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Students Set Sail Aboard Silver Cloud in Support of CBYC's Flotilla Fundraiser

Guy H. Benjamin School students enjoyed a morning sail aboard the tall ship Silver Cloud on Saturday, March 20, en route to the Coral Bay Yacht Club's 13th "Almost Annual" Flotilla fundraiser to benefit the Coral Bay public elementary school.

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Residents can hope for more regular VITRAN service soon.

Improvements Are Possible With VITRAN Bus Service Assessment

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

After several residents complained about non-reliable VITRAN bus service on Love City, the senate president's St. John liaison attacked the problem without hesitation.

"As far as I'm concerned, when you're a liaison, you try to get all the ducks in a row and find out which duck is missing," said Bonny Corbeil, Senate President Louis Hill's St. John liaison. "I'm trying to reach out to all the individuals who are involved with issues on

St. John to try to join the links together and come up with solutions to our problems."

The lack of a reliable schedule, not informing the public when buses are out of order and unsafe drivers topped the list of complaints from residents regarding VITRAN.

For her part, Corbeil contacted residents and VITRAN officials and sent a report to Senator Hill outlining the issues, she explained.

"I sent in an assessment of the issue to Senator Hill," said Cor-

beil. "I think it would be fair to say that this is another one of these situations where senators who are representing St. John have to understand that our needs are not being met."

"My job, as I see it, is to furnish my report to Senator Hill and hope that he will then be in a position to understand why the bus service isn't working and how he can help fix it," Corbeil said.

Residents hope the assessment now on the senate president's desk is the first step to improved VITRAN service on St. John.

Community Call To Action Town Hall Meeting To Address Alcohol Incidents

Community Call to Action for the Reduction of Alcohol-Related Incidences is hosting a town hall meeting on St. John on Tuesday, March 30, at the Julius E. Sprauve School from 6 to 8 p.m.

The meeting is presented by Office of Highway Safety in collaboration with St. Croix Unity Coalition, Inc. For more information call Harry Daniel at 774-6100. Refreshments will be served.

Chamber Chapter Meeting Is Mar. 30

The St. John Chapter of the St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce will host its monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 30, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Ocean Grill Upstairs.

Items to be discussed include an update on V.I. Port Authority/deJongh Associates Cruz Bay parking and other proposals. Copies of the deJongh proposal will be available at the meeting. Signage and more welcome information for the barge area, the upcoming Crime Victims Week St. John Vigil and other issues the chapter is working on will also be discussed.

Reptile Hike Seminar Set for Mar. 31

Friends of V.I. National Park were forced to reschedule two popular seminars this year due to schedule conflicts.

New dates have been selected for both seminars and spaces are already beginning to fill. The popular Reptile Hike will be on Wednesday, March 31, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Participants can search for reptiles along the Reef Bay Trail with reptile expert Dr. Renata Platenberg, and enjoy a boat ride on the *Sadie Sea* back to Cruz Bay.

The Fish ID Sail will be on Tuesday, April 13, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Participants can become citizen scientists on board the sailboat *Calypso*, learn how to identify fish with NPS Ranger Laurel Brannick and join the REEF fish count.

Call the Friends office at 779-4940 for more information.

Island Green Builders' Seminar Features Solar Air Conditioning April 1

The Island Green Building Association will host its monthly meeting on Thursday, April 1, at Ocean Grill in Mongoose Junction with social time at 5 p.m. and meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Gary David, also known as "Dr. Cool" Air Conditioning, Refrigeration and Appliances, will present the latest innovation in solar energy — solar air conditioning!

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Starfish Market Hosting Easter Events

Starfish Market is hosting a series of customer appreciation events in recognition of the Easter holiday.

Customers will have an opportunity to guess how many jelly beans are in a jar for a chance to win a \$100, \$50 or \$25 gift certificate to the store. The drawing will be on Easter Monday, April 5.

There will be a pork shoulder tasting on Friday, April 2, and Saturday, April 3, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the market and kids will be able to enjoy sugar cookies on Friday and Saturday from noon to 5 p.m.

For more information call Starfish Market at 779-4949.

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Boston and Thomas Found Guilty in Retrial

Anselmo Boston and Kamal Thomas Convicted Again of Assault, Weapons Charges in Cockayne Case

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

On Wednesday evening, March 24, Anselmo Boston and Kamal Thomas were both convicted for a second time of third-degree assault and weapons charges after a two-day trial before V.I. Superior Court Judge Brenda Hollar.

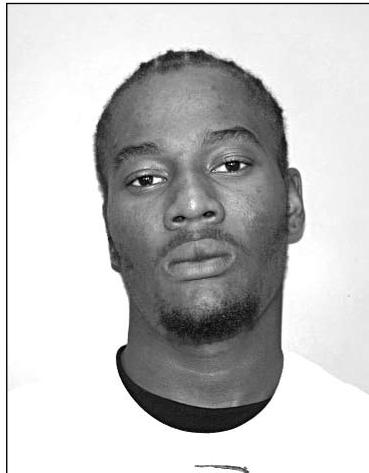
Thomas alone was also convicted of threatening and intimidating a witness.

The verdict was handed down on Wednesday evening, March 24, after the 12 member jury deliberated for just one and a half hours, according to a report in the *Virgin Islands Daily News*.

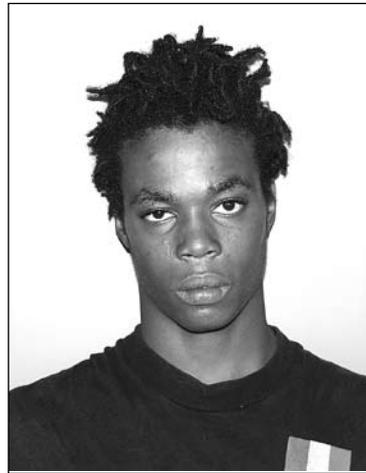
This is the second jury to find Thomas, 20, and Boston, 33, guilty of assaulting James "Jamie" Cockayne the night of June 19, 2007, a half an hour before the young Pennsylvania man was stabbed to death on a Cruz Bay street.

The two defendants were cleared of murder charges after their original trial — which was joined with a third codefendant Jahlil Ward, who was convicted of murder. The two were convicted of assault and weapons charges.

After the first verdict, Thomas



Jahlil Ward



Kamal Thomas



Anselmo Boston

and Boston were sentenced in July 2009 to 12 and a half years in prison and slapped with \$11,575 in fines and fees. Those sentences, however, were thrown out after it came to light that the Cockayne family had paid cash rewards to witnesses who testified in court.

Hollar ordered both men to stand a new joined trial, separate from Ward, who faced a second jury himself on murder charges in December 2009. Following his second trial, Ward was convicted

of second degree murder, but has not yet been sentenced as Hollar considers motions to grant the 20-year-old St. John man a third trial.

In the meantime, Thomas and Boston were not able to convince a second jury of their innocence the night Cockayne was stabbed eight times, including a fatal wound to the femoral artery, outside Fashion Palace in Cruz Bay.

During the second trial, prosecutors Assistant Attorney General

Claude Walker and Courtney Reese outlined a series of events on the night of June 18, 2007 which ultimately led to the assault of Cockayne.

When Boston ran into Cockayne at the Front Yard Bar the night of June 18, he was upset because Cockayne had kicked his girlfriend's Jeep earlier that afternoon, according to prosecutors.

Along with Thomas, Boston got into a fight with Cockayne, which ended with a pool stick being bro-

ken over the Pennsylvania man's head, prosecutors alleged.

Thomas, Boston and Ward then followed Cockayne up the street to the area of Dolphin Market, where they surrounded him and beat him with wooden sticks, prosecutors alleged during the trial.

About a half an hour later, Ward alone followed the Pennsylvania man to the area of Fashion Palace and stabbed him behind a wooden scaffold before fleeing to a friend's house, according to prosecutors in that case.

Despite Boston taking the stand in his own defense, the 12-member jury believed prosecutors' version of events and handed down guilty verdicts for both men.

After the convictions were read, Boston — who had been free on \$75,000 bail — was remanded into custody, according to a report in the *V.I. Daily News*.

Unable to post bail, Thomas remained in custody at the Bureau of Corrections on St. Thomas, according to the report.

Hollar has set May 14, as the tentative date for the men's sentencing — the same day that Jamie Cockayne would have turned 24.

Governor deJongh Signs Bill To Allow Issuance, Collection of Real Property Taxes at 1998 Level

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Governor John deJongh on March 22 approved Bill 28-0208 which authorizes the issuance and collection of real property taxes at the 1998 rate and assessment levels.

But the governor's signing of the bill did not come without his expressing deep concern about the negative impact that one of the bill's sections will have on the ability of the government to effectively collect real property taxes.

While deJongh told the Senate on Monday the legislation is a crucial measure which will allow the government to send out real property tax bills at the

1998 assessment rate and levels, he pointed out that, "Section 5 is detrimental to the collection process because it prohibits the government from levying any interest and penalties on any assessment for the property tax years 2006, 2007 and 2008."

This is counter-productive to the government's objective to collect real property taxes since it prevents the government from imposing interest and penalties as a ready tool for collecting delinquent taxes, explained deJongh.

"I urge that the members of the 28th Legislature reconsider this measure, as it distinctly creates a disincentive for the timely payment by real property taxpay-

ers whose revised 2006 real property tax bills increased under the 1998 rate and assessment level," said deJongh.

Commenting on another section of the legislation, deJongh said that Section 2 is necessary as it facilitates the process by providing the financing from reprogrammed monies in order for the Office of the Lieutenant Governor to develop script, reconfigure the system and reprogram data to the 1998 assessment rate and levels.

With the passage of the measure, the government can proceed with the process of reissuing the 2006 real property tax bills at the 1998 assessment rate and levels

and consider the issuance of the 2007 real property tax bills at the 1998 level, added deJongh.

In correspondence to the Senate, the governor noted that he must remain cognizant of the potential burden placed on residents with the issuance of multiple tax bills within one calendar year.

"With this in mind, my Administration will make every effort to alleviate the anxiety of taxpayers with respect to the payment of multiple real property taxes in one year and will work with the members of the 28th Legislature to resolve this matter which is of grave importance to the Virgin Islands community," said the governor.

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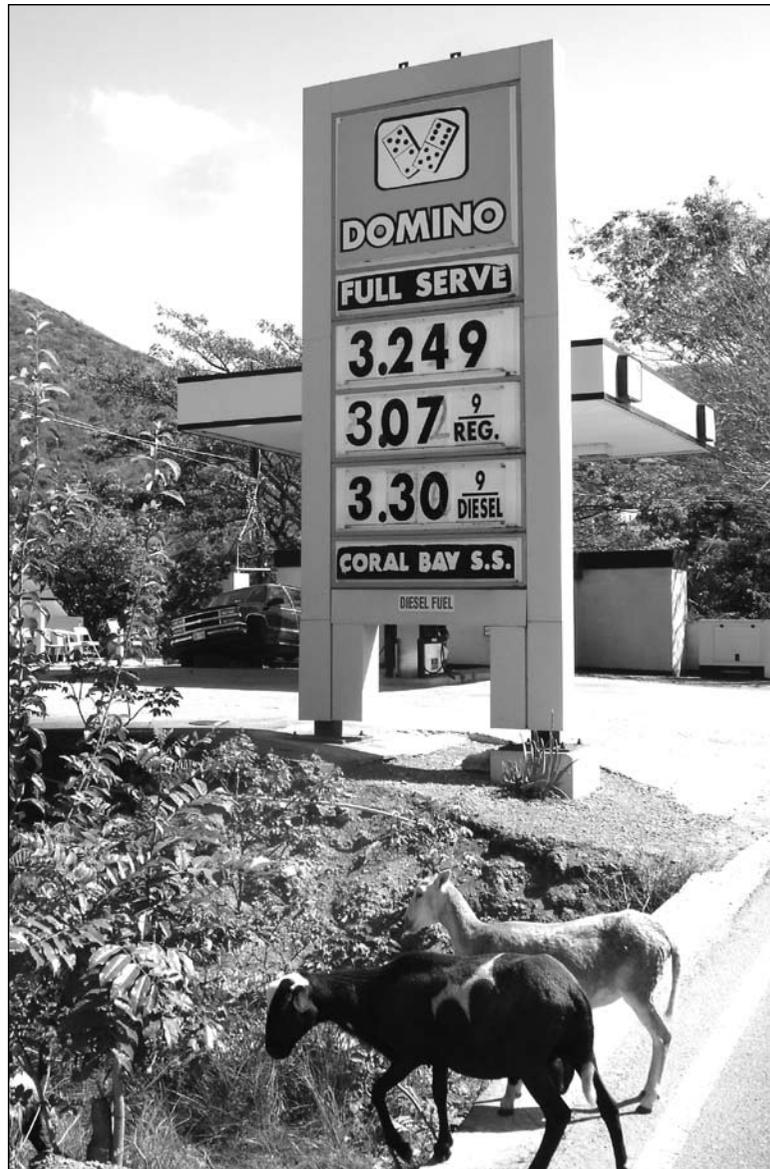
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Still No Fuel in Coral Bay — Domino Could Have Gasoline Within Weeks

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Domino Gas Station in Coral Bay remained shuttered last week, making it now more than a month since residents on the eastern side of St. John could fill their tanks without driving to Cruz Bay.

While rumors have been swirling across the island since gas ran out at the Coral Bay station in February, Domino Oil Company is not going out of business, according to St. John Administrator Leona Smith.

The Coral Bay station is not alone, Domino gas stations across the territory have been closed since the Puerto Rican-based company experienced problems with its barge, Smith explained.

Domino's operations were halted when its barge failed to pass a required U.S. Coast Guard inspection, according to Smith.

The problem has been solved and Coral Bay residents can hope to see the gas station open within a few weeks, according to the St. John Administrator.



St. John Tradewinds News Photos by Adam Lynch

There has been no gas at the Coral Bay Domino Station for more than a month.

“Domino has settled with the Coast Guard in regard to the inspection of their barge,” said Smith. “They now have the green light. The only problem that remains is getting gas from a refinery in Puerto Rico.”

“They are in conversations with a refinery now and then once that is squared away, they should be able to have gas in the next week or two,” Smith said. “The good news is that they are not going out of business.”

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St. John parent Myrtle Barry thanks author and speaker Rick Johnson for his March 23, workshop entitled “Better Dads: Helping Men Become Better Fathers” and “Courageous Moms: Raising Boys to Become Good Men” at Julius E. Sprauve School.

Author and Speaker Johnson Spreads Message of Better Parenting Across USVI

By Andrea Milam
St. John Tradewinds

Men and boys are vital to the fabric of society.

This is the message author and renowned speaker Rick Johnson shared with St. John residents at his Tuesday evening, March 23, workshop at the Julius E. Sprauve School library entitled “Better Dads: Helping Men Become Better Fathers” and “Courageous Moms: Raising Boys to Become Good Men.”

Nearly 50 residents crowded into the library in an interest to learn better parenting skills from Johnson at the St. John stop of his week-long Virgin Islands tour, which included presentations on the radio and to V.I. prisoners.

“Men and fathers are the key to virtually every problem our culture faces,” said Johnson, who grew up in an alcoholic home and began his quest to learn to become a better father when he had children himself.

Children from fatherless homes are five times more likely to be

poor. They make up three quarters of teen suicides, and 70 percent of men incarcerated in the U.S. come from homes without a father.

Forty percent of children in the U.S. are growing up without a father, and they lack good male role models to counter the portrayal of fathers on television as “jerks” or “bumbling idiots,” said Johnson.

“I’m pretty frightened about that,” he said.

There are several things boys need during their development that single mothers may not be aware of, Johnson explained. First, boys need to break from their mothers around age five, which they may convey by telling mom that her breath smells when she’s trying to be affectionate; and again during adolescence, which often manifests itself as disrespect, acting sullen and challenging authority.

“Wise moms understand that this is a normal stage of development,” said Johnson.

One thing that is crucial to the development of boys into good men is learning to take risks. Fail-

ure helps boys to learn, Johnson explained.

“Taking risks is part of growing up to be a man,” he said. “When boys are always rescued by their mothers, they learn to rely on women for everything. When they’re allowed to quit, quitting becomes a lifelong habit.”

Boys who enter the real world unequipped to deal with whatever life hands them often react with anger, an emotion with which they are more comfortable, to cover up what they are actually feeling, which is fear.

Single mothers who become overly attached to their sons because of the guilt of raising them without a father can actually damage the boys’ psyche, Johnson explained. Boys with overly attached mothers can become angry and seek to dominate women, often fathering children with multiple partners and abandoning them all. On the flip side, boys with overly attached mothers can become feminized.

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Chuck Pishko, center, regales a group of visitors and residents with stories of Caneel Bay's past during a VINP seminar on the resort grounds.

From Tainos to Rockefeller, Storied History of Caneel Bay Resort

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Long before Caneel Bay Resort catered to some of the world's richest residents, the property was home to the Taino people who supplemented their take from the sea by farming root vegetables on the nearby hillsides.

The history of Caneel Bay was the focus of a Friends of Virgin Islands National Park seminar led by local historian Chuck Pishko at the North Shore resort on Wednesday morning, March 24.

Pishko led about 25 people — including a University of the Virgin Islands professor and six graduate students — on a tour of the ruins on the property and shared the rich history of the area.

After the Tainos, who originally hailed from South America's Orinoco River area, continued on to the Greater Antilles islands of Hispaniola and Puerto Rico, the next group to reach Love City's shores were the Dutch, explained Pishko.

"After Columbus left, and he didn't stop here really anyway, the next group of people here were the Dutch, who held islands in the area but kept being driven out," said Pishko.

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— Historian Chuck Pishko

One remnant of the Caribbean Dutch rule is the island Jost Van Dyke, the name of which reflects its origins. Soon the Danes decided to establish colonies in the West Indies and launched into the sugar industry, explained Pishko.

While expeditions from nearby islands would come ashore on St. John to fell its large hardwood trees and fish off its plentiful shores, it wasn't until the Dutchman Peter Durloe established structures necessary to support sugar cane operations at Caneel that Love City was settled with business.

What remains of a daub and waddle house, built in the early

1800s, is located on the hillside behind the manager's house which once overlooked the sugar cane operation. Caneel Bay Resort's Equator restaurant was the site of a horse mill and Pishko shared a photograph of the mill from 1834.

Durloe ingrained himself in the upper echelons of St. Thomas society, marrying well and counting well-to-do Danish families among his closest friends. He eventually married four times and operated the lucrative Caneel Bay sugar plantation until his death.

Enslaved Africans toiled under extreme conditions in the boiler room, the remains of which stand today near the entrance to Caneel Bay Resort.

The Durloe family built their home most likely above Hawk-snest Bay and ran the nearby plantation for four generations. After Peter Durloe III died, his widow married Lars Olsen, who would eventually squander the family fortune and high-tail it to North America. The Durloe family was able to collect only enough money from the auction of the Caneel Bay property to educate the two living sons back in Europe.

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New Website Aims To Help St. John Plan for Today and Tomorrow

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

A new online forum is giving St. John residents another avenue to have their voices heard.

The website "St. John Planning for Today and Tomorrow," at <http://stjohnsummit.webs.com>, was created by Paul Devine and is open to anyone who wishes to weigh in on St. John issues.

While Devine is the executive director of the St. John Community Foundation, he launched the open forum website on his own, he explained.

"This is separate from the St. John Community Foundation," said Devine. "I did this as a way for people to talk to each other and get some more dialogue going on out there. I thought an online forum would be a good way to get information across and it's dedicated to St. John specific issues."

After registering on the site — which is free and only takes a few seconds — residents can comment on one of the topics already posted, like parking and the Cruz Bay waterfront, or start a new thread.

The forum could solve the problem of people who want to share their opinions but can't make it to the myriad meetings hosted across St. John, Devine explained.

"I thought this would be a good way to solve the problem of people having to come to meetings," he said. "This way, people can just jump online and discuss any subject matter they want. I started the website with a few issues, like park-

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— Paul Devine, St. John resident

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"People can add their own comments on any of those topics or they can create their own topic," said Devine. "We just want to keep the content about St. John."

Often the same people attend most of the meetings with their voices the ones most often heard regarding issues. With the new website, Devine hopes to change that.

"We have a group of people who kind of think they know it all," Devine said. "I got sick of seeing the same people at every meeting and their voices were the only ones being heard. And I'm one of those people."

"The website will give us an opportunity, over a period of time, to let those other voices be heard," said Devine.

So far the site has attracted 16 members, nine of whom registered the first day, according to Devine.

"Once we get the word out, I think we'll get a lot more members," he said.

While the site is a way for St. John residents to share their opinions about issues, Devine also sees the forum as a way to build consensus and work toward solving problems which have been plaguing Love City for years.

"I keep statistics on how many people come to the site and I have the ability to compile information as an archive as far as what topics people are talking most about," said Devine. "I think we can find common ground on issues through the forum and then work toward solutions."

St. John liaison for Senator Louis Hill, Bonny Corbeil was an early supporter of the website.

"I think this is brilliant and really good for us," said Corbeil about the new online forum. "I think one thing that is important is to really acknowledge the good things that different people do. I herald Paul for thinking of this website and getting it up and running."

"It's unrealistic for people to get to meetings sometimes, especially on St. John where people work two or three jobs," Corbeil said. "This way people can still be a part of the process and have their opinions heard."

While anticipating exciting discussion, Corbeil hoped the new site would pave the way to solutions.

"I think this open forum is a great way to address some issues and will take us to solutions quickly," she said.

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Marchers walk through Cruz Bay to raise awareness for children with disabilities.

Cruz Bay Walk Celebrates Week of Exceptional Child

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

About 20 residents took to the streets of Cruz Bay along with retired educator Patrice Harley on Sunday afternoon, March 21, to bring awareness to the needs of children with disabilities.

Starting at the Franklin Powell Park around 3 p.m. on March 21, the group marched to the V.I. National Park playground to mark the launch of Exceptional Children's Awareness Week in the territory.

The walk was the sole St. John event for the Exceptional Children's Awareness Week and Harley was glad to organize the march.

"We're just trying to raise some awareness about children with disabilities here and how they have needs that can be met," said Harley.

The group bore banners with

the names of various island sponsors who supported the event, including St. John Ice Company, W&W Fast Food, Our Market, Joe's Diner, P&P on the Point, St. John Racquet Club and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

After gathering in the playground, children enjoyed treats and a sunny Caribbean afternoon.

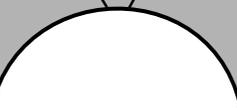
"We had some ice cream and drinks and some activities that all the children could enjoy," said Harley.

The group intends to make the walk an annual event and hopes to share progress made for children with disabilities during next year's march, Harley added.

"If they ask me, I'll be back here next year and I hope to have good news to share about the work we've been doing for disabled children in the territory," she said.



Two young St. John girls supported the cause and enjoyed their balloons.

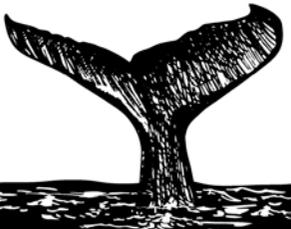


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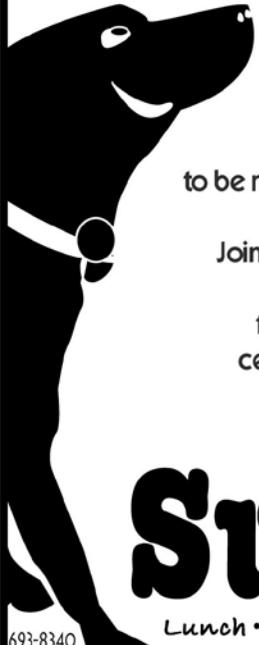
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Longtime St. John Resident and Holocaust Survivor Shares History

By Mauri Elbel
St. John Tradewinds

Judita Hruza, the kind, articulate woman approaching 86 who shares a home in Johnson Bay with her husband of 59 years, Zdenek, never takes the view of the turquoise seas or the warmth of Caribbean sun for granted.

Born and raised in Czechoslovakia on the Hungarian border, Hruza was just a young girl when the events of the Holocaust — the genocide of approximately six million European Jews during World War II led by Nazi Germany — began to unfold.

“I was 19 when the Germans came, and my brother was 14,” Hruza said.

At the time, she and her brother were living with family friends in Budapest to continue their education after they were no longer allowed to attend school in Prešov.

“It was a real disaster when the Germans came because we were Jewish and wanted to be with our parents, but we weren’t allowed to leave Budapest,” she recalled. “But later we found out our parents were deported to Auschwitz and they were killed. We never saw them again.”

In October of 1944, the ultra-fascist Hungarian Nazi party began deporting Jewish women between 16 and 40 and men between 16 and 60 living in Budapest. While her brother was only 15, Hruza was sent off to a series of horrific death marches and camps at age 20.

“Our first death march was from Budapest to the Austrian border — that lasted about 12 days,” Hruza said.

Granted food every other day, Hruza recalled the sheer exhaustion that accompanied near constant marching and zero shelter from the freezing rain and frost.

“We tried and we tried to drag ourselves along, but we were sick,” she said. “We didn’t get any water, so we were drinking water from puddles on the road and we all had dysentery. But we had to go on — if we couldn’t go any further, we were shot on the spot.”

While many people died during Hruza’s first march, she made it to

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— Holocaust survivor Judita Hruza

a working camp where she stayed for four months.

“It was winter, very hard to dig (trenches), but you had to or they would shoot you,” she said. “We were over 1,000 people there, men and women, and there were 30 of us in one tent. There was no heat, we were lying on the naked ground on top of frost and snow and we got food once a day.”

At the end of March 1945, the camp was evacuated and Hruza was led on another death march through Austria to Mauthausen.

“The march lasted 17 days, and during those 17 days, we got food four times,” Hruza recalled. “We were in the mountains and it was very cold — people were dying on the way, but if you sat down, you were shot.”

Hruza recalls being fed a meal on April 7, 1945 — some thick soup she ate immediately accompanied by one piece of bread she put in her backpack to save — before being led up a mountain where she witnessed a horrific massacre.

“We had to climb up a mountain and when we got there, we heard a lot of shooting — not like occasional shooting, but uninterrupted shooting,” she said, recalling what she saw as she reached the peak and began her descent on the spiraling downhill road. “The road in front of us was filled with bodies, dead or injured, and lots of blood.”

Hruza said the group immediately knew why they were fed — to gain the strength to climb up the mountain only to be illegally killed by the Nazis on the other side. She vividly recalls her stream of thoughts: knowing she would die, calling for her mother, never having the chance to see the ocean

and longing for just a few more breaths.

But the shooting stopped and Hruza remained among the approximate 500 survivors who marched on to one of the fiercest Nazi concentration camps in history.

“The worst thing there was the hunger — it was so awful,” she said. “My brain changed with the hunger — I could just think of eating. I was starving and I felt it everywhere, not just in my stomach but in my bones. My entire body was screaming for food.”

Another three-day march to Guns kirchen found Hruza at the worst camp yet — hundreds died daily and she witnessed Cannibalism for the first time in her life. But just one week later, her horror ended. On May 4, 1945, the 71st Infantry Division of the U.S. Army liberated Guns kirchen.

“We saw the American jeeps and all those G.I.’s signaling us the peace sign and we didn’t know what it meant, but they called ‘hurrah’ and we called ‘hurrah’ and they were throwing us goodies,” she recalled.

Hruza caught a Hershey bar and still remembers the moment it hit her tongue.

“It was like a shock — something familiar from a long time ago and it was sweet and fragrant and it reminded me of my family and my childhood,” she said. “And I realized I am really free right now.”

A few days later, Hruza became infected with typhus and was picked up by a Red Cross medic and taken to the hospital for several weeks.

“It was a horrible illness, but my memories of it are wonderful

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"Waiting to Race," oil, 18x24

Impressionist Painter Brian Sage Evokes Emotion Through Beauty

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

With artists on both sides of his blood line, it's not surprising that Brian Sage eventually choose to pursue a career in the field. What is surprising is how quickly Sage gained success after deciding to dedicate himself to his art about eight years ago.

"My mother was an art teacher and my grandfather on my father's side was a really smart architect and a cartoonist and painter, so it's in my blood," said Sage. "I think between the two of them, I got an eye for it. My whole life, I've always been the class artist but it was a struggle for me for a long time to figure out what I wanted to do."

Today, Sage is poised to take his painting to the next level, but before the Whitney Museum calls, Sage is calling St. John home.

The former cabinet maker — and tennis instructor, yacht broker and carpenter — moved to Love City about a year ago from Deep River, Connecticut, to repair a family home. After remodeling and selling the wooden house, Sage decided to enjoy St. John for a few months while planning his next move.

"When I decided to move here I had been going through some changes at home," said Sage. "I had to put my dog to sleep and I had been in a bad relationship and I looked at moving here as an opportunity to do something different. I fixed up the house and sold it and then just decided to stay."

"I needed a little change and the with the economy,

art sales were down, so I thought this was a good opportunity to step away from things and regroup," he said.

While getting a different view of the world, Sage has been soaking up the Caribbean light, which has reflected on his canvases. The classically trained Impressionist — Sage earned a bachelor's degree in fine arts from Rollins College — has started to paint island seascapes and landscapes with light, airy and loose strokes that evoke a relaxed tropical feeling.

In "Waiting to Race," for instance, a group of people on shore anticipate the start of an island sloop race with towering green hillsides that recede into a soft sky. But while the objects in the painting are instantly familiar to the viewer, light alternately plays off the boats' sails and hints at shadows and reflections just out of sight.

A detailed story is easy to conjure from the scene, which is no accident. Sage's paintings can be somewhat deceptive. Since his paintings are so pretty, it is easy to simply appreciate the canvas.

But taking a step back reveals intricate brush strokes which direct the viewers' eyes and tease out emotions.

"I paint landscapes and seascapes and city-scapes, but the focal points of my work are usually figures," said Sage. "They are very subtle sometimes, but the relationship to one another between the figures and their relationship with their environment is the main

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GBS Launches “The World Around Us” Program

St. John Tradewinds

Guy Benjamin School’s after-school program “The World Around Us,” has started and meets Monday through Thursday from 3:30 to 5:15 p.m.

The program offers a wide range of both academic and extracurricular activities for children in grades K-6. Transportation and snacks are provided.

The program is funded through a multi-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education’s 21st Century Community Learning Center Program. The \$100,000 grant for this school year was received after a competitive grant application was written by GBS and its partner in the 21st Century Community Learning Center Program, the Coral Bay Community

Council.

It is anticipated that continuing funds will be received each year for five years, with local resources — families, government and the community — making the program sustainable on a long term basis.

Each day provides 45 minutes of enrichment in reading, math, recreational and cultural activities, creative writing, counseling, mentoring and team sports. The students are able to make choices, based on interest, as to which extracurricular activity they will participate in.

The St. John School of the Arts is partnering to provide a broad curriculum of activities including yoga, drama, Quelbé and drumming.

There are 75 children participating. The program began February 16 and will run this year until May 27. It is hoped more funding will allow the after-school program to run the entire 2010-2011 school year.

Both children and parents are very excited about the program. Most of the regular school teachers are working in the program, as well as some community members and paraprofessionals. Time is also being donated by some parents and others.

Approximately once a month there will be a program of parental and general interest. And, as the program matures, parents and community members will be asked to provide feedback for improvements and additions.



Painting by Kristen Maize

Bajo el Sol Featuring Maize, Wright and Thody on April 2

St. John Tradewinds

Bajo el Sol Gallery will feature three artists who each work in different mediums — Denise Wright, Kristen Maize and Mandy Thody — at an opening reception on Friday, April 2, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the gallery’s Mongoose Junction location.

Wright, a long time St. John resident, works in what she describes as mixed media. Working on a variety of surfaces, she creates paintings which have many layers of texture.

Maize was born on St. John and has grown up absorbing the richness of her environment. Now, working in oils, she creates paintings reflecting this colorful environment.

Thody, an artist known for her work in raku ceramics, continues to create very special ceramic pieces of art. Working in both high fired and low fired ceramics, Thody’s new work reflects both her whimsical creative side and her deeply devoted side.

For more information call 693-7070.

GHS Students Will Enjoy Renovated Playground

St. John Tradewinds

Giffit Hill School is in the process of renovating its lower campus playground, thanks to the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McCullough, grandparents of two Giffit Hill School students, and funds provided by a second anonymous donor.

When students return to school after spring break on April 6, they will find their playground revamped with new fencing, replenished rubber mulch surfacing,

refurbished shade structures and a new piece of playground equipment made by CedarWorks of Rockport, Maine.

CedarWorks makes eco-friendly playground equipment from northern white cedar, a naturally rot and pest resistant, chemical free, splinter free, and safe wood for children.

CedarWorks itself runs its facilities with bio-fuel and green electricity. They use leftover cedar for composting, heating, and horse

stall bedding, and 10 percent of their profits are given to organizations which support kids or the environment.

Andrew Barlas of ABC Construction, the father of a second grade GHS student, will lead the playground rebuild with assistance from a group of volunteer parents from the school community.

The new playground will be enjoyed by Giffit Hill School students in preschool through 5th grade.

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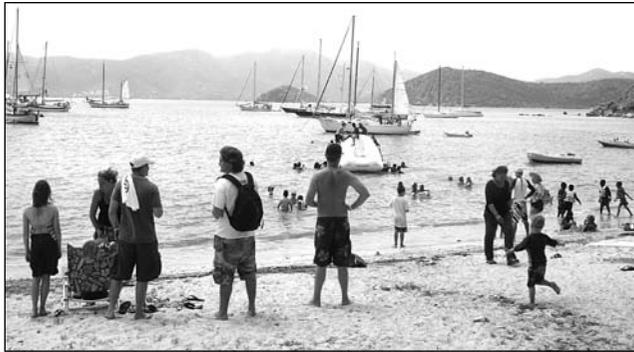
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St. John students, parents and residents, including Guy Benjamin, top right, enjoyed a day on the water and at the beach.



CBYC's Almost-Annual Flotilla Nets \$5,500 for GBS

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

With perfect sunny skies and a steady 10 knots of cooling breeze, the Coral Bay Yacht Club could not have asked for better weather for its 13 "Almost Annual" Flotilla on Saturday, March 20, at Miss Vie's Campground.

In total, the group raised about

\$5,500 for the Coral Bay public elementary school Guy Benjamin School. GBS students enjoyed a sail on Coral Bay's tall ship *Silver Cloud* thanks to Captain Elliott Hooper, owner of Tall Ship Trading Company.

About a dozen CBYC members sailed their vessels over to the East End site with day trippers paying

only \$40 for the sail and lunch at the beach. Other party goers opted to drive and pay a \$20 entrance fee donation.

While the students spent most of the afternoon in the turquoise waters off Miss Vie's Campground, Koko and the Sunshine Band kept the rest of the crowd entertained on shore.

Hot dogs and hamburgers and a full spread of local West Indian dishes kept everyone's hunger at bay. About 15 volunteers — from GBS teachers who served food and lifeguarded to Dick Burks who organized the sailing portion of the flotilla — ensured the afternoon's success. Local businesses and vendors donated food, drink and sup-

plies for the event.

The coveted top raffle prize of \$500 was won by a GBS student, who squealed with delight when his name was called.

Up next for the CBYC is the Commodore's Cup in May, which brings all three St. John yacht clubs together for one weekend of racing in Coral Bay.

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Dean Doeling, at right, with Housing Park and Recreation's Hubert Mucosco.

USFSC Already Making Plans for Second Annual Just Play Day

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Dean Doeling wants St. John children to enjoy sports of all kinds and as an employee of Nike he has the opportunity to do just that.

Doeling launched the nonprofit Using Sport for Social Change (USFSC) under the financial structure of the St. John Community Foundation last year. The group's first major event was last October's Just Play Day which attracted more than 100 St. John children of all ages for a day of sports in the Winston Wells ball field.

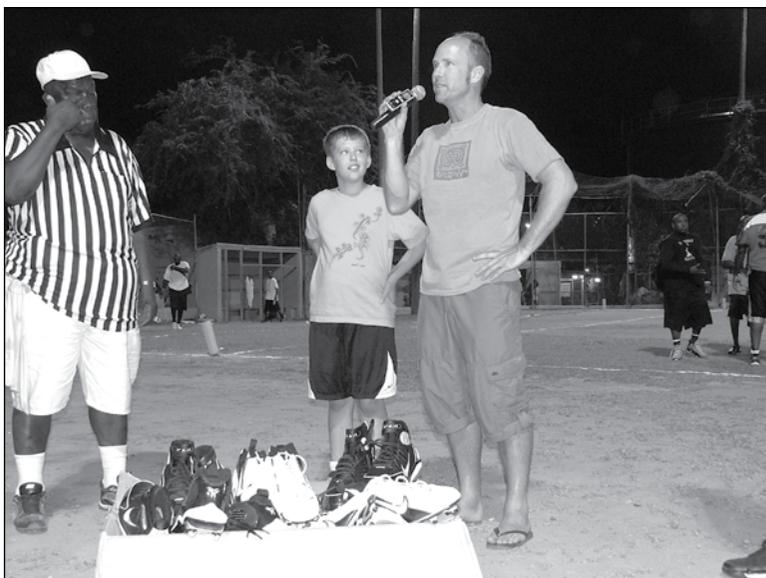
USFSC is gearing up already for next year's Second Annual Just Play Day, scheduled for Columbus Day, Monday, October 11. Doeling hosted a gathering at La Tapa

on Tuesday night, March 23, to announce plans for the event.

Registration is already open for this year's Just Play Day and St. John caterer Mathayom has agreed to donate lunch and snacks for the kids, Doeling explained.

While the group makes many donations to various island sports teams, USFSC most recently donated 68 pairs of football cleats to the St. John men's flag football league and 30 pairs of softball cleats to the Ruby Rutnik Memorial Softball Tournament.

USFSC always needs donations to ensure its continued success. For more information about USFSC or do make a donation, check out the group's website www.usingsportforsocialchange.com.



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Doeling announces a recent donation of athletic cleats to the St. John Men's Flag Football league.

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Letters to St. John Tradewinds

Inspiration

A double big thanks to Ira Wade and the staff of Public Works. I really mean it.

Just before Cid lost her patience with the disgusting trash from the Susannaberg transfer station on Giffit Hill Road, I did — as I'm sure did many others who either live in the area, or drive by every day.

I'm not sure I can claim to be his "inspiration," but I wrote a letter two weeks ago asking Mr. Wade to please have his staff pick up the trash that had spilled over the hillside...it was awful! I was as thrilled as Cid to see that it was done, and promptly.

In my letter I also asked that the area be picked up on a regular basis. Mr. Wade, please let these letters in the *Tradewinds* be your "inspiration" to see that the transfer station staff does just that.

I may be wrong, but I don't think it's "above and beyond." I think it's part of the job. It's a difficult area to maintain, but I can assure you, I'll be out there with my plastic bag, helping keep it clean.

Residents of the area, you can help too, don't just beep and wave as you speed by! Keep after the area around your own property. Please don't throw trash out your car window after leaving Tony's.

And all of you who claim to be "green," do your part in ridding the island's neighborhoods of trash and clutter. Beautiful St. John will be so much more beautiful and clean for its residents and our guests.

**With many thanks,
Nancy Brown
Estate Susannaberg**

Too Many Belligerent Outbursts

The belligerent outbursts, including the ongoing loud usage of the "f" word in the street and area of "Joe's Diner" is offensive to both residents and island visitors alike.

When customers are asked to leave this place of business, they often simply walk out on to the side walk and loudly continue their offensive behavior.

Recently, I heard a young woman loudly conversing with a group of young men on this same street about the details of the sexual encounter she intended to have with another woman; as she physically demonstrated her anticipated encounter.

Another young woman who was shouting to a young man across this same street, actually stopped to apologize to me for her loudness. She then immediately topped things off by shouting to the young man what he could do to himself. Again the "f" word.

Cars and motorcycles now drag race at all hours; starting at the corner where "Connections" is located and proceeding just beyond Mongoose Junction. This was starting late at night. Then it began starting earlier in the evening. Now I am hearing it in the afternoons as well.

A motorcycle rider stopped in front of a place of business located on this street, revved up the motor to the apparent highest level of noise it could produce, and then went speeding a way to cheers from his friends and colleagues. Tourists and shoppers in the area complained about being temporarily interrupted from conducting business due to the noise level.

I saw a young family with two small children reading a menu which was posted outside of a restaurant on these streets. A drunk, female patron at "Joe's Diner" was loudly and repeatedly using the "f" word, as a young child sat coloring at the next table. I over

heard the mother with the young tourist family say to her husband, "Let's leave this entire area."

Who can blame her? This general area also seems to have become the evening hang out for blasting loud music from vehicles, which park in the "Joe's Diner" parking space long after the business has closed for the night.

I am one who believes what people say and do in the context of private discussion is entirely their business. However; there is nothing private about the usage of the language and actions as described.

There is a monthly publication which advises tourists that cussing in public is typically not acceptable to our residents. I often wonder what tourists who read this must think, should they walk through this particular area.

One tourist in a place of business recently commented, "I was already aware of what goes on in the street here at night...I didn't want to come down here because I don't want to be around it, but my wife really wanted to and its our last night here."

Why is it that a tourist behaving in a civil manner gets a ticket and a stiff financial penalty for stopping just long enough to pick up a food order on this same street, yet these behaviors are allowed to go on each day?

This letter was written at about 2:00 pm on a week day, as I listened to a driver "revv" his engine as he drove toward the area of Mongoose Junction.

Later that night a police officer was called to break up a loud, heated altercation at "Joe's Diner", peppered with "f" bombs.

Even if this were not the case, don't our own residents, especially our children, deserve better?

Name Withheld by Request

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— MN

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Armed Robberies: 5

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1st Degree Burglaries: 6

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U.S. Military Exists To Prevent War and Terror

Mr. Miller wants to cancel the military and its industry because he believes, erratically, that the military industry is here to maintain war.

This means the war, according to him, is led because this is what perpetuates the military industry. The reality is exactly the opposite. Nobody can doubt the excellent, victorious action of our military which saved millions of people during WW II from certain death.

Later on, the strong military saved Europe for the third time by preventing the Communist assault which was contemplated. During this time, our military prevented total occupation of Korea by the attacking communists. The today comparison of the lifestyle and economy of South and North Korea speaks for itself.

Strong military prevented — so far — a contemplated attack of China against Taiwan. The Iraq war prevented further attacks and genocide by a crazy dictator Hussein who started several local wars which

cost a million deaths on each side. We removed Hussein and saved additional victims.

Libian's Quadafi got so scared from our efficient victorious military that he turned himself off his previous activity of terrorism to save himself. Our strong military is indispensable to keep the world dictators in check and they have to limit their murderous activity because they know if they cross the margin of bestiality, they may become the next victims of our military might.

America's economic and military strength is the only guarantee of prevention of further mayhem by fanatical dictators like the one in Iran. Strong military in the hands of a real democratic America is a blessing for the world.

We have many enemies around the world. Without our strong military, we would be torn apart.

**Z. Hruza
St. John**

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Letter to Tradewinds

Rules Not Taught in School

Bill Gates recently gave a speech at a high school about 11 things they did not and will not learn in school.

He talked about how feel-good, politically correct teachings created a generation of kids with no concept of reality and how this concept set them up for failure in the real world.

- **Rule 1:** Life is not fair — get used to it!
- **Rule 2:** The world doesn't care about your self-esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something before you feel good about yourself.
- **Rule 3:** You will not make \$60,000 a year right out of high school. You won't be a vice-president with a car phone until you earn both.
- **Rule 4:** If you think your teacher is tough, wait till you get a boss.
- **Rule 5:** Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your Grandparents had a different word for burger flipping: they called it opportunity.
- **Rule 6:** If you mess up, it's not your parents' fault so don't whine about your mistakes, learn from them.
- **Rule 7:** Before you were born, your parents weren't as boring as they are now. They got that way from paying your bills, cleaning your clothes and listening to you talk about how cool you thought you were. So before you save the rain forest from the parasites of your parent's generation, try delousing the closet in your own room.
- **Rule 8:** Your school may have done away with winners and losers, but life has not. In some schools, they have abolished failing grades and they'll give you as many times as you want to get the right answer. This doesn't bear the slightest resemblance to anything in real life.
- **Rule 9:** Life is not divided into semesters. You don't get summers off and very few employers are interested in helping you find yourself. Do that on your own time.
- **Rule 10:** Television is not real life. In real life people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs.
- **Rule 11:** Be nice to nerds. Chances are you'll end up working for one.

— Submitted by Greg Miller

Festival Organization Seeking Miss St. John Contestants for 2010

The Festival and Cultural Organization of St. John is seeking young ladies interested in vying for the title of Miss St. John Festival Queen 2010-2011.

Contestants must be 16 to 21 years of age, have a 2.5 academic average, a resident of the St. Thomas/St. John district and never been pregnant. Interested young ladies can pick up applications at the St. John Tourism Office. For more information call 626-0785.

Princess/Prince Contestants Sought

The Festival and Cultural Organization of St. John is seeking couples interested in vying for the title of St. John Festival Prince and Princess 2010-2011.

Contestants must be 7 to 11 years of age, have a 2.5 academic average and be residents of the St. Thomas/St. John district. Interested couples can pick up applications at the St. John Tourism Office. For more information call 626-0785.



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Non-Point Source Pollution Conference May 6-7

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The 10th Virgin Islands Non-point Source Pollution Conference will be May 6 and 7 at the Wynnham Sugar Bay Resort and Spa on St. Thomas.

This year's conference theme is "Changing Direction and Directing Change...Solutions to Nonpoint Source Pollution." The keynote speaker is Marine Ecologist Trika Gerard, who will address issues from watershed and coastal management to habitat impacts. Judith

Vieques is coming into its own as one of the world's premiere travel destinations. The internationally renowned W Hotel will be opening the doors of its very first Caribbean property in Vieques this spring with the W Retreat and Spa, bringing a luxurious, high-end spa retreat experience to this area of the Caribbean.

Seaborne is proud to offer service that will exceed the expectations of all travelers going to and from Vieques, and will exponentially enhance their experience of the island.

Seaborne has been continually growing their services in the U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico since their arrival in 1993, and is proud to provide the travelers of this community with the most convenient and comfortable travel experience to be had.

The seaplane flies between downtown Christiansted, St. Croix and Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, and the airshuttle provides flights between the airports of St. Croix, St. Thomas and San Juan — and now Vieques.

To celebrate their new ventures and invite more passengers to enjoy the seaplane and airshuttle experience, Seaborne has announced a March Madness special promotion running through this month that includes a St. Croix/St. Thomas weekender fare of as little as \$59.50 each way and fares to and from San Juan as little as \$69.50 each way.

For more information or to book tickets, call 866-FLY-USVI in St. Croix and St. Thomas, and 787-292-6656 in San Juan or visit their web site online at seaborneairlines.com.

Enck, EPA Region 2 Administrator, will also discuss solutions through government initiatives and education and outreach.

The two-day conference will include training sessions and research presentations and will focus on implementing environmentally friendly practices to reduce and prevent pollution in the Caribbean.

Nonpoint source pollution is the single, greatest threat to the territory's environment and the health

of its residents. Oil leaking from cars; sewage spills; animal waste; soil erosion; storm water discharges; faulty septic systems; and illegal waste dumping are all nonpoint sources polluting our Islands.

Join scientists, policy makers, and other concerned citizens address the problem and present solutions. For more information visit the conference website at www.usvircd.org/nps/ or call Kysha Wallace at 774-3320. Early registration deadline is April 2.

Tainos to Rockefeller, Storied History of Caneel Bay Resort

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One son remained in Denmark and the other returned to St. Thomas, explained Pishko.

“It is said that all living Durlaes throughout the islands are descendents of that one Durlaes who returned to the Caribbean,” he said.

When the Durlaes family auctioned off the Caneel property, a French Huguenot living on St. Croix purchased the land. The Ruans stayed in St. Croix and ran the sugar plantation from there until the sugar industry eventually declined.

The next Caneel Bay owner was a Haitian man named Delinios, who lived on St. Thomas. Operations declined further, however, and the plantation fell into ruin. The last local to own the plantation was St. Thomas resident Abram Smith who would eventually sell it to the West Indian Company.

It was the West Indian Company that first operated a hotel at the site, building one cottage on each beach and operating the island’s first regular boat service. With its seven cottages, The Grand Hotel catered to St.

Thomas and stateside visitors who enjoyed secluded stays at the property.

At the end of World War II, the West Indian Company sold the property to two brothers from Puerto Rico who also purchased nearby Dennis Bay. The brothers ran a charitable trust based in Rhode Island.

Nelson Adlrich, a senator from Rhode Island and Rockefeller relative, was instrumental in the trusts and the resort was finally purchased by Laurance Rockefeller in the 1952. It was run as a Rockefeller Resort and gained huge popularity, which the property continues to enjoy to this day under its current ownership, Rosewood Resorts.

Friends of VINP’s exciting seminar series continues throughout March and April. Upcoming seminars include a green building house tour with local architect Doug White, tropical gardening with Irene Patton and a coral reef boat tour led by marine ecologist Caroline Rogers.

To register for a seminar call Friends of the VINP at 779-4940.

“I paint landscapes and seascapes and city-scapes, but the focal points of my work are usually figures. They are very subtle sometimes, but the relationship to one another between the figures and their relationship with their environment is the main focus. Everything supports the mood — the tone and the color.”

— Artist Brian Sage

Brian Sage Evokes Emotion Through Beauty

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focus. Everything supports the mood — the tone and the color.”

“I want to create something beautiful and have it be mysterious and thought-provoking,” he said.

Sage learned some of his technique and was certainly influenced and inspired by a Massachusetts painter named John Terelak. As Sage tells the story, back before he pursued painting as a career he was working as a cabinet maker in Boston.

At the time, Sage had just started to paint at night in his apartment and knew he wanted to do something different when a day off found him strolling through the streets of the artist haven Rockport, Mass., where he stumbled upon a window display that changed his life.

“I was just strolling around Rockport when I saw in a window these amazing paintings,” said the artist. “The paintings had a lot of atmosphere and mood and emotion. The strokes were loose and painterly and as I was staring at the paintings in the window, I knew I had to go in this direction.”

The artist who so captivated Sage was John Terelak, who is widely regarded as one of the most influential living American Impressionist painters.

“I went inside his gallery and asked if John taught workshops or took on students, but I was told he kind of keeps to himself,” said Sage. “I pleaded my case with the woman who worked there and I was saying things that I wasn’t totally convinced of myself, but I was convincing her.”

“I was about to leave and she said, ‘wait, every so often, he’ll take on a student,’” said the artist. “She gave me his number and I called him the next day and told him about myself.”

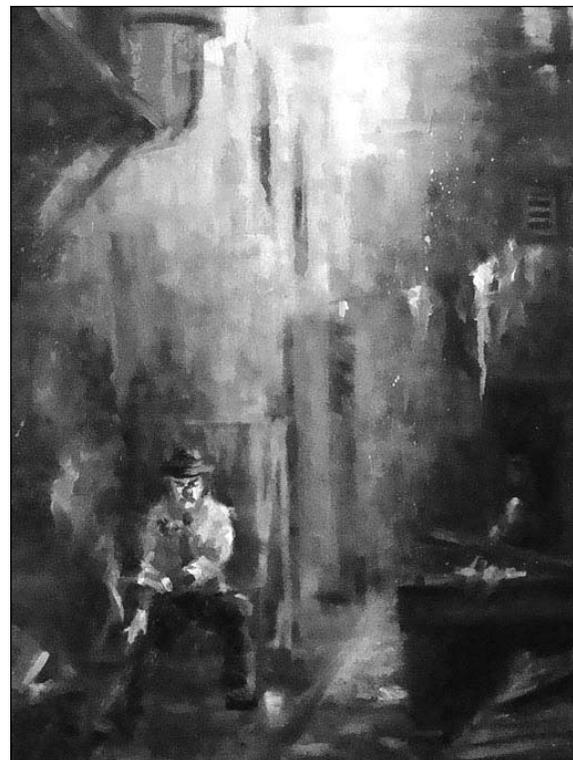
Once Sage got Terelak on the phone, he pleaded his case to the esteemed painter and heard himself saying things aloud that he had only begun to think to himself.

“I told him how much I loved his work and how that was the direction I wanted to go in and how unsettled I was at the time,” Sage said. “I told him how I had started to paint and I asked about classes and for the first time I was materializing that I was really serious about this. It takes interacting with the right person to bring that out of you.”

“There was a pause and he said, ‘I’m going to help you,’” said Sage.

Sage met Terelak a few days later and started a lasting mentorship and relationship that would have a profound effect on the young painter.

“He is this big, burly ex-football player,” Sage said about Terelak. “He taught me painting almost like a football coach. He gave me a stack of books and told me to copy a painting out of one of them and come back next week.”



“Final Muse,” oil, 18x24

“From that point on we met probably a few times a month for the next three years and after that when I had moved away, we’d always meet up and we became really good friends,” said Sage. “We went on painting trips to Vermont and the Bahamas. He and his wife are like my family now.”

Through his friendship and mentorship with Terelak, Sage gradually grew more confident in his art and has pursued painting as his full time work for the past eight years.

Now 35, Sage’s work is featured in six galleries across the country and graces the walls of offices and homes from Lexington Avenue, NYC, to La Jolla, California. On St. John, Sage’s work can be seen on the walls of Happy Fish on the second floor of The Marketplace.

The next step for the artist will be either graduate school, large commissions or living in an artist community stateside, he explained.

“I’ve applied to graduate school because I’d like to teach at the college level,” he said. “But I’d also like to be in a community of artists where it’s really creative.”

No matter where he ends up, Sage is confident that it will be the right place for him.

“I’m going to let life figure me out,” he said. “I’ll put the intent out there and work hard and I’m going to let things in my life evolve naturally. Like a tree that doesn’t rush to grow to reach its full potential.”

Crossword Answers — Puzzle on Page 18

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Street Addressing Project Partnership Formed

St. John Tradewinds

As part of advancing the implementation of street addressing throughout the territory, representatives from the Office of the Lieutenant Governor and the Virgin Islands Geospatial Information Council met with Senator Craig Barshinger, a staunch advocate for greater use of GPS technology in the territory.

Raymond Williams, Chief of Staff for the Office of the Lt. Governor, announces that his office will partner with Barshinger in this ground-breaking initiative that will establish a consistent and comprehensive addressing system for public roads throughout the U.S. Virgin Islands.

"We are pleased that Barshinger has committed his support of this project and his intent to work in tandem with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, VIGIC, and our partners in moving this project forward," said Francis.

The street naming and addressing project continues the work begun by the Department of Public Works in the 1990s. The Department of Public Works continues to be a major contributor to the initiative begun by the Office of the Lieutenant Governor last year.

Barshinger's support is based on his belief that the project will ultimately save lives and improve public safety, as first responders would no longer have to rely solely on using local landmarks for directions.

He has pledged to work with the Lt. Governor's Office in crafting legislation germane to the street naming and addressing initiative, as well as in identifying funding needed to support the project.

Both parties agree that the next step will be to reach out to all communities across the Virgin Islands to solicit street name recommendations for their specific communities. This phase of the project is scheduled to begin within the next two months.

Resident and Holocaust Survivor Shares History

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because I was lying between clean sheets and people were taking care of me and I could relax and I didn't have to march or conceal that I was sick," she said.

Hruza and her brother were the only survivors in their immediate family – between 1942 and 1944 their parents, both sets of grandparents, and their uncle, aunt and 7-year-old cousin were killed in Auschwitz.

"It was much worse than going through it myself because at the end, I survived," she said. "But coming home and finding out you are an orphan and all your family is wiped out, I cannot get over it. Not even now."

Hruza went back to Czechoslovakia to attend medical school where she met her lifetime partner, Zdenek. They married in 1951 in Prague, had two children and were all living in New York by 1970.

Hruza, a pediatrician-turned-psychiatrist enjoyed 20 years working in the Manhattan State Hospital before retiring in 1992 to join her husband, a retired pa-

thologist, in building their dream house on St. John.

"My life turned out pretty well," she said. "Not only did I have the chance to see the sea, but now I even have a house somewhere I can walk to the sea."

To this day, Hruza enjoys the things that often go unnoticed by others — she gets elated walking in the cold wind and rain because she knows she will be dry and warm in a few minutes, and she still carries a piece of bread in her purse every time she leaves the house — maybe out of habit, maybe to serve as a reminder of the security she has now.

As a Holocaust survivor, she also feels obligated to tell her story.

"Nothing makes me angrier than when people say it didn't happen or that the Jews just made it up," she said. "So as long as I can talk, I will be obsessed with talking about it to whoever wants to listen."

Hruza will speak at Giffit Hill School on April 8 at 9 a.m. and at St. Thomas Synagogue on April 9 at 6:30 p.m.

St. John Police Report

Emergency Land Line: 911
Emergency Cellular: 340-776-9110
Police Dept: 340-693-8880
Fire Station: 340-776-6333

Friday, March 19

3:10 p.m. - A Bellevue Village resident p/r that she was assaulted. Disturbance of the peace, D.V.

6:30 p.m. - Units 74B and 402E p/ with one Devon David Crooke of no known address, under arrest and charged with burglary in the second. Bail was set at \$50,000.

7:30 p.m. - A citizen r/ her vehicle was struck in the area of Wharfside Village. Hit and run.

10:16 p.m. - An Estate Grunwald resident r/ she was assaulted by a group of females. Simple assault.

Saturday, March 20

1:40 a.m. - An Estate Enighed resident r/ he was threatened. Disturbance of the peace.

2:30 p.m. - A citizen r/ he was robbed at gun point in the area of Estate Contant. Robbery in the first.

3:26 p.m. - An Estate Pastory resident p/r that someone removed his boat from where it was docked in Cruz Bay. Unauthorized use of a vessel.

4:53 p.m. - A citizen c/r a male needs assistance in the area of Cruz Bay. Police assistance.

6:32 p.m. - A citizen p/r that his friend needs medical attention. Police assistance.

Sunday, March 21

12:52 a.m. - A citizen c/r a male bleeding from the head in the area of Coral Bay. Police assistance.

12:58 p.m. - St. John Rescue c/r an overturned vehicle in the area of the Westin Resort. Overturned vehicle.

3:11 p.m. - St. John Rescue r/ a D.O.A. in the area of Ajax Peak, Coral Bay. DOA.

11:15 p.m. - An Estate Bethany resident r/ an assault. Simple assault.

Monday, March 22

2:51 a.m. - A citizen r/ an assault. Simple assault.

8:59 a.m. - An Estate Glucksberg resident r/ a grand larceny. Grand larceny.

11:00 a.m. - A citizen r/ his vehicle was damaged. Damage to a vehicle.

2:18 p.m. - A citizen c/r a structural fire in the area of Cinnamon Bay. Fire.

9:50 p.m. - A citizen r/ that his ex-girlfriend slashed his neck with a broken bottle. Assault in the third.

Tuesday, March 23

12:29 p.m. - An Estate Chocolate Hole resident r/ a burglary. Burglary in the third.

Wednesday, March 24

12:08 p.m. - A citizen r/ being assaulted by three males in Cruz Bay and kidnapped in a black vehicle. Kidnapping.

Thursday, March 25

9:33 a.m. - An Estate Pastory resident r/ his home was broken into. Burglary in the third, D.V.

No time given - A citizen r/ a suspicious male in the area of Estate Adrian. Suspicious activity.

11:47 a.m. - A citizen p/r he was threatened by a male in Cruz Bay. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

6:00 p.m. - An Estate Glucksberg resident p/r that he is having a problem with an employee. Breach of contract.

Friday, March 26

1:14 a.m. - Badge #90 p/ with one Taylor Hirschberg of Estate Enighed under arrest and charged with burglary in the third, D.V. No bail was set. Hirschberg was transported to the Bureau of Corrections on St. Thomas.

3:24 a.m. - A VITRAN employee r/ a break-in at the Department of Public Works. Burglary in the third.

Crime Stoppers USVI Crimes of the Week

St. John Tradewinds

Crime Stoppers is asking the community's help to solve the following crimes. If anyone knows something, say something. Even information that seems insignificant may be just what law enforcement needs to solve these cases.

St. John

V.I. Police Department officials are seeking additional information on the murder of Juan Ayala, who was found dead from multiple gunshots on January 5, 2009, outside his home in Estate Pastory. Police continue to believe there were two perpetrators, with one described as

a black male with braided hair. Please identify these killers.

St. Thomas

Police are requesting the public's assistance with the shooting of two individuals which occurred on March 15 at about 10:35 a.m. in the area of Dana Mart. One victim died as a result of the shooting, while the second was critically injured. Please help police identify the shooters.

Community members can submit tips on these or any other crimes at www.CrimeStoppersUSVI.org or by calling 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). Tips are completely anonymous, and the

stateside operators are bilingual.

If a tip leads to an arrest or the recovery of stolen property, illegal drugs, or weapons, the tipster receives a cash reward to be paid according to their instructions. Only anonymous callers to Crime Stoppers are eligible for these cash rewards. Please note that our technology makes it virtually impossible for anyone to trace tips. To learn how it works, visit www.CrimeStoppersUSVI.org.

Law Enforcement has new questions for several tipsters. Anyone who submitted a tip in the past, should check to see if their tip is affected.

Community Calendar

St. John Tradewinds welcomes notices of community-oriented, not-for-profit events for inclusion in this weekly listing. Call 776-6496, e-mail editor@tradewinds.vi or fax 693-8885.

Tuesday, March 30

— The St. John Chapter of the St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce will host its monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 30, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Ocean Grill Upstairs.

— Community Call to Action for the Reduction of Alcohol-Related Incidences is hosting a town hall meeting on St. John on Tuesday, March 30, at the Julius E. Sprauve School from 6 to 8 p.m.

Friday, March 31

Friends of V.I. National Park's popular Reptile Hike will be on March 31 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Thursday, April 1

The Island Green Building Association will host its monthly meeting on Thursday, April 1, at Ocean Grill in Mongoose Junction with social time at 5 p.m. and meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 10

— The Julius E. Sprauve School Fundraising Gala will take place on Saturday, April 10, at Caneel Bay Resort.

— The local chamber will recognize recipients of the 27th Annual Wilbur "Bill" LaMotta Community Service Awards at St. Peter Greathouse on St. Thomas Saturday evening, April 10, during a banquet and dinner dance themed "Grooving with the Sixties." The evening kicks off with cocktails at 6:30 p.m. and the banquet and awards ceremony begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$125 per person and must be reserved by April 3 by calling 776-0100.

May 6-7

The 10th Virgin Islands Non-point Source Pollution Conference will be May 6 and 7 at the Wyndam Sugar Bay Resort and Spa on St. Thomas.

Saturday, May 22

Mark those calendars — the Animal Care Center will celebrate Wagapalooza's tenth anniversary on Saturday, May 22.

Sunday, May 30

Friends of Virgin Islands National Park's 7th Annual Beach-to-Beach Power Swim is Sunday, May 30.

Alcoholics Anonymous 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 Moravian Church, Coral Bay.

Narcotics Anonymous Meetings

Narcotics Anonymous has open meeting from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. every Saturday at St. Ursula's Church.

Al-Anon Meetings

Al-Anon meets on St. John every Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the picnic table at the VINP ball field, and every Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at St. Ursula's Multi-purpose center.

Alateen Meetings

Alateen will meet on Mondays at St. Ursula's Church from 6 to 7 p.m. and is open to anyone interested in attending.

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

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CLASSIC FILM CUTS

ACROSS

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- 7 Saloon drinks
- 11 Where it's at
- 15 A bit wet
- 19 Brand of high-top sneakers
- 20 Catnap, e.g.
- 21 Online auction house
- 22 River to the Caspian Sea
- 23 Politico Lott and others
- 24 Papa pig
- 25 Desperate
- 26 "Billy Budd" captain
- 27 Start of a riddle
- 31 Very little bit
- 32 French "yes"
- 33 Copacetic
- 34 Fixed, as floor tiles
- 35 Riddle, part 2
- 42 Rails at
- 43 Prez after FDR
- 44 Swear
- 45 Warsaw loc.
- 46 Brazil's — Paulo
- 48 Deutsch article
- 49 Church divider
- 54 Riddle, part 3
- 60 Burn slightly
- 61 "So gross!"
- 62 Steak- — (brand of thinly sliced frozen beef)
- 63 Parole, e.g.

- 64 Howard or Reagan
- 65 Riddle, part 4
- 70 Healthful nutrient amt.
- 71 France's — -Lorraine
- 73 Garage fluid
- 74 Undeserved reputation
- 75 Canonized Fr. women
- 76 Riddle, part 5
- 82 10th U.S. president
- 83 Grain in Cheerios
- 84 Eroded
- 85 Ashen
- 86 Volkswagen model
- 87 Volkswagen model's nickname
- 89 Lifesaving act, e.g.
- 93 End of the riddle
- 100 Comfortable
- 101 Ad — committee
- 102 IRA accrual
- 103 Deutsch article
- 104 Riddle's answer
- 111 Seed cover
- 112 Contribute
- 113 "This is — ask"
- 114 Producer of pianos and motorcycles
- 116 Brand of contact lens solution
- 117 ET carriers
- 118 "That clarifies it"
- 119 Like very violent films
- 120 Canines
- 121 Fender flaw
- 122 "Yes" signals
- 123 Tribal VIPs

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- 1 Airplane stat
- 2 Outcasts

- 3 Schedules
- 4 Euro division
- 5 "Hell — no fury ..."
- 6 Gaelic language
- 7 Shady spot, to a Brit
- 8 Pope after John XI
- 9 Morales of "Paid in Full"
- 10 Runs naked
- 11 Singer Neil
- 12 Stork relative
- 13 "Gone With the Wind" estate
- 14 Plucked hair
- 15 Actress Shelley
- 16 Sports complexes
- 17 One of the "Brady Bunch" girls
- 18 Argue in court
- 28 '60s hipsters
- 29 Expense
- 30 Honolulu necklace
- 31 Big airline until 2001
- 36 Gradually narrow down
- 37 Pop's Celine
- 38 Bad things
- 39 — En-lai
- 40 Saint Laurent of fashion
- 41 Civil wrong
- 46 Main cabinet mem.
- 47 Invites to dinner, e.g.
- 48 Bad mark in school
- 49 "Zip- — -Doo-Dah"
- 50 Hirsute TV cousin
- 51 Vowel sound in "run"
- 52 Estée of cosmetics
- 53 Kett, James and Place
- 54 Completely
- 55 — and Gretel
- 56 Go quickly

- 57 Culpability
- 58 Safari maker
- 59 Slippery —
- 60 Hand-make
- 65 The "T" of PTA: Abbr.
- 66 "Watch it!"
- 67 Roman 52
- 68 Not crazy
- 69 Decide (to)
- 72 Ending of enzymes
- 75 "— a gun!"
- 77 Snapshot, casually
- 78 BBQ ruiner
- 79 Loses resilience
- 80 Payable
- 81 Betting card game
- 86 "Arthur" Oscar winner John
- 87 Personal profiles
- 88 Free from fetters
- 89 Abominate
- 90 Say again
- 91 Mouthwash user, often
- 92 Sun.-Tue. linkup
- 93 Two-channel sound
- 94 Searching for morays
- 95 Hard, thick skin area
- 96 Airport screeners' org.
- 97 Most timid
- 98 Cultivated the soil
- 99 Is jealous of
- 100 Trophy
- 105 Hillary, to Bill
- 106 English river
- 107 In addition
- 108 Ignited funeral heap
- 109 "Duke of —" (1962 hit)
- 110 Make — dash for
- 115 TV spots

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Delroy "Ital" Anthony discusses aspects of being a good parent with author and speaker Rick Johnson at the Tuesday evening, March 23, workshop



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Johnson Spreads Message of Better Parenting

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"When a feminized male looks for a mate, he looks for someone like mom," said Johnson. "He internalizes traits such as passiveness and indecisiveness, and his wife eventually loses respect for him."

Johnson urged the audience to not allow their sons to quit at something, because boys need to persevere in different circumstances. Additionally, men need to base their decisions on principles, not emotions, he explained.

Communicating with males is often difficult for single mothers, as men and women are hard wired to speak differently.

"Men need to know what's expected of

us," said Johnson, who encouraged removing visual distractions, touching the boy's arm and getting his eye contact in order to really make an impact. "Speak in sound byte-type sentences. When he asks why he shouldn't do something, say 'because good men don't act that way.'"

Boys also need encouragement in different forms than females. More than love, boys need respect and admiration, Johnson explained.

"If you want to encourage your son, say 'I admire you for that,'" he said. "Tell him, 'I really respect that quality in a man.'"

For more information on Johnson's parenting program, visit www.betterdads.net.

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