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A large crowd enjoyed local fare and sweet treats, below, in Franklin Powell Park for Food Fair and festival coronation on Sunday afternoon, June 22, which was named in honor of long-time participant Yolonda Morton, above.



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Oquendo Crowned Miss St. John 2008

An emotional Razzilee Oquendo is comforted and congratulated by last year's reigning Miss St. John, Jenecia Dalmida, after winning this year's competition on Saturday night, June 21. See page 3.

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2008-09 St. John Princess Ja'Leah Stephens, center, with contestants Alli-Yah Henry, at left, and Stephanie Caraballo, at right.

Princess Selection Show Wows Large Crowd at Winston Wells Ball Field

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Despite the controversy swirling around the judges' final decision to allow Ja'Leah Stephens to retain her crown, the St. John Princess Selection Show on Sunday night, June 15, at the Winston Wells ball field was a night of glamour and pizzazz.

After crowning nine year old Stephens St. John Princess 2008-09, Festival and Cultural Organization members learned that judge Elizabeth Putnam's husband Bern Putnam had made a donation to Stephens.

The revelation raised questions about a possible conflict of interest and committee members launched an investigation into the allegations. After eliminating Elizabeth Putnam's scores from each segment and retallying the overall scores, Stephens still came out on top. (See related story on this page.)

Mature and Poised

Throughout the show, all three young ladies impressed the large crowd with their professional poise and mature demeanors. The girls strutted their stuff in swimwear, sportswear, story book character and evening wear segments.

Kimisa Smith, who competed in last year's Princess Selection Show, sang beautiful renditions of the

"Virgin Islands March" and the "National Anthem."

The princess contestants were joined on stage by last year's St. John Princess Shadiyah Boynes and first runner-up Yalfri Santana-Reyes for an opening dance routine choreographed by Lester Warner which had the girls hula-hooping to the catchy tune of "Come On Barbie, Let's Go Party."

Each of the young ladies presented themselves clearly and energetically during the evening's presentation speech.

Ready for the Beach

Seven-year-old Stephanie Caraballo set the bar high for the evening, wowing the crowd in a bright green halter top two-piece accented with fuchsia flowers for the swim wear segment. Toting a pink umbrella to protect her from the sun, Caraballo was ready for a day at the beach.

Alli-Yah Henry, a nine year old fourth grader at Guy Benjamin School, was a picture of daintiness in a teal green one piece covered with silver sparkles and accented with side ties.

Stephens, a fourth grader at Julius E. Sprauve School, sported a sea foam green two piece with crisscross straps in the back and boy shorts.

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After Days of Controversy Ja'Leah Stephens Retains Princess Crown

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Although audience members thought the show was over once Ja'Leah Stephens was crowned St. John Princess 2008-09 on Sunday night, June 15, the controversy was just brewing.

It took almost three days and the services of one lawyer and a certified public accountant before the dispute was settled allowing Stephens to retain her crown. And even after all that, the controversy is far from over in some circles.

Right after Princess Selection Show contestants Stephanie Caraballo, Alli-Yah Henry and Stephens completed the competition on June 15, St. John Festival and Cultural Organization Pageant Committee members were informed that one of the judges had a connection with Stephens.

Bern Putnam, who is married to former professional dancer Elizabeth Putnam — a first time judge of the pageant — made a \$50 donation to the organization on behalf of Stephens.

Legal Consultation

Once the allegation came to light, Pageant Committee members decided to look into the claim, but held off on making a formal announcement, explained chairperson Enid Doway.

"On Sunday night, someone brought to our attention that there was a complaint," said Doway. "We decided to investigate it plain and simple. Since it was a rumor and not an official complaint, we didn't make a decision then."

Instead of publicizing the claim, committee members contacted the organization's lawyer Arturo Watlington Jr., Doway added.

"We met with our lawyer on Monday and he listened to our concerns and told us to investigate further," she said. "We determined that the incident did occur so we decided to eliminate Liz's scores."

New Scores Talled

Once Putnam's scores were removed, the scores from the other four judges were re-talled by CPA Roy Jackson on Tuesday, June 17.

"After our CPA went over the remaining scores, we contacted all the parents and had them come in," said Doway. "We informed them of our decision and showed them the new scores. We didn't want any insinuations or confusion, so we did everything all together."

The new tally didn't change the final outcome and on June 18 the committee announced Stephens would keep her crown.

The readjusted score only changed the winner of the sportswear segment. The segment — which originally ended in a tie between Caraballo and Stephens — was won by Caraballo after the scores were re-calculated.

The controversy was a first under the supervision of Doway, who has been chair of the Pageant Committee since 1995. With the confusion settled, Doway hopes there are no repercussions from the incident.

No One's Fault

"I think it's a shame," said Doway. "But it's not anyone's fault. Blame can be passed anywhere, but we're going to ask judges to be careful about their affiliations in the future."

Since pageant committee members don't find out who the judges are until the night of the show, nothing could have been done to avoid the confusion, explained Doway.

"Our judges committee is not affiliated with our pageant committee — it's kept secret even from me," she said. "There is no way we would have known about the connection between the judge's husband and a contestant."

Doway is proud of how the organization handled the affair, she added.

Committee To Move On

"When you have a controversy it needs to be investigated and not pushed under the rug," said the pageant committee chairperson. "I am proud of the Festival Organization for having the guts to investigate the matter instead of trying to save face and ignore it."

"Our ultimate goal is to make everyone happy and make sure

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(left to right) Bridgewater in a teal blue gown for the evening wear segment, Frett in shades and a one-piece and Oquendo in kabuki-style makeup for the costume segment.

Razzilee Oquendo Crowned Miss St. John 2008

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

The judges had a difficult job deciding which of the glamorous young women in the Miss St. John Selection show at the Winston Wells ball field on Saturday, June 21, would walk home with the crown and a brand new Chevrolet Colbalt.

While the winner was 16-year-old Razzilee Oquendo, the talented young ladies put on an impressive show with Peter Ottley emceeing and Spectrum Band keeping the packed house entertained through-

out the night.

For the swimwear segment of the competition, Danella Bridgewater, 16, wowed the crowd in a hot pink cut-out one piece adorned with silver crystals.

Eighteen-year-old Emori Frett cut quite a figure in a white one piece halter top with teal blue polka dots. Her blue floppy hat, flowing wrap skirt and white sunglasses completed the look.

Oquendo kept it simple for the swim wear, sporting a black one piece halter top accented with red earrings and high heels.

Bridgewater transported the crowd to ancient Greece for the international wear segment as she embodied Athena, the goddess of wisdom and agriculture, with a plumed hat and flowing robes.

Riding around the stage on a cleverly designed horse prop, Frett took the crowd south of the border to Mexico for her international costume segment. Frett capped off the Mexican theme by shaking maracas and dancing in a floor length skirt.

Oquendo took the audience to the Far East as she transformed

into the Last Empress. In kabuki-style white makeup and beautiful kimono, Oquendo was the picture of elegance as she danced around the stage among elaborate backdrops.

For the evening wear segment, Bridgewater was a picture of beauty in a teal blue halter top floor length gown with a fitted bodice and sparkling criss-cross straps.

Frett kept the mood lively in her tangerine wrap which she swept off her shoulder to unveil a bright pink halter top gown bedecked with silver crystals and sequence.

Escorted by two brothers and her father, Oquendo was resplendent in a bold red halter top gown with a fitted bodice adorned with silver sparkle applique.

After tallying the scores, it was Oquendo who came out on top, although each of the girls was a winner after dedicating so much time and energy to make the show a success.

Food Fair 2008



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St. John royalty was officially crowned at the coronation, left, and a large crowd of event goers enjoyed local fare and treats, above, during Food Fair 2008.

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Senior Variety show participants entertained the crowd with Maypole dancing, center, and swim wear modeling with Elmo Rabsatt at left, and senior Carol Tuohy, right.

Senior Talent and Variety Show Lives Up to "Jump Up" Festival Theme

By Susan Mann
St. John Tradewinds

Mistress and Master of Ceremonies, Alecia Wells and George Lewis, kicked off a festive evening of fun and entertainment on Friday evening, June 13, at Winston Wells ball field by introducing musical group "4 Strong" of Tortola.

As the evening progressed, they unofficially became "5 Strong", "6 Strong", and so on, as different local musicians took the stage with them, noted Wells.

A talented trio of horn players did an uplifting rendition of the revered, "National Anthem," followed by audience participation for the "The Virgin Islands March."

The songs performed by Delita O'Connor were special treats. The solo artist, whose clear and strong voice never faltered, mesmerized the audience as she performed her two spiritual selections.

Harley and Penn "Practice what they Preach"

Love City Leapers coaches, Patrice Harley and Lisa Penn, were both extreme crowd pleasers, when they performed a few jump rope stunts, along with several young ladies in the group.

The coaches even performed a cartwheel for good measure. Retirement is apparently not going to slow Harley down one bit.

Miss Senior Sweet Heart 2008, Carol Tuohy, then appeared on the stage, shivering, while singing a popular, stateside song about snow and cold weather. Tuohy suddenly removed her white short, fur-looking jacket to reveal sparkling, red shorts and a matching top. She then changed her tune, and sang about the "hot, hot, hot" weather we have here in the Virgin Islands, while she danced about the stage.

Ida White says her "A, B, Cs"

Ms. VI Senior America, 1999, Ida White, recited the alphabet, offering a comment or two about each letter.

"The letter 'a' is for arthritis," shouted White.

The last letter, "z" stood for the word "zest." When it was time for a group of "seniors" to plait the Maypole, they showed they were a group of seasoned professionals.

The ritual — which dates back to ancient times —

was watched with curiosity by all the little ones on hand, with local "grown-up" residents grinning ear-to-ear as they watched their neighbors and friends merrily dance around the Maypole, each plaiting a colorful ribbon! Undoubtedly, it was not as easy as it looked to the spectators.

"Cat Walk" Exclusive

It was finally time for the models to get down to business in the world of very high fashion. The official "cat walk" list of models included Jean Donovan, Edna Freeman, Jane Johannes, Iris Venzen, Ina Lee, Marlene Boschulte, Enid Freeman, and a very brave Elmo Rabsatt.

The swim wear selections were both tasteful and flattering, with the models not hesitating to strut their stuff. The casual wear chosen for the event featured a winning combination of an upscale look, with mostly bright colored, natural fabrics.

"These models are dressed to go to the movies on St. Thomas, or anything else seniors' choose to do when they go there," said George Lewis.

A separate category, "hats," was also in the program. Always an important aspect of Caribbean cultural attire, it was a nice addition to the show. While there were only two models, this category will undoubtedly grow in the years to come.

The final fashion category, evening wear selections, was down right dapper, sophisticated, yet not over done. The very best in formal wear was on display.

There was one very swanky group of "seniors" right here on St. John at the Winston Wells ball field. Just before the "seniors" offered up their finale entertainment, Lewis introduced this year's Festival 2008 Princess and Queen Contestants.

Clearly, all the publicity and practice the young ladies had experienced was paying off for each of them. Their individual confidence and skill would have made any one of them a welcome addition to St. John's Festival Royalty.

Once again, the St. Thomas/St. John senior citizens, and all their volunteers who helped with the show, delivered up a night to remember for Love City residents and visitors who came out to enjoy an annual Festival event.

Ferryboat Companies Seek \$2 Fare Increase for Fuel, Warn of Shutdown

By Tom Oat

St. John Tradewinds

The St. Thomas-St. John ferryboat operators complained of \$4.91 per gallon fuel prices and "an almost 300 percent increase in just two years," in a letter from their attorney to the V.I. Public Services Commission on June 17 asking for an emergency hearing on a \$2 fuel surcharge on ferry tickets.

One day later, the attorney for Varlack Ventures and Transportation Services, filed an emergency motion for a rehearing of their surcharge request and reported fuel prices had risen to \$5.25 per gallon in the preceding 24-hours, reiterating her warning the ferry companies faced immediate financial peril.

PSC officials have been wrangling with the ferry companies over financial disclosures as part of an overall rate review and delayed a decision on the ferry companies' February 19, 2008, fuel surcharge request for eight months in a May 9 meeting.

The PSC will be convening an emergency meeting as early as this week to address the fuel surcharge, according to PSC Chairman Joseph B. Boschulte.

Ferry Services Could Be Curtailed

The St. Thomas-St. John ferryboat operators asked for an "immediate emergency meeting" of the PSC to grant a \$2 per ticket fuel-related surcharge and a reduction in their operating schedules, warning that the two companies would be forced to curtail services due to financial difficulties by the end of June.

"The ferryboat operators anticipate that within weeks they will no longer be able to afford to purchase sufficient fuel to maintain

"Without the immediate implementation of the fuel surcharge, a reduction in regularly scheduled service and operational costs far exceeding income, the ferryboat operators anticipate that they will be unable to continue to maintain service within the next two weeks, which means a fuel cost related interruption in PSC scheduled service by the end of the month (June 2008)."

— Attorney Claudette Ferron

Legal representative for Varlack Ventures and Transportation Services

the full complement of the PSC regularly scheduled runs, let alone any additional runs," according to a letter to the chairman of the PSC from Attorney Claudette Ferron for Varlack Ventures and Transportation Services.

"In light of this unprecedented fuel crisis, the ferryboat operators are requesting the immediate implementation of a two-dollar (\$2.00) across-the-board fuel surcharge," Ferron wrote the PSC.

"As of today's date, the ferryboat operators are paying in excess of \$4.91 per gallon for fuel, an almost 300% increase in just two years," according to Ferron's letter. "Despite the shocking increase in fuel costs over just two years, there has been no increase in fares and rates, which were already significantly below cost."

Service Interruption by End of June

"The ferryboat operators are already experiencing fuel shortage problems, with the vessels operating with only minimal fuel at times."

"Without the immediate implementation of the fuel surcharge, a reduction in regularly scheduled service and operational costs far exceeding income, the ferryboat operators anticipate that they will be unable to continue to maintain service within the next two weeks, which means a fuel cost related interruption in PSC scheduled service by the end of the month (June 2008)," Ferron wrote in her June 17 letter to Boschulte.

Unofficial PSC sources told *Tradewinds* on June 17 the rate investigation underway for the St. Thomas-St. John ferry service probably would not be completed before the end of this summer.

PSC officials had no immediate response to Ferron's request for an emergency hearing.

"With the most recent staggering increases in fuel costs (and related costs), the ferryboat operators simply can no longer continue to operate without an increase in revenues, and they cannot wait for the completion of the rate investigation currently pending before

the Commission, which will take months," Ferron wrote.

Last Rate Increase in June 2006

The last ferry rate increase, requested in April 2005, was granted by the PSC effective June 1, 2006, according to the attorney.

"The ferryboat operators have exhausted all of their assets, which are all mortgaged, and are unable to purchase fuel on credit," Ferron wrote. "The situation is so extreme that the ferryboat operators can no longer afford to fill up the fuel tanks of their ferryboats and the large ferry boats are operating on only partially filled fuel tanks," the attorney added.

Paying More for Fuel Than WAPA

The ferryboat operators compare their situation to that of the V.I. Water and Power Authority (WAPA) which was granted fuel surcharge increases of 22.3 percent in November 2007 and 22.9 percent in June 2008 "for a total of 45.2% increase in a little over six months," Ferron wrote PSC's Boschulte.

"Although the ferryboat operators are the second largest fuel consumers in the Virgin Islands providing an essential mass transit public/government service, without the proper official acknowledgement as a government service provider, as stated in the law, the ferryboat operators are forced to pay a significantly higher price for fuel than WAPA," Ferron pointed out.

"Specifically, while WAPA is currently paying \$121 a barrel for fuel, the ferryboat operators are forced to pay the equivalent of over \$208 a barrel for fuel, or \$4.91 a gallon," the ferryboat companies' attorney wrote.

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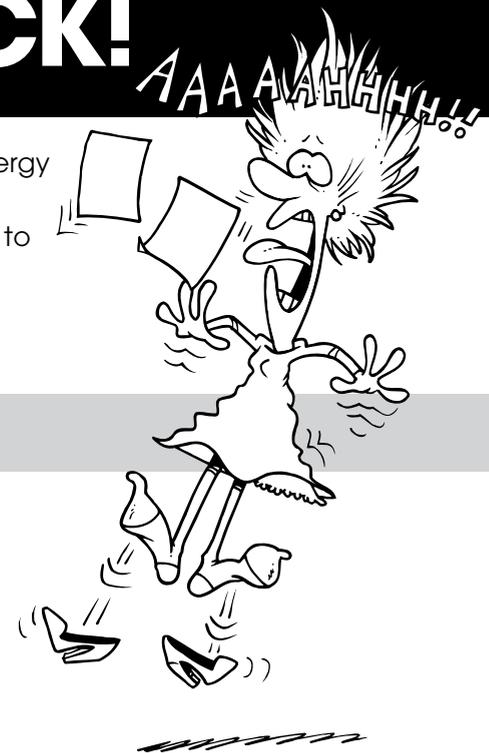
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Ferryboat Operators Claim Operating Losses of \$4,000 per Day Due to Fuel

By Tom Oat
St. John Tradewinds

The St. Thomas-St. John ferryboat operators claim they are losing \$3,800 to \$4,000 per day while they await a fare increase decision by the V.I. Public Services Commission. PSC officials want to see the numbers before they approve any fare increase.

Rate battles and ultimatums over government subsidies have roiled the waters for inter-island operators before — and often flared just before the St. John Festival, the heaviest ferry traffic period of the year.

Fuel Price Pressure

But the on-going run-up in fuel prices is an economic force the ferryboat operators and the regulators cannot quibble over for long, according to the ferryboat operators.

“Without a fuel surcharge and a reduction in the regularly scheduled runs, the ferryboat operators will not be able to maintain the St. Thomas-St. John ferryboat service,” according to Attorney Claudette Ferron, representing Varlack Ventures and Transportation Services. “It is impossible to operate the service based solely on income from significantly below cost rates.”

“The only source of revenues for the ferryboat operators is income from ticket sales,” Ferron wrote to PSC Chairman Lawrence Boschulte June 17. “The ferryboat service costs significantly more to operate than what is paid in



St. John Tradewinds News Photo File

Inter-island ferry passengers could face a fare increase next week.

fares.”

The ferry companies have daily revenues of \$7,000 to \$7,200 and daily operating costs of \$11,000 which was denoted as an “averaged approximation,” according to Ferron’s letter to Boschulte.

Daily Fuel Costs

Daily fuel costs represent \$3,500 to \$3,800 of the operating costs, according to Ferron — “(with larger vessels’ fuel tanks only 1/2 full)”.

“In the past, due to below cost fares (and the lack of legally required Government funding), the ferryboat operators have been forced to privately subsidize fuel costs and marine mass public transportation in the Virgin Islands, resulting in tremendous losses, the accumulation of significant debt, and severe financial damage,” according to Ferron.

The current ferry rate structure, implemented in June 2006 includes \$3 for a commuter ticket, a \$2.50 bulk (government) ticket, \$1.50

for students, \$1.25 for seniors and \$1 for children (under 12), according to the attorney.

“Most passengers do not pay the regular (\$5) adult fare,” Ferron pointed out in her letter. “Only adult tourists and adult ‘occasional’ passengers pay the regular adult fare.”

Government Subsidy Unpaved

While the PSC is seeking further insight into the financials of the ferryboat operators, the companies have met V.I. government requirements for their annual subsidy, according to their attorney.

But they haven’t received the money, she added.

“The ferryboat operators as of today have received no local or federal government funding, through the Virgin Islands government to subsidize the costs of public transportation, although they have provided the Government with all the necessary documentation of a promised \$265,000 subsidy,” according to Atty. Ferron.

HURRICANE HOLE: Registration Postponed Until Saturday, June 28

St. John Tradewinds

With boaters across St. John on edge regarding the planned, Saturday morning, June 21, Hurricane Hole registration, V.I. National Park officials issued a press release around noon on Friday, June 20, postponing the registration until Saturday, June 28.

VINP’s Chief of Resource Management Rafe Boulon issued the following information:

The tropical wave entering our area at this moment is presently predicted to have 30+ knot winds and heavy rain tomorrow, making conditions unsafe for large numbers of small vessels heading towards Hurricane Hole. There will be a ranger boat on station from 0800 to 1000 hours to notify people of the change in plans.

The site selection activity will be rescheduled for Saturday, June 28, with all of the same processes as planned for the 21.

Please notify as many people as you can of this change. I’m sorry we have to do this but Mother Nature holds the upper hand.

Please call my phone number, 693-8950 x224, for recorded messages of updates.

Thank you...Rafe

“Sorry about this,” Boulon said on his office voice mail message. “We did not expect this to happen. It’s all my fault naturally.”

Memorial Service: Celebration of the Life of Bill Morris Is Scheduled for June 28 at Hawksnest

St. John Tradewinds

A celebration of the life of Bill Morris is Saturday, June 28, from 11:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. at Hawksnest Beach Pavilions 1 and 2.

This will be “pot luck,” so please bring a dish to share and your own drinks. We will provide the paper goods and ice.

Please be prepared to speak about Bill if you care to. Lee would like it in writing, so she can put them in the two scrapbooks she is making for their two sons, Chris and Steve. Bill passed away on March 21.

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Booths in Festival Village were starting to spring up in anticipation of Village opening on Saturday, June 28.

2008 Festival Village Honoree: Irene Scatliffe

By Barbara Winch
St. John Tradewinds

Picture the scene. Booths are up. Music is playing. The smells of paté and curry fill the air.

Children are playing games. People are laughing and dancing. The “village” is alive with electricity that only Festival time on St. John can bring, and Ms. Irene Scatliffe — this year’s Festival Village honoree — is right in the middle of the mix enjoying it all!

Scatliffe moved with her husband from Tortola to St. John 41 years ago. While living on Tortola, she worked at Treasure Isle Hotel in Road Town, and after moving to St. John, Scatliffe worked for the government cooking in the public schools and for the Headstart program.

Now that she has retired from her government position — after 31 and a half years — Scatliffe works part-time for Caneel Bay Resort in the housekeeping department. When she returns to Tortola for visits, Scatliffe helps out her sister with the cooking in her restaurant.

Almost 30 Years in Village

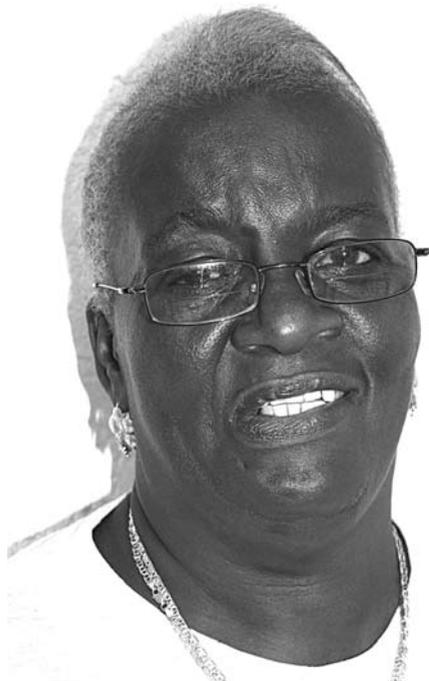
For the past 29 years, Scatliffe has run a food and drink booth in Festival Village where she sells a variety of Caribbean delicacies including fish, chicken, pork, mutton, and conch.

The popular cook first became involved in Festival Village by helping Ms. Ivy Mercer with her booth. After several years, she branched off and — with the help of her brothers, sister, cousin, daughter and other family members and friends — started working her own booth.

It is this love of the island’s annual Festival and cultural celebration and her dedication to the festival committee which she believes earned her this year’s honoree distinction.

When asked how she felt about being chosen as this year’s St. John Festival Village Honoree, Scatliffe answered with a heartfelt, “Wonderful!”

“The Festival chairperson (Leona Smith) is wonderful to work with and it is a pleasure to work with



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Tom Oat

Irene Scatliffe will be serving food at Festival Village again this year.

the committee,” said Scatliffe. “They are all wonderful!”

It is obvious that Scatliffe truly enjoys all aspects of St. John Festival, but it is reunions that she names when pressed for her favorite part of the festivities.

“Seeing friends that I haven’t seen in years, and getting to know new friends,” Scatliffe said about what makes St. John Festival special.

With this enthusiasm and energy, Scatliffe begins yet another Festival season.

Be sure to stop by her booth and try some of her Caribbean delights. Also enjoy the excitement and love of St. John Festival which exudes from this year’s Festival Village honoree Ms. Irene Scatliffe.

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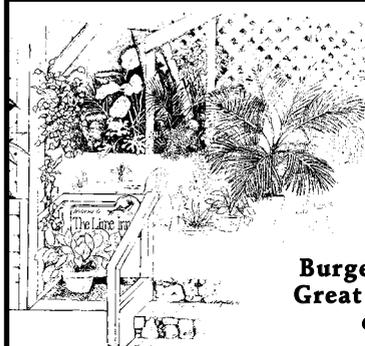
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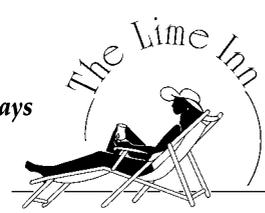
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Library Renovations on Schedule

By Susan Mann
St. John Tradewinds

Carol McGuiness, librarian, and Rena Dawson, library technician, are providing as many of the Elaine I. Sprauve Library's usual services as possible to library patrons from the two trailers sitting near to the actual library building while the historic structure undergoes renovations.

"The summer reading program will function as usual," said McGuiness.

Children keep a log which includes the amount of time they spend actually reading the books. For each two-hour time period spent reading, students will be entitled to receive one free book as a reward from the popular library program.

Meanwhile, long-planned renovations to the library are moving along on schedule, according to officials.

"We are on schedule with renovations, its full steam ahead, and we are pleased," said Donald Cole, Assistant Director of Libraries, Archives, and Museums. "We are meeting each Tuesday with



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Susan Mann

Renovations include installing air conditioning at the historic Elaine I. Sprauve Library.

the contractors. We were there this week and everything is going smoothly."

Cole emphasized that the renovation project is intended to restore the historical building — which was constructed between 1730 and 1740 — to its original construction and design as closely as possible.

"We are still planning to have the work done by September," he said.

The library, which is tempo-

rarily housed in the two trailers near the building, is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and the regular phone number, 776-6359, is in working order.

Library card holders can access the internet, as well as check out popular DVDs and books. Many items, however, are packed away until the renovation project is completed and the holdings are placed back on the shelves.

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Wha's Happ'nin'

by Sis Frank

Excitement at the Basketball Court

St. John Tradewinds

If you missed the Callwood birthday party on Saturday afternoon you missed the most imaginative gathering on St. John ever! It was Luella's daughter, Felicia's, third birthday!

As a friend said, "what will they do for her sixteenth birthday? How can they top that?"

"Sponge Bob" was there, a thousand balloons lined the fence, the sinking "Titanic," twenty-five feet in the air with kids daring to slide all the way down, and hundreds of friends and family taking it all in!

On the way back to the village, the long line of cars slowed to a halt as a very funny man, Charles Dore, who was leading a beautiful pink pig on a leash, waved to the crowd. The pig must have been three feet high by four feet long! Another one of Charlie's Angels.

Guess what! Not one piece of paper, bottle or trash in sight on Sunday morning!

Congratulations to Celtics Fans!

What a series! Poor Kobe — he tried. Well, Curtis Penn has taken his Lakers' flag down.

So Many of Our Friends Are Not Well

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again. Hooray!

Students' Artwork Shown at Bajo el Sol

Do go see the young students' paintings — they are full of color and imagination.

Trash Bin at Dolphin Market is a Mess

It improved for a few days, but it is now worse than ever! Is it too much to ask the men to cut and fold the boxes before they toss them into the bin? If they live on St. John, they should feel a sense of pride in their community. Ira Wade, once again, makes sure that the bin is emptied, as well as the Sprauve annex corner.

The bin at Wharfside has improved, but I have a feeling that someone at Wharfside should keep his eye on it to be sure that this improvement continues daily.

Cruz Bay Cemetery is Vandalized

There is a special lady on St. John who never forgets to put flowers on the graves of old friends on their birthdays. (Yesterday was Doris Jadan's.) It was reported that vases are disappearing along with other sentimental items left at the gravesites. This is inexcusable — is Public Works in charge of the cemeteries? If not, who is?

Enjoy the Festival music and shows! It's Fourth of July jump-up time!

Judge Clears Way for Closings on Nine Units at Grande Bay

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Grande Bay Resort condominium buyers got the green light to proceed with closings after a Superior Court Judge lifted a neighbors' threat of legal action last week.

Superior Court Judge James Carroll III's motion cleared the way for Bay Isles Associates LLP to complete the sale of nine luxury condominium units on the top two floors of its Cruz Bay waterfront development.

The owners of a cottage located behind Grande Bay — whose views are blocked by the top two stories of the development — filed a lawsuit in 2005 alleging the project violated V.I. zoning laws including height and density regulations.

In January the Jadan and Trey families, who own Paradise Found, also filed a legal notice, called a *lis pendens*, with the Recorder of Deeds office to notify potential buyers that title to the units was in question pending the outcome of the lawsuits.

Missing Out on Millions of Dollars

The 48-unit development was initially expected to be completed two years ago. The on-going legal cases, however, prevented Bay Isle from collecting up to \$6.5 million which could have been used toward paying a \$18.5 million construction loan, according to the developers.

Bay Isle officials told Judge Carroll in



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Tom Oat

Supreme Court Judge Curtis Gomez cleared the way for Bay Isle Associates to complete the sale of nine upper units at Grande Bay which block the view from a neighbor property, above.

April that they were forced to borrow money from friends and family and the project was in danger of going under, according to published reports.

In his motion lifting the *lis pendens* on Wednesday, June 11, Judge Carroll ruled that since Bay Isle was in danger of bankruptcy, the developer needed to close on the units.

"Testimony established that the Grande Bay Resort development is at financial risk

because of Bay Isles' inability to provide marketable title and close on the nine condominium units covered by the *lis pendens*," wrote Carroll.

"Substantial Harm"

"This harm suffered by Bay Isles is substantial, because, although it largely consists of monetary loss, it could very well result in bankruptcy of the entire project," Carroll continued. "The court does not believe that the legislature intended the *lis pendens*

statute to be used as a sword by plaintiffs to exert pressure on defendants by forcing the cessation of all development of a multi-unit property, particularly where there is no direct nexus between plaintiffs and the property at issue, and the plaintiffs' entitlement to equitable relief is speculative at best."

The *lis pendens* already achieved its goal — to notify potential buyers of the pending lawsuit against Bay Isle, according to Carroll.

Potential Buyers Aware of Lawsuit

"According to testimony at the hearing, it is likely that most potential purchasers of the condominium units already have actual notice of Plaintiffs' claims," wrote the Superior Court judge. "With the extensive media coverage already devoted to this litigation, the availability of alternative avenues of notice to potential purchases removes some of the necessity for Plaintiffs to maintain the *lis pendens*."

While Liza Trey misses her family's once incredible view, she wished the future Grande Bay tenants well.

"I wish all the owners of the fourth and fifth stories of Grande Bay all the best and I'm sure they'll enjoy the view," said Trey. "I know we did when we had it."

Carroll is expect to rule on the Trey and Jadan families' Motion for Partial Summary Judgement soon.

Thanks to everyone who planned and set the foundation for a great day.

Thanks to everyone who volunteered and made sure the food, music, games and services were top notch.

Thanks to everyone who came out and made the day incredibly fun.

Thanks to all the generous people who supported us in ways too numerous to list.

Thanks to everyone!

Much Love,
Doug Bean and Jaime Elliott

St. John Festival

Jump Up and Congregate for Festival 2008

Festival Village Honoree: Irene Scatliffe
Food Fair Honoree: Yolonda Morton
Parade Marshal: Miles Stair

Friday, June 27:



Festival Mix
Winston Wells ball field
9 p.m.
Contact person:
Lucinda Jurgen, 776-1291

Saturday, June 28:

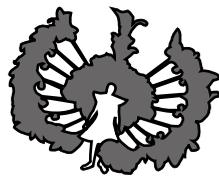
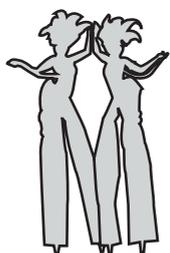
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7 p.m.
Contact person:
Jane Johannes, 776-6450

Thursday, July 3:

Cultural Day
Frank Powell Park
1 p.m.
Contact person:
Alecia Wells, 776-6336

Friday, July 4:

- J'Ouvert, 4 a.m.
- Parade, V.I. National Park, 11 a.m.
Fireworks display, Cruz Bay harbor, 9 p.m.
Contact person:
N. Thomas, 774-3107



**Additional information call the Festival Hotline
at 690-3692 or 690-1725**

Boating Registration on St. John Set for Every Tuesday and Thursday in July; Fisherman Registration Is July 15

St. John Tradewinds

The Department of Planning and Natural Resources announces that boating registration will take place on St. John every Tuesday and Thursday from Tuesday, June 17, to Thursday, July 17, at the DPNR Office (next to Julius E. Sprauve School's Industrial Arts classroom) from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Contact the Division of Environmental Enforcement at 774-3320 on St. Thomas for further information.

Additionally, commercial fisherman registration will be conducted on St. John Tuesday, July 15, at the Division of Permits at The Marketplace.

Commercial fishermen registered during the 2007-2008 fishing year must have all catch records submitted to be eligible for a new fishing permit. After July 15, commercial fisherman registration will be conducted at the Division of Fish and Wildlife. Please contact the Division of Fish and Wildlife at 772-1955 or 775-6762 for more information.

Krosfyah, Shurwayne Winchester To Headline at Festival Village

St. John Tradewinds

The St. John Festival and Cultural Organization has announced its Festival Village Lineup for "Jump Up and Congregate for Festival 2008." This year's Festival Village honoree is Irene Scatliffe.

The organization also announced that Children's Village will be at the V.I. National Park ball field from June 28 through July 5.

Festival Village Lineup

Saturday, June 28 – Love City Pan Dragons, Spectrum, Cool Session Brass, Jam Tymes

Sunday, June 29 – Bouncer Band, Sugar Band

Monday, June 30 - Express Band, Jam Tymes

Tuesday, July 1 – Daddy Jones and Crew, Red Hot Flames

Wednesday, July 2 – Pan in Motion, Wrecktion Band, Carami, Cool Session Brass

Thursday, July 3 – St. Thomas All Stars, JDPP Jammerz, Shurwayne Winchester and Traffik, Burning Flames

Friday, July 4 - Ah We Band, Taxik and Claudette Peters, Krosfyah

Saturday, July 5 – Beach Jam featuring Jam Tymes

KATS Celebration Set for June 28

St. John Tradewinds

The St. John Kids And The Sea program will not offer a rowing and seamanship course until the fall. The introductory program will start after students return to school. Students who will be 8 years old by December 31 are eligible for enrollment. Notices and applications will be sent to schools in the fall.

The annual KATS celebration will be Saturday, June 28, at noon at Skinny Legs.

"Free to Read" Program at Library

St. John Tradewinds

The Friends of the Elaine I Sprauve Library and the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands are pleased to sponsor the "Free To Read" summer reading program.

From June 24 through August 22 readers are asked to register at the Elaine I. Sprauve Library and receive a reading log. Readers will enter every 20 minutes of reading in the log, and upon reaching two hours, they will be eligible for a free book and small prize.

The library will also have two copies from most local school summer reading lists available for loan. For more information on "Free to Read" please call 776-6359.

Roller Siblings Graduate from Antilles School and KATS Sailing Program

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Two St. John siblings heading off to study at prestigious institutions this fall were honored by the local youth sailing program which set the foundation for their future success at a Sunday, June 15, ceremony.

St. John Kids And The Sea officials presented sensational sailing brother and sister Mayumi "Mimi" Roller and Hugo Roller III, with their organization's biggest achievement — graduate.

Hugo will report for duty at the United States Naval Academy on July 2 for the academy's tough summer orientation program while his sister Mimi will attend the prestigious St. Mary's College of Maryland this fall.

The Rollers, who both graduated from Antilles School, started sailing 10 years ago with KATS and their coaches watched with pride as the two grew over the years.

"Who knew when you two were planted in the Kids And The Sea 10 years ago, how you would grow and flourish in our basic training and sailing program," Jennifer Robinson, KATS secretary, told the graduates.

"Like a seed or shoot on your parents' farm, you sprouted from the Scotiabank International Regattas in St. Thomas to strong competitors all over the continental United States, throughout the Caribbean islands, in South America, Canada, Europe and as far as away as New Zealand," continued Robinson.

While KATS first introduced the exceptional siblings to the world of sailing, their parents and school picked up where the small, non-profit, all-volunteer program left off, Robinson explained to the Rollers.

"The nurturing of your parents and coaches has raised you to a maturity level we instructors all hope



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The Roller family, from left to right, Josephine, Hugo III, Hugo and Mayumi, celebrated their graduation from Antilles School and KATS.

for in our students when they ripen beyond our acreage of expertise," she said. "You have represented KATS, Antilles School and the St. John community with dignity and distinction."

"You have shown how important a youth marine program can be in the development of children surrounded by the sea," Robinson said.

KATS officials will watch with excitement — and a bit of braggadocio — as the Roller siblings continue along their paths of success, Robinson added.

"We will be watching you and boasting that we were the roots and the budding of your passion for seamanship," said the KATS secretary. "May fair winds follow you always and the trade winds bring you home now and again."



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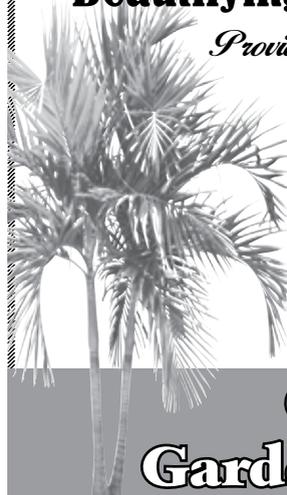
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Chamber Members Discuss Impacts of Decreased Flights, Rising Costs

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Facing deep cuts in the number of direct American Airlines flights to the territory, government officials are scrambling to ensure that planes keep landing.

Department of Tourism Commissioner Beverly Nicholson-Doty is negotiating with several different airlines to try and fill the expected gap left when American — a major carrier of flights from New York — substantially reduces its flights to the Virgin Islands in September, Kate Norfleet told a dozen people who attended a meeting of the St. John Chapter of St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce last week.

"American is a huge player here," Norfleet, the chamber's St. John representative, said at the June 17 meeting at St. Ursula's Multipurpose Center. "Tourism is trying to see how to fill in the holes. It's a difficult situation but they're jumping right on it."

While airline carriers traditionally cut down on flights to the territory during the summer months, American has no plans to re-institute runs, Norfleet added.

Squeeze on Fares and Seats

Reduced flights combined with dramatically spiking airfares could spell serious trouble for the territory's tourism this summer and even into next high season, Norfleet explained.

"There is a squeeze on the fares and now there will be a squeeze on the number of seats too," said Nor-

"There is a squeeze on the fares and now there will be a squeeze on the number of seats too. That is a killer. It's going to be a very, very tough season."

— Kate Norfleet,
St. John Representative,
STT/STJ Chamber of Commerce

fleet. "That is a killer. It's going to be a very, very tough season."

Tourism officials are in talks with several airlines, including Delta, Jet Blue and Continental, to make up the difference in reduced American Airlines flights, according to Norfleet.

While the current security cameras in Cruz Bay continue to function properly, officials remain open to suggestions for additional locations for new cameras, according to Norfleet.

"The cameras are more effective in deterring crime than as an apprehension tool," she said. "But cameras are no good to anyone if they're not watched."

Greeters Coming

Ferry boat and cruise ship passengers disembarking in Love City can expect to be met by a smiling greeter next season, tourism committee member Debbie Hime explained.

Department of Tourism officials

launched a hospitality program on St. Thomas recently and residents are eager to see the program extended to Love City.

"The people at the airport are so upbeat," said chamber member Maggie Day. "It's a really great program. It's nice to have local people who know the area instead of people who just got here and are pretending to give out information when they are really trying to sell time shares."

Department of Tourism officials are hoping to install three part time greeters between the ferry dock and the Cruz Bay Creek by the fall, Hime added.

Residents continue to support the push for a new ambulance boat to replace the dilapidated *Star of Life*, chamber member Cid Hamling told the group.

The next business after hours will most likely be in August or October and chamber members are still deciding on a location.

Next Meeting July 15

Norfleet attends monthly St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce meetings on St. Thomas, where she has Governor John deJongh's ear. The St. John chamber representative urged members to contact her with any concerns the government should hear about at katendesign@mac.com.

The next St. John Chapter of the St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce meeting is set for Tuesday evening, July 15, at 5:30 p.m. at St. Ursula's Multipurpose Center.



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Jordan Clendinen, far left, wrote the winning essay at GBS and Akiah Conliffe, center at right, was the JESS winner. Shamaera Fahie, left, and Nyree Doway, right, did well also.

Conliffe and Clendinen Win SJCCC Contest on Child Abuse Awareness

By Terri Lamb
St. John Tradewinds

The sixth grade classes from both the Julius E. Sprauve School and Guy Benjamin School participated in a Child Abuse Awareness Writing Contest organized by the St. John Community Crisis Center.

These passionate young members of our island community are all winners.

It is disturbing that these young, tender hearts have an awareness of such tragic circumstances, but with the help of their dedicated teachers — Ms. Canton, Ms. Cameron, and Ms. Judkins — these students were able to express their concerns in a variety of ways.

The students wrote compassionate appeals for assisting children and families to heal from such dire circumstances. The children truly believe they are our future and that we, as a community, are their guardians.

They expect us to come together and rectify these

societal problems.

Through partnerships with families and the greater community, we can work towards achieving this goal. We need ongoing volunteer and financial support.

We are proud to announce Grand Prize award winners Jordan Clendinen from GBS and Akiah Conliffe from JESS who received “green” laptops through Christine Barbich of Caribbean Villas.

We would also like to thank Little Switzerland, Caravan Gallery, Baked in the Sun, The Inn at Tamarind Court, Chelsea Drug Store, Friends of the VI National Park Store, Pastory Gardens, Big Belly Deli, Flotsam and Jetsam and Maho Bay Camps for their ongoing support.

With their help we were able to award special gifts to our honorable mention Shamaera Fahie from JESS, and our first-runner-ups, Kierra Krigger from GBS and Nyree Doway from JESS.

For more information about SJCCC, please call 693-7233.



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Jerry Runyon Commander of Post #131

St. John American Legion, V.I. District Awarded Membership Trophies

St. John Tradewinds

The Virgin Islands American Legion District was awarded a trophy recognizing 100 percent membership renewal for 2007 at a recent department convention in Puerto Rico.

All 600 members of the five American Legion posts throughout the territory — three on St. Croix, one on St. Thomas and one on St. John — renewed their membership for this year.

The Viggo E. Sewer American Legion Post 131 based on St. John was also singled out for all of its members renewing before the end of the year. Post 102 on St. Croix was awarded the distinction as well.

The island’s American Legion membership almost doubled this year. The post started the year with 31 members and now have 56, explained Post 131 Commander Jerry Runyon, who attended the department convention.

American Legion Post 131 is committed to hosting the 2009 district convention on St. John next June. The post is also hoping to host a Veteran’s Ball in November 2009, explained Runyon.

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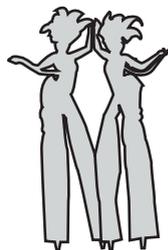
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Rhythm & Views

An outlook on young adult interests and concerns
by Malik Stevens

What Is Festival?

St. John Tradewinds

As the years have progressed, my thoughts on what should be a festive time of the year have been on a crazy roller coaster ride.

I say this because every year I often find myself asking "what is festival?"

Should I consider festival the time of year to dress up, party, have fun, relive culture, jive, let loose, fill up on grub and see old friends and family?

Or should I consider it a time of fighting, confusion, controversy, drunkenness — a time filled with strictly business minded people rather than people out to give festivity goes a good time?

These are two drastic points of views, but they both go to show how much this yearly occasion is changing.

As a young child I always thought that festival was an amazing event. From the village to the parade, food fair, jouvert, queen show, boat races and the rest, it was all a big spectacle to me. But as I have gotten older this event has seemed to lose the flair it once had.

From what once was a cultural

affair, it has changed to an event in which culture happens to be the last thing it contains.

Every year there is confusion with the competitions, fighting in the village, there are money issues, gossip and other things that our festival just should not contain.

Even for the parade I have to ask myself what is the meaning and cultural relativity behind half of the costumes? The culture seems to be filtering away, but not as fast as the uproars about the competitions seem to be flowing in.

The competitions are becoming a major turn-off each and every year. From St. John Princess to Miss St. John, there is always some chaos.

Sweat, tears, and a whole lot of time is put into these shows and still, at the end the people cannot come to a decent understanding.

Instead of being happy for the contestants for their hard work and performance, we fight, bicker and stir up issues that should be left alone. Why can't we all just get along?

Even though festival sometimes lacks in the cultural department, it surely makes it up with the fun and amusement it brings every year.

When else can adults, teens and the younger youths all party as one and have a great time and all the island's local and cultural dishes come out and drive all your senses wild?

When else can you dance in the roads you typically drive in and wear clothing that even on Halloween is considered outrageous? When else can you party seven nights straight and not be judged by this?

Festival is the time of the year to release all that stress gained from school, work and home and channel it into something positive. It is a time to relax, experience and enjoy.

Even with its ups and downs, its ironies and its tiring mishaps I still love my festival. The colors, the costumes, the memories, the night life, the food, the jokes and everything else adds to why I will never give up on my festival.

We still need to revive more of our culture in this event and I wish for better outcomes for the pageants, but no one's perfect.

To conclude I say, be safe, have fun, and "Jump up and Congregate for Festival 2008."

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Paws for a Moment

Summer Needs for Pets

By Bonny Corbeil
St. John Tradewinds

Hurricane season and the hot weather has again arrived. The time is good to review our pet's "summer needs" so that we can be responsible pet owners.

Can you imagine what it must be like for a dog or cat to endure this hot weather, when both the humidity and the temperature are so much higher? Picture yourself having to wear a fur coat in this heat!

Sure, they are naturally equipped with a kind of internal panting/air conditioning system, however they have sweat glands only on their paws so they are unable to sweat everywhere like us humans to stay cool.

Every effort must be made to ensure that your pet has access to areas at home that are cool.

Hot Weather Tips

If your pet is kept outdoors, make sure he has a shaded place and plenty of fresh water to drink. Your pet will need much more water in the summer to replenish what he loses by panting.



Many dogs also enjoy swimming for exercise and to cool down. Leaving a chained dog in the sun without protection or ample water is against the law. It is neglecting your responsibilities as a pet owner.

If you like to run or do vigorous exercise with your dog, do so at cooler times of the day, early morning or evening. If you exercise during the hotter times of day, your dog will have much more difficulty cooling himself and could overheat quickly. He will often try to keep going to keep up with you.

You may not realize until his condition is severe that he has been seriously overheating. Both heatstroke and heat exhaustion can result in brain damage, heart failure or even death in a short period of time.

Short muzzled and thick-coated breeds and mixes are particularly vulnerable, although any breed may be at risk. Always bring cool water along when walking, running or hiking with your dog during hot weather.

When you exercise your dog in the summer, stop and let him drink frequently. Make sure he is not overweight and is well conditioned for this activity before the hotter days of summer.

You might even soak your dog with water before you exercise with him so he can stay cooler. This is especially important for long-haired or heavy-coated dogs. Dogs with very short hair have less difficulty cooling off.

To cool off an overheated dog, offer him plenty of water, then wet the dog's body and paws with cool water and fan him.

A dog's normal internal body temperature is between 100.5 degrees and 102 degrees Fahrenheit. If the dog experiences heatstroke or heat exhaustion, he should receive veterinary attention as soon as possible.

Parked Cars Are Dangerous

Leaving your dog in a parked car in the summer — even with the window left a few inches open — can cause heatstroke within minutes. Leaving your dog in a car parked in the shade does not assure that your dog will not become seriously overheated.

Shaded cars may still get very hot due to the greenhouse effect, and the sun may also move enough to change shaded areas into sunny ones.

Never keep your pet in a car in direct sun on a summer day. Even with the windows slightly open, the temperature inside a car can soar to 120 degrees Fahrenheit or more within minutes. These conditions can kill a pet within 10 minutes or less.

Also, keep your dog at home for the July 4 fireworks show. The noise and crowd are simply too much for your pet.

Hurricane Preparedness for Pets

Make sure to put ID tags on your pets and maintain current photos. Have your traveling crate ready to use in case of an emergency.

Put together an emergency box for your pet with everything you might need in the event of a hurricane like extra water; canned and dry food and medications for at least a week; a leash and toys.

Your pets are a part of your family. Remember Hurricane Katrina? Take your animals with you — if you can — they will be a comfort.

Pets that are released or left behind tied-up often become victims of starvation, predators, contaminated food or water, accidents, or exposure to the elements. Please treat your animals as you would like to be treated in a time of crisis.

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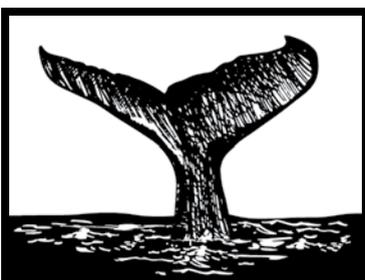
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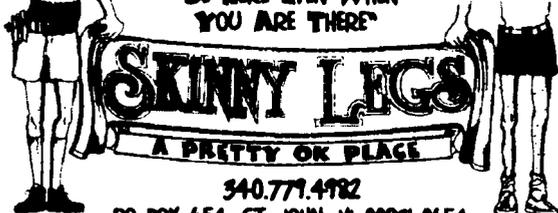
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Letters to St. John Tradewinds

Adelbert Bryan: How Dare He!

Editor,

How dare he!

I had a rather dubious experience on the evening of June 13 as I testified at a Constitutional hearing on St. John. The Committee on Citizenship, Virgin Islands Rights, Environment Culture and History met to hear from the citizens of St. John on the issues in which that committee had jurisdiction over, issues which are directly related to St. John residents.

At first, all seemed fine as myself and two other testifiers made opening statements. The Chairman of the Committee, Kendal Peterson, then allowed each committee member to ask questions of the testifiers. That's where the hearing went sour.

The subject, rather than the environment which I was hoping to discuss, focused on native rights. I was hoping to be asked pertinent questions about my opening statement. Instead the "questioning" somehow became a statesmanship demonstration.

Each delegate, in turn, gave their own personal views on why native rights should be in the Constitution. A lot of history was given. From slave beginnings to the transfer of the Virgin Islands from Denmark to the United States, to modern day realities, the delegates gave their opinions.

At no point were the testifiers asked any questions nor were they queried about their views; the reason, of course, for the hearing.

I had felt by attending and testifying at this hearing, I would be able to get my ideas presented as a concerned citizen. Perhaps my logic could help persuade the delegates about my point of view on the subjects at hand.

After all, isn't that why they held the hearing? Not so! Nine delegates spoke and except for two, all had already made up their minds about the fact that native rights language would, in fact, be included in the Constitution.

Adelbert Bryan spoke last. He reminded me that I had no right to give any opinion at all about what the Constitution should contain. He admonished me for even being present at the hearing and that my opinions were utterly useless! He described my testimony as being worthless and what right did I have to contribute to the process.

I sat amazed at the tirade but I was not completely surprised as I have seen Mr. Bryan in action before. The finger pointing I could take, the belittling references to my obvious complexion and national origin were not an issue.

Bryan went on to explain that his regard for the American system meant little to him and even announced that when he passed away, he would ask his family not to place an American flag on his coffin!

That's what I had had enough. I stood, turned my

back on the delegation and faced the audience. The Chairman asked me to turn and face the Committee. At first I refused but I could not leave that place without letting them know what a sham the entire process was.

How dare Adelbert Bryan indicate that he had no respect for our Flag! As a Vietnam veteran I was furious! The very flag that I fought for and continue to fight for as a veteran in the American Legion was being trampled!

The very nation that allowed the Constitutional process and hearings to exist was literally spit upon by Mr. Bryan's remarks! To say the least, I was disgusted, dismayed and outraged!

I turned, addressed the chair and told him I was there to testify and not to be talked down to; that I was there to give my opinions and not to hear the pre-ordained opinions of the delegates. I was there to make my opinions known and I was denied that right.

During the hearing, a member of the delegation used a personal privilege and asked the delegation to stick to the issues as time was a factor, and after the chair noted that they should, the tirade continued.

I have worked hard to research the issues before us. I have attempted, as a citizen, to address the real issues, the political issues which we all complain so loudly about — issues that could affect our economy and our future.

I have testified many times before this convention and sincerely felt that I was making at least some progress. After tonight's hearing, I have no faith that this Constitution will pass. It is very clear to me that there are elements within the delegation who are intentionally attempting to make this fifth try at a Constitution a failure. And, it's working.

The Constitution is about laws. It is about providing a basis under which future laws will be written and perhaps existing law may be scrutinized. Instead, it has become an issue of native rights in almost every hearing.

Language concerning the appropriate wording and content of almost every major issue, save native rights, has become secondary or has become an issue of native rights.

Clear and concise language regarding education, taxation, legislative and executive branch functions and a host of more important issues are virtually ignored in favor of making sure that native rights issues are addressed.

Because of this, the Constitution is doomed to certain failure in my opinion.

I would suggest to all who are thinking about voting on this Constitution to consider voting in the negative if native rights language is included the way it

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Correction

The article entitled "SJCCC Offering New Safety Net to Help Families" in the June 9-15, 2008 edition of *St. John Tradewinds* listed an incorrect phone number. To reach Joyce Parker, the St. John Community Crisis Center's program coordinator for emergency assistance with food, rent or utilities, the number is 693-7233.

Editor's Note: *St. John Tradewinds'* Keeping Track data comes from the V.I. Police Department's Leander Jurgen Command Incident Log, an unofficial record of calls to the Cruz Bay station, reports and arrests on St. John.

Letters to St. John Tradewinds

Inconvenient Truth: Environmentalists Are Responsible for Energy Crisis

Editor,

Our energy crisis was developing during the past 20 years. The environmental movement which started with excellent goals to help to clean the water and air changed unfortunately these noble, popular goals to fight against energy — actually any energy.

First, they stopped off-shore oil drilling because of possible pollution of beaches and disturbing the polar bears and caribous.

Secondly, they stopped construction of nuclear plants, the safest and one of the cleanest sources of energy. No nuclear plant has been built in the past 20 years. Coal use, which is admittedly dirty, was lim-

ited. Hydroelectric plants were not built because of possible disturbance of some species of fish.

Since energies are essentially interchangeable (with losses) all this made us dependable on the oil producers and led to \$4.50 gas prices and a sharp increase in the cost of electricity.

The environmentalists recommended solar and wind energy. Unfortunately these sources require too much collecting space and are available only with interruptions and therefore need costly construction of energy storage.

There are some possibilities of energy savings like solar water heaters; more rain water collection

instead of wasting energy for reverse osmosis production of drinking water from sea water; more public transportation and less air-conditioning.

The basic need of energy, however, must be uncoupled from oil. McCain's recent proposal to build an additional 45 nuclear reactors is the best way to go.

Environmentalists brought us into the current energy mess. So far, I do not know any environmentalist who traded his car for a horse or bicycle and stopped using airplane transport in favor of energy-saving sailing.

Z. Hruza
St. John

Pat Dinisio Left Too Soon

Editor,

I've yet to meet anyone on St. John not shocked by Pat Dinisio's untimely death on June 5. Thousands of visitors to St. John have been guided down the Reef Bay Trail by Pat in her role as a VI National Park Interpretive Ranger.

She loved to share her love of the Park and the history of St. John with everyone especially the children of St. John. Pat was one of the St. John school children's favorite readers at the Elaine I. Sprauve Li-

brary, Thursday Story Hour.

During my three years as President of the St. John Historical Society and numerous years as a Board Member of the VI Audubon Society, I benefited from her enthusiasm for educating children as well as adults.

Pat was instrumental in setting up joint programs with the Historical Society, the V.I. National Park, and Audubon Society to bring the school children into the park.

These educational programs are

now an integral part of the park's interpretive program. She also was the park's representative to the Historical Society and one of its major boosters. Her creative photography formed a permanent record for the Park and the Society.

She will be terribly missed. Her smile is now a memory but her enthusiasm has been passed on to everyone she met. She left us too soon, but think how life would be if we had not known her.

Chuck Pishko

Parental Care?

Editor,

Most coral reef fish that you observe at your favorite snorkel spot don't know their parents or their children. One mistake many people make is assuming that other animals reproduce and have a life cycle like ours.

It turns out that the number one rule of animal reproduction is that there are no rules. A lot of our favorite fish spawn into the open water.

A good example is the red band parrotfish. The male and female swim a fast upward spiral through the water side by side. As they do this, they release sperm and eggs.

A fertilized egg becomes a free floating larva at the mercy of the current. A lucky one percent or so of these larva transform into juvenile fish, most likely a long way from where their parents spawned.

The red band parrotfish is on its own from the very beginning. There is absolutely no parental care. The juvenile settles on a coral reef and becomes part of the neighborhood.

There is a social order that is quite different from the one that humans are used to. First of all, the juvenile fish is a female. All parrotfish are born female with the ability to change into a male.

The male red band parrotfish does not protect or provide any support for his females. The new young female is left to feed herself and protect herself from numerous predatory fish.

Her day begins at sunrise and she spends almost all her time grazing on algal turf which grows around the coral. She must also go through the spawning routine with the male every afternoon. The male spawns with all of the

females in his territory every day.

With time, the female grows larger and eventually she may end up being the biggest female in her home area. This means she'll be next in line to be the male. This sex change and life change process is referred to as "sequential hermaphroditism."

It is a one-way irreversible process. The change is socially controlled rather than being just a matter of age and size. If a female decides to change too early, she will be killed by the male.

This was the abbreviated life cycle of a red band parrotfish, one of the many reef fish who live their lives without ever knowing their parents or children. This is all available for you to watch free of charge at your favorite snorkel spot.

Captain Grumpy

St. John Tradewinds Keeping Track

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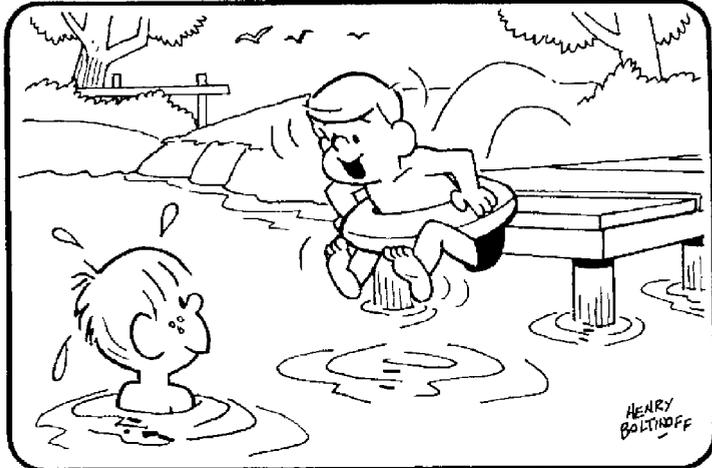
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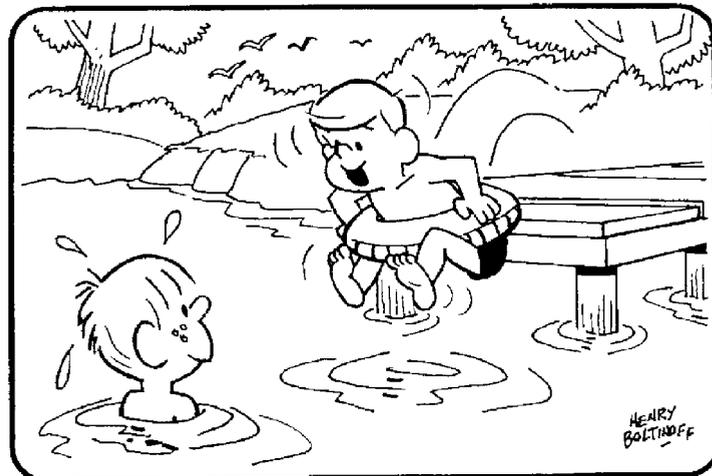
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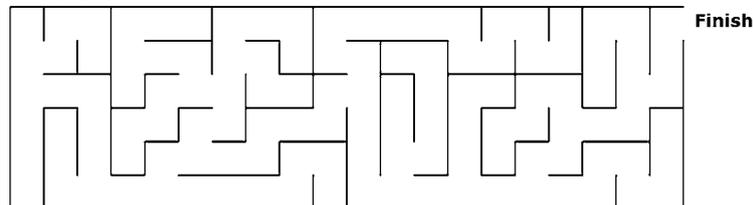
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Stephens dress as Dorothy, left, Caraballo was ready for the bull fighting ring, center, and Henry embodied Ariel from the "Little Mermaid," at right.

Princess Show Wows Large Crowd

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The St. Thomas Majorettes, decked out in 1950s-inspired outfits, kept the crowd entertained performing two lively numbers to popular songs from the movie Grease.

For the sportswear segment of the night, Caraballo was a difficult act to follow in a sparkling bull fighter costume and satin red bolero jacket with gold brocade. Twirling a bright red cape, Caraballo was ready for the bull fighting ring.

Dancing Queen

In a bright pink shorts and short-sleeved jacket combo, Henry danced and skated across the stage to Abba's "Dancing Queen" wearing sneakers with hidden wheels.

Decked out in argyle socks, tan knickers and a lime and dark green vest, Stephens paid homage to world renowned golfer Tiger Woods.

Caraballo brought the crowd back to the Stone Age as she embodied Wilma Flintstone for the storybook character segment of the evening. Replete with a long red wig, Caraballo boogied down to several popular songs from Festivals past, much to the delight of the crowd.

The action was under the sea during Henry's storybook character segment when she dressed up as Ariel from the Disney movie "The Little Mermaid."

Henry popped out of a sparkling shell in front of a brightly colored backdrop and strolled around the stage in a long silver skirt to several hit songs from the popular movie.

The Yellow Brick Road

With sparkling red shoes it wasn't difficult to guess Stephens was Dorothy from "The Wizard of Oz." Stephens showed impressive talent as she sang "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" and played a tune on the steel pan. She also danced and sang along to "Ease On Down the Road."

Following a mesmerizing performance by the Unity Dancers it was time for the young girls to put on their finest outfits of the night for the evening wear segment.

Caraballo was stunning in a teal blue tiered floor length gown with a fitted bodice and spaghetti straps. Escorted by her father Benito in a white tuxedo, Caraballo was a picture of elegance in her frothy ensem-



2007-08 Princess Shadiya Boynes waves to the crowd.

ble.

Henry was decked out in white from head to toe in a satin gown with a sweetheart neckline covered in sparkling crystals. With white gloves and glittering accents in her hair, Henry was a beautiful sight as she strolled around the stage accompanied by her father Allison Henry.

Pretty In Pink

Stephens was pretty in pink in her bouganvilla-inspired gown with a full skirt and fitted bodice. Escorted by her cousin Lester Hendricks, Stephens was simply radiant.

Each of the girls responded calmly and intelligently during the question and answer segment, which wrapped up the show.

Although Stephens was announced the winner that evening, controversy arose and it would be days before the dispute was resolved (see related story).

- Miss Photogenic — Alli-Yah Henry
- Miss Congeniality — Ja'Leah Stephens
- Miss Cooperative — Stephanie Caraballo
- Best Storybook Character — Ja'Leah Stephens
- Best Evening Wear — Ja'Leah Stephens
- Miss Intellect — Alli-Yah Henry



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After all was said and done Stephens kept her crown.

Stephens Retains Princess Crown

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a fair and impartial judgement is made in all our competitions," Doway continued. "I hope everyone has a great festival and please don't let this dissuade anyone from having their children participate next year."

While Festival Organization members were looking into the claim of impropriety last week, Stephens' mother was discussing the issue on a popular local radio show. That action did not sit well with Pageant Committee members who requested in writing that Shatik Stephens not attend any future Festival activities this year.

Mother of Princess Banned

"Shatik Stephens made public allegations against two of the Festival and Cultural Organizations' Pageant Committee members regarding their credibility," Doway wrote in a letter to Committee Chairperson Leona Smith. "As chairperson of the Pageant Committee, I propose that for the remainder of the Pageant Committee events, including all the appearances to be made with contestants, WTJX, practices and the Miss St. John Selection pageant, that Ms. Stephens be banned from involvement within the commit-

tee."

For her part, Shatik Stephens is not all happy about the banishment and thinks the Festival Organization needs restructuring.

"If it were not for the mental well being of Ja'Leah, I would tell them to keep their crown," said Shatik Stephens. "But because it would devastate my child, I won't do that. Ja'Leah worked really hard for this and she deserves that crown."

Changes Are Needed

"The committee must be restructured because they don't do things the right way," Shatik Stephens said.

Pageant Committee members should admit their mistake, according to Shatik Stephens.

"They need to publicly apologize to my daughter and myself and the other contestants as well because everyone is suffering from this," Shatik Stephens said. "They haven't admitted they made a mistake. They need to take responsibility for their actions instead of trying to cover it up."

Although not pleased with the events surrounding the St. John Princess show, Shatik Stephens hoped the Miss St. John Selection Show would run smoothly.

LEGAL NOTICE

In re Trans Union Corp. Privacy Litigation, Case No. 00-CV-4729, MDL Docket No. 1350, U.S. Dist. Ct., N. Dist. Illinois, Eastern Division, Judge Robert W. Gettleman

If you had a credit card, loan or credit account, you could get benefits from a class action settlement.

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A settlement worth at least \$75 million has been reached with Trans Union LLC and Acxiom Corporation ("Defendants") in a class action lawsuit that claims the Defendants violated state laws and the Fair Credit Reporting Act ("FCRA") when they sold lists containing personal and financial consumer information to third parties for marketing purposes. The settlement does not mean the Defendants violated any laws or did anything wrong. The Defendants deny any claims of wrongdoing in this case.

The United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois will have a hearing to decide whether to give final approval to the settlement, so that benefits can be issued. Those included in the class action, together called a "Class," may object to the settlement or ask to speak at the hearing. Eligible Class members may also sign up for credit monitoring or other benefits from the settlement. For more information, including a detailed notice, go to www.ListClassAction.com or call, toll-free, 1-866-416-3470.

Who's INCLUDED?

The Court decided that the Class includes all consumers who had an open credit account or an open line of credit from a credit grantor (including, for instance automobile loans, bank credit cards, department store credit cards, other retail store credit cards, finance company loans, mortgage loans, and student loans) located in the United States anytime from January 1, 1987 to May 28, 2008.

WHAT DOES THE SETTLEMENT PROVIDE?

The settlement will: (1) establish a \$75 million Settlement Fund; (2) give Class members the option of selecting six or nine months of credit monitoring services; (3) donate \$150,000 to non-profit organizations; (4) pay for settlements or judgments for damage claims related to lawsuits brought individually by Class members against the Defendants; (5) pay class counsels' attorneys' fees and their expenses; (6) pay the costs of notice and administering the settlement; and (7) distribute any money remaining (after deducting the costs for everything listed above) in the Settlement Fund to Class members who register for a payment or to non-profit organizations.

The six months of credit monitoring services (which retails for \$59.75) include: (1) the ability to lock your credit report so third parties, such as lenders or other companies, will not be able to access your credit report without your consent (unless allowed by law); (2) unlimited daily access to your Trans Union credit report and credit score; and (3) credit monitoring with a 24-hour email credit notification service. The nine months of enhanced credit monitoring services (which retails for \$115.50) includes all the services listed above, plus a suite of insurance scores and a mortgage simulator service. If you get the enhanced credit monitoring you will not be able to get a payment from the settlement or

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HOW DO YOU ASK FOR BENEFITS?

To receive credit monitoring from the settlement you must go to www.ListClassAction.com and register by **September 24, 2008**. If you register, you will have six months after the Court grants final approval to the settlement and all appeals are resolved to activate your credit monitoring benefit. You may also register at the website or by mail until **September 24, 2008**, to receive a possible cash payment.

YOUR OTHER RIGHTS.

Whether or not you seek any benefits being offered as part of this settlement, all Class members will not be able to participate in a class action or join multiple plaintiffs in a single action. You may object to the settlement by **August 22, 2008**. The detailed notice explains how to object. Your options for benefits provided by the settlement are as follow:

- **File an individual lawsuit against Defendant(s) for claims related to target marketing and prescreening:** You can also sign up for six months of credit monitoring.
- **Sign up for six months of credit monitoring services:** You can also register to receive a possible cash payment in the event of a cash distribution or file an individual lawsuit against the Defendants.
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- **Do Nothing:** You won't get any benefits. You will keep your right to sue the Defendants individually (see the detailed notice and Settlement Agreement for more information).

The Court will hold a hearing in this case on **September 10, 2008**, at Courtroom 1703, Everett McKinley Dirksen Building, 219 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, IL 60604, to consider whether to approve the settlement, and set a date to consider a request by Class Counsel for attorneys' fees of up to 25% of the Settlement Fund, and reimbursement of costs and expenses. Class Counsel will also request a payment of up to \$3,750 for each of the Class Representatives who helped the lawyers on behalf of the whole Class. Class members may ask to appear and speak at the hearing at their own cost, but they don't have to. For more information, call, toll-free, 1-866-416-3470 or go to the website shown below.

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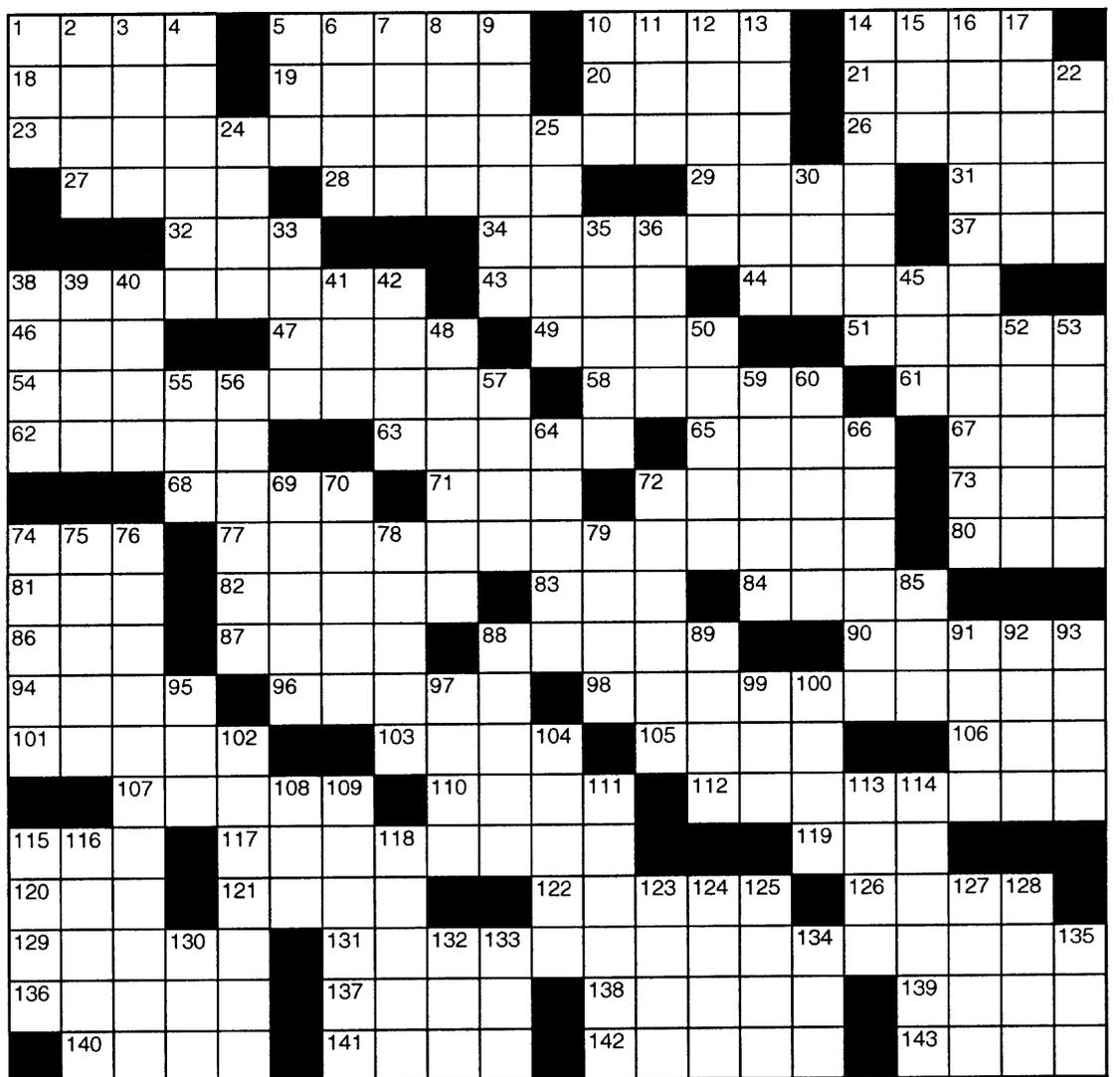
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Community Calendar

St. John Tradewinds

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.

June 27 and July 17

Informational public forums led by St. John residents Paul Devine and Ronnie Jones are scheduled for 6:30 p.m. at the Julius E. Sprauve School on June 27 and July 17. The forums are intended to gather public input and to provide updates on what is happening with the Fifth Constitutional Convention. All input will be sent to Constitutional Convention delegates.

June 24 to July 17

The Department of Planning and Natural Resources announces that boating registration will take place on St. John every Tuesday and Thursday from Tuesday, June 24, to Thursday, July 17, at the DPNR Office (next to Julius E. Sprauve School's Industrial Arts classroom) from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

June 24 to August 22

The Friends of the Elaine I Sprauve Library and the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands are pleased to sponsor the "Free To Read" summer reading program. From June 24 through August 22 readers are asked to register at the Elaine I. Sparuve Library and receive a reading log.

Friday, June 27

Festival Mix, Winston Wells ball field, 9 p.m.

Saturday, June 28

Hurricane Hole registration has been rescheduled for Saturday, June 28.

Saturday, June 28

The St. John Kids And The Sea annual celebration will be Saturday, June 28, at noon at Skinny Legs.

Saturday, June 28

A celebration of the life of Bill Morris is Saturday, June 28, from 11:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. at Hawksnest Beach Pavilions 1 and 2.

Saturday, June 28

Festival Village opens, Cruz Bay parking lot, 7 p.m.

Thursday, July 3

Cultural Day in Frank Powell Park at 1 p.m.

Friday, July 4

J'Ouvert is scheduled for 4 a.m.; Festival Parade will start near the V.I. National Park Visitors Center at 11 a.m.; the Fireworks display will be in Cruz Bay harbor and show is to start promptly at 9 p.m.

Tuesday, July 15

The next St. John Chapter of the St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce meeting is set for Tuesday evening, July 15, at 5:30 p.m. at St. Ursula's Multipurpose Center.

AA Meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous meets as scheduled: Sundays, 9:45 a.m. at Hawksnest Bay Beach; Closed meeting for alcoholic only at Nazareth Lutheran Church at 5:30 on Tuesdays; Open meetings on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6 p.m. at Nazareth Lutheran Church in Cruz Bay; Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 6 p.m. at Emmaus Moravian Church, Coral Bay.

Al-Anon Meetings

Al-Anon meets on St. John every Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the picnic table at the VINP ball field, and every Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church.

Horoscope by Natasha Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Information you need might be coming in sporadically, but at least what you're getting is valuable. Continue to wait until more is available before acting on that career move.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You continue on an upbeat cycle, and with that strong Taurean energy you should see favorable results from your hard work. A pleasing surprise awaits you in your private life.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A misunderstanding needs more time to be worked out. Don't give up on it just yet. Remain open to providing explanations, if called for. Another friend offers good advice.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Fast action can correct a seemingly minor problem that has taken on some unexpectedly difficult aspects. Stay with it until it's resolved. News on a more positive note is due soon.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Some snags could cause delays in those plans you're eager to see put into operation. But be patient. The Clever Cat will soon have good reason to celebrate a job well done.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Be careful not to let that Virgan sensitivity dissuade you from being the hardheaded realist you should be at this time. Your goals are in sight. Stay focused on them.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A more

positive aspect opens up, allowing you to make some important changes in a personal situation. Remember to seek balance and avoid extremes as you proceed.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) This is a good week to get out and enjoy the fine times you missed while you were so deep in those workaday projects. Be sure to share it with that special person.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Work and play are in balance this week. However, expect news that could tip things toward the workplace for quite a while. But all to a good end.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You're more productive on the job than you have been in some time. That's good. But be careful not to overlook some situations developing in your private life.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You've been doing a lot for others (as usual). But now it's time to focus on your needs, including finally going on that long-delayed trip you've been hoping to make.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) It's all smoothly going on 'twixt you and that very special person in your life. But a colleague causes some disruption on the job that you might be called on to help settle.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are sensitive to the needs of others. But you're no pushover. You would make a fine teacher, psychologist or minister.

St. John Police Report

Friday, June 13

10:35 a.m. - A visitor p/r his rental vehicle was struck by a garbage truck on the Boyson barge. Auto accident.

12:12 p.m. - A Hansen Bay resident p/r that someone unknown tried to steal his boat. Destruction of property.

6:50 p.m. - An employee of Wharfside Village c/r being assaulted. Aggravated assault and battery.

Saturday, June 14

12:14 a.m. - A citizen c/r loud music in the Estate Enighed area behind Santo's Laundry. Police assistance.

12:30 p.m. - An Estate Rendezvous resident p/r being harassed by another male. Disturbance of the peace.

5:20 p.m. - A Sunset Ridge resident c/r a burglary. Burglary in the third.

Sunday, June 15

12:57 a.m. - A citizen c/r suspicious activity in the area of Little Cinnamon Bay, North Shore Road.

11:20 a.m. - An Estate Bethany

resident c/r that his property got destroyed. Destruction of property.

2:45 p.m. - A citizen r/ someone stole her bag from Joe's Rum Hut. Grand larceny.

Monday, June 16

8:50 a.m. - A resident of George Simmonds Terrace p/requesting police assistance with her two sons.

Tuesday, June 17

11:50 p.m. - A St. Thomas resident p/r that someone stole money from her purse. Grand larceny.

4:05 p.m. - A citizen p/r that someone stole her wallet. Lost wallet.

5:00 p.m. - An Estate Concordia resident p/r that someone broke into his apartment. Burglary in the third.

8:40 p.m. - A citizen p/r that someone stole his boat from the area of Chocolate Hole Bay. Unauthorized use of a vessel.

Wednesday, June 18

11:15 a.m. - An Estate Pastory resident p/r that he was assaulted by another male. Simple assault.

12:40 p.m. - An Estate Carolina

resident p/r that someone stole his dinghy engine. Grand larceny.

No time given - Badge #1099 p/ at Jurgen Command with one Theodore Bartlette under citizen arrest. 31J-08

No time given - Badge #1099 p/ at Jurgen Command with one Annual Fleury under arrest. Delaying and obstructing.

3:55 p.m. - St. Thomas resident p/r that another St. Thomas resident threatened to shoot him in the area of Palm Plaza. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

Thursday, June 19

7:00 a.m. - A visitor from New York p/r that he was robbed of his money. Grand larceny.

11:30 a.m. - A Cruz Bay apartment resident p/r that someone stole her wallet. Petit larceny.

1:20 p.m. - An Estate Hard Labor resident p/r that a male attempted to run her minor son down with his vehicle. First degree assault.

Friday, June 20

12:41 p.m. - ADT c/r an alarm sounding at St. John Watersports. Activated alarm.

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Adelbert Bryan: How Dare He!

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is written now.

I am not against nativity language, quite the contrary. I am for specific language in the preamble, I am for an historical reference in the preface to the Constitution, but I am against any language which would give any segment of the society greater rights and privileges than any other segment.

The delegates claim that the language is nothing more than recognition of native sons and daughters. What it will do is give citizenship rights to persons who never have or quite possibly never will step foot on these islands.

Why then must it become the law of the land? Is it possible that future legislation may cite the Constitutional definition and perhaps exclude a segment of our society?

Could it be that any law made regarding citizenship just might take away rights of people who may have lived here for many years but do not qualify as a citizen? The proposed nativity language would do just that!

We have come too far in the Virgin Islands to fall back now with revisionist views. We all know the history of slavery and the terrible effects it had on so many people.

We know that the sale of the Virgin Islands to the U.S. over ninety years ago may have some lasting effects on the current population good or bad. We know that many native Virgin Islanders have identity issues that they are trying to deal with even now, over 150 years since slavery was abolished.

Do we need to move forward or do we continue to dwell on that sordid past? Will Constitutional native rights language be the cure-all that natives want? Nativity language would allow a certain level of satisfaction to some of the population but would disenfranchise a majority of the non-native population.

Native rights language, according to the

statements made at tonight's Constitutional hearing is an attempt to point out the historic disparities of the people who can trace their roots back to the days of slavery.

It is an attempt to point out historical facts in modern legal language and find a way to somehow correct the sins of slavery. It is an attempt to get some level of satisfaction for past ills.

Does it belong in a Constitution? Does it change anything? Will it allow our government to function better? What will be the short and long term benefits of nativity language?

To allow language in our Constitution that provides a special privilege to a certain class of people is tantamount to providing reparations language.

Reparations should be discussed, but should it be contained in the basis of our laws? If the majority of the voters in the Virgin Islands feel that reparations are the primary issue of this Constitution then, by all means, vote for it.

When you do, remember that a major portion of our diverse population will be excluded from the benefits of such language. That is not what writing a Constitution was intended to do.

For me, I cannot support a document which overtly discriminates, even under the guise of legitimate historical concerns. I cannot support a document which is weak on the important questions of the day, namely government operations.

I cannot support a Constitution which ignores sweeping legislative change and disregards basic rights for every citizen.

In my anger with the night's proceedings, and as I screamed my disapproval at the chair and at the process in general, at the end of my own childish tirade, I still considered saying: "Good Luck!"

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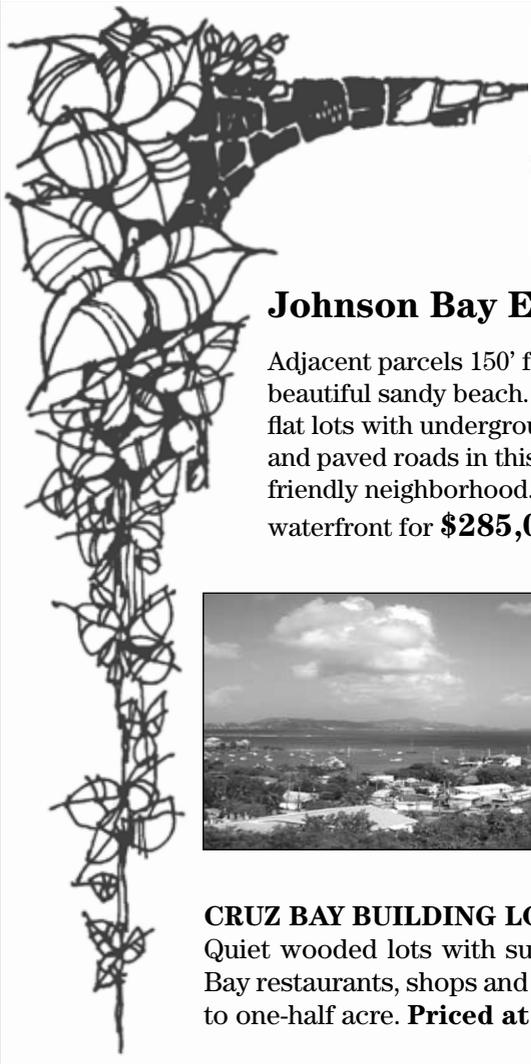
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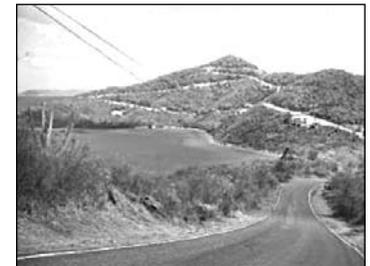
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CATHERINEBERG - Incredible north shore views, 1.05 ac. surrounded by Nat'l. Park. \$2,100,000.

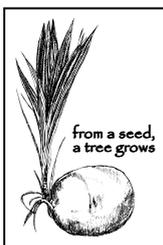
DITLEFF POINT - 3 waterfront parcels **SOLD!** 14 spectacular parcels available, starting at \$895,000.

ESTATE FISH BAY -
Great Fish Bay & Ditleff views, privacy\$250,000
Water views, borders green belt, paved access\$275,000
Large parcel, excellent water views\$295,000
Walk to beach, dingy dock, topo included\$349,000
Marina Drive, ocean views, topo\$375,000
Direct water view, corner parcel\$389,900
Borders Nat'l. Pk., 0.87ac\$425,000

ESTATE CHOCOLATE HOLE -
Pebble Way location, 0.65ac, water views\$359k

SEAGRAPE HILL/EMMAUS -
Coral Hbr & Moravian Church views, 0.34ac\$185k
Great Buy! 0.35ac. w/water view, paved road\$186k
Coral Bay views, downhill site\$280k

ESTATE CAROLINA -
Lower Bordeaux, beautiful BVI views, paved rd\$199k
Ironwood Rd, great Coral Bay views, house plans\$360k
Upper Carolina, great views! 0.506 acre\$379k
Spectacular views, high on Bordeaux\$599k
View of Coral Bay, plans, driveway in\$255k



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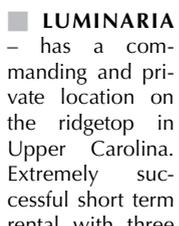
STONY BAY BEACH HOUSE - WATERFRONT 1 bdrm, 1 bath, high-quality masonry construction beach house, located on a large 1.36+/-acre parcel in Privateer Bay. The house, designed by Michael Milne, is very private, cannot be seen from the estate road & is only steps from the water. It is fully shuttered with covered decks & clear cypress ceilings. **Stony Bay Beach House** can be purchased "as is" or can be finished out to suit your taste. An excellent value with its pristine & private location, wonderful views & cooling tradewind breezes. **\$1,550,000.**



RIDGETOP - a 2 bdrm, 2 bath Caribbean style vacation home located in a secluded enclave of Estate Eden. Custom mahogany doors, hibiscus motifs, outdoor showers, decks off every living space and a welcoming grass backyard make this a easy and comfortable tropical home. **Ridgetop** enjoys access to a shared pool, cabana and deck, located just below the property**\$775,000.**



TEQUILA SUNRISE - two bedroom, 2.5 bath home with pool and guest cottage. From a location on north side of Bordeaux Mountain, **Tequila Sunrise** is aptly named for its gorgeous down island, sunrise and moonrise views. Quiet and private with lush tropical landscaping, this home is a real value **\$1,375,000.**



LUMINARIA - has a commanding and private location on the ridgetop in Upper Carolina. Extremely successful short term rental with three separate bedroom suites, spacious upper and lower level decks take advantage of the wide ranging views overlooking Coral Harbor to Drakes Passage and the BVI's. Luxuriant landscaping surrounds the pool and villa. The large four car garage could easily be converted to living space. **\$2,925,000.**

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"ISLA VISTA" Exceptional 5 bedrm., 4 1/2 bath, private gated villa with panoramic views. Superior features throughout. Richly landscaped. Pool & spa. 2 car garage. **\$7,000,000.**



CATHERINEBERG'S "MANGO BAY" has amazing north shore views, total privacy! 1+ lush acre (fruit trees & exotic orchids), stone showers, fireplace, brick pool terrace, new kitchen, 4 A/C BRs, gated w/carport. Exquisite Charm! **\$5,950,000.**



CATHERINEBERG (5X5) "CINNAMON RIDGE" 1+ private acre, borders National Park; stunning north shore views, pool & spa **\$5,250,000.**

PRIVATE 5 AC. BEACHFRONT (5x3) "LIME TREE BAY" 490' shoreline on Round Bay. White sand beach plus private cove with "pocket" beach. Adjacent 4 acres also available. **\$4,995,000.**



"CONTENTMENT" Fabulous custom 8,000 sq. ft. villa close to Cruz Bay, 6 bdrms, 6.5 baths, designer detail and furnishings throughout!!! Spectacular views of Pillsbury Sound & St. Thomas. **\$4,200,000.**

Exclusively Listed Homes

BEACHFRONT (4X4) "HARBOUR VIEW" new 1 ac. estate on Great Cruz Bay harbor. Boat & swim at Westin Resort. **\$3,700,000 Price reduced!**

BORDEAUX MTN. (5x4) STUNNING VIEWS! Charming, gated .5 ac. estate; spa, fireplace, poolside kitchen, ultimate privacy. **\$3,450,000.**



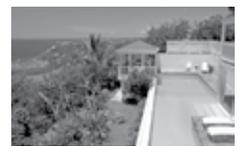
RENDEZVOUS BAY (5x5) "VISTAERO" breathtaking views, huge pool & spa, fabulous villa or residence! **\$3,000,000 Price reduced!**

WATERFRONT (3x3) "LA DOLCE VITA" with boat mooring. 376 ft. shoreline. W-1 zoning allows commercial uses **\$2,995,000.**

"GREAT EXPECTATIONS" (7x7 1/2) 1 ac., tennis, 2 homes, pools, spas, walk to beaches. Impressive rental. **\$2,495,000.**



"POINCIANA" 1.24 acres beachfront on Hart Bay. 3 bedroom beach house with spa, views and breezes. **\$2,495,000.**



CHOCOLATE HOLE NORTH (5x5) "SOLARIS" Spectacular views of 5 bays. 60' lap pool, courtyard, and great amenities. **\$2,400,000.**

"VILLA SIBELLA" Beautiful new 5 bedroom villa in Virgin Grand Estates! Spacious rooms with top of the line amenities. Views, pool, privacy! **\$2,200,000.**

"VILLA FAR NIENTE", New construction in prestigious Point Rendezvous. 3BR/3BA pool villa has great views and artistic landscaping. **\$2,100,000.**

"SEACAY VILLA", pool villa has unobstructed, panoramic ocean views and good short term rental history. Short drive to Cruz Bay. **\$1,995,000.**

UPPER CAROLINA: 3 bdrm, 3.5 bath villa has spectacular Coral Bay views from this custom 3 level home. Main level has spacious great room and front porch. Interior staircase goes to 2 master suites & a lower level studio suite below. **\$1,500,000.**



"COCONUTS" 3X3 GIFFT HILL VILLA, impressive views with awesome sunsets and St. Thomas lights. Caribbean style. **\$1,499,999.**



NEW CONSTRUCTION - CHOCOLATE HOLE totally charming, 2x2 with private gated courtyard, large pool, planters & columns, arched doors and windows, island stone showers, a/c, hi tech kitchen, etc. **\$1,495,000.**

"WINDWARDSIDE COTTAGES"; super privacy highlights these two charming masonry cottages. Hot tubs, bricked courtyards and wonderful décor make this a very special offering. **\$1,400,000.**



UPPER CHOCOLATE HOLE GEM! Masonry 3 BR 3.5 BA home, pool, private lower BR w/separate entry, large room for addl. BR, excellent rental potential. **\$1,390,000.**

"SEAVIEW" vacation villa. Charming 4 bdrm, masonry home in excellent condition with large pool in convenient Chocolate Hole. **\$1,300,000.**

"SEABISCUIT" (2x2) Caribbean style, masonry, panoramic views, pool & hot tub. Immaculate, above Coral Harbour. **\$1,150,000.**



"SAGO COTTAGE", adorable Caribbean style masonry cottage with wonderful down island views and great rental history. **\$1,100,000.**

"CASA NITA" 3 bed/3 bath St. Quacco villa with spacious & light rooms, big views to BVI. **\$1,050,000.**

TRADE HOME FOR LAND PLUS \$\$ - GIFFT HILL Delightful 3 bedroom income producing masonry home with pool and privacy. Beautiful water views to St. Thomas! Extensive exotic landscaping. **TRADE or \$890,000.**

COLORFUL FISH BAY RETREAT! Immaculate 3 bedroom / 3 bath home, borders National Park, views of Fish Bay & Ditleff Pt. **\$795,000.**

3 UNIT INCOME PRODUCER! Two 3 bdrms plus studio. Near town, all masonry, A/C. **\$775,000.**

INCREDIBLE FISH BAY VALUE! 4 bed/2 bath home with huge panoramic views and quiet location. **\$750,000.**

"SANCTUARY GARDEN" Serene well-built home with 2 units, lovely pool, gardens & expansive decks in this quiet, private location. **PRICE REDUCED \$725,000.**

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ESTATE CHOCOLATE HOLE

Great Cruz Bay, .78 acre, walk to Westin & amenities **\$525,000**
Chocolate Hole, .50 acre, moderate slope downhill build w/dual bay views **\$399,000**
Chocolate Hole, .56 acre, tropical breezes & great views to St. Croix **\$399,000**

ESTATE PETER BAY

Rum Point, outstanding views, 0.75 acre parcel in Upper Peter Bay **\$3,200,000**
Johnson's Reef, superb views, Upper Peter Bay parcel bordering Nat'l Park **\$2,950,000**
Whistling Cay, striking water views from this .69 acre Upper Peter Bay lot **\$2,800,000**

ESTATE FISH BAY

Tropical paradise with stone entry, flat .79 acre parcel, gated entrance, and cistern **\$438,000**
Oversized lot has expansive views, cooling breezes and paved access. **\$389,000**

CALABASH BOOM

Calabash Boom, great views, private, .4 acre adjacent to Sago Cottage **\$550,000**

ESTATE MANDAH

Flat land, walk to beach location, diverse development options **\$145,000**

EAST END

Views across Round Bay to Coral Bay Harbor, .55 acre **PRICE REDUCED \$595,000**

PRIVATEER BAY

Quiet East End's Privateer Bay, over-sized parcel, waterfall, panoramic views **\$625,000**
Privateer Bay, views of Coral Bay, .44 acre **\$285,000**

"DREEKETS BAY ESTATES"

boasts spectacular BVI views, quality paved roads, undergrnd. utilities, stone wall & planters, common beach. Just 8 minutes from Coral Bay. 12 parcels priced from **\$450,000.**



ENDLESS VIEWS ACROSS THE WATERS

from these three premiere lots in Upper Peter Bay. This gated community is in the midst of Nat'l Park land, beaches & deeded beach access.

"CLIFFVIEW ESTATES" IN FISH BAY

Seven parcels in new subdivision offer exciting views and adjacent to National Park. Underground utility access and paved roads. From .5 - .91 acre, **\$299,000- \$795,000.**

"VIRGIN GRAND ESTATES"

Gated community featuring underground utilities, paved roads, & gorgeous sweeping views. Five fabulous lots ranging from **\$469,000 to \$785,000.**

"CANEEL HILL"-SELLER FINANCING

is a very private residential community just minutes from Cruz Bay with beautiful water views to St. Thomas. The gentle grade and easy access make these 3 parcels very desirable, easily buildable homesites. **Total 1.78 acres for \$700,000.**

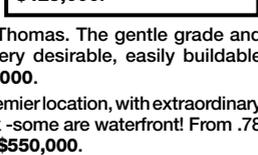
"ESTATE CONCORDIA PRESERVE"

-Premier location, with extraordinary water views, some border National Park -some are waterfront! From .78 acre to 3 acres. **7 parcels priced from \$550,000.**

AFFORDABLE VIEW LOTS IN CORAL BAY ranging from .340 - .51 acres just **\$177,500 - \$495,000.**



"FREEMAN'S GROUND" STUNNING DOWN ISLAND VIEWS and cooling breezes from this .76ac parcel with upper & lower access. **\$425,000.**



"UPPER MONTE BAY"

-SPECTACULAR, PRIVATE SOUTH SHORE LAND WITH PRISTINE VIEWS. Low density subdivision with 7 large lots, great breezes, paved roads & underground utilities above Rendezvous Bay. **\$1,000,000 to 1,400,000.**



LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION! Beautiful WATERFRONT parcels ranging from .5 - 1.36 acres in some of St. John's best areas! **\$635,000-\$2,500,000.**

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"VILLA LEE ANNA" Cozy 2 bedroom condo with water views. Easy walk to Cruz Bay and low condo fees. **\$325,000.**

EXCEPTIONAL PASTORY- 1 bdrm condo, great views, close to town, quiet neighborhood. Turn key. **\$529,000.**

"RAINBOW'S END" Battery Hill condo, 2 bdrms, poolside, close to town. **Priced to Sell! \$625,000.**

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"GALLOW'S POINT" 3 OCEAN FRONT units (2-upper & 1-lower) ea. w/ deck/patio, walk to town **\$1,400,000, \$1,275,000 & \$1,200,000.**

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