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Tennis Clinics Begin*

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Patrice Harley drew a crowd of burgeoning tennis players to the Cruz Bay tennis courts on Friday afternoon, September 28. Local kids over 10 years old are welcome to join the weekly tennis clinics each Friday at 3 p.m.

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This Tuesday and Thursday are the last days to register at the V.I. Election Office on St. John, above, in order to vote in the November 6 general election.

Voter Registration Deadline To Vote in General Election Is This Week

By Jaime Elliott
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Tuesday, October 2, and Thursday, October 4, are the final days for residents who wish to vote in next month's general election to register.

Stop by the V.I. Board of Election St. John office, located near

the Cruz Bay roundabout this Tuesday or Thursday between 8 a.m. and noon, and 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Residents will need to bring either a valid U.S. Passport, U.S. Naturalization Certificate or U.S. Birth Certificate in order to register.

Residents must also know their

Social Security number and bring a valid photo ID as well. The general election will be on Tuesday, November 6.

For more information and to ensure that hours have not changed, call the Board of Election office at 776-6535 to ensure hours have not changed.

2010 Property Taxes Due October 1

The Division of Real Property Tax, Office of the Lieutenant Governor, advised Virgin Islands property owners last week that the 2010 property tax bills will become delinquent after September 30.

Because the payment deadline falls on a Sunday this year, payments made by property owners on Monday, October 1, will be considered as timely.

Accordingly, penalty and interest charges for late payment of the 2010 bills will begin on October 2. All appeals regarding the 2010 tax assessments must be filed with the Board of Tax Review by October 15.

Payments for the 2010 and all past due years can be paid at the Tax Collector's Office on St. John at the Islandia Building.

For more information about the 2010 bills, contact the Office of the Tax Assessor at 776-6737 on St. John.

Volunteers Sought for Wetlands Project

The Coral Bay Community Council is continuing the invasive and undesirable shrub and vine removal from the wetlands restoration and proposed park area at the Department of Agriculture Station land in Coral Bay (across from the dumpster site).

It's about half complete, thanks to the last team of volunteers! Join CBCC on Saturday, October 6, from 7 to 9 a.m., or 9 to 11 a.m., for training and to do some invasive and undesirable shrub and vine removal.

Volunteers should wear gloves, long pants, old clothes, and thick-soled, closed-toe shoes. Residents with clippers or lopping shears should bring those along as well. Other tools will be provided.

Residents are invited to create a team of friends and agree to do an area on their own schedule. Volunteers are also needed to install fence posts later this month.

For more information, or to volunteer a team for the fence posts installation or to remove more invasive species plants, call the CBCC office at 776-2099. See <http://www.coralbaycommunity-council.org/Wetlands.htm> for info on the total project.

St. John Cancer Fund Golf Tourney

St. John businesses have come together once again to sponsor a charity golf tournament at Mahogany Run on St Thomas with proceeds benefiting the St. John Cancer Fund.

The St John Cancer Fund's stated mission is "to provide monies for prevention, treatment and supportive services in the fight against cancer on behalf of the community of St John, USVI."

The event's organizing sponsors this year are Just BEach, St. John Brewers and St. John Catering.

Additional sponsors are needed for the event. Any donation valued at \$150 or more qualifies as a T-shirt sponsor and any donation of \$250 or more qualifies as a Hole Sponsorship (which includes space on the T-shirt). Donations of any amount are welcome. For more information, email Meaghan Enright at mcentright@gmail.com or Tim Hanley at tim@stjohnbrewers.com.

St. John Singers To Begin Rehearsals

Rehearsals for the St. John Singers' Christmas holiday concerts begin on Monday, October 8, at the Nazareth Lutheran Church in Cruz Bay.

This season the group will be directed by Janice Ballard. Men and women rehearse together at 6:30 p.m. every Monday evening and new members are always welcome! Just bring a desire to sing.

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Fourth Annual Using Sport for Social Change Just Play Day Set for October 8 in Cruz Bay

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After watching several students kick a deflated soccer ball around a Cruz Bay park several years ago, St. John visitor Dean Doeling went home to Oregon determined to improve access to sports equipment on his favorite island.

As a senior production artist at Nike, Doeling was in the perfect position to actually make a difference, and he set about to do just that; creating the non-profit organization Using Sport for Social Change.

This year USFSC, which aims to “focus Virgin Island youth through sports and fitness, giving them the confidence they need to set personal goals, achieve their aspirations and create opportunity for themselves, their family and their community,” celebrates four years of bringing sports opportunities and equipment to St. John youth.

This Monday, October 8, Doeling will host the Fourth Annual Just Play Day at Winston Wells ball field in Cruz Bay, where more than 100 local kids will enjoy a day of sports and fun; and take home medals, T-shirts, water bottles as well as sports equipment.

St. John students between five and 17-years-old will gather at the Winston Wells ball field by 8:30 a.m. on October 8 and be ready to hear St. John Festival Queen Shanell Thomas sing the Virgin Islands March and the National Anthem.

In the morning students will take part in a soccer kick, 50-yard dash, football throw, basketball shooting and soccer relay. Volunteers and kids are in for a treat this year as Mathayom Private Chefs/St. John Catering will be providing a free lunch once again.

After the lunch break, kids will get the chance to return to their favorite activity or try their hand at tennis skills, led by Caneel Bay Resort tennis instructor Donald Becker, or volleyball, led by V.I. National Women’s Volleyball team member and coach Janelle



St. John Tradewinds News Photo File

St. John students will enjoy football toss, soccer kick, 50-yard dash and more activities at the 4th Annual Just Play Day on October 8 in Cruz Bay.

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This year’s guest speaker is University of the Virgin Islands Athletic Director Sean Georges, explained Doeling.

“Sean grew up on St. Thomas and attended the university himself,” said Doeling. “He excelled at his studies and became an assistant coach there and now he’s the

athletic director. It will be great for the kids to hear how important it is to do well in school and go to college.”

At the end of the day, first place finishers in each age group will be awarded trophies while second and third place finishers will take home medals. All participants will be given T-shirts, reusable water

bottles and sports packs filled with exciting Nike products, explained Doeling.

DJ Adonis will be providing music this year and Brenda Wallace will once again be emcee of the event. It’s still not too late to volunteer or register students for Just Play Day. Check out www.usingsportforsocialchange.com for

more information.

“We’re a bit ahead of schedule this year as far as volunteers, but we do still need more,” said Doeling. “We are also asking parents

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VIPD Arrest Second Suspect, 17-year-old Minor, in Connection with Tiny Jah Jarvis Murder

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V.I. Police Department’s Major Crime detectives on St. Thomas arrested a second suspect in connection with the murder of Tiny Jah Jarvis who was killed on St. John following an argument with Ralph Titre.

The second suspect is a minor who police charged with possession of the alleged murder weapon.

The 17-year-old minor was arrested on Thursday, September 20, and charged with possession of an unlicensed firearm; misprision of a felony; and accessory after the fact in connection with Jarvis’ murder.

The minor was placed in Protective Custody

pending further actions before the Superior Court’s Family Division.

VIPD officers said on August 17, at about 10:30 p.m., Tiny Jah Jarvis was shot and killed in the area of Estate Bellevue after an argument with Ralph Titre.

On August 18, Ralph Titre was arrested and charged with Jarvis’ murder. During the ongoing investigation Major Crime Detectives were led to the 17-year-old minor who was believed to be in possession of the alleged murder weapon.

A weapon fitting the description of the one alleged to have been used in the murder was recovered and turned over to the VIPD Forensics Unit for ballistic comparison.

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New Art Graces Wall at Mount Carmel Church



A brightly colored mural was recently painted on a concrete wall outside of the entrance to Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Cruz Bay. The vivid images are hard for any passing pedestrians or motorists to miss and certainly brighten up the area.

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Photo by Jaime Elliott

National Park Foundation Awards VINP \$8,000 for Hassel Island Project

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A total of 500 local high school students will now get to visit Hassel Island and its many historic landmarks, thanks to an \$8,000 grant to the Virgin Islands National Park from the non-profit National Parks Foundation.

The \$8000 Ticket to Ride grant from the National Park Foundation, which was received by Friends of VINP on behalf of V.I. National Park, will provide funds for water transportation to the island, which has been largely inaccessible to visitors, as the only access is by sea.

The grant provides transport for the territory's eighth and ninth graders to Hassel Island where they will be guided on the newly opened Active Trails.

Hassel Island is a treasure-trove of maritime and local history unfamiliar to many Virgin Island students, due to its inaccessibility from land. Now with funds for maritime transportation and the Active Trails open, these students will be able to explore the 13 historic sites connected by the trail.

All eighth and ninth grade teachers in the territory that are interested in bringing their students should contact Laurel Brannick at the VINP by calling 776-6201 ext. 257.

As an important partner, Friends of Virgin Islands National Park will raise an additional \$8000 to match the NPF's contribution through their SKIP (School Kids in the Park) Program. Another partner, St. Thomas Historic Trust, will also support the program by supplying brochures and trained tour guides for the student trips.

Friends of Virgin Islands National Park officials are enthusiastic about the program.

"We're proud that this partnership will create a new opportunity for Virgin Islands youth to experi-



(L to R) VINP Education Specialist Laurel Brannick, Emily Wild and VINP Archaeologist Ken Wild.

ence and learn from Hassel Island's rich cultural and natural resources," said Joe Kessler, president. "This unique island within the park was previously under utilized, but is now open to discovery for future generations."

The National Park Foundation, the official charity of America's national parks, created the Ticket To Ride program. The \$230,000 grant connects 30,000 students with national parks across the country.

"Providing the means for America's youth to experience all that our national park system has to offer is imperative," said Neil Mulholland, President and CEO of the National Park Foundation. "The Ticket to Ride program makes it possible for us to engage the younger generation through the parks' unique natural, cultural and historical classrooms, ultimately fostering an early love and appreciation for these important places."

Volunteers Clear Kasha and More From Coral Bay Wetlands Area

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Thanks to the Coral Bay Community Council's community volunteers and business partners, numerous undesirable and invasive species were removed from Parcel 11 Estate Carolina, a wetland restoration area at the juncture of Route 107 and Kings Hill Road.

These species were eliminated in order to create room for planting native species and opening up a planned park area.

Through the hard work of a citizen volunteer team led by Dr. Gary Ray and including Bob De Bonis, David Silverman, Sara O'Neill, Adam Weiner, Thia Muilenburg and Jay Dufur, significant progress was made clearing the park area in CBCC's first call for volunteers, on Wednesday, September 19.

The volunteers also got some professional help, explained CBCC president Sharon Coldren.

"We asked Winston Smith of WAPA if it would be possible for Asplundh to help by removing the thorny kasha trees from the site and putting them through the chipper for disposal" said Coldren. "Asplundh's crew — Darrell, Mango and Tasha — did an incredible job



St. John Tradewinds News Photo Courtesy of CBCC

Volunteers showed up in force on September 19 to help CBCC officials clear invasive plants and vines on Parcel 11 in Estate Carolina.

of professionally and completely removing these nasty trees."

"We are very grateful for their help," Coldren said. "Regular citizen volunteers couldn't have removed these thorny bushes. They made short work of them."

In order to help Asplundh get to a number of kasha trees, Dondi Reed and Leif Ekholm of A Few Good Handymen donated their skills and equipment to clear shrubby camphorweed from the middle section of the site.

Prior work this summer included placement of boulders by Department of Public Works officials along the roadway to prohibit vehicles from entering the area.

Additional plant removal work will take place on Saturday, Octo-

ber 6, from 7 to 11 a.m. Volunteers are also needed later in the month to install fencing around the site to keep donkeys and sheep from eating new plants and to provide an attractive border to the new park area.

The goal is to restore the wetland and forest areas using native trees, shrubs and appropriate ground cover, so that it can serve as a community-based demonstration of appropriate species and plantings.

Additionally, in the park a dozen fruit trees will be planted and in the future the site may include benches, a domino table, and some play structures or sculptures for children.

Learn more about the project on the CBCC website at <http://coralbaycommunitycouncil.org/Wetlands.htm>.

CBCC encourages people to call the office at 340-776-2099, email coralbaycommunitycouncil@hotmail.com, or stop by the office (in Coral Bay across from the fire station) to discuss the project or volunteer for project activities.

More information about CBCC can also be found at www.coralbaycommunitycouncil.org.

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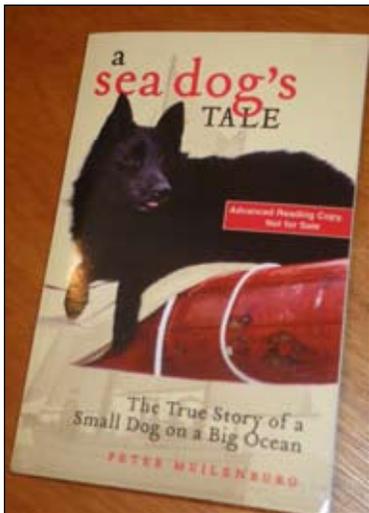
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Peter Muilenburg Releases New Book “A Sea Dog’s Tale”



A Sea Dog's Tale

By Jaime Elliott
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Following up on his popular collection of seafaring tales in “Adrift on a Sea of Blue Light,” St. John sailing icon and author Peter Muilenburg is at it again.

This time it’s the Muilenburg family dog Santos who takes center stage in “A Sea Dog’s Tale: The True Story of a Small Dog on a Big Ocean,” printed by Cadent Publishing of Maine.

Muilenburg recently moved back to the states after years of living on St. John and logging thousands of miles, along with his wife Dorothy, two sons and

schipperke Santos, on his classic schooner *Breath*.

With “A Sea Dog’s Tale” Muilenburg’s distinct voice is back, once again alive with wondrous adventures and moving family moments; it’s like having an old friend sharing some of his favorite stories.

While the book is due to hit local bookshelves — look for it at Papaya Cafe, Bamboula, St. John Spice Company, Maho Bay Campground and more later this month — this collection of stories was actually penned before “Adrift.”

“I wrote it some years before ‘Adrift on a Sea of Blue Light,’”

said Muilenburg. “It was written in its entirety and I tried to get it accepted by some big publishing companies. After a few rejections, I figured I’d try to put out some other stories instead.”

With the success of “Adrift” Muilenburg once again submitted the “Sea Dog’s Tale” stories and this time found some interest.

“A former editor of mine who was with a big firm ended up going out and forming his own small publishing company with a colleague of his,” said the author. “They had liked the book the first time I had sent it in, but thought the timing wasn’t right. This time they were excited to publish it.”

Anyone wondering if one little schipperke could possibly have experienced enough adventures to fill a 268-page book, must not have crossed paths with the inimitable Santos. Muilenburg sets readers straight about the special dog right from the Preface.

“A biography of a dog?”

“Why not? Since long before Zoroaster declared them sacred, people have loved dogs; and ever since Plutarch’s Lives of the Noble Greeks and Romans, literature has valued accounts of exceptional lives, for their own sake as well as for the light they cast on their times.

“So...this book details such a life, that of Santos, a noble dog. Hey, don’t laugh; after all, the choice spirits of an age come to animals as well as to people. As much as Pericles or Brutus, the story of Santos illuminates its little corner of life and history, and it provides a new twist on a timeless subject — seafaring.

“And after all, people are a lot like dogs. Of all the animals, dogs are probably the closest to us in spirit (if we charitably draw a veil over war, soccer hooliganism, child abuse, and classroom massacres), and they present us with a model of life that is recognizably close to our own.”

The dog did live a life of travel and excitement of which only a few brave souls even dream.

“Santos, a schipperke, came to us as a tiny puppy and sailed with

us all his life, 75,000 deep-sea miles. He sailed four times across the Atlantic, crisscrossed the Caribbean, ranged far up African rivers, gunkholed the Eastern seaboard of America, and explored the Med.

“He survived kidnap, hurricane, raging surf, and being lost overboard. We gave him up for dead twice. His adventures were written up in SAIL magazine and were the subject of two Reader’s Digest articles. Time and again people who met him on charter aboard his boat *Breath* went home and acquired schipperkes of their own. He was a celebrity on his home island of St. John. Charisma streamed off him. He may have been an 11-pound dog, but he strode through life like a lion.”

It’s obvious from the very outset of the book just how special Santos was to the entire Muilenburg family.

“Santos joined us during *Breath*’s maiden voyage and was there, an integral member of the crew, throughout our family voyaging, when *Breath* made her most memorable trips and when our two sons formed their tight bonds with each other, with their dog, and with the sea. He was a third brother and an inspiration to our family — an authentic, questing adventurer, without fear or compromise, true to himself and to us. Climbing a mountain in the Cape Verdes, running before a North Atlantic gale, discovering ancient ruins in Turkey — always the dog’s keen spirit augmented the event.

“When our sons left the nest, our era of family voyaging passed and, not long after, Santos left us, too. He checked out quick and clean and left a lasting memory behind — of an incandescent spirit like a bright, steadfast little flame.

“He showed us how to live, and he showed us how to die.

“One thing we know for sure — we’ll never have a dog that cool again.”

Be sure to look for “A Sea Dog’s Tale” on local bookshelves later this month. The book is also available on Amazon and Kindle.

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Instructor Sue Littlefield, above standing at center, is teaching St. John Montessori School students swim lessons again this fall.

St. John Montessori School Starts Fifth Year at John's Folly Learning Institute

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

St. John Montessori School kicked off its fifth school year at John's Folly on September 11, welcoming 20 students in pre-school and elementary level classes.

With seven students in elementary school, between the ages of six and nine, and 13 students in pre-school, St. John Montessori School still has space available for six more students, explained director of school Debra Polucci.

"We are certified for 26 students so we are still enrolling students interested in joining us," said Polucci. "We'd love to have people come out for visitor observations and to see what we're all about out here."

School officials were also excited to welcome back recently certified Montessori teacher Trish Stalter this year, Polucci added.

"We are so excited to welcome back Trish Stalter who was my assistant for two years," she said. "Trish left and got her Montessori School training in Northern California last year. Now she's back teaching pre-school and we couldn't be happier."

Susan Wakelee is back once again this year teaching elementary students while Polucci is now assisting Stalter and concentrating on fundraising and finding a new home for the burgeoning school.

"We are still looking for a new home, but we know it might be a long time coming," said Polucci. "We

are exploring opportunities to move closer to Cruz Bay as we continue to grow the school."

While very happy to call the John's Folly Learning Institute home, and service families on the south and eastern ends of St. John, Polucci hopes to increase the school's base with a move closer to the more populated areas of the island, she explained.

"We have a lot of folks from Calabash Boom and the Coral Bay area," said the St. John Montessori School director. "We're the only pre-school and private elementary school in the Coral Bay area and on the one hand, we'd hate to move. But we need a greater family base and I think being closer to Cruz Bay would help."

"To know us is to love us and we do have families coming out from the Cruz Bay and Fish Bay areas," Polucci said. "We have people who know us and will come from anywhere. We're blessed that way."

As part of her fundraising campaign this year, Polucci has filed for 501c3 status for the school, she added.

"We are looking forward to some aggressive fundraising efforts with some exclusive dinners being planned already," said Polucci. "We'll also continue with our Kid's Fest in the Spring and our holiday bake sale at The Marketplace in December."

For more information about St. John Montessori School, check out the school's Facebook page or call 340-775-9594.

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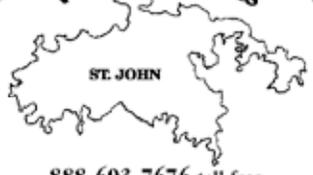
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— Katie Zaytoun, Dancing Classrooms Virgin Islands executive director

St. John Students Are Ready To Rumba with Dancing Classrooms Virgin Islands

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Fifth and Eighth grade students across St. John kicked off 10 weeks of dance instruction last week as Dancing Classrooms Virgin Islands hosted its first of 20 sessions at Julius E. Sprauve School, Guy Benjamin School and Giffit Hill School.

The non-profit group Dancing Classrooms was founded in New York City in 1994 by renowned ballroom dancer Pierre Dulaine. More than simply teaching dance steps, the group aims to build social awareness, confidence and self-esteem in children through dance.

"Dancing Classrooms is not about teaching ballroom dancing," according to information from the group's website, www.dancingclassrooms.com. "The dance is a tool for getting the children to break down social barriers, learn about honor and respect, treat others carefully, improve self-confidence, communicate and cooperate, and accept others even if they are different."

Students learn from Dancing Classrooms-trained teaching artists who lead 20 sessions during school hours. At the end of the program, the students compete in an exciting team match competition, which also allows them to show off their new skills to friends and family members.

The program was introduced to St. John students in 2009; and this year's group of eighth graders were the first students to participate in Dancing Classrooms back when they were in fifth grade, explained Katie Zaytoun, Dancing Classrooms Virgin Islands executive director.

"This year is especially exciting because for many 8th grade students at JESS and GHS, they were the first children on St. John to experience the program as 5th graders back in 2009," said Zaytoun. "This year, they will be building on what they learned three years ago, adding more steps and a new dance, the Salsa."

Students will also master Swing, Tango, Fox Trot, Polka, Waltz, Merengue, Salsa and Rumba as they sashay their way to the Colors of the Rainbow Team Match Competition in December.

Only the fifth graders will take part in that Colors of the Rainbow competition, which will take place at the Winston Wells ball field in Cruz Bay. Eighth graders will give a demonstration of their dancing skills at that event.

Zaytoun is leading both Fifth and Eighth grade classes at JESS, while Gina Wellner is the Dancing Classrooms Virgin Islands teaching artist at GBS and Teresa Fraguada is leading classes at GHS.

The eighth grade class at Virgin Islands Montes-



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GHS eighth graders kicked off Dancing Classrooms VI sessions last week.

sori and International Academy on St. Thomas is also taking part in the program, under the tutelage of Zaytoun.

More than just learning the steps to each dance, the students will learn self-confidence, self-respect and more along the way, Zaytoun added.

"These students will be going on the journey of learning to ballroom dance and transform into ladies and gentlemen over the next 10 weeks," she said.

While each of the Dancing Classrooms sessions is important, the first class sets the tone for the program, Zaytoun explained.

"There are 20 lessons in total, but the first lesson is a special class because this class is the blueprint that establishes the method, sequence, vocabulary, fun and joy for classes to come," said Zaytoun. "In this class children will for the first time experience the journey of imagination, respect, politeness, dance frame and the escort position."

As Dancing Classrooms Virgin Islands continues to grow, several new participants will travel to New York in December to be trained as teaching artists by Dulaine, Zaytoun added.

Zaytoun will kick off the St. Thomas portion of the program — at E. Benjamin Oliver, Joseph A. Gomez, Ulla F. Muller, Yvonne Millner-Bowsky and Gladys Abraham Schools — for fifth graders in January with the team match competition set for April at the Reichhold Center for the Arts.

For more information about DCVI, or to donate to the program, check out www.dancingclassroomsvi.org or call Zaytoun at (340) 513-9361.

Get Ready for Erica Miner's French-Inspired Fine Dining

The Terrace Restaurant Will Be Opening This Month

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

After a short stint as a Mexican eatery, and an even shorter time as a steak house, the former Stone Terrace location across from the Cruz Bay waterfront will open later this month as The Terrace Restaurant.

With Chef Erica Miner, formerly of La Tapa and Waterfront Bistro, helming the kitchen, The Terrace is the most anticipated new restaurant opening of the season on St. John.

Known for her clean palette, Miner promises French-inspired fine dining at her establishment. Think classic French techniques, fresh ingredients, locally sourced whenever possible, highlighted with light herbs and complimented by a well-curated wine list and classic cocktails.

Although Miner grew up around food — her mother was a chef who ran her own catering business — it wasn't until she was in college that she discovered her passion for cooking. Miner got her first job in a kitchen while working toward a degree in Political Science at the University of Wisconsin.

After finishing at UW, she studied at Le Cordon Bleu in Chicago and returned to Madison in time to help open a new eatery.

"It was a restaurant I used to work in and they were reopening in a new location," said Miner. "That was the first restaurant I helped open and I really enjoyed it. This will actually be the third restaurant I open, and I hope I like owning a restaurant as much as I like opening one."

Miner and her husband Robin, a veteran hospitality worker as proficient behind the bar as he is in the kitchen, moved to St. John eight years ago from Wisconsin. She cut her Love City culinary chops at La Tapa, where she secured a job before even stepping foot on the island.

"I knew I wanted to move somewhere tropical," said Miner. "Before we moved, we had friends who had vacationed here, and they said 'You have to move to St. John and you have to work at La Tapa.' They had eaten there four times during their trip and loved it."

Miner spent three full seasons at La Tapa before helping open Waterfront Bistro at Wharfside Village. She helmed that kitchen until she was eight-and-a-half months pregnant with her son Elijah, who turned two in August.

Over the past two years, Miner and her husband have juggled work and raising their son, rotating schedules while keeping their



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Erica and Robin Miner will welcome diners to The Terrace Restaurant to enjoy fine dining and amazing views.

creative juices flowing.

In June, Miner was visiting her husband at work at Banana Deck when they noticed the owner of the building next door putting up a 'For Rent' sign.

"We looked at each and said, 'We have to check that out,'" she said. "We did a walk-through right then and I fell in love. This is my dream kitchen and my dream loca-

tion."

"We looked around and said, 'We're silly if we don't jump on this,'" said Miner. "I've always wanted to open a waterfront restaurant and this building was designed to be a high-end restaurant. It's perfect."

Miner took the summer to get the space ready and is excited to open for business by the end of

October.

"We took our time and really wanted get everything right before we opened," said the chef. "It has been such a positive experience. Our landlords, our family and our friends — everyone has been so supportive."

"I can't walk through town without someone stopping me to say how excited they are about the restaurant," she said.

While Miner's menu will be fine dining, patrons can expect to feel comfortable at The Terrace Restaurant, the chef explained.

"It's a fine dining restaurant, but it's also a family restaurant," she said. "A lot of chefs cook what they want to cook. I don't want to create a menu that people won't understand without a ton of explanation."

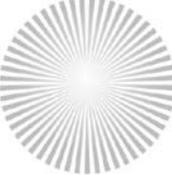
"I like to make people happy," said Miner. "I want to make food that people want to eat."

While Miner didn't share a firm date for the restaurant's opening night, patrons can expect to be dining on her French-inspired fare while enjoying excellent service in a relaxed atmosphere in a few short weeks.

For more information about The Terrace Restaurant, check out theterracestjohn.com, or call 779-8550.

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Understanding LEAC

St. John Tradewinds

You may have read the latest news articles that the V.I. Water and Power Authority's LEAC (Levelized Energy Adjustment Clause) rate will be going up again — this time a whopping 19 percent to 38 cents per kWh.

The total cost per kWh includ-

ing LEAC is currently 46-cents now; starting October 1, it will increase to 54 cents!

The reason for this sharp increase is that when fuel rates go up, so does LEAC.

WAPA had an agreement with HOVENSA that it would purchase fuel from HOVENSA for 20 per-

cent less than the going fuel rates. Now that HOVENSA is scheduled to close by the end of this year, that deal is coming to an end.

Unfortunately, there is no magic cure here to fix this problem overnight.

The best answer right now is simply to consume less energy.

Think twice before you turn on any electrical switch or appliance. Shut off your A/C and use a fan.

If you must use your A/C, use it sparingly and turn it off when you will not be home for long periods. Set the timer on your pool pump to run for four hours, not eight. These are just a few suggestions to help curb your WAPA costs as the increase takes effect.

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If you have any questions about energy audits, photovoltaic solar power, or solar hot water systems, please give us a call. We'll be glad to help you cut those WAPA bills.

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Using Sport for Social Change Donates Nike Sneakers To IEKHS Cross Country

Using Sport For Social Change, announced last week that it will donate approximately 100 pairs of new Nike Cross Country shoes to Ivanna Eudora Kean High School Cross Country Team.

The new shoes will be hand delivered by Dean Doeling, founder of the St. John-based initiative USFSC, on Thursday, October 4, at IEKHS.

Doeling hopes that the donation of new Nike Cross Country shoes will uplift the school's Cross Country Team and give them a major competitive edge over their opponents this season and beyond. Right now the Cross Country Team consists of 20 teammates, both male and female, from St. Thomas and St. John. Each teammate will be given a new pair of shoes for the season, leaving the other shoes for future athletes of the same team.

USFSC's primary purpose is to support local sporting programs that are already in place, with fundraising, community education and sporting equipment donated through Nike. Furthermore, USFSC is trying to resurrect some failed sporting programs and provide play days where kids from all classes and cultures can come together for and participate in sports-based games and skill challenges.

More information can be found at www.usingsportforsocial-change.com, or by contacting the St. John Community Foundation.

Innovative Announces FUSC Rate Hike

As a result of action taken by the Federal Communications Commission that affects carriers nationwide, Innovative Telephone, Innovative Wireless and Innovative Long Distance customers will notice a change in the Federal Universal Service charge effective October 1.

The Federal Universal Service Charge (FUSC) Surcharge Factor recovers the costs associated with Innovative Telephone's contributions to the federal universal fund program.

The government-mandated program is designed to help keep telephone service rates affordable for all customers, in all areas of the United States.

Effective October 1, there will be an increase in the charge from 15.7 percent to 17.4 percent. For residential telephone customers and single-line business subscribers, the FUSC rate will increase from \$1.10 to \$1.22. Multi-line telephone business subscribers will experience an increase from \$1.58 to \$1.75 per line.

For more information call Innovative at 779-9999.



Local doctors Dr. Mark Livingston, Dr. Jeff Chase and Dr. Adam Flowers, (L to R) above with IEKHS Athletic Director Peter Seipel, provided their services to public school students this year free of charge.

First Lady Partners with Local Doctors To Provide In-School Student Physicals

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Last month, First Lady Cecile deJongh kicked off an initiative that provides in-school health screenings for students.

Facilitated by Virgin Islands doctors who are volunteering their time in both districts, the check-ups provide public high school students with the medical clearance to participate in school sports activities, including competitive and intramural sports leagues.

The health screenings are free.

“The goal of this program is to ensure that all public high school students receive a start-of-year medical check-up, as required by the schools in order to participate in sports activities,” said Cecile deJongh.

“Especially for those families who may not have health insurance, these physicals assess and address our students’ medical needs, while providing peace of mind.”

Over 70 students at Ivanna Eudora Kean High School received health screenings on Tuesday, September 18. Doctors Mark Livingston, Jeff Chase, and Adam Flowers volunteered their time for the first lady’s wellness initiative; they were joined on site by IEKHS Athletic Director Peter Seipel.

Doctors visited Charlotte Amalie High School on Monday, September 24, to provide health screenings to those students. Additional in-school health screenings are planned in both districts.

Environmental Assessment for Shared Use Path To Connect Visitors Center and Honeymoon Bay Is Available

The National Park Service has produced an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Proposed Reconstruction of a Shared Use Path to connect the VINP Visitor Center and Honeymoon Bay.

Copies of the EA are available at the Park Visitor Center at 1300 Cruz Bay Creek in Cruz Bay, St. John. Directions to the center are available online (www.nps.gov/viis) or by phone (340.776.6201 x238).

The EA will also be available on the National Park Service’s Planning, Environment, and Public Comment website <http://park-planning.nps.gov>. Under “Choose a Park” click on “Virgin Islands National Park” and follow the link to “Shared Use Path.” Please provide comments by October 31.

GHS Gives Back Day Set for Nov. 16

Giffit Hill School is proud to announce the 3rd Annual “Giffit Hill School Gives Back” Community Service Day on Friday, November 16, at various locations across St. John.

The school is organizing teams of faculty and students (ranging in age from preschool through 12th grade) to do service projects in the community throughout the day, and would like to understand how best to assist any St. John organizations.

Last year’s projects included: beach clean-ups; office help; cleaning and maintenance projects at the Library, fire station, churches, and St. John School of the Arts; visit to the senior centers to provide companionship and singing by the youngest students; and gardening help at Julius E. Sprauve School.

Giffit Hill School is the only preschool through high school program on St. John, currently serving over 160 students. Community service is an important part of the GHS curriculum as well as a graduation requirement, and this day of service has become a tradition to which students and staff look forward.

For more information call 340-776-1730 or email mollymurrill@giffithillschool.org.

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- Baked in the Sun** - Staying open
- Banana Deck** - Closing September 1; Opening October 15
- Barefoot Cowboy** - Staying open
- Beach Bar** - Staying open
- Cafe Concordia** - Closing August 13; Opening mid-November
- Cafe Livin'** - Staying open
- Cafe Roma** - Closing September 2; Opening October 4
- Castaways** - Staying open
- Chateau Bordeaux** - Staying open
- Cruz Bay Prime** - Closing August 18; Opening October 17
- Da Livio** - Staying open
- Donkey Diner** - Closing August 25; Opening late October
- Driftwood Dave's** - Staying open
- Fatty Crab** - Closing August 28; Opening TBD
- Fish Trap** - Closing August 25; Opening October 16
- High Tide** - Staying open
- Iguana Grill** - Staying open
- Inn at Tamarind Court** - Staying open
- Island Blues** - Staying open
- Jake's** - Staying open
- JJ's Texas Coast Cafe** - Staying open
- La Plancha del Mar** - Opening August 13
- La Tapa** - Closing early September; Opening early November
- Lime Inn** - Closing August 25; Opening early November
- Food and drinks available at outside bar all summer
- Lone Star Taqueria** - Staying open
- Maho Bay Campground** - Staying open
- Margarita Phil's** - Closing September 1; Opening October 1
- Miss Lucy's** - Closing August 2; Opening early November
- Morgan's Mango** - Staying open
- Ocean Grill** - Closing September 3; October 4
- Rhumblines** - Closing September 3; Opening late September
- Ronnie's Pizza n' Mo** - Closing August 17; Opening mid-Sept.
- Sam and Jack's Deli** - Staying open
- Shipwreck Landing** - Closing August 31; Opening November 5
- Skinny Legs** - Closing September 4; Opening October 1
- Food, drinks and football available on Sundays all month
- Sogo's** - Staying open
- Spyglass** - Staying open
- Sun Dog Cafe** - Staying open
- Sweet Plantains** - Closed for Summer; Opening TBD
- Tap Room** - Staying open
- Tourist Trap** - Closing August 18; Opening mid-September
- Vie's Snack Shack** - Closed for Summer; Opening TBD
- Waterfront Bistro** - Closing September 3; Opening October 5
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- Zero Sushi** - Staying open
- Zozo's Ristorante** - Closing August 31; Opening October 4

Giff Hill School Seeks Featured Artists for 27th Annual Auction Fundraiser

Giff Hill School is seeking artists of all media to be considered for Featured Artist positions in the gallery venue of the 27th Annual Auction in March, 2013 at the Westin St. John Resort and Villas.

Paintings, pottery, glasswork, wood workings, sculpture, photography, furniture, etc. are welcomed.

This is a wonderful opportunity to support Giff Hill School, showcase work in a gallery setting and to network with other artists and clientele. Featured Artists will be given the opportunity to receive a commission for the sale of their work or receive a tax benefit for making an outright donation to GHS.

Giff Hill School plays a vital role as the island's only preschool through high school program. Giff Hill School's Annual Auction serves as the school's largest fundraising event each year and draws an audience of over 200 guests. Auction guests enjoy the Art Auction, Silent Auction, and Live Auction with dinner. All proceeds benefit the Scholarship and Tuition Assistance fund at Giff Hill School.

For more information about becoming a Featured Artist, contact Tina Petitto at 305-299-4411 or hurricanestjohn@yahoo.com. For auction information, call 776-1730.

New Dining Options at Starfish and Gourmet



Chef Andy Marcellin, above, has been whipping up sautéed specialties at Starfish Market, above, while Lori Dudkin, left, of Just Desserts by Lori, has been making sandwiches, coffee cakes and more at Starfish Gourmet and Wines.



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Villa Hibiscus, Villa del Sol and Sunset Villa Offer Opportunity to Own a Month in Paradise

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

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There are three properties — Villa Hibiscus, Villa del Sol and Sunset Villa — all located in the exclusive gated enclave of Virgin Grand Estates, each with multiple months available for purchase.

Prices for one month start at \$55,000, and may be higher depending on the time of year, explained Holiday Homes broker/owner Christie O'Neil.

"This type of purchase is good for people who do not want to worry about renting their home while they are not here," said O'Neil. "A monthly ownership would be ideal

for people who like to come at the same time every year."

After buying a month in one of these beautiful villas, conveniently located mid-island, just a short drive from Cruz Bay and the island's alabaster beaches, owners do have the flexibility to rent unused weeks, O'Neil added.

"A buyer could certainly use part of the time and rent out their remaining weeks to offset costs of ownership," said the Holiday Homes broker/owner. "Cimmaron Homes and Caribbean Villas do all the management so owners can relax and just enjoy themselves."

Virgin Grand Estates is a paved subdivision with underground utilities and stamped roads, with an outlet on Giffit Hill Road, making both Coral Bay and Cruz Bay easy destinations.

Each of these three luxurious homes was built specifically to function as a fractional ownership property, explained O'Neil.

"These three homes were built

specifically to be sold in monthly shares," she said. "There are 12 shares per home, starting on the 21st of one month and going until the 21st of the following month."

Villa Hibiscus and Villa del Sol are mirror images of each other with identical three bedroom, three-and-a-half bathroom floorplans. Sunset Villa includes an additional studio unit on the lower level, bringing its total accommodations to four bedrooms and four-and-a-half baths.

All three villas boast expansive decks overlooking St. Thomas and the Pillsbury Sound, private pools and mature landscaping.

"All three of these homes have spectacular water views and offer a great vantage point for stunning sunsets over Pillsbury Sound and the twinkling lights of St. Thomas at night," said O'Neil.

For more information about Villa Hibiscus, Villa del Sol or Sunset Villa, call O'Neil at 774-8088 or 998-7451.

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Letters To St. John Tradewinds

Joint Candidates Letter to Department of Justice and V.I. Board of Elections

As 2012 General Election of the U.S. Virgin Islands candidates with good standing, we hereby demand your immediate attention and the resolution of the six serious concerns listed below. These concerns are territorial and were gathered while campaigning, as well as through our personal observations and/or to the best of our knowledge.

Absentee Voters' Rights: We are aware of the recent and standing consent decree between the Federal and Local Governments. Thus, to ensure our rights to fair and legal electioneering, we hereby request the prompt receipt of your complete list of the existing military overseas voters to include in our campaign reach. We also request the prompt receipt of any other list of absentee voters, including those of our overseas National Guard men and women, as well as those overseas in general. These lists will only be used for the purpose of lawful campaign.

Detainees' Rights: As with the absentee voters abroad, when persons of age are only held in prison, not yet convicted or sentenced, they too must be granted and allowed their right to register and vote. Those detained are still free. We demand that absentee ballots be taken to them during this current registration cycle of 9/13 – 10/7 during a registration drive by the proper officials of our System. That voting block has been greatly ignored, as has been others. Our prisoners (of which the selected group we refer to in this letter is not yet prisoners technically as they are merely confined) need to have the right to vote, since in fact they too are affected by the very representatives we "outside voters" elect.

Certain laws made would affect those convicted and/or sentenced, whether in the long or short term. Within the time allowed for new voters' registration, 22 days or so, we want those 80+ non-convicted and non-sentenced inmates given their rights to be duly registered to vote, and ultimately to actually vote on Election Day, should they so elect. This is done in nearby Puerto Rico and every other fair election system abiding under the U.S. Flag and laws, as we are. We need to do it too.

The Paper Ballot Voting Option & The Treatment Thereof: We have great concerns about the treatment of the lawful plain paper ballot method of voting. While they are first placed in sealed envelopes, we prefer those translucent and despicable ballot boxes as used during the most recent Primary Election to be lined to ensure secrecy and privacy. Our research reveals that never in U.S.V.I. voting history has there been the use of such degrading tact. We find this to be an issue of voter suppression because such presenta-

tion has turned off some voters from using the plain [and provisional] paper ballot methods.

Other issues of voter suppression include your lack of media and poll coverage of the availability of the plain paper ballot method. We find this to be deliberate, and demand a full stop. Its awareness and education must be heightened from today forth. Additionally, we heard voters complain that the private areas assigned to vote by paper ballot were poorly lit; and that if they spoiled a ballot, they were told another will not be given them.

In light of the impossibility of permanent error on the electronic machines, we find that to be discriminatory. That is nothing more than voter intimidation and suppression. Going forward to the General, it too needs a full stop. Just like the St. Croix plain paper ballot results were counted on Primary night itself, and made known to the public on the same night.

We find such inconsistency of applying the rules between the two Districts to be problematic and unacceptable. From what we have gathered while campaigning, territory-wide, both voters and many other candidates alike are equally concerned of such improprieties.

Additionally, we ask that (in addition to a check-n-balance "P" being placed on record to indicate the request of every plain paper ballot, as required by the motion, minutes, and decision adopted by the Joint Board on July 19, 2012), those paper ballots, once distributed need to be stamped and numbered. Also, we believe that you need to institute an immediate policy to have your officials to publicly count the paper ballots right there at the poll, precinct, or main offices similar as you do the cartridges. Should you require extra manpower, we have willing persons ready to volunteer and comply with your training, regulation, and supervision requirements. Please contact us immediately.

The Election Results: As candidates (at least one of us being a victor in the Primary), we are very concerned that we cannot know for certain during the reporting of poll to poll, precinct to precinct, and District to District where lies our strengths vs. our weaknesses. Each reported batch of numbers need to be itemized and identified by poll, precinct, and District; just as we have known in the past, and as is done in every other fair election system abiding under the U.S. Flag. We need to reinstate that method of reporting the election results here too. Where did the votes come from? Which poll, precinct, and District? This is an outright violation of our civil rights because we

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Clarification

Members of the St. John Cancer Fund, while not organizing and planning the 2013 St. John Relay for Life American Cancer Society event, support ACS and all groups in the fight against cancer.

Letters To St. John Tradewinds

Explosions at Reef Bay and Fish Bay Worry Neighbors

Who can explain the explosions I hear coming from Fish Bay and Reef Bay? They are much louder than gunshots (not that those would be exactly comforting).

I've heard they are the adolescent pranks of somebody whose parents are out of town. If true, those

folks need to get a grip. Another story puts a Government employee involved. Kids and dogs are being tormented. The crater on Reef Bay beach means Park land is being damaged. Can you spell ATF?

Name Withheld Upon Request



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

Greg Miller visited students at E. Benjamin Oliver Elementary School recently.

Starting at the Top?

Recently I had the opportunity to go to Benjamin Oliver Elementary School to give the first grade students a "First day of School" packet from my Rotary Club, as I have done every fall for the last 15 years.

It is such a great experience to meet the first graders, they are excited to be in school, they are beginning to feel "grown up," they want to learn, they are nice to each other and they mind the teacher.

At today's rate about 63 percent of them will graduate from high school. In the US only Mississippi and Washington DC have lower graduation rates than we do. Currently about 20 percent of the teenagers in the VI are not in school and do not have a job; this compares with 9 percent in the US. The kids that I met will have to be very lucky to do better for themselves.

Thirty-four percent of the juvenile detainees at the Correction Department are school dropouts and 27 percent of the detainees have special education needs.

Our public education system spends about \$16,000 per student per year, which is 50 percent more than the nation average. Tuition at Country Day School on St. Croix is about \$14,000 and Antilles School on St. Thomas is \$14,000 to \$17,000.

Twenty-seven percent of the employees at the Department of Education do not work in education or in the schools; this compares very unfavorably with the US which is between 1 and 10 percent.

The schools are slowly getting better and the statistics show it. The competency rate in reading and math is getting much better and the percentage of graduating students is rising but to have 37 percent of this year's first grade class not graduate from high school is very sad, not only for these kids but for the whole community.

I believe the citizens in this community deserve better results from the government work force, whether it is in the schools or at the Motor Vehicle Department, the BIR, Licensing and all the other functions that the government provides.

The only way that I can envision fixing the problem other than waiting for it to fix itself is to have a representative government beginning with electing Senators by districts rather than the ballot "free for all" that we have now.

We are missing out on the leadership that some of our very successful and intelligent local citizens and sons and daughters who have moved to the states could provide as Senators because they don't want to base their candidacy on Fish Fry's and put up with the melee that goes on in our Government.

I think that these kids deserve better. If you have an idea on how to fix the leadership problem in this community please let me know about it.

Greg Miller

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Tuesday 7 p.m. Bible Study 693-8884

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Obituary

Anita (Zenittini) Miller Dies at Age 59

Anita (Zenittini) Miller died on August 16, 2012, at Golden Living Center in Gettysburg. She finally found her relief from her lengthy battle with emphysema.

Anita was born on August 18, 1952, in New Britain, Conn. She was a strong woman who was always full of life and spunk. She graduated from Daniel Boone High School in Birdsboro. She worked in jewelry sales and as an accountant/treasurer of a quarry in Pottstown.

Anita was employed just prior to her hospitalization at Battlefield Harley-Davidson in Gettysburg. Anita's true passion was art. She created many beautiful paintings and drawings and even owned a small gallery in Florida for a short time.

Anita lived her short life to the fullest and had a special way of connecting with people. She followed her dreams when she moved to St. John in the United States Virgin Islands. Her illness forced her to return to Pennsylvania, but the island forever held her heart.



Anita Miller

She is survived by her daughter, Stephanie Schwenk in Exton; her son, Branden Hummel, daughter-in-law Sarah, and grandson Warren, in Russian Mission, Alaska. Anita is also survived by two brothers, Joe Zenittini in Littlestown, James Zenittini in Library; and three sisters, Linda Sprunger in Sinking

Spring, Sandra Bush in Naples, Fla., Regina Knight in Greece, N.Y.

The memorial service will be held on St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands, with family and close friends. You can honor her memory by reading her favorite book "The Prophet" by Khalil Gibran.

Letters to St. John Tradewinds

Joint Candidates Letter to Department of Justice and V.I. Board of Elections

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cannot deem any election to be fair and transparent where in fact such camouflage of the numbers took place.

We are equally concerned of the fact that current Board members up for re-election themselves were seen having direct, hands-on contact with the results from the cartridges and ballots on Primary Election night.

Our Current Electronic Voting Machines: There is no secret that the territory-wide electorate and we candidates have been strong advocates for true election reform, including new electronic voting machines which meet all federal compliance requirements.

However no changes have been made, and as a people we were simply tossed around from this System to our Senate, and back again. As required by the Help America Vote Act of 2002 and the Election Assistance Commission {both through which this territory received some \$4.6 million in federal funds to upgrade/replace our system, voting machines, and offices to specific standards}, our current voting machines are not certified by the EAC.

This was confirmed many a times but most particularly by Joint Board Chairman Ross on a Thursday, September 6, 2012 public radio talk show. Per the HAVA, all elections conducted to fill any federal posts — such as the Delegate to Congress seat — must be conducted on federally certified voting machines. Ours do not and cannot meet that standard. Thus, the filling of such elected office (based on votes upon them) must [also] be illegal.

Our Election System In General: During the recent Primary Election, we were made aware of times when the System's website was down; reportedly due to non-payment of services rendered. We understand that such service is outsourced. As a suggestion, we encourage whoever is in charge here to contract with our own local Bureau of Information Technology or the University of the Virgin Islands. This can only save us money and better ensure service payments are both more affordable and current.

Lastly, candidates should be made to submit international, national, and local criminal and civil background checks, as appropriate based upon where they may have migrated from. To leave the blame or onus on a candidate, when in fact proof is not yet required by law, opens our electorate to political abuse by those who bypass any weakened radar and get into elected positions.

Conclusion: Coupled with the spirit of the law and all the fiasco we saw, heard, and know of which occurred at the polls during our September 8th Primary Election, these measures are extremely time-sensitive, and they are absolutely necessary to ensure the transparency of our System, as well as the rate of fairness of our candidacy and bid in this Election. As such, we hereby request and appreciate an immediate written reply or replies within seven days of this letter, which is on or before Tuesday, September 25, 2012 diane_magras_urena@yahoo.com.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Magras
Harriet Mercer



Is Extreme Weather Connected To Climate Change?

Dear EarthTalk: *What is the scientific consensus on all the extreme weather we've been having—from monster tornadoes to massive floods and wildfires? Is there a clear connection to climate change? And if so what are we doing to be prepared?*

Jason Devine, Summit, PA

Extreme weather does not prove the existence of global warming, but climate change is likely to exaggerate it — by messing with ocean currents, providing extra heat to forming tornadoes, bolstering heat waves, lengthening droughts and causing more precipitation and flooding.

“A changing climate leads to changes in the frequency, intensity, spatial extent, duration and timing of extreme weather and climate events, and can result in unprecedented extreme weather and climate events,” reported the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), an independent group of leading climate scientists convened by the United Nations to provide the world with a clear scientific view on the current state of knowledge in climate change and its potential environmental and socio-economic impacts.

While most scientists don't dispute the link between global warming and extreme weather, the once skeptical public is now starting to come around—especially following 2011, when floods, droughts, heat waves and tornadoes took a heavy toll on the U.S.

According to a poll conducted by researchers at Yale University's Project on Climate Change Communication, four out of five Americans reported personally experiencing one or more types of extreme weather or a natural disaster in 2011, while more than a third were personally harmed either a great deal or a

moderate amount by one or more of these events.

And a large majority of Americans believe that global warming made several high profile extreme weather events worse, including record high summer temperatures nationwide, droughts in Texas and Oklahoma, catastrophic Mississippi River flooding, Hurricane Irene and an unusually warm winter.

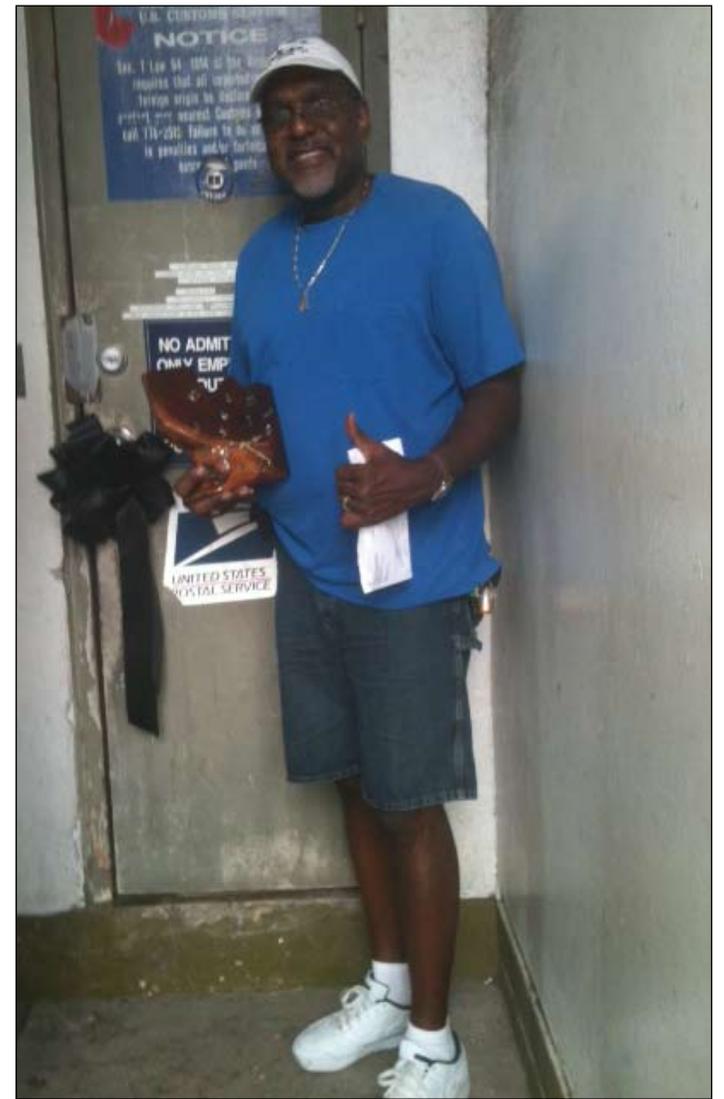
The IPCC wants world leaders to err on the side of caution in preparing their citizens for extreme weather events that will likely become more frequent; earlier this year they released a report entitled “Managing the Risks of Extreme Events and Disasters to Advance Climate Change Adaptation” to help policymakers do just that. The report is considered a must read in coastal, arid and other especially vulnerable areas.

As for the U.S. government, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration tracks weather and storms, while the Federal Emergency Management Agency deals with the impacts of extreme weather and other disasters. But critics would like to see Congress and the White House do more to increase Americans' preparedness.

“The U.S. [in 2011] experienced a record fourteen weather-related disasters each in excess of a billion dollars — and many more disasters of lesser magnitudes,” reported the non-profit Climate Science Watch. “Yet the U.S. has no national climate change preparedness strategy; and Federal efforts to address the rising risks have been undermined through budget cuts and other means.”

CSW and others are calling for the creation of a new cabinet-level agency called the National Climate Service to oversee both climate change mitigation as well as preparedness for increasingly extreme weather events.

Happy Retirement Al Smith!



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Cid Hamling

Long-time U.S. Postal Service employee Al Smith processed his final mail last week. Smith retired from the USPS Cruz Bay Post Office last week. His retirement left some residents in mourning, as evidenced by the black bow hung from the door. Enjoy retirement Al!

Governor DeJongh Hails Senate Passage of Peace Officer Status Bill

St. John Tradewinds

Governor John deJongh last month acknowledged the 29th Legislature's passage of a bill that, upon his approval, will give federal law enforcement agents standing as local peace officers while on assignment in the Virgin Islands.

“My administration has long lobbied for passage of peace officer status legislation in this and previous Legislatures,” said deJongh. “I see this as a necessary tool as my administration continues to stop the smuggling of illegal weapons into the territory and those who seek street level revenge and do violence to our citizens.”

While this bill grants the V.I. Police Commissioner the ability to issue peace officer commissions to a wide array of federal agents, the governor said his priority is to have a full complement of Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Fire-

arms and Explosives agents reassigned to the territory to aid local police officers in the war on illegal guns.

“I do not see this peace officer status legislation as a panacea or a cure all but it combines federal and local resources as we work to make our islands safer,” the governor said. “I thank Senator Samuel Sanes for his leadership on this issue. He was not deterred in his commitment to bring this bill to a vote and I also thank Senators Carlton Dowe and Celestino White who have been steadfast in their support of the legislation.”

“My appreciation is extended to each lawmaker who understood the challenges we are facing, placed their politics aside, supported the various amendments to the bill and in the end voted to approve the measure,” deJongh said.

Aside from Sanes, Dowe and White, yes votes were

cast by Senators Craig Barshinger, Louis Patrick Hill, Nereida Rivera-O'Reilly, Neville James, Patrick Simeon Sprauve and Ronald Russell.

“I look forward to receiving the measure that has been passed by the 29th Legislature,” said deJongh. “My administration will review the measure and the amendments that were tacked on to the bill before taking final action.”

Also last month, deJongh praised the work of V.I. police officers who over the weekend took four loaded handguns and an ammunition magazine from the grounds of a local housing community.

“I thank the officers for their quick response to a call from concerned residents,” said deJongh. “The assistance of the residents and the Special Response Team officers' diligence led to the removal of these dangerous weapons from the streets.”

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Crime Stoppers thanks the community for the more than 1,600 tips submitted since the program began in January of 2009.

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Using the communication network provided by national Crime Stoppers affiliates, we have technology which makes it impossible for us, law enforcement, an attorney, or anybody else to trace your phone call, text message, or web tip back to you.

When you dial 1-800-222-TIPS, the call goes to a private telephone company in Virginia. They transfer your call to one of their own in-house phone lines and then forward it on to our answering service in Texas.

Even if one of our Texas operators had caller ID, which they don't, the only number they would see is from Virginia, not your number. So, if someone were able to get the telephone records of our Texas

answering service, the number recorded would be from the service in Virginia.

The Virginia company purges all of their transfer records at the end of each month. Web and text tips are handled in a similar fashion. The messages are routed to computers in Canada where it is legal to transfer your message to another computer before forwarding it on to us. Even though we can send messages back and forth, this makes it impossible for anyone to trace a message back to your computer or your cell phone.

Finally, special IRS rules permit all Crime Stoppers rewards to be paid in cash with no tax reporting. One of our volunteers will deliver the cash to you, at a time and place of your choosing, or, we will even hide it somewhere for you to pick up later.

Since the original Crime Stoppers organization began service in 1976, there are no known instances where an anonymous citizen's identity has ever been revealed using Crime Stoppers information.

Using Sport for Social Change Just Play Day October 8

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to sign their kids up as soon as possible."

The day-long Just Play Day is the signature event for USFSC, which has donated more than 1,000 basketballs, footballs and soccer balls to local schools and the Department of Housing, Parks and Recreation over the past four years.

While in the territory for the Just Play Day event, Doeling is also making stops at Ivanna Eudora Kean High School, where he'll donate 100 pairs of Nike cross country shoes to the school's cross country team.

"I got a call one day here at Nike and they said they have these cross country shoes left over from a sale and asked if I wanted them," said Doeling. "I jumped at the chance and had been storing them in my garage. But they are on island now and on Thursday, October 4, we'll be donating them to IEKHS."

"I hope this will help boost the team and give them a competitive edge and hopefully get them headed in the right direction," said the USFSC founder.

Then on Friday, October 5, Doeling will stop by Guy Benjamin School in Coral Bay, where he'll hand out free backpacks full of school supplies to each of the 120 students.

"I got together with the Global Backpack Organization and was able to get enough this year to cover the entire school at GBS," said Doeling. "We'll be out there on Friday, October 5, to give a little presentation and hand out the packs, which are full of pencils and pens and sharpeners and erasers and notepads."

On Sunday, October 7, the owners of the catamaran Kekoa will be hosting a sunset sail fundraiser for USFSC, which will feature food and drinks by Mathayom Private Chefs, as well as exciting raffles and special guests, Doeling explained.

Guests aboard Kekoa will have the chance to chat with Sean Georges, former three-time world boxing champion Julian Jackson, his sons Julius and John Jackson and his nephew Samuel Rogers.

The boat sets sail at 5 p.m. and raffle tickets — only \$2 each or three for \$5 for the chance to win a Ranifly bikini and a \$50 gift certificate at The Tap Room — are available at High Tide, St. John Community Foundation Office, The Tap Room and the Kekoa office.

Tickets for the sunset sail are \$100, which includes one free raffle ticket.

Looking back over the past four years, even Doeling is impressed with how much USFSC has accomplished, he explained.

"It's absolutely amazing to see how this has come to fruition," said Doeling. "I have always enjoyed amazing local support down there and it seems like it is just getting easier for people to support us, by either donating money or products or making it cheaper for me to stay there."

This year's Just Play Day main sponsors are High Tide, Mathayom Private Chefs, Windspreet Vacation Homes and Kekoa; yet Doeling enjoys support from many businesses and residents, he added.

"Ronnie's Pizza is always great helping us with the prize packing party and we couldn't do any of this without our volunteers," said Doeling.

While Doeling works tirelessly to ensure the continued success of USFSC, knowing that no child on St. John will be forced to play with a deflated soccer ball makes it all worthwhile, he explained.

"What makes it all worth it is when I arrive on island and see kids in the schools and in the parks playing with Nike balls and I know I am the one who put that together," said the USFSC founder. "I know these kids are out playing sports instead of doing other things. It makes me really happy to know that I was able to touch their lives in some way."

"It all goes back to that one flat soccer ball and knowing kids now have good sports equipment," said Doeling.

For more information about USFSC, check out www.usingsportforsocialchange.com.

VIPD Confiscate Marijuana Plants on St. Thomas

St. John Tradewinds

Responding to residents' complaints, Virgin Islands Police Department Special Response Team officers located and confiscated 183 marijuana plants being cultivated in an outdoor grow in Estate Nadir on St. Thomas.

VIPD officers went to the area, which was an empty lot in Nada, at about 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, September 25. Once the illegal substance was processed and weighed, the marijuana equaled 1,963 grams.

VIPD reminds the general public that the cultivation, possession, sale and use of marijuana is against the law in the Virgin Islands.

The investigation into this case is ongoing and anyone who has knows any information regarding this marijuana cultivation should call detectives at 714-9844, 714-



Acting on a tip, VIPD confiscated more than 150 pot plants on St. Thomas recently.

9805 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

Man Arrested for Red Hook Terminal Office Burglaries

St. John Tradewinds

V.I. Police Department Criminal Investigation Bureau Detectives on St. Thomas arrested Warrington Marsham Jr. and charged him with several counts of Burglary and Grand Larceny.

VIPD officers said Marsham burglarized several offices at the Urman Victor Fredericks Marine Terminal at Red Hook.

The burglaries occurred on September 10 and Marsham was arrested on Sunday, September 23, after detectives launched an investigation and secured a warrant for his arrest.

According to case agent VIPD Detective Sehker Tyson, three offices at the marine terminal were burglarized. The investigation indicated that the safe inside the Dock Masters office was missing, the safe inside the St. John Ticketing office was missing and the Chief Warfingers office was burglarized, according to Detective Tyson.

Security surveillance equipment was destroyed and several surveillance recording devices were missing. Detectives determined that security devices located in another area of the terminal were still operational and showed a suspect burglarizing the offices.

VIPD detectives said the suspect was inside the terminal when the facility was secured for the night. Further investigation by detectives positively identified Marsham as the suspect.

Marsham, who is 38-year-old, was charged with three counts of First Degree Burglary, five counts of Grand Larceny and two counts of Destruction of Property, according to VIPD officers. His bail was set at \$250,000 and he was remanded to the Bureau of Corrections pending further court action.

This case remains under active investigation and Marsham may be linked to other burglaries involving the removing of safes from various premises, according to Detective Tyson.

Marsham was recently released from jail after serving time on prior criminal charges, Tyson added.

Anyone who has any information about this crime is asked to call Detective Sehker Tyson at 340-714-9801.

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FIRE STATION: 340-776-6333

Friday, September 14

12:30 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident r/ that she lost her cell phone on St. Thomas. Grand larceny.

Saturday, September 15

3:24 a.m. - An Estate Chocolate Hole resident r/ a disturbance. Disturbance of the peace.

1:43 p.m. - A Friis Bay resident c/r a break-in. Burglary in the third.

2:09 p.m. - A citizen p/r that her iPhone 4 was stolen in the area of Cruz Bay. Grand larceny.

4:40 p.m. - Badge #1219 p/ at Leander Jurgen Command with one Kenneth Matthias of Estate John's Folly under arrest and charged with Burglary in the third. Bail was set at \$25,000 by order of the court. He was detained at Leander Jurgen Command and later transported to the Bureau of Corrections on St. Thomas to be remanded.

9:00 p.m. - A St. Thomas resident p/r his vehicle was broken into and cash was missing. Grand larceny.

Sunday, September 16

9:24 p.m. - A citizen c/r a fight in progress in the area of Estate Enighed. Disturbance of the peace.

Monday, September 17

12:40 p.m. - A citizen p/r that his boss assaulted him. Simple assault.

Tuesday, September 18

4:46 p.m. - An Estate Chocolate Hole resident c/r an auto collision. Auto collision.

Wednesday, September 19

5:40 p.m. - A Cruz Bay resident p/r that someone is staying in a villa he manages without permission. Unlawful entry.

Thursday, September 20

10:00 a.m. - An Estate Pastory resident r/ that he stepped on a nail while working in the area of the roundabout in Cruz Bay. Accidental injury.

12:30 p.m. - An Estate Giff Hill resident p/r a rental car missing. Unauthorized use of vehicle.

5:00 p.m. - A visitor from Michigan p/r an auto collision. Auto collision.

Friday, September 21

2:30 p.m. - A Cruz Bay resident r/ that someone threatened to kill her. Disturbance of the peace.

7:36 p.m. - A citizen c/r a fire in the area of Wharfside Village. Brush fire.

Saturday, September 22

10:11 a.m. - A citizen r/ that his neighbor threatened him. Verbal harassment.

11:00 a.m. - An Estate Pastory resident r/ that she was sent threatening text messages. Threats, harassment.

12:08 p.m. - An Estate Pastory resident r/ that

her father cut off the power meter to her residence. Disturbance of the peace.

3:20 p.m. - A citizen r/ that her neighbor is listening to her conversations and spreading rumors about her. Slander.

5:00 p.m. - A citizen c/r that she found a pellet gun in an apartment in Estate Enighed. Recovered pellet gun.

Sunday, September 23

4:25 p.m. - A citizen r/ that two males were fighting in the area of Frank Powell Park. Assault and battery.

4:45 p.m. - A citizen p/r that his ex-wife violated a court order. Violation of a court order.

Monday, September 24

9:00 a.m. - An Estate Enighed resident p/r that a property on Estate Giff Hill was broken into and items removed. Burglary in the third.

10:00 a.m. - A citizen p/r seeing a male remove a tire from a vehicle without permission. Tampering with a vehicle.

Wednesday, September 26

1:30 p.m. - A citizen p/r that someone was signing her name and cashing checks without her permission. Forgery.

3:44 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident c/requesting police assistance with a co-worker. Police assistance.

6:25 p.m. - A citizen r/ hearing shots fired in the area of Coral Bay. Illegal discharge of firearm.

Thursday, September 27

10:52 a.m. - A citizen p/requesting police assistance to serve papers to an individual. Police assistance.

12:10 p.m. - Badge #1242 p/ at Leander Jurgen Command with one Michael George of Spring Garden under arrest and charged with aggravated assault. Bail was set at \$15,000 by order of the court.

12:58 p.m. - A citizen r/ a male chasing a female in the area of Estate Pastory. Disturbance of the peace.

3:12 p.m. - A citizen c/requesting police assistance to retrieve personal items from her boyfriend's residence. Police assistance.

4:58 p.m. - An Estate Grunwald resident r/ he was assaulted by a male in Cruz Bay. Simple assault.

7:15 p.m. - An Estate Giff Hill resident c/requesting police assistance with her minor daughter. Police assistance.

7:23 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident r/ loud music coming from her neighbor's house. Disturbance of the peace.

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.

Wednesday, September 19

— This month invasive and undesirable shrubs and vines need to be removed from the wetlands restoration and proposed park area at the Department of Agriculture Station land in Coral Bay (across from the dumpster site). Fence posts also need to be installed. Volunteers are needed to do this work. Bring a team of friends, and agree to do an area or join Coral Bay Community Council on Wednesday, September 19, from 7 to 9 a.m. or 9 to 11 a.m. for training.

Friday, September 28

— Coral Bay Community Council is conducting a special "Clean Sweep" of two selected shorelines, as part of Coast Weeks Cleanup and to kick off a year of monthly marine debris monitoring, as part of a scientific research project. Volunteers are needed to help clear all debris during the next 12 months. Join the group on Friday, September 28, at 9 a.m. at the Nanny Point turnaround for the Drunk Bay cleanup; or Saturday, September 29, at 9 am at the triangle.

Sunday, October 7

— A fundraiser for the 4th

Annual Using Sport for Social Change "Just Play!" event aboard the *Kekoa* catamaran is set for Sunday, October 7, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$100 per person. www.usingsportforsocialchange.com.

Monday, October 8

— Using Sport for Social Change is hosting the 4th Annual Free "Just Play!" day event on Monday, October 8, at Winston Wells field.

Saturday, October 20

— The Animal Care Center's annual flea market, "No Fleas, Please," will be on Saturday, October 20, at the Winston Wells ball field.

Friday, October 26

— The DHS, in partnership with the United Way, will host Project Homeless Connect 2012 on Friday, October 26, on St. John. Volunteers are needed for escorts, guides, greeters, etc. Training will begin on Tuesday, September 25, at the DHS Sugar Estate Head Start conference room at 10 a.m. for the first session and 11:30 a.m. for the second session. Be a part of the solution to homelessness in the Virgin Islands. For more information contact the United Way of STT/STJ at 774-3185.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

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

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

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

AL-ANON MEETINGS

For Al-Anon meeting location and times, please call (340) 642-3263

Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

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- 1 Earth clump
- 5 Congenial
- 12 Stopped the flow of, as blood
- 20 Old Claude Akins sitcom
- 21 Acorn creator
- 22 2009 animated film featuring the voice of Dakota Fanning
- 23 Soap opera in Haifa?
- 25 Mileage recorder
- 26 "Sirens" actor Sam
- 27 Break off
- 28 Gadabout
- 29 Parishioners in Milan?
- 33 Onion roll in Benghazi?
- 37 With 110-Down, scamming guys
- 38 Style expert Klensch
- 39 RCA rival
- 40 As hoarse as —
- 41 Show's star
- 44 Third degree
- 46 Quotation mark shape
- 47 Goner's cry
- 50 Royal trappings in Oran?
- 54 Spiny, yellow-green, tart-tasting fruits
- 56 Name of four Pharaohs
- 57 "Sliver" writer Levin
- 58 Entertainer Brynner
- 59 "— for Evidence" (Sue Grafton book)
- 60 Morning lawn wetness
- 61 Kind of sword
- 65 Ballroom dance in Nuku'alofa?

68 Foe in Aden?

- 71 Snick-a- — (combat knife)
- 72 Yule quaff
- 73 Ear buildup
- 74 Note after fa
- 75 Tony winner Burrows
- 76 Like British soldiers in the Revolution
- 80 Amer. currency unit
- 82 Old sitcom guy in Aarhus?
- 86 Stimulants, in slang
- 87 Suffix with Bronx
- 88 "— the season ..."
- 89 Tall, lanky types
- 91 Verbal exams
- 93 Ancient Brit
- 95 Aloe —
- 96 Lucy of film
- 99 Jet in Katmandu?
- 102 Regime in Niamey?
- 105 Verdict
- 106 Prefix with plop
- 107 Match venue
- 108 Overlay, as an ID
- 111 Comparable thing in Huambo?
- 115 Short play
- 116 Collection of fronded plants
- 117 Pulled apart
- 118 Big leopards
- 119 Couple
- 120 Not yet paid

DOWN

- 1 Mini-hospital
- 2 Be beaten by
- 3 Actor Hugh
- 4 Multiskilled worker

- 5 Comcast competitor
- 6 More, in Madrid
- 7 Prez Eisenhower
- 8 How goods are sold to the public
- 9 Of the sea
- 10 Element with the symbol Pb
- 11 Wriggling fish
- 12 — -Doo
- 13 Sooner than tomorrow
- 14 Nice smell
- 15 Convention ID tag
- 16 Priest, e.g.
- 17 Top 10 tune
- 18 Lansing-to-Flint dir.
- 19 Article in Germany
- 24 TV Tarzan Ron
- 28 — Tin Tin
- 30 Direct to the exit
- 31 City official: Abbr.
- 32 Dots in the sea, in Spain
- 33 Peter of "M"
- 34 Asia's — Sea
- 35 Loughlin of "90210"
- 36 Female youth org.
- 39 Looks like
- 41 That female
- 42 Class that's a cakewalk
- 43 Mystery author Marsh
- 44 Superior skill
- 45 Worked (up)
- 47 "Virtue — own reward"
- 48 Dimwit
- 49 An Allman brother
- 51 Part of CPI
- 52 "Uh, excuse me ..."
- 53 With the stroke of —
- 55 — constant (tiny number in physics)
- 59 Hollywood's Samantha

- 62 Norman Vincent —
- 63 Imprison
- 64 Ones looking
- 66 Bacterium
- 67 Small recess
- 68 When tripled, "and so on"
- 69 Occurring in small knots
- 70 Split to unite
- 73 "Haven't — somewhere before?"
- 77 Has a midday meal
- 78 Soft & — deodorant
- 79 Ikea item
- 80 Take wooden pins out of
- 81 DJ's stack
- 82 Celine of pop
- 83 Raison d'—
- 84 Type of tide
- 85 Vicinity
- 90 10-Down source, e.g.
- 92 Calf catcher
- 93 Chair weavers
- 94 Language of N. Amer.
- 96 Stay in hiding
- 97 Brush aside
- 98 Not mature
- 100 Meal holder
- 101 Cola quantity
- 102 United — College Fund
- 103 Took off
- 104 Poetry Muse
- 106 Was sure of
- 108 Chop (off)
- 109 California's Santa —
- 110 See 37-Across
- 111 At the rear
- 112 Zodiac feline
- 113 Recliner part
- 114 Certain vote

Classifieds

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Joan C. Oat, 03-cv-00115 Plaintiff

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"Skyway" - Fantastic views to St. Thomas and beyond to Vieques as well as the Caribbean as far as the eye can see. Almost flat lot with lush tropical landscaping, easy paved access, 13' by 24' pool with salt chlorine generator system and spa. Solar heater for water and pool. Fully furnished with interesting Indonesian pieces. Owner has recently completed a complete remodeling. **\$2.7M**



"Brisas del Mar" has beautiful panoramic views from every room looking over Coral Bay & Hurricane Hole to the British Virgins. There is an open floor plan with custom kitchen, 2 bedrooms on the main floor and a spiral stair case to the third bedroom suite, which has its own balcony. The pool & spa decks face the cooling easterly trade winds and rising sun and moon. This home is great for a family or for short term rental. **\$1.45M**



"Palm Terrace Villas" - Some of the most spacious condos to be found on St. John. Completed in 2005 with beautiful views, generous balconies, common sun deck and pool area, walk to town and Frank Bay Beach. The two bedroom unit is over 1100 sq. ft. All feature large kitchens, granite countertops, stainless appliances, large closets, private washer and dryer and ample storage. These condos have it all. **\$599,000 to \$975,000.**



Estate Freemans Ground - Just a bit before Shipwreck Landing, this unique property is just across the road from the waters of Coral Bay and has beautiful views of boats anchored in Johnson Bay as well as to the East End and Norman Island. The hard part is done with a 2 story guest house nearly finished and concrete poured for the foundation of a 4 bedroom main house with 2 pools. Cool breezes and sun & moon rises. Perfect for a contractor to live in while finishing the project. **\$959,000**

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



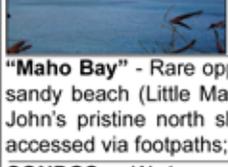
"Cloud 9 Villa" - Spectacular sunsets and breathtaking views over Pillsbury Sound to St. Thomas and south over Great Cruz Bay are highlights of this masonry home with pool, spa, air conditioning, Wi-Fi, & large, new sun deck with gazebo. The lot is almost flat and tropical landscaping abounds. Two bedrooms adjoin the pool deck and a comfy loft is accessed from the living room. A cool location high on Gift Hill and access is paved all the way. Cloud 9 Villa is a very popular vacation rental. **\$1.35M**



"Limin' Time" - The perfect Caribbean cottage with a sandy pocket beach on Great Cruz Bay and a very large pool & deck. Completely redesigned and refurbished in 2009, Limin' Time is better than new with new high end fixtures, furnishings and new pool with the perfect location in this well established neighborhood. Keep your yacht moored within sight and just pull your dinghy up on the beach. Swim and snorkel without driving. **\$1.395M.**



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"Boatman Point Waterfront" - Stunning easterly facing parcel with wonderful breezes, soothing sounds of the waves and breathtaking sun & moon rises. Spectacular homesite on a downhill build with topo included. The shoreline is a mix of cobble beach & rock face, with great snorkeling. 175 feet of frontage at a fantastic price. **\$730,000**

"Maho Bay" - Rare opportunity to own 13.8 acres with over 850 feet of shoreline - mostly of white sandy beach (Little Maho), located within the confines of the Virgin Islands National Park on St. John's pristine north shore. The property is flanked by two very large National Park Beaches accessed via footpaths; Francis Bay at the east and Maho Bay at the west. **\$19.5M.**

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Local and Federal Officials Look for Marijuana



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A low flying helicopter cruised over Coral Bay and Cruz Bay last month scanning the hillsides for marijuana cultivation. The joint operation was organized by Federal and local law enforcement officials, who also swept St. Thomas areas. The sting reportedly resulted in the confiscation of hundreds of marijuana plants from areas of St. Thomas and St. John.

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USFSC and Global Backpack Project Donating Packs To GBS This Fall

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Using Sport For Social Change, announced last week that in conjunction with Global Backpack Project, the program will donate one backpack filled with school supplies to each student at Guy Benjamin School in Coral Bay.

The backpacks will be hand delivered by Dean Doeling, founder of Using Sport For Social Change (USFSC), a St. John-based initiative, on Friday, October 5, at GBS at approximately 2:45 p.m.

It is the hopes of these two initiatives that this program will make it easier for GBS students to focus on their education without worry of not having the most basic of school supplies, and to give each student a means by which to keep all their homework together and carry their homework and books to and from school.

USFSC's primary purpose is to support local sporting programs that are already in place, with fundraising, community education and sporting equipment donated through Nike.

Furthermore, USFSC is trying to resurrect some failed sporting programs and provide play days where kids from all classes and cultures can come together for and participate in sports-based games and skill challenges.

The motto of USFSC is to "Focus Virgin Island youth through sports and fitness, giving them the confidence they need to set personal goals, achieve their aspirations and create opportunity for themselves, their family and their community."

More information can be found at www.usingsportforsocialchange.com, or by contacting the St. John Community Foundation at 340-693-9410

Global Backpack Project is a community-based nonprofit organization that collects and delivers backpacks and school supplies to children in need in the Pacific North West and around the globe. More information can be found at www.globalbackpackproject.org

Oh Deer – What A Swim!



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Dan Boyd

Lovango Cay resident Dan Boyd snapped this picture of a six-point buck swimming in Cruz Bay harbor last week. The buck avoided two ferries and was reportedly making good time on his swim to an unknown destination.

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Delegate to Congress Donna Christensen, above second from left, posed with winners of this year's CBC Spouses Essay Contest, Ah'quien Roberts, Maya Wesby and Paris Brown.

Virgin Islands Students Take Top Prizes in CBC Spouses Essay Contest

St. John Tradewinds

Delegate to Congress Donna Christensen greeted two Virgin Islands students on Thursday, September 20, who received awards from the Congressional Black Caucus Spouses organization for essays they wrote on "How America's youth are moving us into a healthier tomorrow."

The contest was a part of the Annual Legislative Conference organized by the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation.

The third place winner, Ah'quien Cecilia Daphne Roberts, is from Eudora Kean High School on St. Thomas and was accompanied by her parents Cecil and Octavia Roberts.

The first place winner, Maya Wesby who attends Duke Ellington High School for the Performing Arts, is the daughter of Virgin Islander Adrienne Todman, who now resides in Washington, DC.

The second prize winner, Paris Alexis Brown is from North Atlanta High School, in Atlanta, GA. Last year, Virgin Islands student, Muta Abiff, a senior from Charlotte Amalie High School was the third place winner of the essay contest.

"I would like to congratulate all the winners, especially our young Virgin Islands students who continue to compete and win on a national level in essay contests, poetry competitions and rocketry challenges," Christensen said. "We are very proud of them and their parents whose love and support makes everything possible."

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