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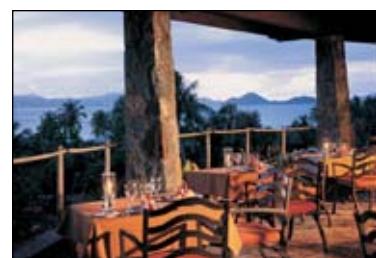
Coral Bay Community Council officials recently released the results of the group's Community Visioning Survey which included some surprises. See story on Page 4. Answers from more than 200 residents were used to form the graph, above, which illustrates what people like least about the area including the lack of a gas station and the location of the dumpsters.

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The Caneel Bay Resort Floupe, above, took first place in the St. John July Fourth Festival Parade.

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- 2- Westin Resort
- 3- Hibiscus Dancers

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- 1- Under the Sea
- 2- Gypsy Troupe
- 3- Infernos

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- BVI Sky Dancers

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- 1- St. Thomas Majorettes
- 2- Charming Twirlers

Traditional

- 1- Shaka Zulu
- 2- Tropical Masqueraders

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Volunteers Needed To Remove Signs

Coral Bay Community Council officials are looking for volunteers this month to help remove all the remaining signs and sign posts from the NOAA – ARRA stormwater projects.

The group will reuse the posts for fence posts and sign posts at the wetlands corner park in Coral Bay. Residents are asked to bring the posts and still usable signs to the CBCC parking lot and office by July 31. For more information on how to help call CBCC at 776-2099.

Green Construction Seminar July 16th

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in conjunction with the Island Green Building Association will host a Green Construction Training seminar on Tuesday, July 16, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Ursula's multipurpose center.

This one-day workshop is free. Engineers, architects, landscapers, contractors, equipment operators, and anyone else who is interested is welcome to attend. Representatives from IGBA and NOAA, as well as local green construction experts, will discuss topics including landscaping, building green in the USVI, and the reality of going green. The workshop will include a field trip to local construction sites, where attendees can view and evaluate the application of green practices.

Attendees will receive a participation reward from IGBA, a \$100 value. NOAA and IGBA are partnering to offer valuable IGBA memberships, Tropical Residential Certification assistance, and green building consultation advice. Space is limited, and registration is required for this free workshop. Register for this informative and rewarding training before July 4 at www.horsleywitten.com/greenconstructiontraining/ or by emailing akitchell@horsleywitten.com.

JFLI Fundraiser Set for July 27th

John's Folly Learning Institute Summer Program is hosting a delicious fund raiser on Saturday, July 27, starting at noon.

Come on out and enjoy roast pork, baked chicken and fried grouper along with all the sides including macaroni and cheese, fried plantains and more. Punch and dessert is included with each meal.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will benefit JFLI's planned trip to Ghana. For more information call 775-9594 or check out the website at www.johnsfolly.org. See you there!

CBCC "Next Steps" Meeting July 29th

Coral Bay Community Council is hosting an AIA workshop follow-up meeting on Monday, July 29, at 6 p.m. in room six at Guy Benjamin School.

At the meeting, residents will discuss "Next Steps" based on the presentation of the American Institute of Architects and community concerns from the May workshop which included more than 120 Coral Bay residents and property owners.

The Coral Bay Vision survey results, available at <http://sdry.ms/13Tvo4K>, will also be discussed. CBCC officials will also form a Steering Committee of residents to lead those "Next Steps."

ACC's Flea Market Set for October 19th

"No Fleas, Please," the St. John Animal Care Center's annual flea market, will be Saturday, October 19, at the Winston Wells ball field from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Donated wares are now being accepted. Call the shelter at 774-1625 for information about pickup of furniture and volunteering to help with setting up the fair.

DPW Inches Toward Starting Repairs to Crumbling Centerline Road

Bid packages due by Tuesday, July 16

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Department of Public Works officials continue to inch toward repairing a heavily damaged section of Centerline Road.

Several sections of Centerline Road, the lone road connecting Coral Bay to Cruz Bay, were initially damaged in the wake of heavy rains from Tropical Storm Otto in fall 2010. A section of Fish Bay Road was also damaged at that time.

Almost three years later, a mid-May rainfall which sent large chunks of asphalt fell down the hillside, made the situation even worse.

A section of Centerline Road, located near the Upper Carolina subdivision turnoff, is now so undermined only one lane is passable and residents fear it will give way entirely, making it impossible to drive from Coral Bay to Cruz Bay.

After the road was damaged in 2010, DPW officials placed orange cones and barriers in the affected areas, yet no other actions had been taken until recently.

When the gaping hole near Upper Carolina first appeared, DPW placed larger orange barriers in the area. While more lasting repairs were delayed due to stringent application requirements by the Federal Highway Administration, according to DPW officials, residents kicked off a campaign to improve safety on the partially blind corner.



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Jaime Elliott

Signs alert drivers of the single lane passable on Centerline Road near the Upper Carolina subdivision turnoff.

In June, signs announcing a single lane ahead were erected on either side of the affected area and last month officials installed speed bumps and an asphalt berm around the most severely eroded area to direct water away from the hole.

DPW's plans, specifications and estimates for the project were approved by Federal Highway Administration officials on May 23.

Bid packages were finally issued in mid-June and this Tuesday, July 16, is the deadline to submit packages, explained DPW Commissioner Darryl Smalls.

"The next step is to evaluate the bids and select the most responsive bidder," said Smalls. "Shortly thereafter, and we do have to go through the whole contract, it is our objective to fast track the execution of the contract understanding the critical nature of that roadway."

"But obviously whoever is selected, they must have time to turn in all the documents like insurance and things," said Smalls. "And that takes a few weeks."

While Smalls declined to suggest a starting date for repairs to

Centerline Road, he agreed that work could begin by mid-August.

"If we were going in mid-August that would be great," he said. "I don't want to put a date on it because if I say August and then we don't start in August, that's not good."

Once the bid packages come back, Smalls will have a better idea of a timeline, the DPW Commissioner explained.

"I won't be able to be more definitive until the bids come in and we make sure we have a responsive bidder," he said. "We an-

Tropical Storm Chantal Churns South of U.S. Virgin Islands

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Tropical Storm Chantal steered clear of the Virgin Islands last week as it churned south of the territory Tuesday night, July 10.

The storm was the first to pose potential threats to the VI this hurricane season. It passed about 135 miles south of St. Croix around 11 p.m. on July 10 packing winds of up to 65 miles per hour.

St. John saw high winds from the storm with several wind gusts of up to 50 miles per hour reported in Coral Bay harbor.

While the National Hurricane Center issued a Tropical Storm Watch and Flash Flood Watch for the VI and predicted a soggy few days from

TS Chantal last week, St. John remained relatively dry.

The fast moving storm did not affect any incoming or outgoing flights from Cyril E. King Airport and ferries between Red Hook and Cruz Bay maintained their regular schedule, according to information from V.I. Port Authority.

While the territory was spared any damage from the storm, Virgin Islands responders were ready for action. The Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management Agency activated the St. Croix Emergency Operations Center at 5 p.m. July 10, as the storm passed south of the island. VITEMA closely monitored the system and kept its St. Thomas and St. John EOC's on standby throughout the night, according to in-

formation from the agency.

VITEMA Director Elton Lewis stood down the St. Croix EOC early Wednesday morning, July 11. Lewis thanked the VITEMA staff, the territory's Emergency Support Function coordinators and federal partners who supported the emergency response operations effort for Tropical Storm Chantal, according to the agency.

The remaining Hurricane and Storm Names for the 2013 season are Dorian, Erin, Fernand, Gabrielle, Humberto, Ingrid, Jerry, Karen, Lorenzo, Melissa, Nestor, Olga, Pablo, Rebekah, Sebastien, Tanya, Van and Wendy.

To receive alerts from VITEMA, visit www.VITEMA.gov to register for real-time safety alerts and notifications through VI Alert.

ticipate having responsive bidders, but we've had other instances where we have gotten zero responsive bidders."

While Smalls did not have specific information about the road repairs projects, several local contractors have claimed that DPW's bid package is a design build type. A design build package basically means the contractor would have to plan how to repair the road, which was supposedly what took almost three years to get approval from Federal Highway Administration.

"I'm hearing from bidders that this is a design build contract," said a Coral Bay resident. "That would mean that bidders are going to be making recommendations on what solutions are going to fix the road. This could explain why we're hearing it's going to take six months before the road is repaired."

In the meantime, Coral Bay residents who commute to Cruz Bay and Coral Bay business owners who rely on delivery of food and people over Centerline Road, hope the lone road connecting the towns hold up until the repairs are complete.

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After anchoring in Frank Bay in early June, the 155-foot vessel left the bay in early July, just a week before DPNR issued a reminder about the bay being off-limits to anchoring.

Leyland Sneed Prompts DPNR To Issue Reminder to Public That Frank Bay Is Off Limits to Anchoring, Mooring

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

When Frank Bay residents looked out their windows on Friday, June 7, they were shocked to find the *Leyland Sneed* anchored just off shore.

The 155-foot vessel had been docked at the Enighed Pond Marine Facility for months before being moved over to Frank Bay. With lines attached to trees on shore and several anchors on the ocean floor, residents weren't the only ones concerned about the vessel's new location.

V.I. Water and Power Authority has submerged electrical cables in the area, which were dangerously close to the *Leyland Sneed*'s anchors, according to several people familiar with the situation.

The boat's presence and potential damage to WAPA resources prompted several residents to call Department of Planning and Natural Resources' Division of Enforcement to report the possible danger.

After about a month, DPNR officials issued a press release last week — which did not mention *Leyland Sneed* by name — to remind boaters that Frank Bay is actually off limits to all anchoring and mooring.

DPNR Commissioner Alicia Barnes reminds the boating community that Frank Bay, St. John, is not a designated anchoring or mooring area, according to the release.

"Signage in the area labels this bay as a no anchoring zone due to electrical cables submerged by the

"Signage in the area labels this bay as a no anchoring zone due to electrical cables submerged by the V.I. Water and Power Authority. DPNR will continue to enforce the no anchoring zone to protect boaters."

— according to the prepared statement by DPNR

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Currently, Chocolate Hole and Coral Bay are available for anchoring in the St. John area, according to the release.

A copy of Rules and Regulations for Mooring and Anchoring Vessels in the US Virgin Islands is available at the Division of Environmental Enforcement.

For more information contact either DPNR Acting Director of Enforcement Howard Forbes at (340) 773-5774 or DPNR Acting Assistant Director of Enforcement Jessica Parris at (340) 774-3320 ext. 5125.



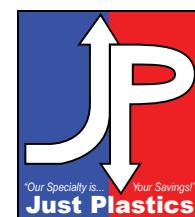
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DPNR Ready To Issue Notice of Violation to Estate Denis Bay Construction Site

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

As concerned residents watch a construction project progress over sensitive V.I. National Park land, Department of Planning and Natural Resources officials are keeping a close watch on the site as well.

"We're very much aware of the sensitive nature of the project," said DPNR's Director of Building Permits Bevan Smith. "We've been to the site and we are overseeing the work there. We've been on top of it."

The construction site is located on about an acre of land at Estate Denis Bay Parcels 2-A and 2-B. The owner of the property has been identified as interior designer to the stars, architect Anthony Ingrao, who owns the Manhattan-based Ingrao Inc. with partner Randy Kemper.

While far from complete, the construction site has already raised eyebrows from North Shore Road neighbors and other residents worried about the project's impacts on VINP resources.

DPNR officials are aware of the problems and are ready to issue a notice of violation, explained Smith.

"We have a notice of violation that we already wrote up and we just need to discuss it with [DPNR] Commissioner Alicia Barnes and have her sign it," said Smith. "The nature of the violation is that they overstepped what was permitted and they cut into V.I. National



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Several North Shore Road neighbors are worried about a new development in the area, above.

Park land. They went beyond what is permitted."

"Once the commissioner signs off on the violation, they'll be served next week," Smith said on Thursday, July 11.

DPNR officials have been working with the landowners, who have agreed to mitigate the violation, which reportedly stems from the owners trying to improve their view.

"From the survey we've seen, they've also cut into the ridge line behind the home — which is VINP land — apparently to cut off

enough of it to open the view to the west," St. John Attorney Raf Muilenburg previously told *St. John Tradewinds*. "They did that with no authorization whatsoever, and in doing so they also cut down a great deal of tall trees which were 100-plus years old on park land and on neighbors' land."

Residents are also concerned that runoff from the project — perched on a steep slope overlooking the largely VINP land on the island's north shore — could impact sensitive Hawksset Bay and Gibney Beach resources.

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WAPA Begins Scheduled Repairs to Street Lights

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The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority crews have begun repairing street lights on all three islands with work expected to continue through December.

Repairs on each island will be completed in sectors. No power interruptions are anticipated as a result of these street light repairs.

While every effort will be made to maintain these schedules, it should be noted that weather events or other unanticipated circumstances may necessitate schedule revisions.

Repairs are scheduled as follows:

St. John

July 1 to August 30 from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily

Sector 3 - July 1 to 26: Cruz Bay, Chocolate Hole, Pastory, Lindpoint, Contant, Great Cruz Bay, Bethany, Caneel Bay and Guinea Gut.

Sector 2 - July 29 to August 2: Fortsberg, Palestina, Hansen Bay, Long Bay and Round Bay.

Sector 1 - August 5 to 9: Cinnamon Bay, Maho Bay and Carolina.

Sector 5 – August 12 to 16: Public Works, Gift Hill, Reef Bay Trail, Bordeaux and Centerline Road.

Sector 4 – August 19 to 30: Coral Bay Ball Park, Penn's Point, Saunders Gut, Salt Pond, Johns Folly, Lameshur and Concordia.

Customers are asked to notify the Authority of any street lights near their home or business which are in need of repair by calling (340) 773-0150 on St. Croix and (340) 774-1424 for St. Thomas/St. John. If possible, please include the pole number which is located on the silver plate on the pole.

ZoZo's Moving to Sugar Mill at Caneel Bay

By Jaime Elliott

St. John Tradewinds

John Ferrigno is not giving up those tropical sunsets, he's just trading the view for a vantage point on the north shore.

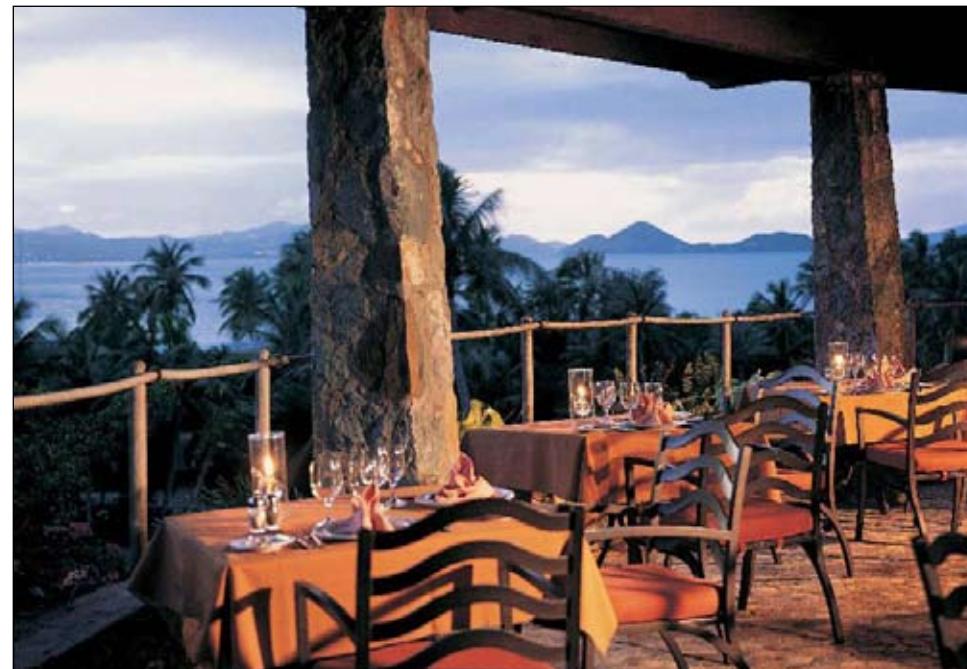
After weeks of speculation, Caneel Bay Resort officials last week announced that "local legend" restaurateur Ferrigno will be moving his popular ZoZo's Ristorante from Gallows Point Resort to Caneel's historic Sugar Mill.

"Caneel Bay, A Rosewood Resort on St. John, U.S.V.I., is announcing changes for one of the signature dining experiences at the resort," according to Caneel's prepared statement issued last week. "The Sugar Mill restaurant will be transformed with new management, renovation and a dining concept by ZoZo's Ristorante."

This is the second move for Ferrigno in about 14 years since he opened ZoZo's in the location that is now Fatty Crab in Cruz Bay in 1999. ZoZo's was in its original location for less than two years when Ferrigno moved the operation to Gallows Point Resort, where he transformed the former Ellington's bar into a premier destination for elegant Italian fare and stunning sunsets over Pillsbury Sound.

After 12 years of high-volume business at the Gallows location, Ferrigno is excited about his restaurant's new home at Caneel Bay, he explained.

"We're very excited about the move," said Ferrigno. "Caneel Bay is a world class resort and we're honored to be a part of it. We're really excited to partner with Rosewood and we think it's the perfect fit for the



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

ZoZo's at the Sugar Mill will open on November 1 at Caneel Bay Resort, above, offering stunning panoramic sunset views.

next phase of ZoZo's."

Ferrigno is the first outside lease granted by any Rosewood Resort in the world. The restaurant will be called ZoZo's at the Sugar Mill, and while it ushers in a new phase for Ferrigno, the partnership also signifies a new chapter for Caneel.

"John (Ferrigno) is a successful restaurateur within the St. John dining scene and his involvement with the Sugar Mill is the start

of a new chapter for Caneel Bay," said the resort's Managing Director Nikolay Hotze. "He along with Executive Chef Michael Fortino will take the resort dining experience to a new level, as our guests will soon discover."

The Sugar Mill is housed high atop the ruins of an 18th century sugar mill affording breathtaking views of the resort property, the twinkling lights of St. Thomas in the

"We're taking this opportunity to expand ZoZo's beloved menu and give Chef Fortino a chance to show off his culinary skills. The menu is going to be a little more creative and will reflect the elegant surroundings at Caneel Bay. But all the favorites will stay on there; there are some items we will never stop serving."

— John Ferrigno, owner, ZoZo's Ristorante

distance and Caribbean sunsets.

"We'll still have sunset views and actually this view is even better and offers more of a panoramic view," said Ferrigno.

While ZoZo's fans can rest assured that Chef Michael Fortino has no plans to ditch his wildly popular osso bucco or home made pastas, the new venue will offer a new menu, Ferrigno explained.

"We're taking this opportunity to expand ZoZo's beloved menu and give Chef Fortino a chance to show off his culinary skills," said Ferrigno. "The menu is going to be a little more creative and will reflect the elegant surroundings at Caneel Bay. But all

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Bob Marley is being screening where it should be at Cases by the Sea in Coral Bay this Wednesday, July 17.

Back by Popular Demand: SJFS Screens Bob Marley Documentary July 17

St. John Tradewinds

St. John Film Society will screen the "Marley," the 2012 film documenting the life of the Jamaican reggae legend Bob Marley, at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 17, at Cases by the Sea in Coral Bay for a suggested donation of \$5.

A feature-length documentary on the life, music, and legacy of Bob Marley, this exhaustive, even-handed portrait of reggae's greatest star offers electrifying concert footage and fascinating insights.

Made with the support of the Marley family, this definitive life story of musician, revolutionary, and legend — from early days to international superstardom — features rare footage, incredible performances and revelatory interviews with the people that knew him best.

Originally screened in May of this year in Cruz Bay as part of an extensive and diverse season of films, Marley was extremely popular by all accounts. Coral Bay fans, however, were sorely disappointed that Marley had not been screened at Cases by the Sea. And they made their voices heard.

"The feedback was the same throughout Coral Bay, 'why aren't you screening Marley in Coral Bay,'" said Michelle Ward, who heads membership and publicity efforts for SJFS.

A great idea in theory, but the non-profit SJFS was only funded through June 10. Enter sponsors Cases

by the Sea and Bamboula Collections.

"Jo Sterling approached us about sponsoring a screening of Marley in Coral Bay and thanks to the sponsorship of Bamboula Collections and Cases by the Sea we are extending the season to include a second screening of Marley for the Coral Bay audience," said Ward. "The people spoke up and SJFS leadership heard them."

Bamboula's sponsorship includes donating the film to be screened and Marley music CDs for raffle prizes all of which normally retail at Bamboula.

"And we can't say enough about our partnership with Cases by the Sea," Ward said. "Consistently throughout the season the owners and staff have supported SJFS — rain or shine — providing space, a state-of-the-art projector and sound system, additional seating and drink specials to accommodate the growing SJFS audience, and financial support too."

Marley will be the last film presented by SJFS as the group takes a seasonal hiatus until November 5.

SJFS's mission is to inspire a positive appreciation for the culture, history, and environment of the U.S. Virgin Islands by presenting independent films that celebrate the human spirit with a focus on the Caribbean. The monthly film series is open to the local community and its permanent film collection is archived and in public circulation at Elaine I. Sprauve Public Library.

VIPD Arrest Two on St. John for Vehicle Theft

St. John Tradewinds

V.I. Police Department officers on St. John arrested two males charging them with Unauthorized Possession of a Vehicle after they were seen operating a vehicle that was reported stolen.

VIPD St. John officers said they were advised that a vehicle was taken from a rental company parking lot sometime during the early morning hours of Sunday, July 7.

The management of the rental company told police the vehicle was parked in the lot when the business closed for the evening on Saturday, July

6, and when they returned on the morning of July 7 the vehicle was missing.

VIPD canvassed the area for the stolen car and at about 10:30 a.m., officers located the vehicle being operated in the Cruz Bay area.

The occupants of the vehicle, 21-year-old Angel Philbert of Estate Bordeaux and 20-year-old William Dishmay of Altona, were arrested and placed on a bail of \$10,000 each. The suspects were remanded to the custody of the Bureau of Corrections on St. Thomas pending further court action.



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CEG Funds No Longer Available for St. John Recycling Program

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As of Monday, July 15, V.I. Waste Management will take over the collection of aluminum cans from the recycling bins located around St. John.

VIWMA is taking over the collection because they are unable to continue the Community Enrichment Grant funding which previously supported the collection process of the St. John Recycling Program.

St. John Community Foundation, which has overseen the operations of the current St. John Aluminum Can Recycling program started by volunteers in 2007, is collaborating with other community partners including members of the Island Green Builders Association's ReSource Depot and Giff Hill School's EARTH Program to save and expand the recycling efforts on St. John.

Approximately 35 to 37 percent of all aluminum cans entering St. John have been diverted from the already bulging landfills by this grass-roots recycling program. As of the end of 2012, the collection total reached the 22.9 ton mark; that is more than 1 million cans and a total of 1,334,468 cans which were diverted from local landfills.

As of the end of 2012, in-kind volunteer donations in time, equipment and materials have surpassed



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

VI Waste Management Authority has pulled St. John Community Foundation's Community Enrichment Grant funds, eliminating the group's ability to continue the island's popular aluminum can recycle program.

\$500,000.

SJCF is grateful for the volunteers who initiated the Aluminum Can Recycling program more than six years ago, making home-made collection bins and making this the longest running most successful recycling program in all of the Vir-

gin Islands.

The organization won the 2011 U.S. EPA Environmental Quality Award for "outstanding commitment to protecting and enhancing environmental quality and public health" and recycling volunteer Barb Douma was invited to New

York to accept the award.

The Aluminum Can Recycling program has been referred to as the model for island recycling efforts. When many felt that these kinds of initiatives were impossible in the VI, this program on St. John proved otherwise.

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St. John Tradewinds News Photos by Candice Greathouse

St. John resident Candice Greathouse has been staying with family in the Rincon area of Puerto Rico. She's been watching some beautiful, yet unfamiliar, birds from the front porch. Any idea what these rare birds are? Email editor@tradewinds.vi.

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Third Annual St. John Chaotic Kayak Race to Benefit Team River Runner Set for July 28

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The third annual St. John Chaotic Kayak Race to benefit Team River Runner's Love City program is set for Sunday, July 28, at 12 p.m. at Oppenheimer Beach.

Don't miss the chance to get involved. Teams of three people, two paddlers and one "water gunner," will face off over several heats at Oppenheimer Beach on July 28. The entry fee is \$150 and teams are encouraged to raise additional funds in order to get a few seconds' head start.

This year's event will also feature a Stand Up Paddle race for the first time. There is a separate entry fee of \$25 to take part in the SUP race and participants must bring their own boards.

All proceeds from the St. John Chaotic Kayak Race benefit TRR's Wounded Veterans St John Leadership Program on island in November.

Anyone willing to donate a raffle prize should call Suzanne Crosby at (704) 942-4594. For more information, call John Schuld at (340) 227-9463 or Tom Larson at (340) 514-0778.

St. John Native Mayumi "Mimi" Roller Selected for All-Star Sailing Team

St. John Tradewinds

This month the Inter-Collegiate Sailing Association is sending a team of seven sailors to the UK to compete against the British University Sailing Association team (the UK equivalent of ICSA).

Sailors will compete in the course of five official matches over a three-week-long sailing tour.

St. Mary's College of Maryland senior Joshua Greenslade, and recent graduate Mayumi Roller of Coral Bay, St. John, are among the all-star team of seven representing the U.S.

In addition to St. Mary's College, sailors on the team hail from Yale, Georgetown University, College of Charleston and Brown University.

This will be the 28th BUSA/ICSA British-American Tour since the challenge started 54 years ago. The tour, running from July 10 through July 24, will be at venues across the UK in a variety of classes.

Greenslade, who is a Bermuda native and will finish his last semester at St. Mary's College next spring, recently skippered for the St. Mary's College sailing team that took second place at the ICSA/APS Team Race National Championship this past May.



Mimi Roller

Roller's sailing career highlights include competing for Team USA in the 2012 Olympic Games in London.

"It's going to be a great experience sailing against some of the world's best sailors," said Greenslade as he looked forward to the competition. "I hope to learn a lot and use that for the rest of my sailing career."

Wine Talk



by Paul Tsakares

The Wines of Our Time

St. John Tradewinds

For many years civilizations have placed great value on the cultivation and creation of wine. Happily, we can say of the time we are living in, that the scientific and human aspects of this art are being taken to new heights.

Whether one chooses to focus on the important progress in farming, in maintaining the canopy, in guiding the growth of the vine, or the elevated understanding of the biochemical processes occurring constantly in the life of the wine; there is equal room for a sense of awe.

How does a wine offer an experience of such complexity? The most distinctive wines come from a specific spot on the Earth and their aromas can't be duplicated. I find that amazing.

As far as the science of wine-making has come over the years, we are still uncertain as to why there are some scents that can only be expressed under certain circumstances.

There is an incredible dance of complicated chemical processes going on and the question of why a wine smells at all is an area of intensive study.

The winemakers don't add grapefruit to Sauvignon Blanc or cherries to Pinot Noir yet the essence of dried flowers or fruits

surface, linger and transform on your palate. Not bad for a bunch of grapes smashed up in a vat!

From wines that are authentic, that are developed from one of these specific spots on the Earth, you are rewarded. The sum total of the effects of the land and the climate is what is meant by a wine's terroir; a wine that reflects a "sense of place" in which it was created.

A line of light which colors a hillside that is somehow represented in the wine is part of this wonderful experience of consuming well-made wine. This is very different from a wine group which knows how to put "flavor packets" together to mimic, fool and take advantage of the consumer.

Aromas are produced in the wine by the thousands of volatile compounds present in grape skins and juice. They are affected by how the grapes were treated in the vineyard, natural conditions and how the wine was made and aged.

The scent of a young wine is generally referred to as the aroma, while the term bouquet is used to describe a more complex, maturing wine. It is an amazing fact that the array of aromas is constantly changing as the alcohols and acids present in the wine combine with each other as the wine ages in the

bottle.

When we first smell a wine, which is a critical component of taste, we are perceiving primary aromas; apple, currant and grapefruit are common.

An initial impression yields information about the level of alcohol, tannin and residual sugar. These elements meld together to offer impressions of intensity and complexity, softness or firmness, lightness or heaviness, crispness or creaminess, sweetness or dryness.

Added to this are the smells of a secondary fermentation; for example a buttery aroma from the malolactic fermentation or the vanilla and spice from barrel aging. Finally, the mysterious tertiary aromas from the combination of the wine's alcohols and acids add to this. From red currant to truffle to soy there are many stages to delight and baffle.

Many of us on St. John seem to be drawn to magic in the first place, and with such a fine terroir of our own, so to speak, seek out something authentic to be curious about and in which to delight.

This excursion into one aspect of the world of wine was chosen because aroma is one of the first things we assess when we sip a glass of wine.

Cheers!

Wendy Davis Hosting CPR Awareness Class August 7

St. John Tradewinds

Wendy Davis of the V.I. Fire Service will host a two hour CPR awareness session on Wednesday, August 7, at Cases by the Sea starting at 6:30 p.m. This is an awareness session about what anyone can do to help save a life before emergency medical technicians arrive.

V.I. Council on Arts Hosting "How To Apply" Workshop for Aug. 31 Grant Deadline

Virgin Islands Council on the Arts is conducting a series of "How to Apply" workshops for the August 31 grant submission deadline.

Information on project and budget development will be discussed in detail. First time applicants are encouraged to attend.

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LIAT Issues Challenge to Virgin's Sir Richard Branson

St. John Tradewinds

An airline race to Necker Island!

That's the unusual challenge that has been issued to Virgin Atlantic by LIAT, The Caribbean Airline, following the eruption of an amusing viral Internet discussion over customer letters about the two prominent carriers.

Whoever arrives last on Sir Richard Branson's 74-acre private estate in the British Virgin Islands, will have the ignominious task of "whipping the winning airline's tail".

The online fervour ballooned after Sir Richard took a keen interest in a letter written by a LIAT customer to regional press. The Virgin boss tweeted that letter to his millions of Twitter followers as a

comparison to "the world's best complaint letter" previously written to him by a Virgin customer.

The British business magnate also offered LIAT his advice on how to manage quirky letters from customers with a good turn of phrase and a taste for comedy.

In response, Leesa Parris-Rudder, LIAT's Director of Commercial and Customer Experience, said that with so many reputable international media outlets picking up on the spoof, The Caribbean Airline had also chosen to join the global conversation by issuing an online "challenge" to Sir Richard.

"At LIAT we take every customer complaint seriously, this letter from Arthur Hicks being no exception; and it was really nice of Sir Richard to think of us and

give us something to smile about as we seek to address our customers' concerns," she said.

Parris-Rudder went on to explain that while she could not anticipate exactly what Sir Richard's response to the challenge would be, she was aware of his well-earned reputation for "flying in the face of the ordinary" with ostentatious publicity stunts, and that LIAT would be prepared to stand by its challenge and keep its part of the bargain.

Sir Richard is certainly no stranger to successfully courting media attention, and a race to Necker Island might just tickle his fancy, she added.

"Having started this conversation, we certainly hope that Sir Richard will continue to engage with us," said Parris-Rudder.

Reiterating the importance of every individual customer, Parris-Rudder said LIAT was working assiduously to deliver a first-class experience to all of its passengers.

"Presently, LIAT is on a journey of positive transformation and we are looking forward to a bright future," she said. "We already have an excellent reputation for safety and service, and with further investment, we know that customers will enjoy taking this journey with us."

In June this year, LIAT began taking delivery of its new fleet of ATR 72-600 aircraft as the regional airline continues to improve and enhance its services. The new ATRs offer quieter travel in a wider cabin with more leg room and 30 percent more overhead luggage space.

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Gallows Point Seaview's location is rivaled only by its potential, located on a peninsula just out of Cruz Bay with commanding views.



On the Market

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Tropical Sunsets and Exciting Opportunities Await at Gallows Point Seaview

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Soak up stunning tropical sunsets from one of the more intriguing properties on St. John.

Gallows Point Seaview is located on two parcels totalling just over a half acre and offers a ton of possibilities. The two bedroom, two bath home located across the street from Gallows Point Resort is for sale for \$2.999 million, explained Holiday Homes broker owner Christie O'Neil.

The property offers easy walking access to two beaches and is

a short stroll from the dining and nightlife of Cruz Bay just down the hill. But what is even more exciting is the zoning of the land, explained O'Neil.

"Gallows Point at Seaview offers great development potential," said the Holiday Homes broker owner. "The land is zoned to accommodate development with a W-1 and R-4 zoning. The site could perhaps be a restaurant, a wedding venue or even an event catering business."

The property's W-1 zoning, on a 0.28 acre parcel, allows for myr-

iad uses, from commercial uses to water sports opportunities and more. The property's 0.328-acre parcel is zoned R-4, which allows for multiple family dwellings or condominiums.

"This property is exciting due to the multiple options with zoning and potential to develop," said O'Neil.

Currently on the property is a charming solidly constructed two bedroom, two bathroom home with beautiful native stone details. Sit on the expansive verandah and enjoy the sea breeze and views to

French Cap and Pillsbury Sound. When the tropical sun dips below the horizon watch as the lights of St. Thomas twinkle to life in the distance.

Take a short walk into town for lunch or take advantage of the fantastic snorkeling that awaits at nearby Frank Bay, just down the hill.

"Gallows Point Seaview has great views," said O'Neil. "You can walk right into town and even walk to the beach. Frank Bay is just down the hill."

The current home on the property also offers convenient living on a single level, the Holiday Homes broker owner added.

"The home would be perfect for a retirement home, as it is all on one level," said O'Neil. "Plus there is loads of room to expand."

Don't miss out on this exciting and unique opportunity available at Gallows Point Seaview. For more information on the home and land, call O'Neil at Holiday Homes at (340) 774-8088.

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Arsons: 0
1st Degree Burglaries: 1
2nd Degree Burglaries: 0
3rd Degree Burglaries: 13
Grand Larcenies: 42
Rapes: 1

Crossword Answers — Puzzle on Page 18



Letters To St. John Tradewinds

Shimel Has Keen Sense for News

It was with real pleasure that my wife and I read the recent article “Fretville, 2013: A Fisherman’s Fete” that appeared in last week’s *Tradewinds*.

It was not just the fact that we were mentioned in the article (I am Fred Hall), but that a staffer of the paper, Ms. Judi Shimel, had such a keen and good nose for news that she seized on the story potential present in simply chatting with us at the opening ceremonies, which we now see we were blessed to have attended.

My wife had earlier purchased some Larimar jewelry in a shop by the Cruz Bay ferry dock, and the clerk shared with us that her son and daughter were playing in the opening festivities (part of the Pan

Dragons).

Though we had planned on immediately returning to St. Thomas, after we ate a good meal in the ferry dock area, we were so caught up in the rapturous allure of St. John hospitality that we decided to stay for the official opening of the festival. We are glad we did.

We hope to return to St. John in the not too distant future, and will surely encourage all of our friends who travel to the USVI to be sure to put St. John on their itinerary!

Fred Hall

Appalled by Department of Public Works

I was appalled to read in last week’s *St. John Tradewinds* that the Department of Public works recently used precious resources and funds to reopen a neglected road to a new North Shore construction site for the benefit of “an interior designer to the stars” while letting Centerline Road continue to crumble beneath the St. John vehicles that depend upon this island artery daily.

And that “they haven’t just opened the road and made it smooth, they’ve widened it” and apparently graded it. This is being done while two other narrow emergency access roads into Coral Bay are in desperate need of grading, widening and smoothing.

After almost three years of apathy, we are being told that the repair of Centerline is scheduled for next March. If you haven’t seen the NEWS2 video broadcast on this, please view it on this link: <http://www.on-stjohn.com/2013/07/02/news2-covers-centerline-road-damage/comment-page-1/#comment-239181>.

It is extremely likely that by March there will be nothing but a gaping crevasse where the road is now half eaten away, not to mention further erosion of the

other undercut sections.

It is not a matter of if the road will fall; it’s a matter of when. This is an emergency and emergency funds must be used immediately to repair this St. John lifeline.

Tourism runs the St. John economy. Every employee and business owner on the island will be drastically affected when the road crumbles, not to mention the homeowners below the road whose lives and homes are in danger.

The villas and businesses of Coral Bay will be shut down and they provide income to the entire island. Even now I’ve been told by a visitor that if they had known the state of our road they never would have endangered their family by booking a villa here.

It is absolutely incomprehensible that the Department of Public Works is insuring the fortunes of the rich and famous while, by their inaction for the past three years, threatening the lives and livelihood of the citizens of this island who pay their salaries.

Shannon Sterling

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Obituary

Anthony "Snoopy" Toussaint, 54, Departs This Life

St. John Tradewinds

Anthony Toussaint, known throughout St. John as "Snoopy", departed this life on Tuesday, June 25.

The son of Solange Telemaque Toussaint and William Alexander Toussaint, he was born April 16, 1959 and was a native of the island of Dominica. He migrated to St. John in 1975 and settled in Coral Bay.

During his 38 years in St. John, Snoopy developed a passion for many types of music, including Latin Reggae, Soca, Rock and Roll, and African melodies. He was fond of Christmas music and sang with numerous island bands.

Snoopy joined the workforce at Caneel Bay Resort in May 1979 and subsequently became a groundskeeper. He worked under Oriel Smith, Caneel's Director of Landscaping and Grounds, from 1997 until he took ill. Smith has called Snoopy a valuable member of the Caneel workforce who never missed a day of work.

"He was never absent and never late" said Smith. "Snoopy walked three miles to and from work every day rain or sunshine. Snoopy gave his employer 10 hours of work every day."

When Smith came from St. James Club, Antigua, in April 1997 to interview for his present position at Caneel, he met Snoopy for the first time. Snoopy came up to Smith while Smith was boarding the boat to leave, and said, "I wish you would come back to work with us."

Since that time, Smith said, "Snoopy had been my best friend and right hand."

When Snoopy's health failed in April 2013, Dr. Elizabeth Barot sent him to the St. Thomas Hospital for surgery. Responding to the seriousness of Snoopy's condition, his two sisters, Rosie and Octavia, flew down from Brooklyn and took him with them to New York City for further treatment.

He is survived by his brothers, Errol and Charles; his sisters, Rosalie, Leona, Joan, Octavia, Norma, Alice and Mary; brothers-in-law, Caesar and Samuel;



Anthony Toussaint

special niece, Eva Bennett; many other nieces, nephews, aunts and cousins; special friends, the grounds' employees of Caneel Bay Resort; and numerous relatives and friends in Dominica, St. Thomas and St. John.

Snoopy returned to St. John only after he died in June. He now rests in peace at the Cruz Bay Cemetery where he was buried this past Saturday, July 13, following a service at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Cruz Bay.

Snoopy's beloved pet cat is now homeless, and the most meaningful tribute to Snoopy's memory would be for one of us to give a home to the beautiful red and white kitty.

Please contact Oriel Smith at oriel.smith@att.net for help with adopting Snoopy's pet.

Russell L. Kerr III, 62, Passes Away

St. John Tradewinds

Russell L. Kerr III, "Russ", 62, of St. John Virgin Islands, died on Wednesday July 3, 2013 in Branson, MO.

He was born December 31, 1950 in Lincoln, NE. He was the son of the late Russell and Virginia (McKelvey) Kerr.

He served his country in the Navy as a sonar technician from 1969 until 1971. He then moved to Missouri and attended CMSU Warrensburg, MO where he met and married Phyllis (Isaac) Hitaffer on June 25, 1977.

Surviving are two children, Breana Eoff of Springfield, MO, and Drew Kerr of St. John, Virgin Islands, and a grandson, Aiden Eoff of Springfield,

MO. Five sisters, Michelle, Jan, Heidi, Becky and Jennifer. A brother Ricky preceded him in death.

Russ owned St. John Concierge Service. He enjoyed living on his sail boat, snorkeling, fishing and his many friends from the islands.

Memorial services will be July 12, 2013 at 4 p.m. at Greenlawn Funeral Home-East in Springfield, MO. Online condolences may be left at www.greenlawnfuneralhome.com.

In lieu of flowers the family has requested that memorial contributions be made to the Russell L. Kerr III Memorial Fund at Bancorp South, Springfield, MO.



Russell L. Kerr

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Residents will be able to enjoy world class Italian fare at ZoZo's at the Sugar Mill, above, opening November 1 at Caneel Bay Resort.

ZoZo's Moving to Sugar Mill at Caneel Bay Resort

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the favorites will stay on there; there are some items we will never stop serving."

ZoZo's last night of service in its current Gallows Point Location will be on Saturday night, July 27. Ferrigno will then spend the summer revamping the new restaurant space at Caneel. Sugar Mill renovation plans include transforming the former open kitchen into a lounge, moving the kitchen out of sight and transforming the raised round platform area into a circular bar.

"We're keeping with the traditional elegance of the sugar mill and the resort," Ferrigno said about renovations.

The new venue will also expand ZoZo's capacity from its former 70 seat maximum — which included the upstairs bar seats — to a total of 110 seats.

The restaurant will open its doors when Caneel reopens on November 1 following its seasonal closure. ZoZo's at the Sugar Mill will be open Monday through Saturday until December 20. The restaurant

will be open seven days a week in season and return to six days again in June, explained Ferrigno.

Another of the perks of the new location is Caneel's dock access, explained Ferrigno.

"Boaters will be able to tie their dinghies up at Caneel's dock and come have dinner with us," he said. "It's also in the works to get the Caneel ferry going to pick up St. Thomas residents to come out and dine at ZoZo's at the Sugar Mill."

And residents should not fear the \$20 parking fee at Caneel, since the parking will be validated at the restaurant, Ferrigno added.

So be sure to get a last dose of ZoZo's at Gallows before July 27 and check out the new ZoZo's at the Sugar Mill when it opens in November.

"The staff is really excited about this move as well," said Ferrigno. "We appreciate the community support that we have had for years and we hope the community continues to support us at the new site with our new menu."

Complimenti!

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Today's Cryptoquip clue: W equals N

CEG Funds No Longer Available for St. John Recycling Program

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until they could be loaded and transported to St. Thomas for delivery to STS which ships them off-island. Nicodemus of Nico's One Stone, was reliable and efficient, and the hope is that the collaborative partners can find the funding to bring him back.

"We are so pleased with the progress that this program has made over the years, as well as the enthusiasm that is being brought to the table now to ensure it continues," said Kalousek. "Residents and visitors alike are also showing that they are willing to separate glass and plastic, and although that has caused the additional work of sorting it out of the aluminum cans, it is exciting to think we are only steps away from being able to further reduce the volume transferred to the soon-to-be-closing dumps."

A 2009 Waste Characterization Study done for the Virgin Islands showed that readily compostable wastes account on average for about 35,000 tons per year, and that recyclables—including metals, aluminum cans and glass—account for about 8,000 tons per year, explained Kalousek.

"This is serious business," she said. "The islands are running out of space for everything that is being thrown away, and we have to come up with another way to handle our waste."

"We have come up with a pie-in-the-sky operation in which more recyclables, including glass and plastic, are included," said the SJCF Director. "The first year budget is well over \$250,000, of which approximately \$85,000 for equipment and set up would be a one-time cost."

"The good news is, that after the initial startup, the program could sustain itself and pour money back into St. John to support other environmentally sound initiatives," she said.

Public awareness and education about the importance of recycling has been the focus of the VIWMA's Citizen's Advisory Committee, consisting of five representatives from St. John, five from St. Thomas and five from St. Croix meeting since September of last year.

Sharon Caldron, Gary Ray, Doug White, Rick Barksdale and Celia Kalousek have voluntarily represented St. John at monthly meetings in St. Thomas to help VIWMA make plans for the pending dump closures.

IGBA has been promoting greener building practices for over 10 years and the group's successful ReSource Depot has diverted and recycled more than 25,000 pounds of construction and demolition waste into productive use and out of local landfills.

EARTH Program Coordinator and IGBA board member Sarah Haynes helped coordinate Green Thursdays, monthly meetings hosted on the last Thursday of each month at Gifft Hill School, to promote collaborations among all organizations and individuals interested in promoting environmental stewardship.

SJCF will be celebrating its 25th Anniversary in the coming year is committed to making a positive impact on the environment by collaborating with other organizations to educate our community on best practices for the conservation of energy and natural resources, encourage and facilitate the reduction of waste, and to foster an understanding of the importance of making environmentally responsible decisions.

For more information or to contribute time or financial support to this effort, contact Kalousek at 693-9410. Donations can be made to the St. John Community Foundation, PO Box 1020, St. John, VI 00831.



SJCF no longer pay Nico to transport the many recyclable aluminum cans from St. John to St. Thomas.

St. John Tradewinds News Photo



Our Islands Our Future USVI Green Construction Training

Tuesday, July 16, 2013

St. Ursula's Church Multipurpose Center
Cruz Bay, St. John

WHAT? Water quality monitoring by the VI Department of Planning and Natural Resources (DPNR) has shown development and construction activities are impacting USVI water resources. Poor siting and design, inadequate stormwater management, and removal of native vegetation and valuable topsoil during construction adds to water quality problems and increases long-term landscaping and energy costs for property owners.

Learn how to take advantage of practical green design and construction practices that help not only the environment, but our wallets as well!

WHEN? Tuesday, July 16, 2013 from 8:30-4:00. **Wear clothing and safety equipment appropriate for going to construction sites.**

WHERE? St. Ursula's Church Multipurpose Center. Park wherever you can.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND? Engineers, architects, landscapers, contractors, equipment operators, and others. Presentations and discussions will be technical in nature. For more information on green building programs and resources in the USVI, go to www.igbavi.org.

WHAT'S THE COST? This one-day workshop is **FREE**. Full-day attendees will receive a participation reward from the Island Green Building Association (IGBA), a minimum \$100 value!

HOW DO I REGISTER? Space is limited, first come first serve. Register before **July 4th** by going online www.horsleywitten.com/greenconstructiontraining/ or by contacting Anne Kitchell directly at akitchell@horsleywitten.com, or 508-833-6600.

Sponsored by the NOAA Coral Reef Conservation Program

Draft Agenda at a Glance

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| 8:30 | Registration |
| 9:00 | Welcome (<i>Lisamarie Carrubba, NOAA Fisheries/Bill Willigerod, IGBA</i>) What is "green" building? What does IGBA have to offer local practitioners? |
| 9:30 | Building Green in the USVI (<i>Doug White, Architect</i>) What are the key design tenets that can reduce energy costs, utilize sustainable construction materials, and minimize impacts on the environment? |
| 10:30 | The Reality of Going Green (<i>Anne Kitchell, HW, Jonathan Smalls, DPNR, facilitators</i>) Ask the experts about the feasibility of implementation. What are the sources and cost of green construction materials? What are available incentive programs and permitting requirements? |
| 11:30 | Landscaping for the Landscape (<i>Gary Ray, Virgin Forest Nursery</i>) Plant protection, selection, and layout tips to maximize the benefit and aesthetics of your vegetation, minimize maintenance, and discourage invasive species. |
| 1:00 | Green Construction Practices Field Trip (<i>Dave Rosa, DPNR/Lisamarie/Anne</i>). Visit local construction sites to evaluate the application of "green" practices, inspect BMP implementation & maintenance, and discuss regulatory requirements. |
| 4:00 | End |



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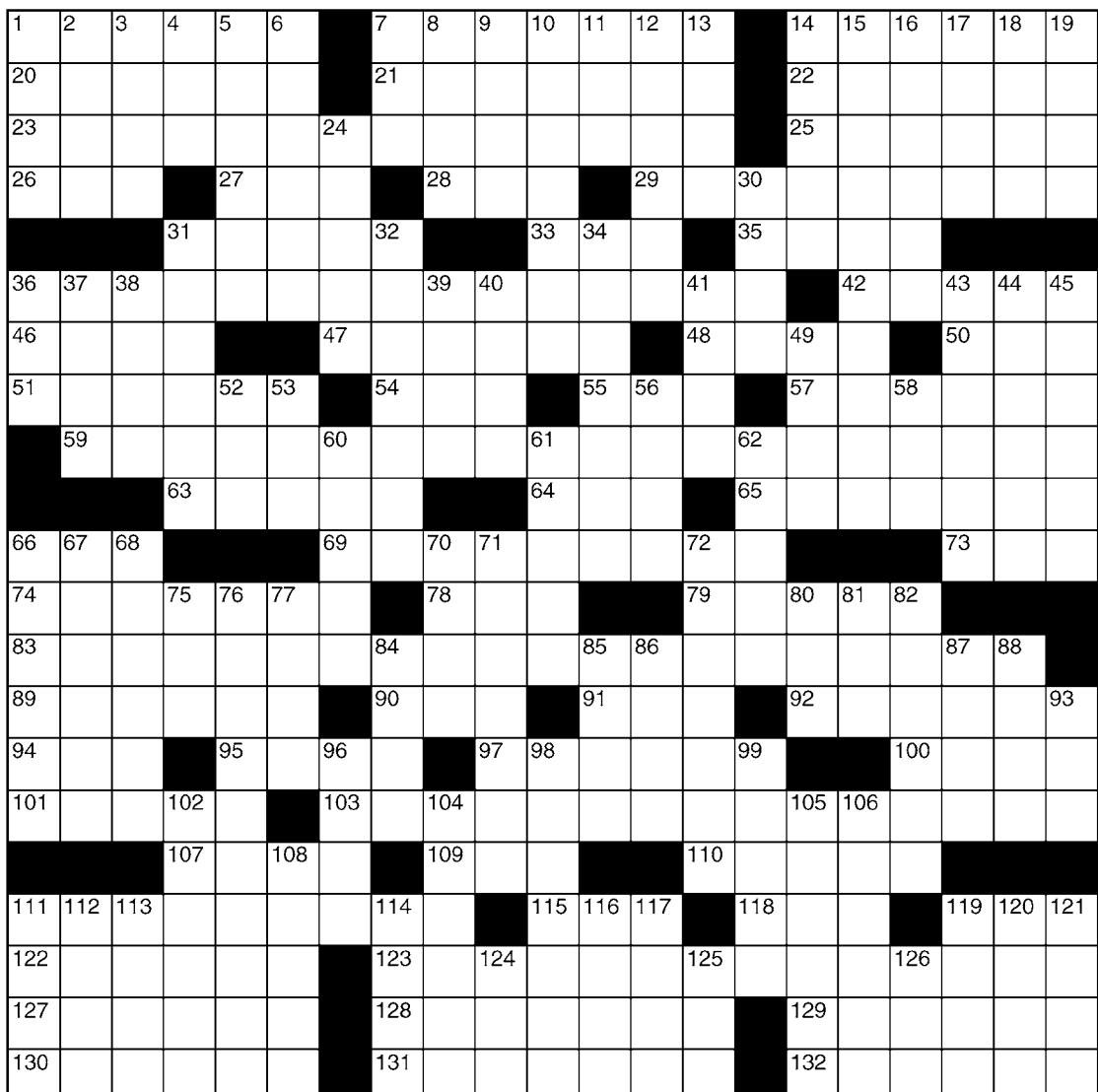
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Crossword



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ACROSS

- 1 Sop up
- 7 Liquor
- 14 Spins
- 20 "Amen to that!"
- 21 Actress Hudgens
- 22 Abate
- 23 Start of a riddle
- 25 Batter's miss
- 26 Do wrong
- 27 Pol with a six-yr. post
- 28 Me, to Michel
- 29 Riddle, part 2
- 31 Pinchpenny
- 33 Sue Grafton's "— for Noose"
- 35 Steak order
- 36 Riddle, part 3
- 42 Food holder
- 46 Goddess with a cow's head
- 47 McCartney of fashion
- 48 Kailua Bay locale
- 50 Scam
- 51 Agree (with)
- 54 "Yoo- —!" ("Hey!")
- 55 Paintball need
- 57 Circus clown — Kelly
- 59 Riddle, part 4
- 63 Big-top star
- 64 DiFranco of folk rock
- 65 More spiteful
- 66 "We need assistance!"
- 69 Used a daggerlike weapon on
- 73 B followers
- 74 Wife of Mark Antony
- 78 Consented to
- 79 "Nick and —'s Infinite Playlist" (2008 film)
- 83 Riddle, part 5
- 89 Wasp variety
- 90 Suffering
- 91 Capote, to his buddies
- 92 With 77-Down, does thorough research on
- 94 Freezer trayful
- 95 TV's Spelling
- 97 Camera lens settings
- 100 Exec's benefit
- 101 Ohio tire city
- 103 Riddle, part 6
- 107 Sitarist Shankar
- 109 Org. for teachers
- 110 Coin toss call
- 111 End of the riddle
- 115 Lucy of "Kill Bill: Vol. 1"
- 118 — League college
- 119 Toward a boat's back
- 122 Makes glad
- 123 Riddle's answer
- 127 Declare under oath
- 128 Source of licorice-flavored oil
- 129 More prying
- 130 Sports team letdowns
- 131 Red — (many Republicans)
- 132 Modus operandi
- DOWN
- 1 "Even — speak ..."
- 2 Atom studier Niels
- 3 Movie draw
- 4 Meal leftover
- 5 Putin's land
- 6 Command
- 7 "Law & Order: —"
- 8 Hand part
- 9 — European languages
- 10 Another name for vitamin A
- 11 Suffix with fool or owl
- 12 Fearsome fly
- 13 "Don't — didn't warn you!"
- 14 Inventor Nikola
- 15 Radiator hoses
- 16 Haifa's land
- 17 Harness part
- 18 Leia's twin
- 19 Spurt out
- 24 "No — to blame"
- 30 — little kindness"
- 31 Capital of Oman
- 32 Alternative to a 401(k) or a Keogh
- 34 Envision
- 36 [not my error]
- 37 "Time — the essence"
- 38 Rake part
- 39 Inert element
- 40 Pipe problem
- 41 Ringing sound
- 43 — acid (vinegar flavorer)
- 44 Added (up)
- 45 Not broken
- 49 Zeus' sister and wife
- 52 Stage actress Hagen
- 53 Pirate's quaff
- 56 Syllabus segment
- 58 Gym floor covering
- 60 Put in a different sack
- 61 Mortgage-issuing inst.
- 62 Ewoks' forest moon
- 66 "El Cid" co-star Loren

By Frank A. Longo

Answer to July 14 Cryptoquip:

NEEDING TO HAVE CERTAIN INSECTS
SHIPPED IN FROM OVERSEAS, THE
ENTOMOLOGIST LEFT AN IMPORT-ANT
MESSAGE.

Fatal Stabbing at Golden Grove; Inmate Arrested and Charged

St. John Tradewinds

VI Bureau of Corrections Acting Director Basil Richards on Thursday, July 11, confirmed the fatal stabbing of an inmate at the Golden Grove Adult Correctional Facility and Detention Center on St. Croix.

Inmate Humphrey Balson, 61, was pronounced dead at the Juan F. Luis Hospital at approximately 2:15 p.m.

The incident took place between the kitchen, just before the chute (walkway), which leads to the institution's vocational shops, explained Richards.

"Several staff witnesses stated that they saw the suspect, inmate Ralph Brathwaite, approach the victim and stab him one time to his upper right chest area," said Richards. "Custody personnel immediately intervened in the altercation and restrained the suspect while others tended to the victim. Paramedics and police were called with both arriving simultaneously."

"Life-saving measures were immediately administered," he said. "However, inmate Balson was pronounced dead shortly thereafter at the Juan F. Luis Hospital."

Balson was serving a natural life sentence for first degree murder and attempted burglary. The suspect, Ralph Braithwaite, 45, was processed, arrested and charged with first degree murder. He is currently serving a 60 year sentenced for aggravated rape in the 1st degree.

The Acting Director said that facility is on lockdown and assures the public that the facility is operating within all security guidelines and protocols to safeguard both the prison population and Bureau of Corrections personnel.

Government House Official Suffers Minor Injuries in Hit and Run

St. John Tradewinds

Government House officials announced Sunday, July 7, that Director of Communications Jean Greaux was involved in an apparent hit and run motor vehicle accident on Sunday morning while operating the government-owned vehicle assigned to him.

The accident was reported just before 5 a.m.

Greaux was driving on the Hull Bay Road en route to his home from Government House when his vehicle was sideswiped by the operator of a dark-colored sports utility vehicle, according to a V.I. Police Department Traffic Bureau investigation. The operator of that vehicle did not stop at the scene of the accident.

The impact of the accident spun Greaux's vehicle out of control which resulted in its careening over an embankment. The government vehicle, a 2008 Chevrolet Trailblazer, rolled several times before coming to stop against the edge of a broken guard rail and a tree. The vehicle was heavily damaged in the accident.

Greaux was treated for minor injuries and released from Schneider Regional Medical Center on Sunday.

Authorities are appealing to anyone who may have witnessed the accident, seen a dark colored SUV speeding away from the Hull Bay Road towards Drake's Seat on Sunday morning or may have since seen a dark-colored sports utility vehicle with heavy damage to its front end or passenger side, to contact VIPD Traffic Bureau officers.

Officers of the VIPD Traffic Bureau, St. Thomas Rescue and Department of Public Works personnel responded to the accident scene.



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Police Log

Friday, July 5

No time given - A nurse at Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center c/r an assault victim at the center. Assault in the third.

4:51 p.m. - An Estate Fortsberg resident c/r requesting police assistance. Police assistance.

11:28 p.m. - A doctor at Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center c/r a suicidal person at the center. Attempted suicide.

Saturday, July 6

8:32 a.m. - A citizen c/r an auto accident on Centerline Road in the area of Estate Susanaberg. Auto collision.

2:00 p.m. - Government of the Virgin Islands r/ that a bar manager is refusing to close the business at the time stipulated. Police assistance.

Sunday, July 7

8:27 a.m. - The owner of Delbert Hill Jeep Rental c/r that someone stole a vehicle from the business. Unauthorized use of a vehicle.

11:30 a.m. - Badge #1248 p/ with one William Dishmey of Altona, St. Thomas, under arrest and charged with unauthorized use of a vehicle. Bail was set at \$10,000 by order of the court. He was detained at Leander Jurgen Command and later transported

to St. Thomas to be processed and remanded to the Bureau of Corrections.

11:30 a.m. - Badge #1248 p/ with one Angel Philbert of Bordeaux, St. John, under arrest and charged with unauthorized use of a vehicle. Bail was set at \$10,000 by order of the court. He was detained at Leander Jurgen Command and later transported to St. Thomas to be processed and remanded to the Bureau of Corrections.

2:00 p.m. - A citizen c/r an auto collision in the area of Santos Laundry. Auto collision.

Monday, July 8

9:30 a.m. - A citizen p/r an auto accident in the area of Giff Hill Road. Auto accident.

12:05 p.m. - A citizen p/r that someone stole \$320 and several boat tickets from the administration office at Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center. Grand larceny.

1:35 p.m. - A citizen c/r requesting police assistance to retrieve her license plates. Police assistance.

3:50 p.m. - An Estate Contant resident p/r that he was involved in an auto collision in the area of FirstBank. Auto collision.

Tuesday, July 9

3:43 p.m. - A Bellevue Village resident p/r that he was be-

ing blackmailed. Blackmail.

4:50 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident r/ that someone sold her a vehicle with known mechanical problems. Obtaining money under false pretense.

Wednesday, July 10

9:50 a.m. - A citizen p/r that a female came to her job and created a disturbance. Disturbance of the peace.

10:58 a.m. - A citizen p/r that someone stole jewelry from his vehicle. Grand larceny.

4:41 p.m. - A Bellevue Village resident r/ that his report of blackmail was actually a prank. Police assistance.

Thursday, July 11

8:20 a.m. - An employee at Bureau of Motor Vehicles c/requesting police assistance with a customer who was creating a disturbance. Disturbance of the peace.

9:00 a.m. - A citizen c/r a disturbance of the peace. Disturbance of the peace.

11:33 a.m. - A citizen c/r that a male was exposing himself and masturbating at Hawksnest Beach. Suspicious activity.

12:54 p.m. - A citizen c/r a disturbance. Disturbance of the peace.

5:15 p.m. - A citizen c/r a disturbance at The Marketplace. Disturbance of the peace.

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You and Crime Stoppers, working together, have made a serious, positive impact on crime. We thank you for your courage and commitment to our community! Please continue to work for the good of all by tell-

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.

Saturday, June 13-Sunday, July 14

— Due to inclement weather, the St. Thomas Relay for Life has been rescheduled for Saturday, July 13, to Sunday, July 14, according to the American Cancer Society.

Tuesday, July 16

— The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, in conjunction with the Island Green Building Association, will host a Green Construction Training seminar on Tuesday, July 16, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Ursula's Multipurpose Center.

Friday, July 26

— Virgin Islands Council on the arts is conducting a series of "How to Apply" workshops for the August 31 grant submission deadline. Information on project and budget development will be discussed in detail. First time applicants are encouraged to attend. On St. Thomas the workshop will be at VICA's office on July 26 at 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, July 27

— John's Folly Learning Institute Summer Program is hosting a delicious fund raiser on Saturday, July 27, starting at noon. Come on out and enjoy roast pork, baked chicken and friend grouper along with all the sides including macaroni and cheese, fried plantains and more. Punch and dessert is included with each meal.

Sunday, July 28

— The third annual St. John Chaotic Kayak Race to benefit Team River Runner's Love City program is set for Sunday, July 28, at 12 p.m. at Oppenheimer Beach.

Monday, July 29

— Coral Bay Community Council is hosting a follow-up meeting on Monday, July 29, at 6 p.m. in room six at Guy Benjamin School. At the meeting, residents will discuss "Next Steps" based on the presentation of the American Institute of Architects and community concerns from the May workshop which included more than 120 Coral Bay residents and property owners.

Saturday, October 19

— "No Fleas, Please," the St. John Animal Care Center's annual flea market, will be Saturday, October 19, at the Winston Wells ball field from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Donated wares are now being accepted. Call the shelter at 774-1625 for information about pick-up of furniture and volunteering to help with setting up the fair.

ALCHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

All meetings are now open. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 6 p.m. Nazareth Lutheran Church, Cruz Bay; Thursday 7 a.m. Nazareth Lutheran Church, Cruz Bay; Sunday 9:45 a.m., Hawksnest Bay Beach; Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 6 p.m. at Moravian Church, Coral Bay

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

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Virgin Island National Park



Environmental Assessment for the Caneel Bay Resort Lease

The Virgin Islands National Park was established by Congress in 1956 to protect, manage, interpret, and preserve the outstanding terrestrial and marine ecosystems representative of the Eastern Caribbean Biogeographic Province, and to protect the chronology of historical and cultural heritage of the area. The park comprises approximately 56 percent (10 square miles) of the island of St. John. Caneel Bay Resort is located on a 150-acre peninsula on the northwest side of the island. Caneel Bay Resort was originally developed by Laurance Rockefeller beginning in 1956. In 1983, Jackson Hole Preserve donated the resort's 150 acres of land to the U.S. government for inclusion within the Virgin Islands National Park subject to a 40 year Retained Use Estate Indenture Agreement (RUE). The RUE is scheduled to expire on September 30, 2023. In 2010, Public Law 111-261 was enacted and authorized the National Park Service (NPS) to enter into a long-term lease with the owner of the RUE for continued resort operations upon relinquishment of the remaining term of the RUE.

The proposed project includes the conversion of the RUE to a long term lease under NPS purview. The NPS has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) to analyze the environmental consequences associated with the proposed conversion of the RUE on physical, natural, cultural, and human resources, and park operations.

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). The Environmental Assessment will also be available on the National Park Service's Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) website <http://parkplanning.nps.gov>. Under "Choose a Park" click on "Virgin Islands National Park" and follow the link to Caneel Bay Resort Lease Environmental Assessment.

Please send comments by August 15, 2013. It is NPS practice to make all comments, including names and addresses of respondents who provide that information, available for public review. Individuals may request that NPS withhold their name and/or address from public disclosure. If you wish to do this, commenters using the website can make such a request by checking the box "keep my contact information private". If submitting written comments, please state this request at the beginning of your comment. NPS will honor such requests to the extent allowable by law.

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"Beach Garden" is a Bali inspired waterfront work of art from which you'll enjoy mesmerizing sounds of the surf and cooling trade breezes. High end finishes throughout include tropical hardwoods, African slate, coral stone, copper & teak. 4 master suites, gourmet kitchen, multiple dining and office areas, media room, knife edge pool, spa, shady gazebo & lush gardens all on a private acre just minutes from town. **\$6.2M**

"Reef Bay Waterfront" - 1.32 acre lot adjoining national park with 270 feet of waterfront on pristine Reef Bay. Easterly trade winds, a vest pocket beach & sweeping views to St. Croix and St. John's undeveloped south shore. With park land on the south this parcel affords a privacy seldom found in a waterfront property. A short drive to Cruz Bay and great location for star gazing with few man made lights visible. **\$2.499M**.



"Colibri" - Superb sunset and water views from this three bedroom waterfront home in the very desirable Great Cruz Bay sub division. Features include native stonework, large pool deck with gazebo, masonry construction, air conditioning, water views from every room and the pool, and lots of room for expansion. Deeded rights to beach and dinghy landing. A complete refurbishing has just been completed. Great Cruz Bay is a designated mooring area for yachts. **\$3,795,000**.



"Coral Rays" is a newer luxury Villa on cool Bordeaux Mt with great water views over Coral bay to Tortola and the British Virgins. The main level is a large great room & gourmet kitchen with granite counters & stainless appliances. The lower level has two bedrooms, a large pool & a spa. The separate garden pod has two large master suites with private baths and native stone garden showers. This beautifully appointed home has the added benefit of solar power. **\$1.8M**



"Villa Tramonto" - Is an elegant contemporary styled villa located high atop a level site within the gated community known as Virgin Grand Estates. Constructed in 2010, the stately fully air conditioned four bedroom home offers sweeping water and sunset views from Great Cruz Bay to St. Thomas and beyond. Amenities include large pool and entertainment deck, open floor plan, professional tropical landscaping, underground utilities and paved access roads. **\$2.395M**



"Orion's Hill" - the crowning jewel on Ajax Peak with picture perfect dwellings, cool breezes and 360 degree views from sunrise to sunset and from Coral Bay to Jost to St. Thomas from the widow's walk. This home is 5 minutes from Maho Beach, a short drive to Coral Bay. The main house has vaulted ceilings & two en suite bedrooms. The 1BR 1,120sf cottage with views is a bonus. Just reduced to **\$1.39M**



"Sea Palms" in Great Cruz Bay is near the end of the point at Maria Bluff with fantastic water views south to St Croix and west to St Thomas. This well built 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath home features custom mahogany trim, air conditioning, wet bar, high ceilings, large pool, easy access and fantastic sunsets. Each bedroom has a private balcony. Master bedroom has a walk in closet. Large 0.76 acre corner lot has room for a guest house. One of the few properties that boast both a sunset view and cool trade wind breezes. Well priced at **\$1.7M**



"Cruz Views Condos" - feature beautiful water views to St. Thomas, sunsets, walking distance to town. Units 7 and 10 are both located near pool & sundeck are air-conditioned corner units for privacy. These are very popular short term rentals with new flat screen TVs & Internet access. Cruz Views has undergone many improvements including new stairs, decks, parking and lush tropical landscaping. Now just **\$445,000** and **\$549,000**

"Boatman Point Waterfront" - Beautiful 0.7 acre waterfront lot in this upscale neighborhood on Rendezvous Bay. Teriffic views, cool breezes and an easy down hill build. **\$730,000**

DEVELOPMENT/COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES: Hansen Bay 7A is an 18 acre parcel with studies done and a 15 lot subdivision permit. All lots have water views and breezes and 4 lots are on the flat top of a ridge with almost 360 degree views. Reduced from **\$3.18M** to **\$2.49M**. Estate Bethany R-3 zoned property with fantastic views west to St Thomas and development studies done **\$5.99M**, "Rendezvous Development property" Group Dwelling permit for 6 apartments and a driveway permit have been issued. Colorful sunset and water views to St Thomas. Just **\$499,000**

"Kings Hill Apartments" - Masonry apartment house with two, 2 bedroom 2 bath apartments on a convenient flat lot. Bedrooms are air conditioned and each apartment has appliances including its own laundry. **\$599,000** - Sister apartment building next door, also with 2 apartments, is also for sale.

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"All One Ocean" Campaign



Dear EarthTalk:

What is the "All One Ocean" campaign?

Bill O'Neill
Los Angeles, CA

All One Ocean is a non-profit campaign launched in 2010 by long-time author, activist and organizer Hallie Austen Iglehart with the goal of reducing the amount of plastic and other trash that ends up in the ocean where it compromises the health of marine wildlife and ecosystems.

Iglehart was incensed to learn that a million seabirds and 100,000 marine mammals and turtles die each year from ingesting plastic in the water column — and created All One Ocean to do something about it.

Contrary to popular myth that most ocean pollution is oil spilled from ships, most of it is land-based litter.

"The most dangerous litter is our throw-away plastic because of its longevity and capacity to increase in toxicity, eventually returning to the human food chain in a more lethal form," said Iglehart. "Much of our plastic ends up in the ocean in giant collections of trash called gyres, created by circular ocean currents."

"They trap debris for decades where it continues to break into ever smaller, more toxic pieces, never fully biodegrading," Iglehart said.

Of particular concern to Iglehart is the fact that much of this carelessly discarded plastic winds

up in the bellies of marine life, contaminating not just ocean ecosystems but in some cases the very seafood on our dinner plates.

The main project of All One Ocean is the creation and maintenance of permanent, community supported Beach Clean Up Stations, which are essentially boxes containing reusable bags for beach visitors to use in picking up trash during their time on the sand and in the surf.

The idea is to empty any garbage into a trash can somewhere — so it can find its way to a landfill instead of out into the ocean — and then ideally return the bag empty to the box. Each clean-up station also provides a sign with information on the extent of the problem and other ways individu-



Contrary to popular myth that most ocean pollution is oil spilled from ships, most of it is land-based litter. Pictured: Plastic litter on a beach, before clean-up.

Photo courtesy Flickr

Reyes National Seashore in Marin County there, with several following at other San Francisco Bay area beaches. Iglehart hopes the campaign will encourage people to reconsider their consumption of single use plastics, since the production and distribution of such items contributes not just to the demise of the oceans but also to increased global warming.

Unlike many environmental issues that seem beyond our control, cleaning up beaches is something anyone can do and indeed every little bit helps.

"Every tiny piece of human trash picked up is one less toxin in someone's stomach," said Iglehart.

For more information checkout www.alloneocean.org.

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"ENIGHED GARDENS" is a 5x4 masonry home in gated .46 ac. garden setting with spectacular views over Pillsbury Sound. Flexible floor plan, expansive decks, w on - derful potential "as is".

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In an ever-changing environment, it would be ideal if the U.S Geological Survey had a presence in every corner of the nation.

While we may not be able to cover every inch of the landscape, we can greatly enhance our scope with your help.

The USGS has a variety of citizen science efforts where you can report what's happening in your own backyard. We want to know if you felt an earthquake, saw a landslide, have a new building going up nearby, or have flowers blooming earlier than normal. If you live in Alaska, we want you to tell us if you experience a volcanic ash fall and even collect a sample.

And the information you provide does not just sit on a shelf. Instead, it gets aggregated and disseminated through a variety of tools geared toward making this information easily accessible so it can be put to use.

As an example, there are interactive online systems where people can report what it was like during an earthquake, and then see all the reports for that event mapped out for the affected area.

Through your contribution, not only will your observations build a much larger and more complete database, but you will also become a virtual member of the USGS scientific team!

Improving Earthquake Monitoring

Did You Feel It? (DYFI?) is an online crowd-sourcing system developed by the USGS for the public to provide first-hand accounts of earthquakes they experience. As one of the longest standing and most successful examples of citizen-based science to date, it has garnered more than 2,790,000 total responses since its launch in 1997.

Through this program, users are able to document the shaking level they experienced and find out what was felt elsewhere. Specifically, USGS scientists aggregate results by zip code (domestically) and by city (globally) to show reported shaking intensity. Those reports also augment shaking data from sensors and are incorporated in ShakeMaps used for emergency response. To document your seismic encounter, visit the DYFI? home page and fill out a brief questionnaire.

Tweeting and Shaking

Many regions around the world have only a scant number of seismometers, complicating the rapid detection and characterization of earthquakes. To enhance earthquake monitoring, Twitter has proven to be an advantageous source for USGS scientists to receive rapid firsthand accounts of potential events.

The USGS Tweet Earthquake Dispatch (TED) program rapidly detects possible earthquakes when a large number of public tweets mention "earthquake" or its equivalent in several languages. These tweet-based detections often come prior to sensor alerts in sparsely



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Citizens can help and improve USGS' understanding of nature and weather.

instrumented regions.

USGS analysts at the National Earthquake Information Center receive these indicators and then turn to more accurate earthquake sensors and instrumental data for confirmation and quantitative assessment. For earthquakes with a magnitude 5.5 or greater, the USGS sends out notifications via the Twitter account @USGSted to people around the world.

Crowd-Sourcing Success

The valuable role of crowd-sourcing data is outlined in a recent report by the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, authored in collaboration with the USGS.

The report also highlights success stories from TED, DYFI? and related USGS activities. For example, although there was an exceedingly swift international aid response to the massive 2008 earthquake in Wenchuan, China, the first reports of the event outside of the impacted area came from citizens, and information spread through the use of social networking tools such as Twitter.

Similarly, approximately 148,000 individuals used DYFI? to describe their experience of a magnitude 5.8 earthquake that occurred in Virginia on Aug. 23, 2011. Because large-magnitude earthquakes are fairly rare along the East Coast, there were only a handful of seismometers installed nearby to record the event. Thus, much of the preliminary data regarding this earthquake came from the DYFI? system.

The National Map Corps: Earn Your Badge

Citizen volunteers are also making significant additions to The National Map (TNM), a web-based geo-spatial visualization platform. The public is encouraged to collect data on manmade structures such as schools, hospitals, post offices, police stations, and other buildings.

The project started last year in Colorado and has expanded to 35 states. A recognition program has also been created where badges can be earned based on the number of data points a volunteer contributes.

This effort is through The National Map Corps (TNMCorps) Volunteered Geographic Information project, which partners with organizations such as 4-H and GISCorps. To start your own badge collection, go to the TNMCorps project site to learn more and sign up as a volunteer!

Observing Nature's Calendar

As the seasons come and go, temperatures fluctuate, leaves emerge and change colors, and animals migrate. What better way to learn about our changing world than to examine it for yourself? The USA National Phenology Network gives you this opportunity through its widely successful program, Nature's Notebook.

Volunteers are collecting observations of these seasonal changes — referred to as phenology — to help scientists better understand subjects including climate change, invasive species, agricultural production, impacts of frosts and freezes, and the timing of pests and diseases. In a few simple steps, you can become a citizen scientist and join this expedition to examine nature's calendar.

Get Involved and Start with Science

The interconnectedness of contemporary society is staggering. Currently, there are more than 2 billion internet users worldwide. As USGS citizen science proves, social media is no longer limited to just "liking" a picture. Through innovation and taking advantage of the opportunities available, the USGS has been able to work with millions of citizen scientists across the globe to discover more about our world than ever before.

Starting with science, which includes having robust databases, allows for the most informed decisions. USGS research wouldn't be as detailed without the public's help. We encourage each of you to see how you can provide public service to your community by helping study our earth.