcina, one of our parents, and Alesia, one of our faculty. Huge thanks to the staff at R&I Patton, their professionalism and kindness are immeasurable. Thank you Brenda, Devon, Kim, Linda and Ron.

Kim Wild  
St. John School of the Arts



Acting VIPD Commissioner Henry White in session with Hotel and Tourism officials.

## Acting VIPD Commissioner Henry White Meets with Hotel and Tourism Association

### St. John Tradewinds

Acting V.I. Police Department Commissioner Henry White met with board members of the Hotel and Tourism Association on St. Thomas on Monday, November 28.

White gave the members some insight into the strategies he intends to employ as head of the VIPD as well as sharing his background and policing philosophies.

"Don't think I am going to be the Lone Ranger coming in to save the day," White said. "This is a team effort and it will take the entire community to achieve this. No one will be excluded."

HTA board members Richard Doumeng, Nick Purzal, Joel Kling, Lisa Hamilton and Judy Nagelberg welcomed the new commissioner before asking him the hard questions that are on the minds of the community.

White sought to clarify the impression some community members have of him being a federal agent.

"I understand the suspicion against outsiders and against federal agents," White said. "However, I am not federal; I started as a New Jersey police officer walking the beat with a call box key. I've worked in law enforcement at a local, county, state and federal level."

"Recently, I served as Chief of Police in Georgia," he said. "Accepting this opportunity to be Police Commissioner of the VIPD is

a natural progression in my career. I have a great appreciation of cops, I am one."

The foremost issue on the commissioner's agenda is compliance to the Consent Decree.

"We are prepared to be more aggressive in order to meet the Independent Monitors on a more level ground," he said.

Several assignments in his law enforcement career have provided him with specialized experience to tackle the consent decree, White added.

During the time of the Rodney King beating, White explained that he was the Program Manager and headquarters supervisor of the FBI Civil Rights Unit.

"I oversaw cases of excessive force, racial violence, discrimination in housing and some counter terrorism," he said. "These experiences will be helpful in regards to the Consent Decree."

Another looming issue in the VIPD is officer morale, which White sees as at a very low point.

"One sore point affecting officers' morale is pay," White said. "The officers are very upset about the eight percent pay cut."

White commended the officers for dealing with this issue with discretion. He said in other jurisdictions, officers would have walked off the job.

"I congratulate them because they are obviously not in this profession solely for the money," said the acting VIPD Commissioner.

Officers have other concerns such as the promotional process, explained White.

"The officers want a department they can have pride in," he said. "But when people rise through the ranks and is not because of merit, but instead because of nepotism and who you know, that causes a problem in morale."

Law enforcement in the Virgin Islands is very unique, White explained, and one has to be a very special and dedicated officer to work in the islands.

"The unique thing about the VI is that we all occupy the same space — the police officers, the law abiding citizens and the law-breakers," he said. "We cannot work in one area and live in another like people can in the states, and you have generations of your family here, you don't want to go anywhere. So we have to find a way to live in harmony."

The VIPD is fractured and he wants to work toward unifying the districts.

"This will not happen in my tenure, but we can begin the process," said White.

On White's long term-list is to find that outstanding police officer and groom him or her to step into his shoes. Through "mentoring, coaching and training" the right candidate will emerge, explained White.

"I will endeavour to find this person; I have already spoken to the governor about it," he said.

### St. John Man Arrested for Assault

#### St. John Tradewinds

V.I. Police Department officers on St. Thomas and St. John arrested two people on assault and domestic violence charges last week.

In one case, a man assaulted a victim at a St. John bar and when he was arrested VIPD found drugs in his possession. In the other case, a husband assaulted his wife and son.

VIPD on St. John arrested Alphonso Queeley, 41, of Hospital Ground, at about 6 p.m. Monday, November 28, and charged him with Disturbance of the Peace, Simple Assault, Delaying and Obstructing, Aggravated Assault and Battery and Simple Possession of Marijuana.

VIPD officers said Queeley assaulted a victim at a Cruz Bay bar and restaurant. When he was arrested officers found a small plastic bag of marijuana in his possession. His bail was set at \$6,000 by order of the court.

Christian Plaskett Jr., 44, of Crown and Hawk, was arrested twice by the VIPD's Domestic Violence detectives and patrol officers on St. Thomas for assaulting his wife on Sunday, November 27, and his son the next day.

According to the preliminary police report, Plaskett's wife told VIPD officers that her husband punched her in the face and body leaving extensive visible bruises. The next day Plaskett strangled his adult son and threatened to physically harm his other children.

Plaskett was arrested shortly before 11:30 p.m. Monday, November 28, and charged with Simple Assault and Battery Domestic Violence, Disturbance of the Peace (Threats) Domestic Violence and Aggravated Assault and Battery Domestic Violence. His bail was denied due to the domestic violence law.

Both suspects were remanded to the Bureau of Corrections pending further court action.



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## Sis Frank Estate Auctions Rake in More Than \$20K

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of the items for the on-line and silent auctions," said SJSA acting director Kim Wild. "They were instrumental in getting appraisals and research for every piece that we brought to them, which exceeded 300 pieces. Thank you is not enough for their time, effort, expertise and love that they have given to the arts school and the memory of Sis Frank."

"It was only successful due to their willingness to go above and beyond for the school and to make sure that Sis' wishes were honored," said Wild.

With more than 300 items total on which to bid, the St. John community came out in force to support SJSA at the Frank estate live auction, which netted the school an additional \$6,000.

"The live auction was awesome," said Wild. "We made almost \$6,000 and had at least 200 people come out to the event."

The hottest item in the silent live auction was a beautiful shrimp diamond ring, which was the

night's top seller. Online, bidders clamored for Frank's distinctive charm bracelet, which fetched the highest internet bid, followed by a stunning cognac diamond, emerald and white diamond cocktail ring, according to Wild.

The night also featured a raffle drawing for Frank's collector's cabinet, which was won by a Boulon family member, Wild explained.

"A lot of people really wanted to win that cabinet since it was full of Sis' treasures and was in her home for so many years," said Wild. "In the end Mr. Pennywitt, who is kin to the Boulon family, won the cabinet."

While this was SJSA's first foray into the online auction world, the fundraiser went off without a hitch, according to Wild.

"Since this was our first time doing something like this, I think it went very well," she said. "Of course, this has been the smoothest fundraiser I've ever been involved with."

With the online auction not

heating up until the final days of the sale, even Wild admitted to a few worries along the way.

"The response was just perfect in the end," said the SJSA acting director. "At first it was very slow and I was a bit worried. But then the last three days, the bidding wars really heated up. I even got caught up in the action as well."

Beyond the dollar amount raised through the sales, which will go to ensure that SJSA continues provided much-needed arts education on St. John, Frank's estate sale meant even more to her many friends and supporters.

"I want everyone to know that Sis would have been so happy knowing how well this fundraiser did," said Wild. "Not only monetarily, but the professional demeanor of each person who helped with the fundraiser was amazing. We had the best time."

For more information about SJSA or how to support the school, check out the organization's website at [www.stjohnschoolofthearts.org](http://www.stjohnschoolofthearts.org) or call 779-4322.



*St. John Tradewinds News Photo*

**Top:** Sis' everyday Danish Sterling silverware brought the arts school \$2,600. **Bottom Left:** This diamond and gold "shrimp" ring raised \$1,000. **Bottom Right:** This charm bracelet raked in a total of \$2,350 online.

## St. John Residents Get Chance Share Views on Health Care Reform

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recommendations to the legislature ahead of implementing new health care policies.

Wheatley and Phillips-Dorsett met with about 30 St. John senior citizens at St. Ursula's Multi-purpose Center on Tuesday morning, November 29. They hoped to engage as many young adults — the most difficult segment of the community to reach, according to Wheatley — at a meeting at Julius E. Sprauve School on Wednesday evening, November 30.

Phillips-Dorsett and Wheatley met with health care providers at the Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center on Thursday afternoon, December 1, and with the general public that night at the Nazareth Lutheran Church.

"We really feel strongly that we have to do our fair share of educating as many people as we can on this issue," said Wheatley. "A lot of people don't know much about the Affordable Care Act and how it will affect us in the Virgin Islands. Getting information out to people is one of our main goals."

With about 30 percent of the population, more than 30,000 residents, in the territory uninsured, the health care reform act can

make a big difference locally. While there are some federal mandates, the territory has the ability to shape its own health care reform, explained Phillips-Dorsett.

"Overall the act aims to lower health care costs, increase access to health care and enhance the quality of health care available," she said. "Through the stakeholder meeting process, we're also learning about a host of issues being faced by our uninsured population."

From racism endured by Haitian immigrants to a dire lack of services for people with disabilities, Phillips-Dorsett and Wheatley have learned a lot about the state of the territory's health care.

"We're really trying to get a full picture of health care in the territory," said Wheatley. "Thirty percent of the Virgin Islands population does not have insurance and we're trying to get a full picture of that. There are a host of issues we've heard, like racism felt by our Haitian population."

"We're trying to find out how to make it better and we've gotten a lot of really good feedback," said Wheatley.

As much as educating the public on the various aspects of the sweeping health care reform, Phillips-Dorsett wanted to

hear from the community as well.

"We need to have a dialogue," she told senior citizens at St. Ursula's Multi-purpose Center. "This is a conversation. Everyone's views will be respected, so please feel free to share your ideas and opinions with us."

While the new health care policies will not directly affect Medicare recipients, the task force wants to hear about access to health care and quality of health care in the eyes of seniors, explained Phillips-Dorsett.

"The health reform process will not reduce Medicare benefits," she said. "And we're going to close the gap called the 'donut hole' which causes confusion over prescription drug payment."

Virgin Islands officials have the flexibility to structure local health care reform. The government's goal is to increase the number of people with health insurance and ensure that the policies are fair and affordable. One option the territory is looking at is implementing a health insurance exchange.

Similar to comparison shopping websites, used often for online airline ticket purchases, a health insurance exchange

will allow customers to compare different policies, explained Phillips-Dorsett.

"Individuals and small businesses will be able to shop, compare and buy health insurance through the health insurance exchange," she said. "A key function of the exchange is to simplify the process and reduce the cost of insurance. All of the policies would be highly regulated and all different levels of insurance would be available as well."

Virgin Islands officials, with input from the community, will make eventually make decisions about whether the territory should adopt such an exchange, if that exchange should be a regional one or not and if it will be run by the government or a non-profit group, according to Phillips-Dorsett.

The road to health care reform is a long one, but the governor's task force must decide which path to take by January 1, 2013, in order to implement changes by January 2014, Phillips-Dorsett explained.

For more information about the Virgin Islands health care reform process and to share an opinion or concern, check out the website [www.governordejongh.com/healthreform](http://www.governordejongh.com/healthreform) or call 693-4313.

## Esteria Austin Speaking at Next UU Meeting on December 11

The Unitarian Universalists of St. John meet at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday in the Great Room at Giffit Hill School. The guest speaker for December 11 is Esterita Austin who will speak on "A Spiritual Journey Through the Art of Quilt Making."

The guest speaker for December 18 is Marvin Hart who will speak on "Where Does Your Spirit Live." For transportation from Cruz Bay call 776-6332.

For transportation from Cruz Bay call 776-6332. Childcare is available upon prior request. For more information, visit [www.uufstjohn.org](http://www.uufstjohn.org).

## Annual Reindeer Rumble Set for Dec. 18

Christmas is quickly approaching and Santa and his reindeer need to get in shape before the Big Night, so they're going to do a run on St. John and everyone is invited to join!

The St. John Landsharks present the Third Annual Reindeer Ramble Christmas run on Sunday, December 18. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. and the race starts at 8 a.m. Donations in the form of pet food or treats will be greatly appreciated and will benefit the St. John Animal Care Center. Meet at the Annaberg parking lot. Parking is limited, so runner should try to carpool if possible.

Santa and two reindeer (that one runner and two friends) will run together as a team. This is not a relay race; the three runners must start, run and finish the race together. Jingle bells and "harnesses" will be provided. Runners should feel free to elaborate with hats, tinsel, antlers and more. There will be a prize for the most creative costume.

The run will be from Annaberg to Maho Bay beach, then to Francis Bay and back to Annaberg. There will also be a kid's short course for the little reindeer. There will be fun Christmas themed prizes and awards and sweet treats for everyone.

For more information email Louise Wearmouth at [louise@surfbvi.com](mailto:louise@surfbvi.com) or call Jude Woodcock at 779-1416.

## Police Log

### Friday, November 25

11:05 p.m. - A citizen c/r loud music in Cruz Bay. Disturbance of the peace.

11:53 p.m. - A citizen c/r loud music in Coral Bay. Loud music.

### Saturday, November 26

12:50 a.m. - An Estate Grunwald resident r/ being followed by a male in Cruz Bay. Stalking.

3:00 a.m. - An Estate Pastory resident r/ he was assaulted by a male. Assault and battery.

7:00 p.m. - A citizen c/r loud music in Coral Bay. Loud music.

7:39 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident c/ requesting police assistance to remove items from his home. Police assistance.

### Sunday, November 27

12:41 a.m. - A George Simmonds Terrace resident r/ a break-in. Attempted burglary.

3:36 a.m. - A citizen c/r loud music in Cruz Bay. Loud music.

5:45 p.m. - A citizen c/r an auto collision in the area of Starfish Market. Auto accident.

11:04 p.m. - A citizen c/r hearing shots fired in the area of Winston Wells ball park. Illegal discharge of firearm.

### Monday, November 28

1:50 a.m. - A citizen c/r hearing a female calling for help from an Estate Enighed apartment. Disturbance of the peace, D.V.

2:45 p.m. - A Giffit Hill resident p/r that someone stole his rooster trap from his residence. Petit larceny.

3:07 p.m. - An employee of Love City Beach Shop p/r that a woman was creating a disturbance in the shop. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

5:30 p.m. - A Bellevue Village resident p/r that a male was creating a disturbance at Cap's Place. Simple assault.

7:36 p.m. - A St. Thomas resident p/r that he was involved in an altercation with an employee at Bayside Mini Mart. Assault in the third.

9:20 p.m. - Badge #1003 p/ at Leander Jurgen Command with one Alphonso Queeley of Hospital Ground, St. Thomas, under arrest and charged with simple assault, disturbing the peace and threats. His bail was set at \$6,000 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.

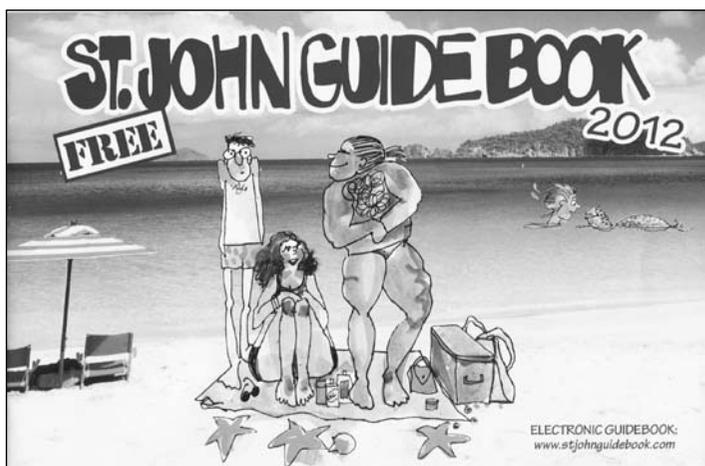
### Tuesday, November 29

8:09 a.m. - A citizen c/r hearing shots fired in the area of Pastory Gardens. Illegal discharge of firearm.

8:45 a.m. - An Estate Hansen Bay resident p/r suspicious activity. Suspicious activity.

No time given - V.I. Police Department r/ a break-in at Giffit Hill School. Burglary in the third.

## 2012 St. John Guide Book and St. John Map Released



Arne and Barbara Jakobsen, owners of Great Dane Inc., hosted their annual soiree for the release of this year's St. John Guide Book and Map on Tuesday night, November 29, at La Plancha del Mar. Advertisers and supporters of the long-running island guides sipped sparkling wine and noshed on appetizers while perusing Great Dane's latest editions. Great Dane also has an electronic version of its popular guidebooks and maps, available at [www.stjohnguidebook.com](http://www.stjohnguidebook.com).

## CRIME STOPPERS U.S.V.I. Organization Seeks Information on Crimes

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 the community's help.

### St. John

Between Sunday evening, November 13, at 6:30 p.m. and Monday morning, November 14, at 9:20 a.m., a burglary occurred at a store located in Mongoose Junction. The burglar(s) broke the western window of the business and entered. Once inside the building the suspect(s) broke into a drawer and stole a green money bag containing \$1,250. Tell us what you know about this burglary.

### St. Thomas

On Saturday, July 28, 2007 at about 7:45 a.m., police re-

sponded to a report of blood coming from the trunk of a car in the area of Peterborg Road. A male, who was identified as Alvin Morton, was found in the trunk of the car. He had been shot multiple times and died as a result. Help in getting closure for the family of Morton by telling what you know.

### St. Croix

In the early evening of February 2 police responded to reports of gun shots fired in the Hospital Street area of Frederiksted. Several males had been shot and were transported to the hospital. One of them, 30-year-old Jamal Allick, died from his wounds. Tell what you know so law enforcement can identify the killer(s).

Please continue to help make the community a safer place to

live by submitting information on these or any other crimes at [www.CrimeStoppersUSVI.org](http://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, tipsters will receive a cash reward to be paid according to your instructions.

The minimum reward for the arrest of a murder suspect is \$1,500. For the arrest of a burglary suspect, it is \$714 plus 10 percent of the value of any property recovered.

Crime Stoppers recently approved eight new rewards. Anyone who submitted a tip should check to see if they qualify for a reward.

**Ferry Schedules - Cruz Bay and Charlotte Amalie**

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This custom Jeep, above, has been parked outside of The Marketplace, enticing passersby with its vivid yellow and black and one-of-a-kind design. Raffle tickets, \$10 each, are available at outlets across the island and from GHS officials. The raffle will be drawn in February at the school's campus and will benefit GHS' scholarship fund.

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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.

## Tuesday, December 6

— The St. John Film Society will screen “What’s Organic About ‘Organic’” on Tuesday, December 6, at 7:30 p.m. at St. John School of the Arts.

## Saturday, December 10

— Bethany Moravian Church’s annual pre-Christmas dinner on Saturday, December 10, at 6:30 p.m. at Bethany Fellowship Hall. A donation of \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under appreciated.

— St. John Montessori School is hosting its third annual Holly Bake Sale on Saturday, December 10, at the first floor lobby of The Marketplace from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

## Sunday, December 11

— The musical group Sax and Strings will be hosting a Christmas concert in downtown Cruz Bay on Sunday, December 11, at 3:30 p.m. The public is invited to join in the celebration of the season.

— The Unitarian Universalists of St. John meet at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday in the Great Room at Giff Hill School. The guest speaker for December 11 is Esterita Austin who will speak on “A Spiritual Journey Through the Art of Quilt Making.”

## Tuesday, December 13

— Giff Hill School would like to invite all St. John parents and students to Financial Aid Night on Tuesday, December 13, at 6 p.m.

## Saturday, December 17

— The annual Audubon Christmas Bird Count date has been set for Saturday, December 17, with a rain date set for Sunday, December 18.

## Sunday, December 18

— The St. John Landsharks present the Third Annual Reindeer Ramble Christmas run on Sunday, December 18. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. and the race starts at 8 a.m. Donations in the form of pet food or treats will be greatly appreciated and will benefit the St. John Animal Care Center. Meet at the Annaberg parking lot.

## Tuesday, December 20

The St. John Chapter of the St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce will meet next on Tuesday, December 20, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at a location yet to be confirmed.

## Saturday, January 21

— The St. John Animal Care Center’s Annual Christmas for the Animals fundraiser gala will be Saturday, January 21.

## 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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## TRIPLE FEATURES

### ACROSS

- 1 Source of healthful fatty acids
- 8 Cards for soothsayers
- 14 Stunning weapons
- 20 Produced by its own staff
- 21 Latin “and others”
- 22 Sound setup
- 23 Really big souvenir given to a trick-or-treater?
- 26 Throat-infecting bug
- 27 Nada
- 28 Lion tail?
- 29 Great Plains natives
- 30 Sit in (for)
- 32 Dawber and Anderson
- 34 Tapioca-yielding plants
- 38 Connected group of a World War II general’s combat units?
- 43 Sainly
- 44 Actor Sam
- 45 Sweetie pie
- 46 Father deer
- 47 Viper type
- 48 The Gem State: Abbr.
- 49 “... hear — drop”
- 51 Partner of to
- 54 In a funk
- 55 Tail ends
- 57 Mentally ill Martian yaks it up?
- 62 Theater tickets, informally
- 64 City in Texas
- 65 Lauder of perfumery
- 66 Go uninvited to a night-

- club show in an Asian ethnic district?
- 73 Love, in Dijon
- 74 Memorial bio
- 75 Idyllic place
- 76 Hogtie an old Roman fighter?
- 82 Allow to enter
- 83 Hoppy brew
- 84 Understand
- 85 Angel player Cheryl
- 86 Be sickly
- 88 Agcy. that helps mom-and-pops
- 89 Paws, e.g.
- 91 “Well, let me think ...”
- 92 “Where do —?!” (“It’s a deal!”)
- 95 Sanders and Klink: Abbr.
- 96 Vast sand hill in Central Park?
- 102 Screenplay
- 103 Moby Dick’s adversary
- 104 Itty-bitty drink
- 105 Sand
- 106 Palme — (film award)
- 108 Put tears in
- 110 Clean a spill
- 114 A heptad of mischievous sprites turned laterally?
- 120 Charlotte — (capital of the Virgin Islands)
- 121 Rocker Ric of the Cars
- 122 Fiji is in it
- 123 Hot winter drinks
- 124 Equine, in tot-speak
- 125 Football great Tony

### DOWN

- 1 Smyrna fruits

- 2 Beginning ltr.
- 3 — -Pei (dog breed)
- 4 Truthfulness
- 5 Part of I/O
- 6 Suffix with Brit or Turk
- 7 Slope
- 8 Like juicy biographies
- 9 From — B
- 10 Most crude
- 11 Bullring yells
- 12 1-1 and 7-7
- 13 — Juan
- 14 Fly of Kenya
- 15 As many as
- 16 Park fixtures
- 17 South end?
- 18 Pensioned: Abbr.
- 19 — Canals
- 24 Painter Fra Filippo —
- 25 Lament
- 31 Stock’s kin
- 33 Asia’s Strait of —
- 34 “John King, USA” ailer
- 35 “Presto!” kin
- 36 —> or <—
- 37 Makes slant
- 38 Phony type
- 39 Llama cousin
- 40 Kind of tide
- 41 Lima’s home
- 42 A wife of Chaplin
- 43 One of two in “crocus”
- 48 Connecting land strip
- 50 Driver’s license, e.g.
- 51 Pert. to finances
- 52 Levy again
- 53 Yellow pool rack item
- 56 Tabulae — (blank slates)
- 58 Whirlpool
- 59 TV chef who “can cook”
- 60 Relative of largo

- 61 Astrologer Dixon
- 63 Listerine rival
- 67 Immense
- 68 Bible book after Amos
- 69 Quipster
- 70 Exposes by finking
- 71 Fit for eating
- 72 Food fishes
- 76 Flat floaters
- 77 — acid (fat compound)
- 78 Golfer Calvin
- 79 Mrs. Alfred Hitchcock
- 80 — with faint praise
- 81 Sitar piece
- 87 Taverns
- 90 Citrus fruit
- 91 MDs’ group
- 93 “— & Hutch”
- 94 Hit — (really go places)
- 95 Small domes
- 97 C.S. Lewis’ magical land
- 98 Often-purple flowers
- 99 — Field (Mets’ stadium)
- 100 Annoy a lot
- 101 Light-varying switch
- 106 Old art style
- 107 Man- — bird
- 109 Urge on
- 111 Long deeply
- 112 The “U” of CPU or BTU
- 113 H.S. junior’s exam
- 114 Little pouch
- 115 Screwball comic Philips
- 116 Hoover or Dyson, for short
- 117 Homer Simpson cry
- 118 “— -haw!”
- 119 — -friendly (green)

## Recycling and Audobon Receive Grants



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

Cordell Jacobs, center, Environmental Program Director with the V.I. Waste Management Authority made a welcome visit to the office of the St. John Community Foundation on Thursday, December 1, where he presented notices of Community Enrichment Grants to the Community Foundation and the Virgin Islands Audubon Society.

Celia Kalousek, left, for the SJCF received a grant of \$42,000 which will be used to administer the recycling program on St. John. Trucking services will be contracted to provide supportive island-wide bin maintenance and reliable shipment to St. Thomas' Sanitation Trash Services, where the cans are crushed and transported out of the Virgin Islands.

Terry Pishko received a \$5,975 grant for the V.I. Audubon Society which will be used for student education on St. John waste management issues, student cleanups of waste impacted areas as well as improvements of the viewing platform at the Frank Bay Pond Marine Reserve and Wildlife Sanctuary, which Audubon oversees under the guidance of the Division of Fish and Wildlife.

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**"Plumeria"** - a well-appointed & successful short term rental villa with 2 bedrooms & loft offering panoramic views of Pillsbury Sound & St. Thomas Beautiful sunsets every night. Features a gated design for ultimate privacy at the pool & outdoor living areas, lush tropical gardens, a FLAT yard & a large storage area below the deck can store two cars or a boat. Adjoins common owner's parcel. **\$1.249M**



**"Rainbow Beach"** - a 4 bedroom beachfront villa on a quiet cove within gated Johnson's Bay Estate on the southeast end of St. John. Paved access on flat estate road with a fantastic pool and spa, large deck and beach access only a few steps away. All 4 bedrooms are air-conditioned with full bath en-suite and feature magnificent water views. There is a large sleeping loft with 2 beds for additional guests. Snorkel from your front yard. **\$2.45M**



**"Someday Isle"** - A custom pool villa in a lush, tropical setting with exceptional views overlooking Coral Bay & the BVI. A popular rental villa, the main level has a well-equipped kitchen, cozy living area & large covered outdoor dining area with unobstructed views and cooling tradewinds. The 3 bedrooms are situated to ensure privacy with private decks that enjoy beautiful water views and sunrises. The lower bedroom is a separate studio apartment with a kitchenette. **\$1.25M**



**"Villa Tramonto"** - Is an elegant, contemporary styled villa located high atop the gated community known as Virgin Grand Estates. Built in 2010, the stately, fully air conditioned four bedroom home offers sweeping water and sunset views from Great Cruz Bay to St. Thomas and beyond. Amenities include large pool and entertainment deck, underground utilities and paved access roads. Solid masonry construction and the finest finishing materials. **\$2.395M**



**"Cruz Views" Unit 7** - is a very popular vacation rental condo, featuring beautiful views over Pillsbury Sound to St. Thomas and tropical sunsets, proximity to the pool and sundeck, and walking distance to town. This unique air-conditioned corner unit has been recently refurbished including new tile floors, mahogany cabinets, furniture and bath. Lush, tropical landscaping adds the perfect touch. Cruz Views is a small and quiet complex. **\$525,000.**



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**"Mango Terrace Villas"** - Brand new and spacious condos on a Cruz Bay hillside overlooking the turquoise waters of the Caribbean. All units have spacious interiors, ample decks from which to enjoy the cool Easterly breezes and expansive water views. Amenities include private laundry, granite counter tops, stainless appliances and large shared deck & pool. Walk to Cruz Bay & Frank Bay beach. Financing available. All units have just been reduced by as much as \$300,000 and are below recent appraised value - looking for a quick sale. Unit #6, a two bedroom ground floor condo with over 1100 sq ft was just reduced to only **\$499,000** Call for information.

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# Tough Competition Marks Inaugural St. John Optimist Championship Regatta

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result which reflected how tight our sailing was.”

Both McKenzie and Clarke train together with Santiago “Tino” Galan, the resident coach for VIODA’s Advanced Optimist Sailing Program and Team ISV.

Team ISV’s Chris Murphy finished third in the regatta.

The regatta was a qualifier for USVI sailors for the 2012 IODA South American Championships, which will be hosted in Buenos Aires in April. The top four finishers of the VIODA Championships qualify to represent the US Virgin Islands in the fleet and team racing competitions in Argentina.

“I’m confident that we will make it to the team racing podium in Argentina,” said McKenzie, Team ISV Captain. “We finished second last year and, though we have had a change of team members, Coach Tino will prepare us to make it again.”

Coach Galan’s training in great conditions combined with the true grit of young VI sailors put Team ISV on the team racing podium in third place at the 2010 IODA North American Championships and second place

at the 2011 IODA South American Championships.

The VIODA Championship regatta followed a three-day clinic directed Coach Galan, with the assistance of Coach Damian Saponara of Argentina and Coach Caitlyn Connelly of St. Croix Yacht Club.

Beginner, intermediate and advanced sailors who compete regularly internationally participated in the clinic with an emphasis on developing boat speed, fast tacks, and good starts.

“This was the best clinic I have ever participated in,” said Galan. “The sailors were focused, the training was intense, and everyone had the right mental approach. It was impressive to see the sailors’ skill levels increase over the several days of the clinic.”

Younger sailors were matched with older, more experienced sailors, in addition to receiving training from the three coaches. The older sailors assisted with rigging and other sailing techniques.

“I learned so much just from watching the sailors at the top of the fleet,” said up and coming St. Croix sailor Lake Sanford.

“I learned a lot from some of the older sail-

ors,” said 9-year-old Nathan Smith, from St. Maarten. “For example, one top BVI sailor showed me a great technique for downwind heeling, which I used in the regatta.”

Green fleet sailor Sam Childs from the British Virgin Islands learned from the coaches and made new friends during the clinic.

“The clinic gave me a lot of great tactics that I used in the regatta,” he said. “Tino and Damian are the best. I really enjoyed meeting new friends and had a lot of fun — it was my best regatta ever!”

Following dinner each evening, the coaches showed videos from the day’s training and offered more instructions on racing techniques.

“All the sailors, at all skill levels, work together in this clinic,” said Galan. “All the sailors need to learn team work and respect for each other.”

In addition to the clinic and regatta, sailors and several families stayed in the cabins of the Maho Bay Campground and had a total five-day immersion in sailing.

“It was like being at sailing camp,” said USVI sailor Chloe Coffindaffer. “We had a lot of fun off the water, too.”

## Regatta Results

### Championship Fleet

1. Scott McKenzie
2. Paige Clarke
3. Chris Murphy
4. Jason Putley
5. Nathan Smith
6. Rayne Duff
7. Teddy Nicolossi
8. Chris Sharpless
9. Natalie McConnell
10. Jack Finley
11. Maggie Finley
12. Chloe Coffendaffer
13. Sean Gurlea

### Green Fleet

1. Sam Childs
2. Thad Penn-Letsome
3. Lake Sanford
4. Mateo Di Blasi
5. Mia Nicolosi
6. Chuck Finley
7. James Knight
8. Gabe Brooker
9. Victoria Flatley
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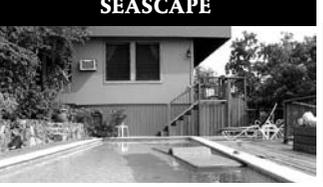
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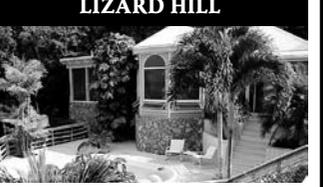
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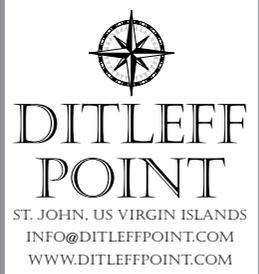
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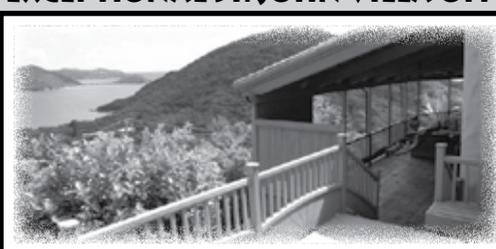
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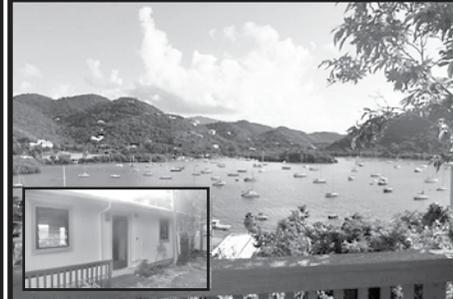
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# Sixth Edition of St. John Magazine Continues To Delight Readers

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due to the deadline.”

While this issue marks Nelson’s sixth time putting out a top-notch, professional magazine dedicated entirely to the island of St. John, she continues to find inspiration in the pages of *St. John Magazine* and the island which the publication features.

“It’s incredibly rewarding to see, touch and read the magazine in its completed form,” said Nelson. “I’m always on the edge of my seat when I open the box of advance copies from the printer. Every time I hold a new issue in my hands and open it up, I am quite stunned with how it all came together.”

“My inspiration continues to come from what I have experienced on St. John personally, which is what I believe makes the island an extraordinary place,” she said. “Another inspiration is the team of writers and photographers I work with on each issue. Their talents are beyond professional. They are able to connect

to their assignments and subjects through their writing and photography like I could not have imagined. They are truly the heart and soul of the *St. John Magazine*.”

The new issue of *St. John Magazine* is chock full of the amazing photography and professional writing which is Nelson’s trademark, but there are a few new twists in the sixth edition. New this issue is a Question and Answer column titled “Business by the Bay” which will feature long-time island business owners.

“It’s chance for the community to get to know the most prominent business people on St. John and find out what makes them so successful at what they do,” said Nelson.

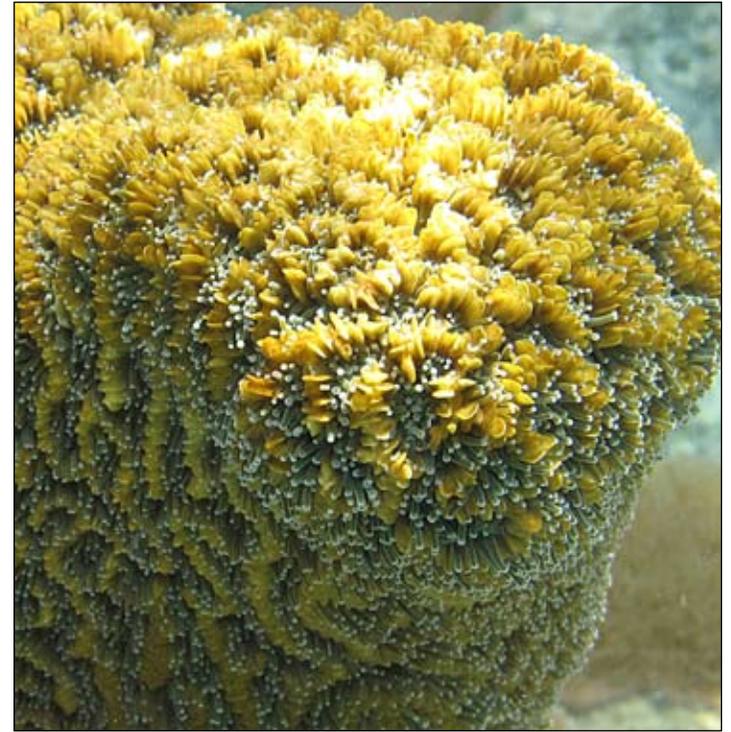
Missing from this issue is the usual *St. John Magazine* column penned by long-time island resident and St. John School of the Arts co-founder Ruth “Sis” Frank, who wrote amusing and insightful stories about days gone by on the island. Frank passed away last year and the fifth edition of *St. John Magazine* featured her fi-

nal column. But Nelson, who was a close friend and a big fan of Frank’s, hasn’t forgotten the power-house that Frank was. The publisher dedicated the newest edition to Frank in her “Letter from the Publisher.”

“‘Business by the Bay’ is featured where Sis’ stories were previously featured in the magazine,” Nelson said. “Unfortunately, the last column by Sis was published last year. This year I dedicated the magazine to her. She was a huge supporter of me personally and I will never forget the very candid moments we shared together.”

“In this issue, we feature the St. John School of the Arts and Sis’ legacy,” said the publisher. “Writer Mauri Elbel’s article showcases what Sis loved most, the arts, and she would be thrilled about this. And of course, Sis would have told me ‘it’s just marvelous.’”

Be sure to pick up a copy of the newest edition of *St. John Magazine*, available at retail outlets across the island.



Marine ecologist Dr. Caroline Rogers' article informs readers on "What, Exactly, Is A Coral?" Her article includes photography on several corals like this up-close view of a Pillar Coral.

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