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## Town Hall Meeting with Delegate on Jan. 29

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Delegate to Congress Donna Christensen announced last week that she will host town hall meetings across the territory during the Congressional District Work Period next week to discuss her agenda for the 113th Congress and to take and answer questions from constituents.

Christensen's focus for her ninth term will be on energy,

economic development, health care, crime and education, she explained.

"These are the issues that are of most concern to the territory at this time," Christensen said. "With my new Committee assignments on Energy and Commerce, I will be vigorously pursuing these issues. The town hall meetings are an opportunity to get your input on how we should approach

these concerns."

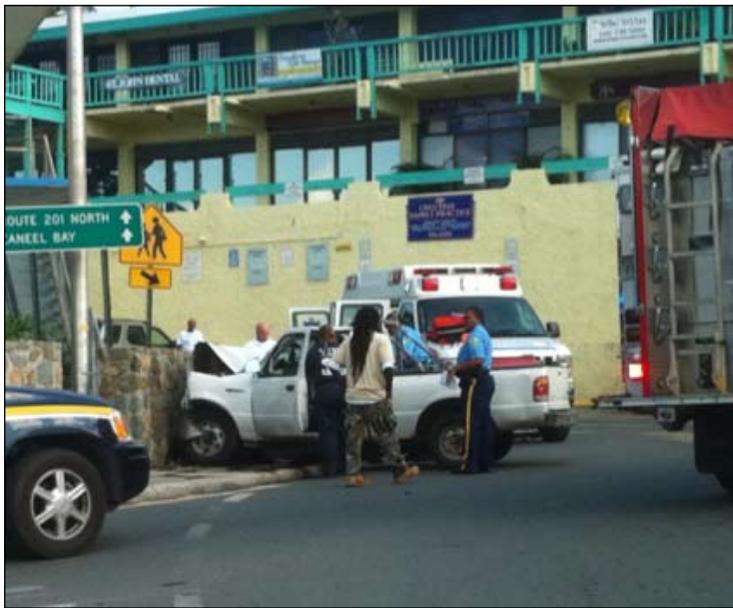
The town hall meeting on St. John will be at the Julius Sprauve School from 6 to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 29.

Christensen will host meetings on St. Thomas and St. Croix as well.

"Please come out and let us hear from you on the issues that you most care about," Christensen said.

## Auto Accident at the Roundabout

First responders swarmed the Cruz Bay roundabout after a truck traveling down Centerline Road apparently lost its brakes and slammed into a stone wall on Sunday morning, January 20. Several residents in the vehicle were injured and taken to R.L. Schneider Hospital on St. Thomas for treatment. Their conditions were not available as of press time.



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## DeJongh Delivering State of Territory

Governor John deJongh will deliver his annual State of the Territory Address before a formal session of the 30th Legislature on Monday, January 28.

The session will be convened by Senate President Shawn-Michael Malone at 6:45 p.m. and deJongh is expected to begin his address shortly after 7 p.m.

## Cruz Bay Street Addressing Pilot Meeting Scheduled for January 30

Lieutenant Governor Gregory Francis announced last week that Cruz Bay is among the three local communities that have been selected as pilot projects for the Virgin Islands Street Addressing Initiative.

The addressing methodology will be tested in Mon Bijou on St. Croix, downtown Charlotte Amalie on St. Thomas and Cruz Bay on St. John.

A series of community meetings will be hosted during this week to discuss the pilot projects and what residents can expect to occur as the territory begins the first phases of transitioning towards a standardized addressing system.

The project team will meet on Wednesday, January 30, St. John, St. Ursula's Multipurpose Center from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.

The group will meet on Wednesday night on St. Thomas and Thursday evening on St. Croix.

Residents of the pilot project communities, community leaders and the general public are invited to attend the scheduled meetings.

For more information on the Street Addressing Initiative or community meetings, contact Chris George, GIS Coordinator/SAI Project Manager at (340)776-8505 ext. 4321 or email vistreets@lgo-vi.gov.

## Merry Stockwell To Speak at UU Feb. 3

The Unitarian Universalists of St. John meet every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the Great Room at Giff Hill School Lower Campus.

The guest speaker for Sunday, February 3, is Merry Stockwell, who will speak on "Notes From My Pilgrimage to Transylvania — Did you know that our Unitarian roots are indeed in Transylvania?"

Childcare is available. For transportation from the Cruz Bay ferry dock call 776-6332 in advance.

## Free Vow Renewal Celebration Is Valentine's Day at Trunk Bay Beach

Join the love on Thursday, February 14, at 5 p.m. at Trunk Bay Beach at a free vow renewal ceremony hosted by Minister Anne Marie Porter.

Known as the island's barefoot minister, Porter has been hosting this free event for the past decade. She has been joined on the beach by 875 couples and many tourists who return annually to St. John just for the vow renewal as well as locals who find it a meaningful way to celebrate Valentine's Day.

No reservations are necessary. Couples just show up and many bring their families and friends to witness their wedding vow reaffirmation. For more information call (340) 626-4658.



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# VIPD Confirms Skeletal Remains Belong to Missing St. John Woman

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

V.I. Police Department detectives said last week that human skeletal remains found in Estate Adrian in August 2012 have been identified as belonging to missing St. John resident Seara Samantha James.

James has been missing since October 2011.

VIPD detectives contacted the James family privately and gave them the opportunity to begin to deal with their loss before releasing the information to the public, according to information from VIPD.

The last time James contacted a family member was around 5 p.m. on October 11, 2011. She was last seen in Cruz Bay at Castaway's Bar, Nature's Nook and Mongoose



Seara Samantha James

Junction. James' family filed a missing persons' report with the VIPD two days later, on October 13, 2011.

On August 1, 2012 hikers discovered skeletal remains in the

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— VIPD District Chief Darren Foy

Estate Adrian area of St. John. VIPD officers sent a DNA sample to the lab at the Federal Bureau of Investigation on August 8, 2012 and received the results the week of January 14, 2013.

St. Thomas/St. John VIPD Chief Darren Foy and St. John

Deputy VIPD Chief Maria Colon Jones extended their condolences to the family of Seara Samantha James.

It remained unclear last week whether VIPD officials believe James was killed in the Estate Adrian area or if she died else-

where and was left in the mid-island location. James' remains were found in a remote area of St. John, difficult to reach by foot at night.

VIPD officials declined to comment last week on the cause of James' death, according to a report in the *V.I. Daily News*.

"We are not elaborating on the cause of her death at this present time because the investigation is ongoing," VIPD District Chief Foy was quoted in the report. "We have several active leads that we are following up on, and we are not ready to disclose to the general public any more information."

Anyone with information about the disappearance of James or her death, should call Crime Stoppers USVI at 1-800-222-8477, or VIPD Major Crimes at (340) 715-5545 or (340) 715-5546.

# Guy Benjamain School Classes Disrupted Due to Bee Problem at Coral Bay Campus

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

Blame it on the bees.

Last week, Guy Benjamin School was disrupted when a hive of bees swarmed the Coral Bay public elementary school's yard.

School officials decided to close the school at noon on Thursday, January 24, after one student and the school counsellor were stung, according to GBS Principal Brenda Dalmida.

GBS officials were aware of one hive located in a tree near the school's back gate adjacent to the Coral Bay fire station, Dalmida explained.

When a local beekeeper tried to extract the hive, however, he was in for a surprise.

"We didn't know there were two hives up there until they went in and pulled the one hive out," said Dalmida. "The bees started swarming and then the beekeeper found out that there was another hive."

School officials tried to keep students in other areas of the campus, while the bees were swarming, Dalmida added.

"We tried to hold on as long we could," said the GBS Principal. "But when we had one student and then our counsellor Miss Cross get stung, we had to close."

On Thursday afternoon, school officials were unsure of what Friday, January 25, would bring as far as the bees and classes at GBS. When it was determined that the bees were still a danger, GBS classes were transferred to the Julius E. Sprauve School's Cruz Bay campus — but just for the day, explained Dalmida.

"We'll be back at GBS in Coral Bay on Monday," she said.



Bees caused GBS to close its doors for a day and half last week after two hives were discovered in this tree in the school's backyard.

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## Schooner *Roseway* Setting Sail Out of Coral Bay March 8 and 9

Support youth sailing on St. John and enjoy a sunset sail aboard the historic schooner *Roseway* on Friday, March 8, and Saturday, March 9.

Tickets for the sunset sails are \$75 each and will benefit the Kids and the Sea, St. John volunteer youth sailing program. More information will be available next week.

## Full Slate of Entertainment Planned for Relay for Life

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

Get ready for a full night of entertainment while raising much needed funds for the local chapter of the American Cancer Society in Winston Wells ball field on Saturday, February 9, at St. John Relay for Life.

The event kicks off at 4 p.m. in the ball field and organizers have scheduled a full roster of fun and games, live entertainment and moving stories from cancer survivors. The entertainment will help the 16 members from each Relay for Life keep walking around the make-shift track inside Winston Wells ball field all night long.

The event is a reminder that “cancer never sleeps” and walkers will put miles under their feet before the event wraps up on Sunday, February 10, at 10 a.m.

An opening ceremony will kick off the St. John Relay for Life from 4 to 4:30 p.m. Cancer survivors will lead the first lap around the track, followed by caregivers, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. During that time, a cancer



survivor is expected to share her story of survival with the crowd in the field.

Live drumming will lead the team parade events which are slated to begin around 6 p.m., followed by a delectable survivor’s dinner. The first seating for the dinner will be at 6 p.m. and the second will be at 7 p.m.

Those with big appetites will not want to miss the chicken wing eating competition, set to get under way at 8 p.m.

The evening will turn serious at 9 p.m. with the touching luminary ceremony. Luminary bags are sold for \$5 each and are either in memory of someone who has died from cancer or in support of someone who has survived the disease.

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# Support MKSCHC St. John Relay for Life Team at Feb. 5 Bake Sale

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

The St. John Relay for Life is just around the corner and planned activities have kicked into high gear.

Teams from across St. John and even St. Thomas are expected to pack the Winston Wells ball field for the event, which kicks off at 4 p.m. on Saturday, February 9.

The American Cancer Society Fundraiser is a reminder that “cancer never sleeps,” and the event features at least one member from each team walking around a make-shift track until 10 a.m. the following morning.

Entertainment and activities are planned throughout the night and the event will also feature a Survivor’s Dinner, a Luminary Ceremony and more.

One of the teams getting in on the fun, and fundraising, is the Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center team, which is calling itself the “MKS Stars,” explained team captain Debi Emmett.

“Our theme is ‘Star light, star bright, we hope a cure is found tonight,’” said Emmett.

The team is hosting a bake sale on Tuesday, February 5, at MKSCHC from 8:30 a.m. until the goodies run out, which might not be too long.

“We have some really good bakers, so I expect the food to go pretty quickly,” Emmett said.

The team will also be selling luminary bags as well as crocheted and decorated stars which they will personalize and hang in the MKS Stars team tent during the Relay for Life, Emmett added.

For Emmett, taking part in the Relay for Life is an important way

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– MKSCHC Team Captain Debbie Emmett,  
St. John Relay for Life

to help the fight against cancer, she explained.

“My children’s father passed from cancer two years ago at the age of 57,” she said. “Also my stepfather and my grandmother also passed away from cancer. There is history there.”

While this is not the first time a team from MKSCHC has taken part in the St. John Relay for Life, the group got a head start on planning this year, Emmett explained.

“We had a team last year and it was a success, but this year we jumped on it earlier,” she said. “There is so much enthusiasm. The girls are cutting out stars and crocheting stars and it’s a lot of fun.”

Emmett hoped this year would compare to previous St. John Relay for Life fundraisers, which raised between \$80,000 and \$120,000 for the local chapter of the ACS.

“We did very well as a whole on St. John last year and we’d like to improve on that,” said Emmett.

While there are several groups across the territory which support cancer patients, fighting the disease will take effort by all organizations, explained Emmett.

“We’ve got to beat this ‘big C’

somehow,” she said. “It’s going to take all of our resources and our support. The Relay for Life is a community effort and it’s really fun.”

The MKSCHC team includes among its 15 members, one man who is on a mission to set a personal record, Emmett added.

“Christopher Powell walked six hours straight last year and he is determined to beat that record this year,” she said. “And he’s not just out there sauntering around the track.”

In addition to Powell and Emmett, the MKSCHC team consists of Lisa Samuel, Olivetti Samuel, Kelly Beach, Sharelle Francis, Uli Powell, Jamie Ickes, Dan Willis, Dora Tira, Morvel Vanterpool, Augustine Esteves, Tonya Jackson, Billy Johnson, Deborah Manseau and Dr. Joseph DeJames

Of course, there might not be anyone more capable of staying up all night long, than the well-trained nurses and doctor at MKSCHC.

For more information about the St. John Relay for Life, set for February 9 and 10, call Lorraine Baa at 775-5373, or Loren Abramson at 513-2159 or email [lmabramson@hotmail.com](mailto:lmabramson@hotmail.com).

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A FARO focus 3D laser scanner was utilized to document the petroglyphs and surrounding terrain.

## Virgin Islands National Park Creating 3D Images of Reef Bay Petroglyphs

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

V.I. National Park archaeology officials recently captured impressively high-tech images of the Reef Bay petroglyph thanks to support from the University of South Florida's Alliance for Integrated Spatial Technologies.

When VINP's archaeologist and cultural resources manager Ken Wild discovered a previously unseen petroglyph in the Reef Bay area several years ago, it drew attention from national organizations dedicated to glyph research and preservation, Wild explained.

"Several organizations were putting together a grant to do scanning projects throughout the National Parks and our discovery drew attention so they included us in their project," Wild said. "They're also doing work in Hawaii and other major glyph areas."

Wild and VINP archaeology staff along with officials from USF's Alliance for Integrated Spatial Technologies and the Southeast Archaeological Center spent three days at Reef Bay documenting the petroglyphs in high definition and 3D.

The team utilized terrestrial laser scanning to provide 3D capture of the glyphs and their setting, al-

lowing for digital preservation of these fragile resources in amazing clarity, Wild explained.

"What it does is it shoots out millions of points that allow you to actually map the glyph physically into a 3D image so hopefully we'll be able to pick up a new glyph not seen before," he said. "There are certain times of the day where the light might allow you to see things you don't normally see. This will allow us to have the capability to look the glyph in the best possible angle and light."

Wild and his partners spent hours at Reef Bay each day, painstakingly capturing the petroglyphs from different angles while saving and compiling the images into a 3D of the glyph, he explained.

"Like shooting a laser beam and you get the exact distance, you shoot millions of them at once and you get the 3D image in cyber space," Wild said.

Officials also performed high definition image capture using techniques such as reflectance transformation imaging or RTI, to tease out and study the fine carved details that have been eroded and weathered by time, explained Wild.

"It took all day; it's a long process," he said. "You shoot each

glyph maybe 129 times with the light coming in all different directions and then you combine all those photos. It's really amazing technology."

That "amazing technology" has quite a price tag, Wild added.

"It's a fancy \$100,000 piece of equipment and it's heavy," said the VINP archaeologist. "But it has gotten smaller than it used to be which is why we were able to get it down to Reef Bay."

The images will allow VINP to closely examine the petroglyphs for fine lines or anything archaeologist might not have noticed yet, Wild explained.

Once the post process has been completed, which Wild estimated could take a few months, officials will have a 3D image of the Reef Bay petroglyphs to share with the public, Wild added.

"We'll use this as an interactive media at the archaeology lab and heritage center at Cinnamon Bay," he said. "The 3D data can even be utilized to make 3D prints or replicas that can be utilized for education and public outreach."

Wild will also use some preliminary images during his February 13 Friends of VINP seminar series tour of the Reef Bay petroglyphs, he explained.

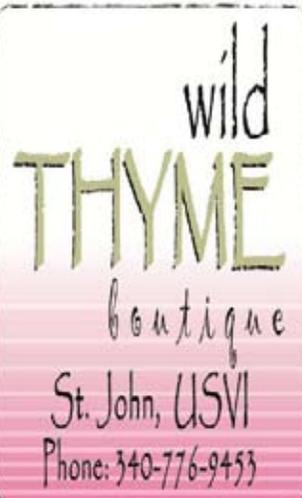
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## Virgin Islands Heritage and Culture Will Be Highlights of 22nd Annual Folklife Festival

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Once again, Friends of V.I. National Park and National Park Service will partner to present the Annual Folklife Festival in celebration of Black History month in February.

The event will be on Thursday, February 21, and Friday, February 22, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday, February 23, from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Annaberg Sugar Plantation ruins.

Free and open to the public, the program will continue to preserve the rich and diverse culture of the Virgin Islands. The Virgin Islands Council on the Arts has granted \$3,000 which will be used to settle expenses incurred for artisans participating in the event.

The theme, "From Where We Came to Where We Are," will examine the history of African Americans in the Virgin Islands and the similarity to other islands in the West Indies. The program will feature historians making presentations about the role sugar production played in the cultural history of the islands, from slavery to post-emancipation.

Creative and interactive presentations will be delivered on post-emancipation activities which helped shape and influence our island culture. Presenters will

include Dr. Gilbert Sprauve, historian and folklorist; Glen "Kwabena" Davis, Myron Jackson and more.

Traditional music, including Quelbe and Calypso, will also be a highlight of the festival. Smalls and the Music Makers, an all-star group of traditional bearers, will be called on to perform the indigenous music they have helped preserve.

Artists expected to take part in the festival include Avelino Samuel who will offer a wood-turning demonstration; Olanzo Haynes who will play steel pan; doll maker Gwendolyn Harley; local folklorist Elaine Jacobs; Golda Herman and Olivia Christian who will make bread the traditional way; and Ester Frett who will sell traditional food.

Painter Les Anderson, joiner Alnando Kennings, fisherman and seine net maker Mario Benjamin and broom makers Justin Todman and Randolph Thomas will also be at the 22nd Annual Folklife Festival.

Elmo Rabsatt is expected to be on hand with his beekeeping equipment, Bridgett Julius and Yolanda Mortin will display their arts and crafts, Karen Samuel will have painting and clothing for sale, Alton Evans will display his locally made jewelry and Jane Johannes will offer a variety of local food as will Pat Walters and Theresa Browne.



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Cause to Wonder founder Lisa Menna, at left, awards the group's Thunder Award to Mary Vargo, at right.

## Cause to Wonder Honors Two St. John Women

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Cause to Wonder, a non-profit group dedicated to peace and non-violence, recently honored two St. John women with the organization's Thunder and Lightning Awards.

Mary Vargo was recognized with the Lightning Award for her successful efforts to form the nonprofit

organization. The Thunder Award was given to Cristina Kessler for her visionary guidance which allowed Cause to Wonder to give 40 orphaned girls college scholarships through the Ethiopian YWCA.

The efforts of these two women have positively affected the lives of thousands of people. For more information, check out [causetowonder.org](http://causetowonder.org)

## IGBA and EARTH Partner for Sustainable Island Living Series “Bag It” Screening Jan. 31 at GHS

### St. John Tradewinds

The Island Green Building Association and Giffit Hill School’s Education and Resiliency Through Horticulture program are proud to present a screening of the award-winning environmental documentary Bag It at the GHS upper campus atrium on Thursday, January 31, at 6 p.m. This free event is open to the public, and all are welcome, including families and children.

Bag It follows “everyman” Jeb Berrier as he tries to make sense of humans’ dependence on plastic bags. Although his quest starts out small, Jeb soon learns that the problem extends past landfills to oceans, rivers and ultimately human health.

The average American uses about 500 plastic bags each year, for about 12 minutes each. This single-use mentality has led to the formation of a floating island of plastic debris in the Pacific Ocean more than twice the size of Texas.

The film explores these issues and identifies how our daily reliance on plastic threatens not only waterways and marine life, but human health, too. Two of the most common plastic additives are endocrine disruptors, which have been shown to link to cancer, diabetes, autism, attention deficit disorder, obesity and infertility.

Following the film, local leaders of the push to reduce, reuse, and recycle effort will lead a discussion on ways residents can work together to address the issues of plastic pollution on St. John

With the screening of Bag It, IGBA is excited to announce that it’s broadening its mission from green construction to green island living. IGBA is partnering with Giffit Hill School’s EARTH program as part of its goal to encourage all island residents to live green. Additionally, the non-profit organization is developing a long-term plan for an Island Green Living Center, which will house the ReSource Depot, and provide a home base for recycling and reuse efforts to assist in guiding the St. John community toward low-impact and sustainable island living.

IGBA and EARTH will host Green Thursdays events on the last Thursday of each month.

## SJFS Hosting Travelling Caribbean Showcase of Films February 5 with Spotlight on Cuba

### St. John Tradewinds

St. John Film Society will host a number of films from the 4th Annual Traveling Caribbean Film Showcase this year.

The group kicks off the festival with three films on Cuba on Tuesday, February 5, at 7:30 p.m. at St. John School of the Arts.

“Adolpho” (2006) is a 45-minute contemporary Cuban comedy of errors by Sofie Delaage.

“Con el Toque de la Chaveta,” (2007) is a 28-minute documentary, by Pamela Sporn about a unique tradition in Cuban cigar factories. Every day, specially employed workers read out loud to 300 tabaqueros as they sit rolling the country’s famous cigars.

From classic novels to national politics and local baseball results, for centuries this daily tradition has been an education for the workers, or chavetas. But after years of listening, they are now knowledgeable and demanding, and the readers must be at their very best if they are to keep their discerning audience interested.

“Maestra” (2011) is a 33-minute documentary by Catherine Murphy about a ground-breaking literacy campaign in 1961 where Cuba 250,000 volunteers taught 700,000 people to read and write in one year, 1961. About 100,000



of the teachers were under 18 years old and more than half were women.

The Bay of Pigs invasion took place in Cuba impacting the both the women and the literacy campaign. The young women who went out to teach literacy in the rural communities across the island found themselves deeply transformed in the process.

This documentary includes present day interviews with women who volunteered to teach their country to read in 1961 along with archival footage and still photos from the 60s. Murphy has begun the recording of an oral history of one of contemporary Cuba’s greatest achievements.

The Travelling Caribbean Film Showcase is an annual film festival representing filmmakers, producers and directors from around the Caribbean.

Sponsored regionally by UNESCO and supported by Cuban Institute of Art and Cinematographic Industry in collaboration with the Caribbean Community, the Travelling Caribbean Film Showcase brings together the works of 40 filmmakers from 15 Caribbean countries including the Bahamas, Venezuela, Jamaica, Costa Rica, Cuba, Haiti, Dominican Republic, and Trinidad & Tobago. All films are subtitled when not in English.

This fourth edition, dedicated to the Caribbean Diaspora, includes films that reflect the troubles, the culture, and the history of the Caribbean. The films, which include feature length and short films, animation and documentaries, reveal the realities and challenges of Caribbean emigrants in the region and the greater Diaspora, and promote Caribbean cultural identity.

The primary objective of the TCFS is to make the Caribbean population aware of the talent and creativity existing in the region in the film industry and is presented at different times of the year in most countries of the Caribbean.

TCFS is supported by ICAIC, UNICEF, UNESCO and MIN-CULT. St. John Film Society is supported in part by the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Virgin Island Council on the Arts.



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The pendant is 13-13.5mm, set in Platinum, with 0.57ctw of VS quality round, brilliant cut diamonds. This pendant is available for viewing at R&I Patton in Mongoose Junction.

Tickets can be purchased for \$50 each next door at the Friends of the Park Store, by phone at 340-779-4940, or at Connections Cruz Bay. Only 100 tickets will be sold. The



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# VINP Has Two Job Openings

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

Looking for a job?

Check out the two job openings in V.I. National Park, which Friends of VINP helped spread the word about last week.

VINP officials are required to advertise for the positions nationally, but that does not mean that local residents can't apply.

Anyone interested in a maintenance or a technology specialist position is encouraged to apply for the positions, explained Friends of VINP Director Joe Kessler.

"Friends of V.I. National Park encourages local employment in the park and would therefore like to inform the Virgin Islands community that Virgin Islands National Park is recruiting for an Information Technology Specialist and a Maintenance Worker," said Kessler.

For full details about these positions and to apply, go to [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov). To locate the jobs on the site, put the job title in the "What" box and "Virgin Islands" in the "Where" box.

The IT position closes Tuesday, February 12, and the Maintenance Position closes Wednesday, February

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GHS students with Frank Cummings of VI SNUBA Excursions helped ease the island's lionfish threat recently.

## GHS Students Help Eliminate Lionfish Threat with CORE Officials

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

Eleven Giff Hill School upper campus students helped ease the island's lionfish threat recently.

Students spent their "mini-mester" session snorkeling with Frank Cummings of VI. Snuba Excursions and officials from the Caribbean Oceanic Restoration and Education (CORE) Foundation in four bays searching for the invasive lionfish, which pose serious threats to local resources.

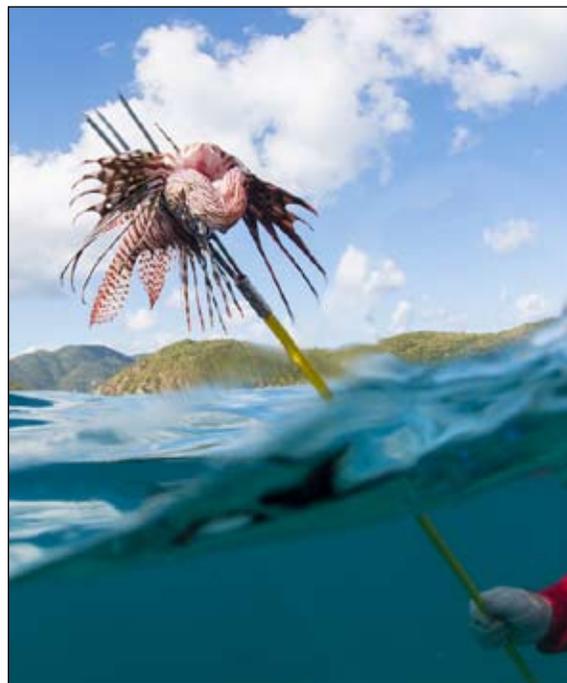
A native of the Pacific and Indian Oceans, lionfish have been wreaking havoc in the Atlantic Ocean and Caribbean Sea since the species were likely dumped off the coast of Florida in the early 1990s. Lionfish have no natural predators in the Atlantic or Caribbean and feed voraciously on reef fish.

The declining number of reef fish lead directly to declines in reef health, as seen in Bahaman waters, where lionfish virtually wiped out large numbers of local reef fish. The death of the fish led to serious declines in coral health.

Locally, officials have launched a campaign to educate residents and visitors about the threat. Since lionfish often remain in the same area, swimmers and snorkelers who spot a lionfish are asked to mark the area and report the sighting to CORE at (340) 201-2342. A trained diver will then respond and, hopefully, spear the fish.

The GHS mini-mester went even one step further, educating the island's next generation about the lionfish threat, explained Cummings.

"The kids were awesome," Cummings said. "They



One of the estimated 12 lionfish speared by volunteers during the GHS mini-mester.

were diving down pretty deep and they were all very excited to be helping out on this. They are the next generation and they'll have to get a handle on this lionfish problem."

"It's not going away," he said. "We need to get ev-

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The night will feature paintings by Portlock and Riehle and ceramic work, above, by Gail Van de Bogurt.

## Bajo Art Reception for Portlock, Riehle and Van de Bogurt

*St. John Tradewinds*

Bajo el Sol Gallery at Mongoose Junction will host an opening reception on Friday, February 1, from 5 to 8 p.m. featuring artists Lucy Portlock, Ayn Riehle and Gail Van de Bogurt.

The first featured artist is St. John resident Portlock whose work in the art world is a watercolor painter. She keeps working on developing her watercolor pieces with different techniques, but stays mainly in the realism school, "because there are just too many beautiful scenes here on St. John to paint."

One of her pictures in this show is semi-non-objective art, which was a departure from Portlock's usual work.

Riehle, the second featured artist, captures the viewer by challenging them to "walk with her" through the creative process of her paintings.

"I am interested in patterns and creating visual pathways through my work with places to stop with surprises," said Riehle. "I have been making and looking at ceramics for the past several years as well as painting, and the imagery from classical ceramics have strongly influenced this series of paintings from

Delphic masters in Holland to Chinese pottery."

The third featured artist is Van de Bogurt, a ceramicist and watercolor painter. This year's show will feature work in both mediums by Van de Bogurt.

"This year as a watercolor painter and potter I've been exploring clay as a two and three dimensional medium," she said. "I'm interested in the pure simplicity of handmade functional forms and how those forms evolve in shape and color. Some of my new vessels are more purely sculptural and not wheel thrown."

"I have also begun making porcelain clay panels to paint upon in watercolor and am excited about tying these two strong loves of mine together," Van de Bogurt said. "This is evident in my land and sea tile panels with fish and frigate birds. Words are an element that was once an important feature of my work and I'm beginning to bring that back into play."

Join Bajo el Sol Gallery, Friday February 1, from 5 to 8 p.m. for this opening reception. Enjoy the gallery as well as the classical guitar of David Laabs.

The artists will be featured for the month of February. For more information call 340-693-7070.

## Annual St. John Arts Festival Set for Feb. 16-20

*St. John Tradewinds*

This year's St. John Arts Festival, set for February 16 through 20, will include a Caribbean Film Festival, historical explorations and more.

The Caribbean Film Festival will be organized by St. John Film Society, which will screen films across the island, in Cruz Bay, Coral Bay and Giff Hill. The films are from different islands and places in the Caribbean and will provide a window to Love City's neighbors and their distinct cultures.

Also included in the St. John Arts Festival this year are two events by St. John Historical Society. One event will explore the history of several well-known families. The other event will be an exploration of the Beaverhoudtsberg Plantation, one of the prosperous Danish plantations with a rich history.

The first Saturday, February 16, will be Children's Day at the Festival featuring Love City Pan Dragons from 12 to 2 p.m., followed by a performance by the Love City Leapers and rounding off with exhibitions of ballroom dancing by local school children. All activities on Children's Day will take place at Frank Powell Park in Cruz Bay.

On Saturday evening, February 16, St. John School

of the Arts is presenting its Broadway Comes to St. John show. It promises to be an outstanding performance and should not be missed.

Sunday, February 17, is Gospel Concert Day in the afternoon followed by Quadrille dancing, both in Frank Powell Park.

President's Day, Monday, February 18, is the highlight of the St. John Arts Festival with the Caribbean Ritual Dancers performing in the park during the afternoon. Don't miss this beautiful and exciting event.

There will also be a Caribbean arts and crafts exhibition in Cruz Bay during the festival as well. The emphasis will be on handcrafted, traditional Caribbean arts and crafts, accompanied by a varied repertoire of live Caribbean music.

Later in the week the National Park Service Folklife Festival is scheduled at the Annaberg ruins. This is always a great event in a most charming setting.

All in all, February, Black History Month, is a great month to be on St. John to sense the life and spirit of the people as well as the beautiful beaches, scenery and the perfect climate!

A full detailed program for the 13th Annual St. John Arts Festival will be announced shortly.

## Hear History Come Alive with VINP Archaeologist Ken Wild at Friends of VINP Seminar Series on Jan. 30

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

Join V.I. National Park archaeologist Ken Wild on a hike through the Brown Bay valley and hear about the colonists who called it home at a Friends of VINP Seminar Series event on Wednesday, January 30.

Wild will lead the group from Annaberg up the Johnny Horn trail while sharing new stories compiled by archaeology interns from Denmark who did extensive research at the national archives before conducting field work in the area.

"We're going to a lot of sites that are little time capsules which have stories that relate to the slave revolt and the people who were involved with the revolt," said Wild. "There are some stories that we haven't even shared before. We're going to incorporate a lot of what we've learned from the Danish research students."

"We've got the artifacts off the ground and these sites have a lot of great stories about the people who have been here since the beginning of the European occupation," Wild said.

The hike will be strenuous, the VINP archaeologist warned.

"We're going to be hiking up Johnny Horn and several other hills and it's going to be tough," he said.

The tour will leave from the VINP Visitors Center in Cruz Bay at 9 a.m. and return at 4 p.m. The fee is \$55 for Friends of VINP members and \$65 for non-members, which includes lunch and a taxi back to Cruz Bay.

Attendees are asked to wear hiking shoes and bring along sunscreen, a notebook and plenty of water. To register for the seminar email seminars@friendsvinp.org or call (340) 779-4940.

## Gallows Point Gift and Gourmet Now Serves Breakfast and Espresso Drinks

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Gallows Point Gift & Gourmet, located at Gallows Point Resort, has added daily breakfast to its grocery, fine wine, concierge, gift and excursion booking services.

The owners of the shop are excited to launch the "coffee corner" as they informally call it.

"This was our main impetus for buying this business a year ago, so Shannon could get back to her culinary roots," said David Pursley, co-owner with his wife Shannon.

Shannon Pursley is an experienced private chef having owned and operated her own catering business on St. Thomas for many years, cooking in villas and for weddings. She also spent summers cooking on a charter fishing yacht in Alaska, enjoying an endless bounty of fresh seafood.

Among the new breakfast offerings Pursley is making are homemade lemon poppy seed and banana bran muffins; banana bread; specialty bagels; sausage, Monterey jack, cheddar and egg frittatas served on a fresh-baked croissant; and a spinach and feta cheese puff with fresh dill. Breakfast burritos and caramel rolls will be added soon.

Drinks include espresso, cappuccino, latte or mocha from fresh Arabica beans, and for an extra en-



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Sign up for a yoga class at Gallows Point Gift or enjoy an espresso on the deck.

ergy boost, a mango moon or pineapple/banana smoothie made with fresh coconut water.

The coffee corner is open Tuesday through Sunday from 8 a.m. to noon.

"We really look forward to building our local clientele," said Shannon Pursley. "Our shop is not just for tourists and our prices on many items are less than the larger markets."

"This is not your typical resort 'gift' shop," she said. "We have so much more."

The Gallows Point Gift & Gourmet shop is also now arranging

Yoga classes with Elizabeth Miller on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday from 8 to 9 a.m. on the ocean deck at Gallows Point Resort.

Miller was born and raised in Colorado and completed yoga teaching training in India. She has been helping people strengthen their minds and bodies for over five years. Trained in Ashtanga, her classes include a combination of Vinyasa and Restorative. Register and pay for the \$15 class at the shop.

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## Boulon's Feb. 8 Caribbean Reception To Focus on Land

By Jaime Elliott  
*St. John Tradewinds*

Get ready for a night of fine art, exciting dance and tantalizing food while supporting the St. John School of the Arts on Friday, February 8, from 5 to 9 p.m.

Kimberly Boulon Fine Art Gallery, located on the second floor of The Marketplace, is hosting an opening reception for the second of three planned shows exploring the beauty of Japanese and Caribbean aesthetics, called Caribbean.

Boulon hosted the first Caribbean opening reception in December, 2012, which focused on The People. The February 8 show will feature The Land and a third show, planned for March will focus on The Sea.

The February 8 show will feature live music by Eddie Bruce and a dance performance choreographed by Jude Woodcock, who was a member of the ground-breaking Pilobolus dance troupe.

Woodcock will join dancers Chris Meyer, Mindy Michtner and Alison Perry in the modern dance "Palms and Bonsai," which will feature interpretations of both types of trees.

In addition to Boulon's paintings,

the dance and musical performances, the evening will also showcase work by St. Thomas-based ceramic artist Jerrilee Roberts.

Boulon and Roberts are each raffling off one piece of artwork, with a portion of the proceeds benefitting the St. John School of the Arts. Boulon is raffling her beautiful oil painting "Cinnamon Bay Plantation House (ca. 1680)" for SJSA. Raffle tickets, \$10 each or six for \$50, are available at SJSA and Kimberly Boulon Fine Art Gallery.

The inspiration for Caribbean has been brewing for some time as Boulon has long been enchanted by the Japanese aesthetics, she explained.

"My love affair with Japanese aesthetics in art started long before I was aware that there was such a thing," she said. "Through my appreciation of the flowing lines and the flat decorative surfaces of Art Nouveau Art Cards that I collected voraciously in the little shops on the streets of Cambridge, England in the early 70s, and my deep appreciation of early 20th century Tiffany glass and design, and my subsequent collecting of sheets of stained glass and lamp and window making in the 80s."

"My devouring of this design and fascination continued with Frank Lloyd Wright architecture in the 90s; and then with all the Impressionists and Symbolist/Secessionists' paintings and decorative furniture works that I have continued to study throughout this past decade," Boulon said.

A visit to Los Angeles cemented Boulon's desire to explore this avenue of inspiration, she added.

"This August I attended a Gustav Klimt Exhibition at the Getty Museum in Los Angeles studying his drawings that led to his Japanese-influenced decorative paintings including his famous 'The Kiss,'" said the artist. "There is this commonality of artistic aesthetics in these artists' later works that were influenced by the influx of Japanese Ukiyo-e prints into Europe and America in the latter half of the 19th and early 20th centuries."

"Western artists were spellbound by the articulation of space and harmony of components; their clearly defined linear elements, color harmony, cropping, asymmetry and flattening of form and decorative pattern that pervaded the Japanese arts," said Boulon. "Not only that but they admired

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The evening will feature ceramic work, above, by St. Thomas-based artist Jerrilee Roberts.

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## On *the* Market

A feature dedicated to special homes on the market listed with *Tradewinds* real estate advertisers\*

### Stone Post Cottage Offers Charm, Views and Many Possibilities

**By Jaime Elliott**  
*St. John Tradewinds*

With a charming stand-alone stone guest house, a private three bedroom main house and a quaint island-style cottage, Stone Post Cottage offers an array of possibilities along with its stunning views of Hart Bay and the Caribbean Sea beyond.

The home, with a total of five bedrooms and five bathrooms, is for sale for \$1.95 million, explained Holiday Homes broker associate Abigail Schnell O’Connell, who is the co-listing agent with Holiday Homes broker/owner Miles Stair.

Located in Estate Chocolate Hole, the home is situated on an almost two-acre site with commanding views, mature trees, lush tropical gardens and meandering walking paths.

“Lush tropical gardens are lovingly maintained and well thought out, providing walking paths and natural buffers between the various living spaces,” said O’Connell.

The most impressive aspect of the home, however, is the expansive swimming pool, O’Connell explained.

“The most dramatic feature of

Stone Post Cottage is the 55-foot lap pool with hand painted Caribbean lap lanes,” she said. “The decks that surround the pool offer many comfortable vantage points to relax and enjoy the panoramic views.”

Another rarity is the oversized lot, O’Connell added.

“The Stone Post Cottage compound is situated on an acre of land and has additional acreage surrounding the estate providing lots of privacy,” said the Holiday Homes broker associate. “It is extremely rare to have two acres of property in Chocolate Hole.”

The property also has an interesting and long history, dating back to 1954 when the previous owners’ grandfather, a New Orleans physician named Dr. Justilien Foret, purchased the lot and built a one-room house of native stone, according to O’Connell.

The home, originally without electricity, plumbing and screens, was gradually updated over the years and Dr. Foret —well known by his mule Moses he used for transport — spent many summers on St. John, O’Connell explained.

Over the years a small wooden studio cottage was also built and

both buildings were rented out on long- and short-term basis.

After suffering damage in Hurricane Marilyn, the home was reconstructed in compliance with modern building codes, O’Connell added.

“The resulting refurbished house — comfortable, sturdy, filled with authentic Caribbean charm and sitting on two acres of nearly flat land close to town — was purchased by the current owner in 2002,” she said. “The owner has taken great care to pay homage to the original stone structure on the property by designing the main house and guest house additions to reflect the original structure.”

That history also precedes the Estate Chocolate Hole Home Owners Association, O’Connell explained.

“Stone Post Cottage is located in Estate Chocolate Hole but actually precedes the Home Owners Association therefore allowing for some interesting property uses including the possibility of a bed and breakfast,” she said.

For more information, call O’Connell at (340) 998-1934 for more information on Stone Post Cottage.



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Stone Post Cottage accommodations include a three bedroom main house with pool, below, and a stone guest house, above. There is also a Caribbean cottage on the two-acre property.



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Arsons: 0

1st Degree Burglaries: 3

2nd Degree Burglaries: 3

3rd Degree Burglaries: 40

Grand Larcenies: 72

Rapes: 1

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So I'm suggesting this: Mr. Governor and our legislative bodies, our biggest single threat to the economic health of the Virgin Islands isn't crime or surly cab drivers, it's WAPA utility rates that are driving legitimate business — restaurants, grocery stores, villa rentals — to the wall!

For God's sake, someone with power to act do something!

**Mike Kolb and  
Eileen Victor**

### Little Detroit

Google "Detroit" and see what comes up.

Spend some time investigating the troubles they're having with crime, schools, businesses and government. Check out the political climate and the overall demographic of the people.

It is the most popular city in Michigan, but it is also one of the most confusing. Citizens want a better governing body, yet they keep electing from the same gene pool.

Old and new buildings dominate the landscapes. Schools, hospitals and churches are closing while new liquor stores are opening up. Hard working people are hustling to earn a dollar yet spend it on the next hot item.

These are some of the traits that Detroit and, unfortunately, the U.S. Virgin Islands have in common. It is amazing and sad to see the similarities even though we are miles apart. The question is - why.

Here is one of the reasons - we think alike politically, socially and emotionally. Our most dominant party wants to give away everything which cannot happen if the income dries up and it encourages people to be

dependent.

"Can't we all get along," is often the cry. But some folks are so bent on having their own "carnal" way, that it is tearing the community apart. And emotionally, we are not as grown up as our outward bodies suggest. Internally we harbor childish feelings and attitudes that keep us from making mature decisions.

I have not even touched on the physical aspect of our land. It is appalling to see our environment littered with unused items and trash. What does that say about us?

Are we actually going to see the destruction of this once beautiful American city and follow in its footsteps? It could be that the Virgin Islands can led Detroit back to a place of stability.

But it can only happen if we foster a new vision, thinking and lifestyle.

**Emmanuel Prince**

Please note: There are wonderful people in Detroit and the Virgin Islands who every day work hard to make life better. Thank you.

### Crossword Answers — Puzzle on Page 20

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### Correction

The "St. John Physical Therapy Opens at Marketplace" article in the January 21-27, 2013 issue of *St. John Tradewinds* included the incorrect phone number. The phone number is (340) 514-2376. *St. John Tradewinds* apologize for the error.

## ISLAND NOTES

**DON'T FORGET:  
February Is Black History Month**



## ISLAND GREEN LIVING

by Lovango Cay resident Dan Boyd

### Battery Technology

Lately I have been getting more and more calls from people who want to go off-grid or who want a battery backup system for their home. Although both are good ways to cut back on WAPA bills, a drawback is that these systems require proper maintenance for you to get the most from your investment.

Batteries must be maintained. Water levels need to be topped off, corrosion needs to be addressed and the state of the charge needs to be kept in the top 80 percent. If you do not take care of all three items, your batteries can be useless in no time.

Water is essential for lead acid batteries to function. It must be distilled water, because any minerals in the water will attach themselves to the lead plates inside the battery, decreasing the battery's efficiency. Automatic watering systems are now available that make watering the batteries much easier.

There are also sealed batteries on the market called AGM (absorbed glass mat) batteries as well as gel cell batteries. The problem with sealed batteries is that if you overcharge them, they become useless very quickly. They also

cost almost twice as much as a lead acid battery.

Corrosion is another problem. It usually starts around the positive and negative terminals where some acid may be escaping the battery, which causes a buildup of sulfides on your terminal posts. If it is not cleaned up quickly, your efficiency suffers and your battery starts to degrade. Once you clean and reattach the terminals, you can swab them with a lanolin solution or just axle grease to stop the corrosion from reoccurring.

Battery state of charge is probably the biggest misunderstanding in battery maintenance. Most off-grid systems nowadays employ 24-, 36-, or 48-volt systems. So, most people think that their batteries are full when the charge is at 24, 36, or 48 volts. That is where the problem begins and continues to get worse as time goes on.

Batteries are rated in cycles, so a 24-volt system with 120 cycles will work only 120 times from full charge to depleted charge. A full charge on a 24-volt system is actually 24.6 volts ! Now if you charge that battery to 28 volts, you have lots of charge to use. If you keep that battery at 24.6 or above,

you will not cycle the battery and your battery will last for years and years.

I try to keep my batteries at my home in the 100 percent state at all times. When I go to bed at night, my battery system is around 25.5 volts after charging with my solar system all day. When I wake in the morning, the batteries are usually around 24.9 to 25 volts. So, by the time the sun is back up, my batteries are still in their 100 percent charge. My bank of batteries is now almost six years old and still in great shape.

I am not trying to discourage the use of batteries — they do work well. I have been living off-grid on a battery bank for more than 15 years now and have not had to pay WAPA any money since then! I have had to buy batteries, though.

Understanding and maintaining a battery system are essential to making your batteries last for a long time.

For a greener tomorrow.

*Dan Boyd of Island Solar is a Virgin Islands Energy Office authorized vendor. For more information contact Boyd at 340-626-9685 or by email at islandso-larvi@gmail.com.*

### Horseback Riding on St. John

This photo by Alan Rinehart was taken in 1936. It is part of a recent donation of historic photographs and press releases to St. John Historical Society by Barbara and Dave Murray. The collection belonged to Barbara Murray's father, the late Mac Mitchell.



St. John Tradewinds News Photo  
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## The White Roof Project

### Dear EarthTalk:

*I've heard that simply painting your roof white can reduce household electricity bills by 40 percent. Is this something any of us can do?*

**Susan Pierson  
Sumter, SC**

Yes anyone can do it — and the benefits can be significant, especially for those in warmer climates who expend a lot of energy keeping cool. But most of the world's roofs, including on some 90 percent of buildings in the U.S., are dark-colored.

Dark colored roofs absorb more heat from the sun's rays than light colored ones, and as such get much hotter. A black roof exposed to full sun can increase in temperature by as much as 90°F, meaning the air conditioning inside has to work that much harder to compensate for the added heat load.

But a white or reflective roof typically increases temperatures only 10 to 25°F above ambient air temperatures during the day. This translates into a savings of up to 15 percent on air conditioning energy use over a year for a typical one-story residence, according to the U.S. Department of Energy.

The upshot of this energy savings is not only cost savings for the consumer — annual energy bill savings of 20 to 40 percent aren't uncommon for single story homes in America's Sun Belt — but also reduced air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions generated in the production of electricity.

A white roof also helps keep buildings and houses without air conditioning cooler in the summer than they would otherwise be. And it also helps mitigate the "urban heat island effect" whereby a city



*St. John Tradewinds News Photo Courtesy of White Roof Project*

Some 90 percent of U.S. buildings have dark-colored roofs which, when exposed to full sun can increase in temperature by as much as 90 °F. A white roof typically increases temperatures only 10-25 °F above ambient air temperatures during the day. Pictured: The White Roof Project at work.

can be 6 to 8°F warmer than its surrounding areas on warm summer days.

The non-profit White Roof Project promotes the concept across the U.S. and last year painted some 30 buildings, helping hundreds of families lower their energy bills in the process.

"A white roof project is low cost, easy to implement, relieves stress on the power grid, cuts down on smog, and creates tangible change for individuals, our communities, and even globally," reported the group, which is looking to expand its work across the country significantly in 2013 and expand internationally in 2014.

The White Roof Projects gives away instructions (via a free downloadable "DIY Packet") to help do-it-yourselfers paint their

own roofs white without hiring a painter or roofer. All it takes is a few painting supplies, a couple of cans of highly reflective elastomeric white paint, and a plan for how to cover all relevant surfaces properly and safely.

Those who would rather hire someone to do the ladder climbing and paint application can hire any local painter or roofer.

While green roofs may be preferable from a strictly environmental perspective in that they contain plants that filter pollutants and reduce run-off, white roofs may indeed provide more overall environmental benefit for the cost of a couple of cans of special white paint. Indeed, painting the roof white might be the best energy efficiency improvement one can make to one's building or house.

**SEND LETTERS, GUEST OPINIONS & OBITUARIES:** [editor@tradewinds.vi](mailto:editor@tradewinds.vi)

## Rotary Awards Mathayom Chefs



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Mathayom Vacharat, left, accepted an award from Rotary Club St. John recently for his winning dish at the group's Flavors fundraiser in November. Vacharat, owner of Mathayom Private Chefs and St. John Catering, won Best Entree for his seared pork tenderloin with butternut squash puree, savory tomato asparagus bread and rosemary gastrique.

## Neighbors Worry About Mosquito Problem at Voyages Building



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

The once grand Voyages building in Cruz Bay, which has sat empty for several years, has recently prompted neighbors to complain. An over-grown unused swimming pool in the back of the building has neighbors in the area worried about mosquito breeding.

## Dennis Romero Thrills Crowd at Sun Dog Open Mic Night

### St. John Tradewinds

St. John residents and visitors alike enjoyed an impromptu treat on Wednesday night, January 23, at Sun Dog Cafe's weekly open mic night when Dennis "Fly" Romero took the stage.

Romero is best known as the guitarist of the hit band Orleans. He wowed the crowd with his vocals, guitar riffs, and electric energy — at one point even commandeering Mark Wallace's guitar when Romero's own required unexpected tech work on the fly.

Once he had repaired it, Wallace had the treat of playing Romero's guitar while Romero continued to



Dennis Romero

play Wallace's guitar.

Sun Dog owner Barbie Barry joined Romero on harmonica

while her husband Michael Barry snapped photos from the sidelines.

Washboard, bass guitar, mandolin, piano, harmonica, and congo drum were just a few of the 14-instrument band which accompanied Romero.

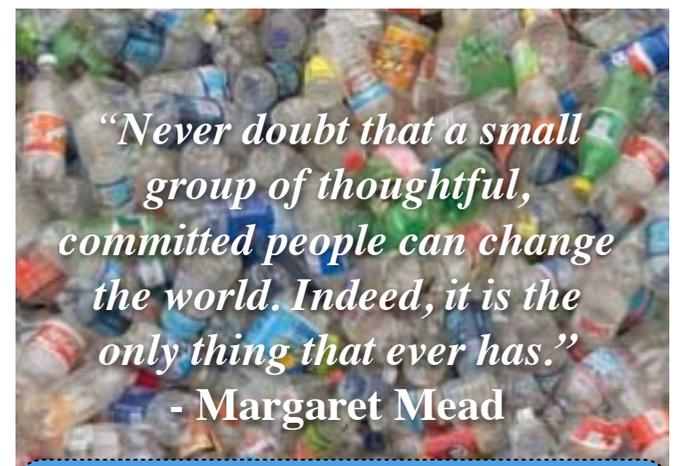
Romero stole the show with such favorites as "Dance With Me" in which the entire crowd sang along and danced in the aisles.

The Sun Dog Cafe crowd showed its appreciation for Romero's visiting talents with a standing ovation before he handed the mic back to emcee Wallace.

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April 25, 2013: Virgin Islands Recycling Partnership; panel discussion and ways to get involved in trash reduction on our islands.

May 23, 2013: NOAA Green Construction Rewards Program/IGBA Partnership

Last Thursday of the Month @ 6pm.



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## Full State of Entertainment Planned for Relay for Life

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The bags will be placed around the perimeter of the track and held in place with a small mound of sand. At 9 p.m. candles inside the bags will be lit and survivors will take to the track to the sound of live steel pan and somber drumming.

Live bands will take to the stage and entertain the crowd starting around 11:30 p.m. and going all the way to 4 a.m. The evening will also feature fire dancing, a Zumba class and even dance performances.

There will also be plenty of children's activities, from face painting to tug of war, throughout the night as well.

In the morning, breakfast will be served and a blessing will be offered. The closing ceremony will begin around 6 a.m. with the event officially over at 10 a.m.

While the funds generated from Relay for Life are important, which go to support free and discounted

medical screenings, offset transportation costs for cancer patients and more, organizers also want participants to enjoy themselves.

"We want everyone to have fun," said Lorraine Baa, American Cancer Society's St. Thomas/St. John Chapter Executive Director. "We want the night to be exciting and keep everyone on their feet."

There are several different cancer organizations in the territory, and each one is needed, Baa added.

"Cancer is bigger than all of us," she said. "We are all working together in this fight. We need as many resources as we can get."

It's still not too late to get involved. St. John Relay for Life organizers still need volunteers and teams are still welcome to register. For more information call Baa at 775-5373, or Loren Abramson at 513-2159 or email [lmabramson@hotmail.com](mailto:lmabramson@hotmail.com).

Teams can also register online at <http://www.relayforlife.org/getinvolved/signupvolunteer/index>.

## GHS Students Help Eliminate Lionfish Threat

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everyone involved in this."

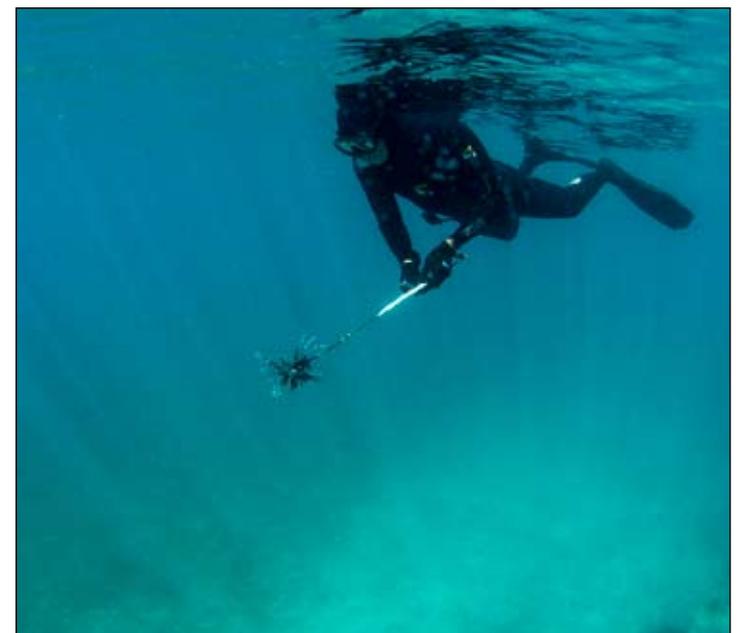
The group snorkeled in bays from Haulover to Chocolate Hole and successfully eliminated about three to four lionfish each day, according to Cummings.

While the students themselves did not handle the spear guns, they were a huge help in identifying the fish, Cummings added.

While CORE continues to host trainings and routine searches for lionfish, the group needs assistance.

"We need funds," said Cummings. "It's a pretty effective response, but we need money. We were flat broke and then got some funds from Friends of V.I. National Park, but that will only last a few months."

For more information about CORE and how to help in the fight against lionfish, call St. John CORE representative Leslie Charpentier at (340) 344-2989.



*St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Fernando Ramos*

A diver spears a lionfish identified by GHS students.

## Caribbean Reception Will Look at Land and Sea

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the Japanese's obvious dedication to quality and fine detail. It was just what Western artists needed with the onslaught of the Industrial Revolution that had diminished their own sensibilities."

A second trip, this time to Boston's Museum of Fine Arts, led Boulon deeper on her path of discovery, she explained.

"I have been delving deeper and deeper into the origins and pervasiveness of the Japanese aesthetic influence up through present day contemporary artists whose work I admire in all the arts — visual, ceramic, performing, music, fine woodworking, glass,

poetry, and others," said the artist. "This September I visited the Museum of Fine Arts Boston and explored part of the more than 40,000 Japanese art pieces they house, including Ukio-e prints, baskets, pottery and kimonos."

"My desire for the inclusion of other arts with mine that embrace this influence and experimentation in the Caribbean setting has led me to the series of shows that I collectively named Caribbean, Caribbean-Japanese Fusion in Art," said Boulon.

The evening will also feature hor hors d'oeuvres prepared by Chef Andy Marcellin and wines by West Indies Wines.

## DeJongh Names Rodney Querrard Acting VIPD Commissioner and VIPD Assistant Commissioner

### St. John Tradewinds

On Tuesday morning, January 22, Governor John deJongh appointed retired St. Thomas/St. John V.I. Police Department Chief Rodney Querrard, as Assistant VIPD Commissioner.

At the same time, deJongh named Querrard as Acting VIPD Commissioner effective immediately.

"I am extremely pleased at Rodney's decision to return from retirement to government service and I look forward to his working with me as we transform the leadership of the Virgin Islands Police Department to meet our daily challenges in law enforcement," deJongh said.

Querrard retired as Police Chief in April 2012 having served in that capacity since June 2007. Prior to his tenure as VIPD Chief, Querrard served for almost nine years as a member of the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Task Force.

During his tenure in the VIPD, which began in May 1987, Querrard held supervisory positions as the Muriel C. Newton and Leander Jurgen commands on St. Thomas and St. John. During his assignment in HIDTA, Querrard earned the rank of Police Lieutenant.

## Mangrove Cuckoo Rehabbed



St. John Tradewinds News Photos Courtesy of Judy Buchholz

St. John bird expert Phyllis Benton recently helped rehab an injured mangrove cuckoo bird. The bird was found near Centerline Road and had an injured eye, which was healed up by the time Benton released it.



## Police Log

### Friday, January 18

11:30 a.m. - Badge 1263 p/ at Leander Jurgen Command with one Wilfred Smith of Anna's Retreat, St. Thomas, under arrest and charged with simple assault and battery. Bail was set at \$500 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.

1:30 p.m. - A St. Thomas resident p/r that her boat tickets, valued at \$210, were stolen. Grand larceny.

2:00 p.m. - A visitor from Georgia p/r that he lost his driver's license in the area of the St. Thomas airport. Lost documents.

6:06 p.m. - A Virgin Grand Estates resident c/r that a male was sitting in the bushes. Suspicious activity.

11:41 p.m. - A guest at the Westin Resort and Villas c/r that she lost her wallet. Lost wallet.

### Saturday, January 19

3:27 p.m. - Badge #1230 p/ at Leander Jurgen Command with one Charee Charles of Bovoni, St. Thomas, under arrest and charged with simple possession of a controlled substance. Bail was set at \$500 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.

3:30 p.m. - An Estate Bethany resident p/r that she lost her passport in the area of Caneel Bay. Lost documents.

6:30 p.m. - An Estate Bethany resident r/ that a dog attacked her dog. Dogs injuring stock.

9:08 p.m. - An Estate Contant resident r/ an assault. Aggravated assault and battery.

11:03 p.m. - An Estate Contant resident c/requesting police assistance. Police assistance.

### Sunday, January 20

12:48 a.m. - A citizen c/r loud music in the area of Coral Bay. Loud music.

9:58 a.m. - A citizen c/r an auto accident in the area of the Cruz Bay roundabout. Auto collision.

1:10 p.m. - A Saunder's Gut resident c/requesting police assistance to retrieve items from a female who has a restraining order against him. Police assistance.

1:47 p.m. - An Estate Contant resident p/r that he had a verbal altercation with his cousin. Disturbance of the peace, D.V.

2:55 p.m. - A St. Thomas resident p/r that her co-worker lost a GPS belonging to UVI. Lost property.

5:44 p.m. - Badge #1205 p/ at Leander Jurgen Command with one Jose Bolques of Estate Chocolate Hole under arrest and charged with DUI and negligent driving. Bail was set at \$500 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.

### Monday, January 21

2:23 p.m. - U.S. Coast Guard and St. John Rescue c/requesting police assistance with a male in distress in open water near Caneel Bay who was trying to paddle to Tortola from Cruz Bay. Police assistance.

### Tuesday, January 22

11:25 a.m. - An employee at C&C Car Rental c/requesting police assistance with a customer. Police assistance.

### Wednesday, January 23

9:08 a.m. - An Estate Enighed resident p/r lost property. Lost property.

4:41 p.m. - A citizen c/r suspicious activity. Suspicious activity.

4:42 p.m. - A citizen c/r an auto collision on Centerline Road. Auto collision.

8:05 p.m. - A citizen c/requesting police assistance to locate his neighbor who may have been intoxicated and operating a vehicle. Police assistance.

### Thursday, January 24

5:11 p.m. - The people of the Virgin Islands r/ loud music in the area of Cruz Bay. Loud music.

5:52 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident c/requesting police assistance. Police assistance.

10:00 p.m. - A citizen c/r that a male in the area of Cruz Bay appeared to be siphoning gas. Police assistance.

### Friday, January 25

2:45 a.m. - A citizen c/r loud music in The Valley. Loud music.

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### St. John

On Thursday, December 13, at 9 a.m., a couple staying at the Westin Resort and Villas discovered several of their personal belongings had been stolen from their suite. The items stolen include a woman's John Hardy bracelet and Maui Jim sunglasses and a man's Essa Kawaja watch. The total retail value of the stolen items is more than \$11,000.

### St. Thomas

On Saturday, December 8, at 3:50 a.m., police officers responded to a call of shots fired in the vicinity of the Metropolis Night Club and Doctor's Choice Pharmacy in the Sub Base area. The of-

ficers were advised that a volley of gunfire erupted between at least two shooters and that a male victim was being transported to the R.L. Schneider Medical Center. The victim, Keith Dawson Jr., died at the hospital from a gunshot wound.

The minimum cash reward for the arrest of a burglar is \$714 plus 10 percent of the retail value of property recovered. The minimum reward for the arrest of a homicide suspect is \$1,500. The maximum reward is \$2,500. Be part of the solution.

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If a tip leads to an arrest or the recovery of stolen property, illegal drugs, or weapons, tipsters will receive a reward to be paid according to their instructions. Only anonymous callers to Crime Stoppers are eligible for these cash rewards.

# 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.

## Monday, January 28

— Governor John deJongh will deliver his annual State of the Territory Address before a formal session of the 30th Legislature on Monday, January 28. The session will be convened by Senate President Shawn-Michael Malone at 6:45 p.m. and deJongh is expected to begin his address at 7 p.m.

## Tuesday, January 29

Delegate to Congress Donna Christensen will host town hall meetings across the territory during the Congressional District Work Period next week to discuss her agenda for the 113th Congress and to take and answer questions from constituents. The town hall meeting on St. John will be at the Julius Sprauve School from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, January 29.

## Wednesday, January 30

— Lieutenant Governor Gregory Francis announced that Cruz Bay is among the three local communities that have been selected as pilot projects for the Virgin Islands Street Addressing Initiative. The project team will meet on Wednesday, January 30, at St. Ursula's Multipurpose Center from 3:30 to 5 p.m.

## Thursday, January 31

— The Island Green Build-

ing Association and Giffit Hill School's Education and Resiliency Through Horticulture program are proud to present a screening of the award-winning environmental documentary Bag It at the GHS upper campus atrium on Thursday, January 31, at 6 p.m. This free event is open to the public.

## Sunday, February 3

— The Unitarian Universalists of St. John meet every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the Great Room at Giffit Hill School Lower Campus. The guest speaker for Sunday, February 3, is Merry Stockwell, who will speak on "Notes From My Pilgrimage to Transylvania — Did you know that our Unitarian roots are indeed in Transylvania?" More info call 776-6332.

## Tuesday, February 5

— The Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Care Relay for Life team is hosting a bake sale on Tuesday, February 5, at MKSCHC from 8:30 a.m. until the goodies run out.

— St. John Film Society will host a number of films from the 4th Annual Traveling Caribbean Film Showcase this year. The group kicks off the festival with three films on Cuba on Tuesday, February 5, at 7:30 p.m. at St. John School of the Arts.

## 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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## PRIMATE CENTER

### ACROSS

- 1 Oscar-winning film director Frank
- 6 Playful sea animal
- 11 Happy tunes
- 16 Parent's bro
- 19 As slippery as —
- 20 "Way to go!"
- 21 Actress — Aimée
- 22 Japanese theater
- 23 Newport News is on it
- 26 Genetic strand
- 27 Guanaco kin
- 28 Kitchen stove
- 29 In and of —
- 31 Loose stone used for foundations
- 35 Wife on "The Dick Van Dyke Show"
- 37 Post-seminar session
- 41 Legendary Giant Mel
- 42 Curse
- 43 Greek war deity
- 44 "— wait" ("The issue isn't that urgent")
- 45 By land —
- 47 Associations
- 49 "I taut I — a pudgy tat!"
- 50 Lang. of Iran
- 51 Snaky curve
- 53 Naval letters
- 55 Anti vote
- 56 Meyers of TV
- 57 Have existence
- 58 They're milder than jalapeños
- 62 Scratchy-voiced
- 64 Judges' org.
- 66 Petri dish gelatin
- 67 In-favor vote

- 68 2012 film taglined "25 events, 2 brothers, 1 champion"
- 74 Discharge from the military, informally
- 75 Comet Hale- —
- 76 Queens loc.
- 77 As — (at present)
- 79 Result in formal punishment
- 84 Klink's title: Abbr.
- 86 Span. lady
- 87 IM giggle
- 88 Uno tripled
- 89 Caddy quaff
- 90 — dieu (prayer bench)
- 91 Bit of wit
- 92 Door fixture
- 94 Ensnare
- 97 Gold-medal figure skater Oksana
- 99 "— la vie!"
- 100 Vision-blocking mist
- 102 Hawaii's Mauna —
- 103 Rubberlike gum used as a dental cement
- 105 Journalists and the like
- 108 See 7-Down
- 109 Deportee, e.g.
- 110 Guanaco kin
- 112 Light, nutritionwise
- 116 Vigoda or Lincoln
- 117 Alternate title for this puzzle
- 122 Hi- — screen
- 123 Arctic dweller
- 124 "Impossible!"
- 125 Mall lures
- 126 Comic actor Carney
- 127 Abnormal sacs
- 128 Wowed
- 129 Royal decree

### DOWN

- 1 Superior vena —
- 2 Indigo dye
- 3 Crime doer
- 4 Considers
- 5 Actress Witt
- 6 Asian sash
- 7 With 108-Across, singing syllables
- 8 Keg spigot
- 9 — and 111-Down
- 10 President after Jimmy
- 11 Listlessness
- 12 Paper extras
- 13 TV/radio host Dobbs
- 14 Cup-shaped flower
- 15 Went blading
- 16 Weaken insidiously
- 17 Not sequential
- 18 Rub raw
- 24 More down-covered
- 25 Bull — china shop
- 30 RBIs or HRs
- 32 Freshly capped tire
- 33 Curves
- 34 Entertainer Zadora
- 36 Delighted in
- 37 Doha's land
- 38 Noah's Ark landing site
- 39 Relatively recent
- 40 Draft-ready
- 45 Inedible kind of orange
- 46 Have — (plop down)
- 48 Pt. of OS
- 50 Miner's goal
- 52 Fruitopia rival
- 54 Door opening for peeping
- 58 Pork product
- 59 Role for Fran Drescher
- 60 Dilettantish
- 61 Filthy riches
- 63 Lima's land
- 65 Entertainer Neuwirth
- 69 Joan —
- 70 Beat — to one's door
- 71 Interest accumulation
- 72 How freelancing may be done
- 73 "Take your time"
- 78 "Polly — cracker?"
- 79 Kind
- 80 Club outsider
- 81 Most overcast
- 82 Positive-thinking pastor
- 83 Perfume name that sounds verboten
- 85 Tree yielding a highly saturated fat
- 90 Gyro wrap
- 93 Naval jail
- 95 Collection for a handyman
- 96 Easy-to-swallow pills
- 98 Ga.'s ocean
- 99 Lobster's cousin
- 101 Of the fate one merits
- 103 Zodiac twins
- 104 Plaza Hotel girl of fiction
- 105 Comic Anne
- 106 Spring flower
- 107 Set (down)
- 111 9-Down and —
- 113 Nero's 451
- 114 Sir Guinness
- 115 "— we forget ..."
- 118 Xi preceders
- 119 Pan Am rival
- 120 "Yee- —!"
- 121 Uvea's place

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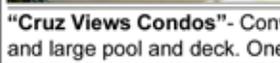
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# CBCC Updating Coral Bay Watershed Management Plan Using NFWF Grant Funds

## St. John Tradewinds

The Coral Bay Community Council announced last week the receipt of a \$45,755 grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Coral Reef Conservation Fund and its funding partner, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

The purpose of the grant is to update the existing Coral Bay Watershed Management Plan, published in 2008, using the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Handbook for Developing Watershed Plans to Restore and Protect Our Waters.

The grant commits CBCC to a one-to-one match of in-kind funds, including volunteer services, donations, and partner activities, for a project with a total effort of close to \$92,000.

By updating the existing Coral Bay Watershed Management Plan, CBCC will have a basis for prioritizing future stormwater and floating debris management efforts and obtaining funding sources for implementing these efforts.

The intent of the plan update is to address two major water quality threats: sediment in stormwater runoff, and floating marine debris pollution.

Currently CBCC and its volunteers are tackling a range of data gathering activities, from conducting a monthly shoreline debris study at Nanny Point, Friis Bay and along the Coral Harbor shoreline to collecting weekly water clarity data in the harbor and Johnson Bay using secchi disks.

Each data collection activity, along with previously collected data and computer modeling, is intended to help

determine the pollutant load in the watershed. That information will be used to set targets for allowable amount of pollutants and for developing strategies to reduce sediment and floating debris in Coral Bay.

By fall 2013, CBCC should be ready to discuss applicable sediment management strategies with various Coral Bay neighborhoods and home owners associations.

This project is one part of the larger Phase 2 Coral Bay Watershed Management Project being conducted by CBCC and its partners. In addition to community members, CBCC is also partnering with a number of territorial and federal government agencies, University of the Virgin Islands and other researchers, a variety of non-profit organizations, developers, and local businesses to undertake this watershed management planning effort.

In Phase 1, CBCC focused on implementing the first watershed management plan by bringing stormwater management engineering expertise to Coral Bay and showing that best management practices could reduce sediment reaching the bay.

CBCC sees a broadening scope for Phase 2, including a community visioning process, and conducting multiple studies and planning activities with strong community involvement and numerous grants.

These activities include updating the five-year-old watershed management plan to add turbidity and floating debris load targets (the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation/National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Coral Reef Conservation Fund project described above);

and development of a marine uses plan.

CBCC conducted agency and public kick-off meetings for Phase 2 in November 2012 and hosted marine uses planning meetings in December 2012 and January 2013.

CBCC has also submitted grant applications to receive funding and resources for planning for water, wastewater, and solid waste management capacity studies and historical preservation — components of the overall planning activities in the watershed management project.

All of CBCC's watershed management planning efforts would not be possible without community support. CBCC Environmental Projects Manager, Patricia Reed, especially thanked Nancy Stomp, Patty and Leif Ekholm, Dondi Reed, Phil Strenger, Gabe Brooker and Byph for helping with the shoreline debris monitoring and secchi disk efforts of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation/NOAA Coral Reef Conservation Fund project.

"Without these volunteers, this essential data would not be available," said Reed. "These volunteers are demonstrating the important role that community members can have in helping take care of Coral Bay and shaping the community's future."

More volunteers are always welcome, Reed added.

CBCC's office (across from the Coral Bay fire station) is open Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. CBCC encourages people to stop by the office to discuss the project and volunteer to assist. People can also contact CBCC at 340-776-2099 or coralbaycommunitycouncil@hotmail.com.

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<p><b>"STONE POST COTTAGE"</b> Caribbean charm on a 1.5 ac. lot of lush tropical gardens in Chocolate Hole. 3bdrm/3bth main house, stone guesthouse, &amp; a small island cottage. Spacious deck wraps around 55'x15' lap pool, spa and gazebo.</p> <p>MLS 13-7 <b>\$1,950,000</b></p>	<p><b>"SEA TURTLE VILLA"</b> is a contemporary Skytop home with amazing water views, 2 master suites, 3 baths, tropical landscaping, pool, &amp; open architecture set amidst secluded privacy. Great vacation villa or island home!</p> <p>MLS 12-301 <b>\$1,295,000</b></p>	<p><b>"PARADISE ON THE ROCKS"</b> Tropical living, big views &amp; masonry home—centrally-located on Ajax Peak. Two units: - 2 bedrooms, 2 baths and great room upstairs; private entry 1 bedroom apartment downstairs. Rent one, live in the other!</p> <p>MLS 10-351 <b>\$1,150,000</b></p>	<p><b>"TREE PALMS"</b> Versatile 5 BR 5 BA property with solid rental history. Charming home w/ 2 kitchens, covered verandas, stone entrance, garden fountain, concrete pool and spa deck. Solar panels, and ocean views complete the package!</p> <p>MLS 13-3 <b>\$995,000</b></p>	<p><b>"SEABISCUIT"</b> is a winner! Charming 2x2 Caribbean style masonry villa with panoramic views, very private pool &amp; hot tub. Breezy location convenient to Coral Bay. Walk to shoreline watersports.</p> <p>MLS 11-390 <b>\$895,000</b></p>	<p><b>"LOVE VIEW TOO"</b> 2 br/3bth w/ sweeping views to East End &amp; BVI. Concordia home near Salt Pond Bay and US National Park is all-masonry construction w/ pool. Villa w/ pod living is ideal for rental or family retreat.</p> <p>MLS 12-139 <b>\$850,000</b></p>
<p><b>"SEA BLOSSOM"</b> A Caribbean style 3.5x3 home in peaceful Fish Bay. Solid masonry construction, pool, and turnkey short-term rental capabilities make this a great value in today's market.</p> <p>MLS 12-51 <b>\$810,000</b></p>	<p><b>"UPPER CAROLINA" 3X3</b> - Recently upgraded &amp; well kept house with 3 income producing units. Easy access to Cruz Bay and beaches.</p> <p>MLS 11-386 &amp; 11-387 <b>House alone \$575,000. With land \$795,000.</b></p>	<p><b>"CARIBBEAN COTTAGE RETREAT"</b> Relax in this comfortable home surrounded by trees, orchids and birds. Quiet private neighborhood has deeded rights to a beach. You won't get peace like this at a better price. Don't miss this opportunity!</p> <p>MLS 12-177 <b>\$249,000</b></p>	<p><b>"GALLOWS POINT"</b> Unit 9C—one bedroom, 1.5 bath loft with private deck/patio, common beach, pool and spa. Restaurant and concierge services on property. Walk to town!</p> <p>MLS 11-187 <b>\$1,100,000</b></p>	<p><b>"LAVENDER HILL"</b> Luxurious 1 bedroom unit adjacent to pool with 2 decks. Walk to beach and town. Handsomely furnished, immaculately maintained, excellent rental management.</p> <p>MLS 12-249 <b>\$575,000</b></p>	<p><b>"OWN A MONTH IN A LUXURY HOME"</b> Choose a 3 BR 3.5 BA or a 4 BR 4.5 BA villa in upscale Virgin Grand Estates. These 3,000 sq ft villas feature STT &amp; sunset views, pool, AC &amp; more.</p> <p><b>Priced from \$54,000</b></p>

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## Roots Reggae Legends Rock Love City

Love City's own Inner Visions were among the acts, including Reemah and Duane Stephenson, which kept the massive crowd on its feet. Roots Reggae legends Steel Pulse was the night's headlining band the duo did not disappoint, rocking the crowd till the wee hours of the night.

After the big concert in the park, the revelers took to the water on Sunday, January 27, for a boat trip to Jost Van Dyke which wrapped up this year's Love City Live! festivities.

