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Sen. Barshinger Reiterates Decision Not To Run Again for At-Large Term

By Tom Oat
St. John Tradewinds

St. John Senator at Large Craig Barshinger told everyone his last election as Senator at Large would be just that – his last – and Barshinger is a man of his word.

Now, Sen. Barshinger is trying to find his successor in the crowded field of wannabes – or to promote his own choice.

Barshinger, the first non-native St. Johnian Senator at Large, said he is not running for another term because of family matters related to the death of his father which he has been unable to attend to because of his senate duties.

Gadfly Turned Legislative Leader

A gadfly turned legislative leader, Sen. Barshinger still challenges the territory's political leadership, but he isn't putting aside his interest in island politics.

"I'm not running," Sen. Barshinger said succinctly. "I told everyone last time that I wouldn't run again."

Sen. Barshinger did sound like an interested party when he stopped by the *Tradewinds* office in The Marketplace in mid-January, in his bright red V.I. Legislature shirt, and opined about the forthcoming political transition.

"Who will run to replace me?" Sen. Barshinger asked himself.

A number of St. Johnians have historically competed for the Senator at Large position, which requires name recognition and physical presence on the "Big Island" of St. Croix and in the capitol, Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas.

Barshinger earned the position through years of groundwork and he knows it will take a candidate with name recognition on all three islands to replace him.

Sen. Barshinger, while acknowledging recent St. John candidates for Senator at Large such as Ronnie Jones, threw a new name into the conversation with

"I think Pam Richards would be a great candidate."

– Senator at Large Craig Barshinger

a mention of former V.I. Tourism Commissioner Pamela Richards, who is married to St. Johnian Avelino Samuel.

"I think Pam Richards would be a great candidate," said Sen. Barshinger who also mentioned former Commissioner of Licensing and Consumer Affairs Andy Rutnik as a potential candidate.

Is Barshinger Eying Delegate Position?

As hard as it may be to envision St. John politics without Craig Barshinger tilting at windmills, there was a ray of hope that his days on the political hustings are not at an end.

On Sunday, January 19, Sen. Barshinger had an early question for USVI Delegate to Congress Dr. Donna (Christian) Christensen after she addressed the annual meeting of the Friends of the V.I. National park on St. John.

"Del. Christensen, have you made a decision on running for governor?" the outspoken Senator at Large asked Delegate Christensen, now in her ninth term.

The Delegate demurred.

"Soon come," Del. Christensen answered with a smile. Earlier the delegate had acknowledged to *Tradewinds* that it would be nice to "come home" after almost 20 years working in the nation's capitol.

But she did speak of things of local political significance to St. Johnians.

"St. John children need a new school," Del. Christensen told the audience of almost 100 residents and visitors to a round of applause at the end of her presentation.

Governor de Jongh Will Deliver State of Territory Address January 27 at 7 p.m.

Governor John P. de Jongh, Jr. will deliver his annual State of the Territory Address before a formal session of the 30th Legislature on Monday, January 27, 2014. The session will be convened at 7 p.m.

CBCC Forum Set for January 29

The Coral Bay Community Council (CBCC) is hosting the second community forum of the new year, as part of the Coral Bay Watershed Management Project. Everyone in Coral Bay is invited. It will be on Wednesday, January 29, at 6:30 p.m. at Guy H. Benjamin School, Rm. 6. Enter through the big gate by the flagpole. The meeting will include some general discussion time for ideas on projects to improve our community.

The meeting will introduce new planning activities being undertaken by CBCC, utilizing a US Department of Agriculture grant to rural areas, to plan for appropriate future solid waste management, drinking water resources and waste water treatment in our Coral Bay watershed. All of these activities are intended to lead to reductions in pollution and improvements in our infrastructure in Coral Bay.

What is a watershed? A watershed is an area where all the rain-water drains into the same natural body of water – in our case all the land area up to the ridgeline where rainwater that reaches ghyats eventually drains into beautiful blue Coral Bay! The Coral Bay Community Council is the local watershed management agency and is working on updating the 2008 Coral Bay Watershed Management Plan, along with many partner government agencies and local participants.

According to Sharon Coldren, President of CBCC, "It's up to all of us who live in and own land in Coral Bay to help protect our environment in our watershed from all kinds of pollution — so it is a beautiful and healthy place for people and all Nature's creatures. Maybe this can be part of everyone's New Year's resolutions!"

For more information, call the CBCC office at 776-2099.

Green Thursday Seminar January 30

The Island Green Living Association will show the film "Garbage Warrior" at its Thursday, January 30, Green Thursdays seminar at 5:30 p.m. at Giffit Hill School's upper campus auditorium.

"Garbage Warrior" is a 2007 film about architect Mike Reynolds, who invented the "Earthship" style of building. Earthships are buildings constructed with natural and recycled materials which are not tied in to utility grids, and are entirely self-sufficient.

The seminar will also feature presentations by St. John resident Kate Norfleet and IGLA board member Doug White, who themselves have used recycled materials to beautify their homes. GHS students, who recently built a bottle wall for their school garden with funds from an EPA mini-grant aimed at mitigating pollution through green infrastructure and sustainable materials management, will also speak at the seminar.

Those who attend the seminar will learn tips on reusing what most consider to be waste, like using wine bottles to build walls and paper to make pots. All are welcome to attend.

IGLA's Anniversary Event February 1

Help IGLA celebrate the Depot's anniversary and its success on Saturday, February 1, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the ReSource Depot, located at Giffit Hill and Centerline roads across from the Susannaberg Transfer Station.

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Apparent Homicide Victim Identified as James Malfetti, 41

By Tom Oat
St. John Tradewinds

A St. John man found dead in his south shore apartment on Sunday, January 19, may have been killed after the house in which the apartment was located had been buglarized in the days before his murder, sources have told *Tradewinds*.

V.I. Police Department officials have identified the victim as James Malfetti, 41, who had lived on St. John for several years. On January 19 police issued a preliminary press release classifying Malfetti's death as suspicious.

Malfetti was found unresponsive inside his apartment by the property manager and had suffered "puncture wounds on his neck," according to a Tuesday morning VIPD press release. *Tradewinds* sources said the man's throat had been cut and he appeared to have been dead for a while before his body was discovered.

No Information on Reported Burglary

There was no police report of a Friday robbery of the main residence in a neighborhood of expensive vacation homes on the record at the VIPD Leander Jurgen Command on St. John. There was a report logged at 8:18 a.m. on Saturday of a woman calling to report a burglary at an unidentified

residence.

There was no address listed for the reported burglary which was listed as a Second Degree Burglary, but *Tradewinds* sources confirmed it was the owner of the residence containing Malfetti's apartment.

"They (the owners) locked their door," the source told *Tradewinds* of the Friday night attempted burglary.

No one checked on Malfetti's apartment until Sunday morning, one source told *Tradewinds*. The perpetrator or perpetrators also may have taken Malfetti's vehicle.

"No one checked on him because his car wasn't there," the source said.

Another *Tradewinds* source said the packing box for a wall-mount television set was found in the apartment but the television was missing.

911 Emergency Dispatch notified police of the case at 9:55 a.m. on Sunday, January 19.

St. John Deputy Police Chief Maria Jones confirmed Sunday afternoon that police were investigating a suspicious death that occurred at an apartment on Boatman Road.

The VIPD reported at week's end that their investigation was continuing. This case is being investigated by the Major Crime Bureau and Intelligence Agents.

Forensic technicians collected and are processing evidence.

Malfetti had lived and worked on St. John for several years as a computer consultant, according to friends. His parents were reported to have arrived on St. John on Tuesday from their home in New Jersey to return their son's body to the states.

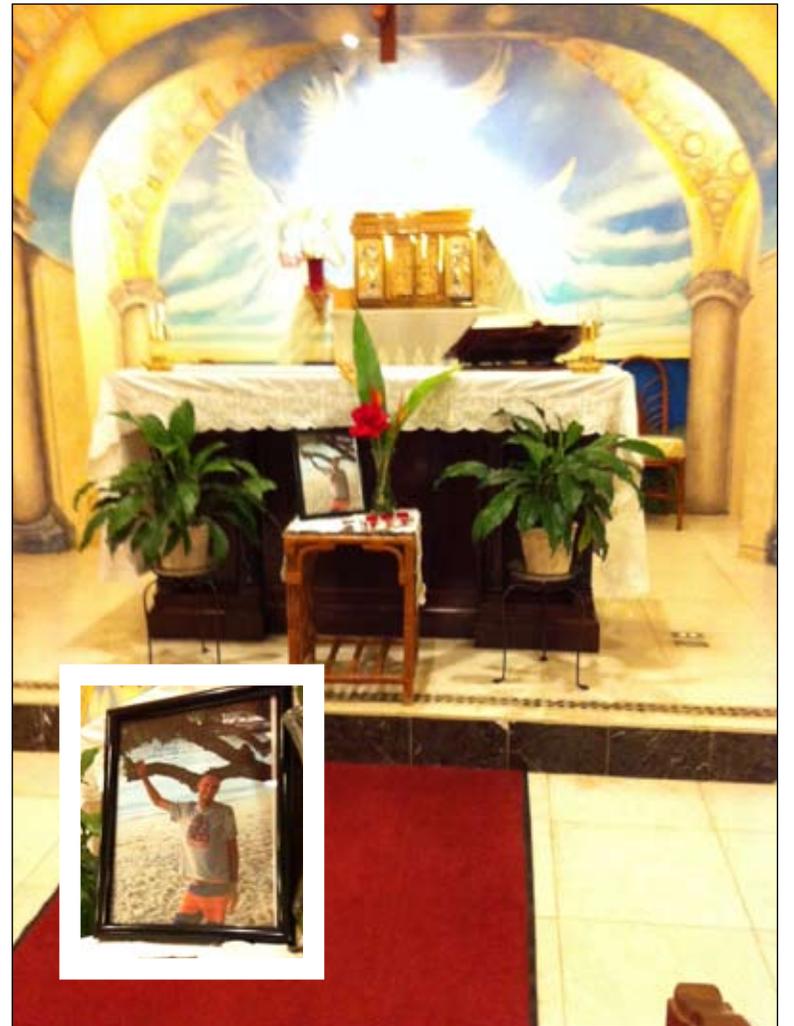
Island Friends Gather for Memorial

Friends of James Malfetti gathered at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in Cruz Bay on Friday, January 24, for a memorial service.

The investigators are urging anyone who can assist them in determining the circumstances surrounding this death to call 714-9834, 715-5522, 911 or you can call Crimes Stoppers USVI at 1-800-222-TIPS.

The murder was the first homicide of the year on St. John and the first since August 2012. It was the third homicide in the territory.

The most recent murder on St. John was that of Tiny Jah Jarvis, 31, who was shot to death in the Bellevue Village housing community on Aug. 17, 2012. Ralph Titre, 23, was charged with murder, and a 17-year-old boy later was charged in connection with the case for being in possession of the murder weapon.



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

A memorial for James "Jimmy" Malfetti with a picture of him at the beach, inset, remained in front of the altar at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in Cruz Bay after a service which attracted scores of island friends.

V.I. National Park Will Negotiate New Concession Contracts at Trunk and Cinnamon Bay Beaches

By Tom Oat
St. John Tradewinds

In the face of federal budget cuts which threaten continued across-the-board cutbacks in operations throughout the National Park Service, the Virgin Islands National Park is getting as serious about its commercial resources as it has always striven to be about its natural resources.

More than 20 years after the original contract for the park's major commercial concessions at Trunk Bay and Cinnamon Bay on the north shore of St. John expired, the VINP will be putting the concessions up for bid this year "with

a new contract by the summer of 2015," according to VINP Superintendent Brion Fitzgerald.

"Cinnamon Bay concessions will go out to bid," Supt. Fitzgerald announced at appearances before three island civic groups in mid-January. The concessions have been operated on one-year extensions since 1990 — at the 1990 rates, the superintendent said.

"The concessionaire has had zero incentive to make capital improvements," Supt. Fitzgerald told the St. John Rotary Club on Wednesday, January 22. "That's the park service's fault."

Now, the NPS hopes to have

bidders selected by this summer and a new operator in place by the summer of 2015, according to the VINP superintendent.

"The bid documents will go out in May," Supt. Fitzgerald told the St. John Rotary meeting.

"Significant Capital Improvements" Required

In addition to the potential for increased concession fees, the new contracts "will require significant capital improvements," Supt. Fitzgerald told meetings of three island civic groups, including the annual meeting of the Friends of the Virgin Islands National Park on Sunday, January 19.

At Cinnamon Bay, the capital improvements will include "demolition of cottages and complete replacement in kind," according to Supt. Fitzgerald. "On the same footprint, it cannot expand."

In addition, the new concessionaire will be required "to replace the platform tents," rebuilding the platforms and installing new tents "with breathable material," the park superintendent said.

The Cinnamon Bay concession has 40 units in 10 concrete beachfront buildings between North Shore Road and Cinnamon Bay and the campground has almost

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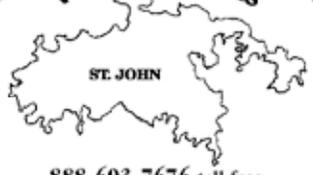
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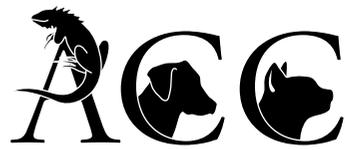


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The Friends of the V.I. National Park gave their annual Volunteer of the Year Award to Mike Marruquin, top left; Park Partnership Award to Thomas Kelley, top right; and Volunteers of the Year to Kent and Paula Savel, left, at the annual Friends of VINP meeting on Sunday, January 19.

VINP Will Act In Best Interest of Park In Cutbacks, Supt. Fitzgerald Says

By Tom Oat

St. John Tradewinds

V.I. National Park Superintendent Brion Fitzgerald does not mince words about the fiscal condition of the St. John park – especially when he is speaking to sympathetic island groups.

“Our biggest challenge is money,” Supt. Fitzgerald told the St. John Rotary Club on Wednesday, January 22, at Ocean Grill. “I don’t see huge changes coming down the pipeline anytime soon.

“We’re going to consider what’s best for park resources,” and the impact of our decisions on the community,” Supt. Fitzgerald told the annual meeting of the Friends of the Virgin Islands National Park on Sunday, January 19 at the Cinnamon Bay Campgrounds’ T’ree Lizards Restaurant.

“It’s too early to tell what new (Fiscal Year 2014) funding” for the VINP will be, Supt. Fitzgerald added, although he said the park is currently operating at “92 percent of 2012 funding.”

“In the decision-making process, we’re always going to put what’s best for the park resources at the top of the list,” Fitzgerald said. While the VNP will consider the impact of its decisions on the community, the park will also look

first at “what is best for the park and what is best for the visitors,” he reiterated.

“Right now, we will not be required to close the Visitor’s Center,” the superintendent told the supportive audience at the Friends annual meeting, although he decried the “visual impact on the park” which is apparent in the park’s “overgrown road shoulders.”

“We have, in name only, a roads and trail crew, Supt. Fitzgerald said. “No way they can keep up.”

“Only through volunteers... are trails maintained,” he added.

Importance of Volunteerism

The superintendent used the opportunity to emphasize the importance of volunteerism to the operation of the park.

As it is, the VINP is operating with seven fewer positions, according to the superintendent – including one lifeguard, one interpretive ranger, one trail guide and the park’s chief of cultural resources.

“The Deputy Superintendent just retired and I don’t know if we have the funding to fill that position,” the superintendent added.

“The water systems operator has been working six days a week

for over a year,” Supt. Fitzgerald added. The situation is made worse by the VINP’s utility systems operator position also being unfilled.

“Public Health Service has provided an officer, Lt. jg. Kelly Hudson, who ia focusing on wastewater and water treatment,” the superintendent added.

Repairs to Infrastructure

Supt. Fitzgerald did have some good news to report, promising “repairs to the Cinnamon Bay wastewater plant” and facilities at the parks concessions.

“They are deplorable and we recognize that,” the superintendent said. (See related story on page 3)

Supt. Fitzgerald also praised the continued efforts of non-profit organizations in supporting the acquisition of in-holdings.

“This is truly the gift which keeps on giving,” Supt. Fitzgerald said of the recently-completed sale to the National Park Service by the Trust for Public Land of the final 79 “remaining acres” of the Maho Bay Estate remainder property.

The VINP will be “looking forward instead of back,” Supt. Fitzgerald said. “The job is a challenging one with lots of room for professional growth.”

Del. Christensen Praises VINP, Friends; Urges “Greater Harmony” with USVI

By Tom Oat
St. John Tradewinds

V.I. Delegate to Congress Dr. Donna Christensen praised the National Park Service for its work in the U.S. Virgin Islands and the Friends of the V.I. National Park in her annual appearance before the membership of the group on Sunday, January 19, at T’ree Lizards Restaurant at Cinnamon Bay in the V.I. National Park.

“The relationships embodied by this group must be encouraged,” Del. Christensen told the Friends. “Many are trying to decrease support for our park system.”

“Parks promote public health and revitalize communities,” the ninth-term delegate said, thanking the Friends for their stewardship, its membership and those recognized for their volunteerism at the annual meeting.

Del. Christensen also praised the recent transfer of the “remaining acres” of Maho Bay Marsh Family property to the VINP, “allowing legacy owners to remain.”

“The challenges of the past are “milquetoast compared to the challenges of today to keep the mission of the park service itself alive,” Del. Christensen said.

Del. Christensen singled out NPS efforts to respond to climate change for specific praise.

“Our islands are at high risk of climate change,” Del. Christensen told the Friends group. “I’m glad that responding to climate change is a priority of the National Park Service.”

Del. Christensen did not let the NPS off scot-free, however.

“The St. Croix program is underfunded,” Del. Christense said succinctly, reminding the park service that “St. John is a very unique and complex community.”



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

Delegate to Congress Donna Christensen, left, speaks with St. Johnian Rafe Boulon, right, at the Friends of VINP annual meeting at T’ree Lizards Restaurant on Sunday, January 19.

The Delegate urged “greater harmony” between the VINP and the USVI community in the coming years, especially with 100th anniversary of Park Service occurring in 2016 and 100th anniversary of USVI in 2017.

Impassioned Arguments Support Tougher Home Invasion Measure

Judi Shimel
St. John Tradewinds

A measure to curb home invaders was heard at the St. John Legislature as the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Justice met Wednesday in Cruz Bay.

The committee on Homeland Security and Justice heard impassioned arguments to toughen laws against violent offenders who rob and assault victims in their homes.

30-0025 seeks to create the Virgin Islands Home Invasion Act. Senator Diane Capehart, sponsor of the bill, said “This is a serious problem we have inside the territory. We have been seeing an increase in home invasion. This is more than just burglary.”

But top officials representing public safety, justice and the court who showed up to testify said Bill No. 30-0025 was unnecessary. Attorney General Vincent Frazer said acts consistent with home invasion are covered by existing laws on first degree burglary.

“I support the concept, but rather than create a new chapter I believe we can achieve what the sponsor wants us to achieve by applying existing law,” Frazer said.

Senator Kenneth Gittens, head of the homeland security committee, said he agreed with Capehart about the severity of actions found at home invasion crime scenes.

In one case, he said, he received a call from Atlanta asking him to look into an incident where a 75-year-old man was tied up in his home by a burglar.

He asked Querrard and Frazer to work harder at producing statistics showing how many times crimes like home invasion occur.

Committee member, Senator Tregenza Roach agreed.

“Unless we have the statistical information that supports it, I don’t want my home characterized as having a particular problem when it doesn’t,” Roach said.

The bill was held in committee, pending refinements and completion of paperwork processed through the Legislature’s legal counsel.



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Amanda Hayes Murder Trial Begins January 27; Jury Selection Finished

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Former St. John resident Amanda Hayes, 41, will face a jury of her peers on Monday, January 27, as her trial for first degree murder officially begins at 9:30 a.m. in a Wake County, North Carolina courtroom.

Prosecutors and defense lawyers spent three days last week vetting potential jurors and finally wrapped up jury selection on Thursday afternoon, January 23.

Hayes is accused of killing 27-year-old Laura Ackerson in July 2011, dismembering the mother of two and dumping her body parts in a creek near Amanda Hayes' sister's Texas home.

Ackerson was in a heated custody battle with Hayes' husband Grant Hayes, with whom she had two sons. Ackerson and Grant Hayes, a musician who played regular gigs at several Cruz Bay bars, lived on St. John with their two sons for several months. It was on St. John that Grant Hayes met Amanda, whose last name was Perry at the time.

Amanda and Grant Hayes moved back stateside together after Ackerson returned to North Carolina with her two sons. Amanda

and Grant Hayes were married, living in Raleigh, North Carolina, and had an infant daughter in July 2011 when prosecutors allege they lured Ackerson to their apartment where they killed her and cut her body up with a power saw.

The Hayeses are accused of putting Ackerson's body parts in coolers and transporting them in a rented U-Haul van to Richmond, Texas where they dumped them in a creek near the home of Amanda Hayes' sister.

Grant Hayes was convicted of first degree murder in October, 2013, and is serving a life sentence in Pasquotank Correctional Center in Elizabeth City, North Carolina. During his trial, defense lawyers alleged that Grant Hayes did not kill Ackerson and only helped Amanda Hayes dispose of the body. The jury didn't buy it and convicted him of first degree murder after less than two hours of deliberation.

Grant Hayes is expected to be called as a witness and in a jail cell interview with local North Carolina ABC 11, maintained his innocence and said he would testify if called to the stand.

"In a phone interview with ABC11 from



Amanda Smith Hayes pictured at the then Artist Association of St. John gallery in October 2007.

prison last week, Grant said he is not guilty," according to the report on www.abclocal.go. "He claimed Amanda killed Ackerson in an act of self defense. He said the women argued when Ackerson came to the apartment to make a cash deal for custody of the two children she and Grant had together."

"As Amanda was walking away, Laura snatched her back by her hair after telling

her she was going to take her child from her," Grant Hayes is quoted in the online news story. "And Amanda told me that she forcefully hit her in the throat with her elbow," said Hayes."

Instead of calling 911, Grant Hayes said he drank half a bottle of vodka and worked up the nerve to dismember Ackerson, according to the www.abclocal.go story.

"Hayes said he should have called 911 but instead made a bad decision to dispose of the body," according to the report. "He said he drank a half bottle of vodka to get up the nerve to dismember the corpse. Hayes said he is willing to testify if either side calls him to the witness stand."

Amanda Hayes' defense lawyers are expected to paint Grant Hayes as the killer and allege that Amanda Hayes was in fear for her life, according to a report on WRAL.com.

"Defense attorneys have claimed that Amanda Hayes was scared for her life and that any involvement she might have had in Ackerson's death was because she was under duress," according to the report.

If convicted, Amanda Hayes faces a life sentence without the possibility of parole.



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St. John Tradewinds News Photos by Judi Shimel

Island luminaries and elected leaders joined the administration and staff of the Julius E. Sprauve School at a fundraising gala Jan 18 at the Caneel Bay Resort.

Sprauve School Gala Celebrates Its Community Collaborations

By Judi Shimel
St. John Tradewinds

The annual gala for the Julius E. Sprauve School brought festive fundraising and a celebration of ties between educators and the St. John community.

The event took place in the dining hall at Caneel Bay Resort Saturday, January 18. About 150 guests enjoyed fine dining and good company throughout the night. They were greeted by Sprauve School principal Dionne Wells, serenaded by the Sprauve School Choir and inspired by a student presentation on the value of collaboration.

A few days after the gala, Ms. Wells said a final tally on money raised will not be ready until last minute contributions arrive.

"We are still collecting money. I think it's roughly thirty percent more than we made last year, and last year we made around \$40,000," she said. "All the feedback we got has been positive. Even from those who have been attending the gala year after year, they said this year was the best."

The JESS principal and members of her gala organizing committee said the event went off smoothly. Wells said she was pleased to see guests staying at Caneel come over to join the fun.

Auctioneer Ronnie Lee amused the crowd with his jokes and banter as the dinner crowd raised their paddles for a chance to win tickets to a Broadway play, a stay at



Faculty and staff of the Julius E. Sprauve School cut some style on the dance floor at Caneel Bay Resort at the end of a silent auction Jan 18.

Caneel Bay, a stay at the W Resorts and Spa on Viequez and a charter trip with Islan Lyfe Boating.

The Eric Provost Band capped off the night with a lively set, encouraging the audience to dance.

Proceeds from this year's gala will benefit the school's music department and purchase playground

equipment for the primary school. A portion will also be used to provide scholarships for JESS students to attend the St. John School of the Arts.

Wells said she also hopes to fund a psychological counseling service for faculty, students and their families.



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Additionally, all public secondary schools in both districts will be closed on Friday, January 31. Staff from these schools will also be attending professional development and training sessions.

Stockwell Speaking at UUF February 2

Merry Stockwell will speak to "Reckless Abandon Revisited" at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Service Sunday, February 2, at 10 a.m., Gift Hill School, Lower Campus Great Room

Two years ago I went home with a new daily affirmation: "I will live today with love, intention and reckless abandon." I get lots of questions about that. Is living with intention and reckless abandon an oxymoron? (Hint: Not to me.)

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Supreme Court Rules for Clifton Boynes In Suit Against Transportation Services

By Judi Shimel
St. John Tradewinds

The Virgin Islands Supreme Court has ordered a lower court to revisit a dispute involving Transportation Services of John and businessman Clifton Boynes.

High court Justices Ive Swan, Maria Cabret and Chief Justice Rhys Hodge ordered the case sent back to Superior Court.

The three judge panel ruled Boynes is entitled to a fair market valuation for 500 shares of TSSJ stock given to him by his mother, an original stock owner.

Transportation Services, a Cruz Bay based ferry service, first issued stock in 1975.

According to court records when Boynes sought to register his shares after the transfer, company officials declared the shares invalid. The declaration

led to a lawsuit.

The lawsuit led to a settlement under mediation in 2009, but when it came time to set a valuation for the company stock, no agreement on fair market valuation could be reached between Boynes' accountant and the accountant for TSSJ.

At that time the company was under financial duress but Boynes said he agreed to sell his stock during mediation, not to give it away.

He also said at some point in the company's future there would be an exchange of funds and he would be able to benefit later on.

In the ruling made Monday, Chief Justice Hodge, writing the majority opinion, said the lower court failed to direct the parties to seek the services of an independent, third party accountant.

Hodge sent the case back to Superior Court, directing that they do so.

Broadway Comes To St. John:

"Hooray for Hollywood" Red Carpet Event February 14 and 15

St. John Tradewinds

Get your designer dress on, put on your camera-ready smile and be prepared to strut down the red carpet! "Hooray for Hollywood," an original Broadway production put on by the St. John School of the Arts, will amaze and bring out the star in all of us! Get into the spirit of things and dress like your favorite actor. A special "Oscar" will be awarded for best dressed — male or female. Hollywood indeed is coming to St. John — don't miss out!

Island fourth graders from all three schools and SJSA dancers will take us through decades of memorable movies through singing and dancing as special effects and props adds a dramatic theatrical feel. The five Broadway actors who wrote this original musical return to St. John for the fourth annual "Broadway Comes to St. John" performance. They will start rehearsing students this week and will take them through the moves and make them a star studded cast. Our 4th grade "stars" will have the experience of a lifetime as they work hard for three weeks and then strut their stuff for you on the stage.

Come support these children. There are two performances with the preview show for family and friends on Friday, February 14 at 7:00 with a suggested donation of \$20. Make this your Valentine's Day place to be! You'll fall in love with the students, the excitement and the arts!

Saturday, February 15 is the premiere show and fundraiser for St. John School of the Arts. Your Hollywood angel ticket for \$200 gets you a champagne reception at 6:00 p.m., the "Hooray for Hollywood" production and dinner provided by the Westin Resort.

Purchase a \$100 raffle ticket. You may find yourself in New York City feeling once again like a star! The "St. John Goes to Broadway" raffle includes airfare for two to New York City, two tickets to a Broadway show, dinner for two at Etcetera Etcetera and three nights stay in a Manhattan hotel.

Proceeds will be used to support the school and to provide scholarships for students. The five Broadway actors donate their time and pay all their expenses. Please join the arts school in reflecting appreciation by supporting this event. For more information or to reserve your tickets, visit the website at www.stjohn-schoolofthearts.org or call 779-4322.



Laura Barnao, above left, and Rhonda Miller with local student.



Donna Drake, above left, with a JESS student.



Michael Shawn Lewis, above left, and John Tartaglia.

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Ninth graders from Giff Hill School get a tour of Annaberg Sugar Plantation from docent Bill Fish.

SJHS Reaches Out to St. John Students with Annaberg Tour

By Andrea Milam
St. John Tradewinds

The St. John Historical Society kicked off an initiative to share historical programs with students of St. John on Wednesday, January 22, when the SJHS led a group of Giff Hill School ninth graders on a tour of the Annaberg sugar plantation.

The tour represented the beginning of a renewed effort by the SJHS to garner interest among Love City students in their island's history, explained SJHS President Lonnie Willis.

"The idea behind this initiative is to direct the interest of students of different levels to the rich history of St. John, giving them more than just a peripheral view," said Willis. "I often ask students I pick up hitchhiking rudimentary history questions about the island, and they don't have the information. They haven't experienced it physically."

Although many St. John students tour Annaberg at some point during their school career, last week's outing was different in that the GHS ninth graders had the historic site nearly entirely to themselves, and the students got to per-

sonally interact with on-site interpreters.

GHS ninth grade teacher Chris Dunlap lauded the SJHS's effort to reach out to St. John students.

"If we can create a partnership between the school and the St. John Historical Society, it's a natural pairing," said Dunlap. "Today's tour offers hands-on learning, the real deal. It makes history come alive."

The tour was led by SJHS member and Annaberg docent Bill Fisk, who leads weekly tours of the historic site for the Friends of the V.I. National Park. Over the course of the two-hour tour, Fisk spoke about the history of slavery at Annaberg, as well as the plantation's ownership throughout the years.

Fisk touched on the construction of the site's sugar mill and how the sugar juice was extracted from sugar cane, as well as the process of creating muscovado — brown sugar crystals and molasses — and then extracting molasses from the muscovado, creating sugar wine, and distilling sugar wine into rum.

Olivia Christian demonstrated the use of Annaberg's 1890s cookhouse, where she used locally made charcoal to

bake a bread that the students devoured, washed down by homemade passion fruit juice. Several students expressed interest in trying Christian's bread recipe at home.

Annaberg gardner Charles "Kalo" Jackson led the students on a tour of his carefully cared-for garden, where the ninth graders sampled fresh coconut and sugar cane. He also explained the charcoal-making process, which is ongoing next to his garden.

"The tour offered more of a slice of what life was like here," said Dunlap. "These students are the future residents of St. John. If we can inspire even one or two of them today, it could benefit both the students and the St. John Historical Society."

"We want to get these young people interested in coming to Historical Society meetings, and finding out about their parents' and grandparents' history," Willis added.

SJHS Treasurer Pat Fisk, who is spearheading the society's educational initiative, said plans are in the works to take Guy Benjamin students on a hike to Fortsberg, and a historical outing with Julius E. Sprauve School students is on the agenda as well.

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JESS Alumnae Teaches Steel Pan



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International jazz steel pannist Victor Provost instructs students from the Bertha C. Boschulte Middle School as part of a musical master class put on January 23 by the 21st Century Band at Reichhold Center for the Performing Arts. Most members of the band, like Provost, are native Virgin Islanders who come home to support young musicians in public and private schools.

Provost, son of James and Terry Provost, is a graduate of the Julius E. Sprauve School.

28th Annual GHS Auction March 8

Giffit Hill School is pleased to announce the 28th Annual Giffit Hill School Auction to be on Saturday, March 8, at Caneel Bay Resort. Please call 776-1735 for more information.

Friends 10th Annual Gala Almost Here!

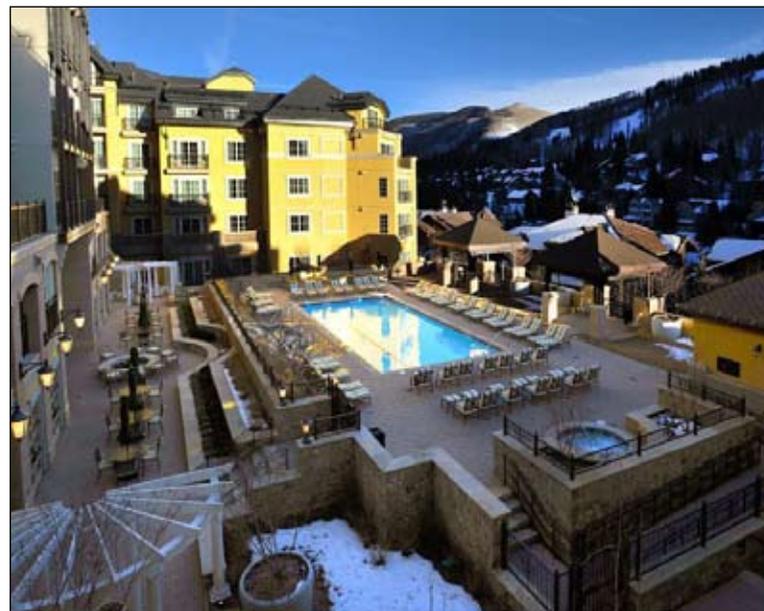
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Friends of VI National Park Annual Gala is just around the corner on Saturday, February 1, and tickets are selling out fast for the “gala of galas” on St. John. Join Friends for an elegant evening as we recognize our achievements and celebrate the wonders of our park at this “National Treasures” gala.

Friends is dedicated to the protection and preservation of the natural and cultural resources of Virgin Islands National Park and to promoting the responsible enjoyment of this unique national treasure. Money raised from the event will support the Friend’s continued work on behalf of Virgin Islands National Park, with 23 programs and projects this year alone.

The gala is being hosted by Steven & Pamela Deckoff at their beautiful home, “Presidio del Mar” in Peter Bay, where a red carpet and white roses will welcome guests to the gala. Cocktails and passed hors d’oeuvres begin at 6 p.m. and continue all night, including stations for carved meats, seafood and gourmet cheeses. A pastry chef will create fabulous desserts. This year’s wines are top notch and wine enthusiasts will not want to miss the fine wines that flow start to finish. The gala will feature an encore performance of our very own local “In the Sand Band”. Aged rums, homemade truffles and fine cigars will be offered a “Taste of History” bar.

The fabulous Friends raffle featuring items from local vendors and several special silent auction items will cap off the event. Top silent auction items will include a 7-night stay at a 3-bedroom Ritz-Carlton residence in Vail valued at \$15,000 and a 7-night stay at Isla Vista, a 3-bedroom luxury villa on



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

Top silent auction items will include a seven-night stay at a 3-bedroom Ritz-Carlton residence in Vail, Colorado, above, valued at \$15,000.

St. John, valued at \$10,000. Bids for these two items can be placed without attendance at the gala by calling the Friends office at 779-4940. Please call for more info and property descriptions.

A champagne shuttle service and parking will be available at the Trunk Bay parking lot starting at 6 pm. St. Thomas and Cruz Bay guests will be provided shuttle service from the Cruz Bay Ferry dock at 6:20 pm, with return shuttles in time for the 10 p.m. and 11 p.m. ferries to Red Hook.

There are less than 50 tickets left and Friends gala events typically sell out. Tickets are \$250, and may be purchased at Connections and the Friends of the Park Store, or by calling Friends at 779-

4940. Can’t make it? Raffle tickets may be purchased in advance! \$25 each or 5 for \$100 at the same lo-

cations. The raffle prizes are significant and the odds are good.

There is also a special limited ticket jewelry raffle of a Spanish silver coin and necklace, valued at approximately \$3,000 and handmade by R&I PATTON. Rudy Patton chose and set this Spanish 2 reales Pillar dollar, dated 1752, in 18k gold. The coin comes with a certificate of appraisal and authenticity. Only 100 tickets will be sold. The piece 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.

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Joy and Andy Stillman, above left, and Helen Simon, above right dressed the part of "rock stars" to benefit the local animal shelter. Additional photos on Page 21.

Animal Lovers Party Like Rock Stars for Annual Animal Care Center Gala

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

From the tutus and fake tattoos to the leather pants and feathered boas, the crowd at the St. John Animal Care Center's annual Winter Gala on Saturday night, January 18, fully embraced this year's Party Like a Rock Star theme.

More than 200 people filled the Hall home in Estate Chocolate Hole for the annual fundraising event, which featured a variety of finger foods from several island eateries, several well-stocked bars and music and Karaoke with DJ Adonis Morten.

Raffle tickets sales and a silent auction added to the roughly 180 tickets sold for the event, helping the ACC raise about \$33,000 from this year's gala, explained the group's treasurer Monica Munro, who donned a pink Grateful Dead dancing bear outfit for the soiree.

"We are absolutely thrilled with how everything went," said Munro. "It was a great event."

"It was just a great night," said ACC President Lucy Banks, who looked adorable and ready for the sock hop in a 1950s costume. "The best part and what everyone told me all night, is that the food was fantastic. People really got into the costumes and just had so much

fun."

Although everyone asks about how much was raised at the event, to Banks the measure of success is how much the attendees enjoyed themselves, she explained.

"Of course there are people who are all about the bottom line and we did bring in more than we have before from the gala, but the fact of the matter is that people have to have fun or they're not going to come back," said Banks. "And it really was a laugh a minute."

"Last year's gala was great, but it was more reserved," Banks said. "This year people were having a great time, laughing and gathering, all over the house."

Trading in island fancy attire for their favorite leather and fringed numbers, the crowd included one purple-haired Elvis among the whiskey bottle toting Janis Joplin.

Several Madonnas of different eras were spotted mingling with Tina Turner and Kid Rock. There were so many great costumes at the gala, it was difficult to pick one favorite, explained Munro.

"Everyone looked amazing," she said. "It's hard to pick a favorite, but I think Joanne Hall looked fantastic. She was one of the Janis Joplin of the night and she had a

blast."

Guests enjoyed a variety of appetizers including crab cakes, smoked salmon buschetta, bbq ribs and more, donated from many of the best restaurants and caterers on island. Several well-staffed and well-stocked bars ensured that the crowd never got thirsty as DJ Adonis kept the dance floor packed all night. Attendees had such a great time, there was more than one champagne bottle and more than one ACC reveller splashing in the Hall pool by the end of the evening.

And all that fun was for a great cause. The roughly \$33,000 raised at the gala will help ensure that the ACC can continue running its no-kill shelter as well as feed homeless cats at the island-wide feeding stations.

With scant government funding, the St. John ACC depends on its three main annual fundraisers to keep its doors open. In addition to the winter gala, the group hosts an annual flea market in the fall and a zany island dog show each May.

The ACC accepts donations all year and can always use volunteer help. To find out more about the ACC and how to get involved, check out the group's website at www.stjohnanimalcarecenter.com.



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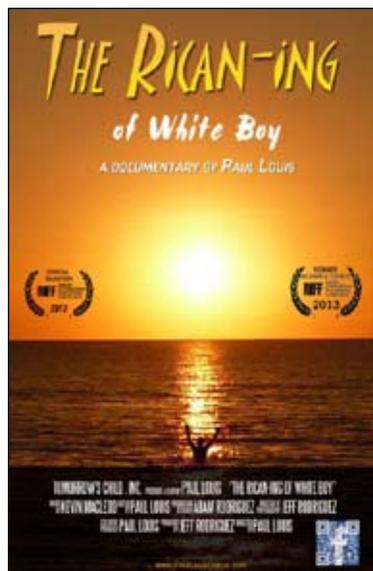
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Jeff Rodrigues, center, will be present at the screening.

SJFS Screening “Rican-ing of White Boy” with Visiting Actor and Cinematographer Jeff Rodriguez, February 4

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The St. John Film Society (SJFS) will screen the film “Rican-ing of White Boy” on Tuesday, February 4, at St John School of the Arts, at 7:30 p.m. Jeff Rodriguez, cinematographer and supporting actor, will be present to talk about the film.

“The Ricaning of White Boy” explores, “What happens when a forty seven year old paternally adopted Schmuck from Queens, NY, sets out for the first time to meet his long lost Puerto Rican family, after being raised by a tribe of white people?” Actor/writer, Paul Louis (Gonzalez) comically documents his journey, with no short supply of anxiety, culture shock, religious jokes, and a surprisingly touching lessened learned on family, and the bond which connects us.

Andrea Leland, SJFS Programming Director, and Carol Beckowitz, SJFS Programming, discovered “The Ricaning of White Boy” during their trip to the 2013 Rincon Film Festival in Puerto Rico. It was there they met the filmmaker Paul Louis. Leland and Beckowitz found the film to be quite irreverent. “Despite the “home video” quality, there was a lot of humor and heart-felt emotion displayed about the father-son relationship which is why the film was chosen for our program,” said Leland.

“The Ricaning of White Boy” won the Audience Choice Award at the 2013 Rincon International Film Festival – thanks in no small part to cinematographer and supporting actor, Jeff Rodriguez. Jeff is part of the dynamic duo behind the production of the award-winning comic documentary shot on location in Rincon, Puerto Rico. Jeff also lent his effortless comedic persona to the film as he made his screen acting debut and played comic sidekick to the film’s star and director, Paul Louis.

Jeff Rodriguez was born in NYC on October 1964 to Puerto Rican parents who had emigrated to the states at an early age. Jeff had the complete opposite experience as Paul growing up because his family moved from Manhattan to Massapequa Park, Long Island when he was just 5 years old. He grew up in suburbia where most of his friends were Irish, Italian or Jewish. Although both Paul & Jeff had a different upbringing, they both were minorities in their own neighborhoods. He now lives between Amityville, NY and Rincon, Puerto Rico and is a property manager in Rincon. Jeff’s life experiences have taught him to enjoy the present to the fullest, be grateful for what you have and most of all Live, Love, & most of all Laugh.

Produced, Directed and Edited by Paul Louis. Filmed by Jeff Rodriguez and Paul Louis. Music by Kevin MacLeod.

There is a suggested donation of \$5.

SJFS is supported in part by the National Endowment for the Arts, Virgin Island Council on the Arts and St. John Community Foundation. For more information contact St John Film Society at stjviff@gmail.com or www.stjohnfilm.com.

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Enjoy Jaw-Dropping Views from Unicorn by the Sea

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Imagine waking up each morning to sight of the crystal blue Caribbean sea twinkling in the distance and sail boats gently sweeping past along the horizon.

If you lived at Unicorn by the Sea, you would not have to imagine that scene, it would be reality. The three bedroom, four bathroom Estate Fish Bay home is for sale for \$1.595 million, explained Islandia Real Estate broker associate Marty Beechler.

Nestled on more than three-quarters of an acre, Unicorn by the Sea is perched on a hillside overlooking Fish Bay and boasts stunning views from every room in the home.

The three bedrooms are spread over a main residence and a stand alone guest cottage, offering perfect areas for entertaining while affording guests plenty of privacy.

The upper level of main house at Unicorn by the Sea features a professional kitchen with stainless steel appliances, granite counter tops and a convenient island for additional seating and work space. Just a few steps off the open-plan kitchen is an elegant open-air, yet covered dining area, the ideal place to linger over a late breakfast while soaking up the cooling breezes.

The adjacent living rooms can be shuttered and temperature controlled with full air conditioning or opened to take advantage of those

gentle trade winds. Wrap around decks offer the perfect perch from which to snuggle up with a good book or just gaze out to sea with a cold beverage in hand.

On the lower level of the main house at Unicorn by the Sea, find two full master suites, each with an en suite bathroom. The beautifully-appointed bedrooms boast tasteful Caribbean decor and unique bath features combining durable hardwood and calming stone accents.

Both bedrooms in the main house are fully air conditioned and feature those gorgeous water views. Take your coffee cup outside to one of the porches just outside the sliding glass doors and watch the Caribbean sun climb in the sky.

One of the best features of Unicorn by the Sea is the luxurious swimming pool found just a few steps away from the master suites on the lower level of the main house. Stretch out in one of the lounge chairs found on the oversized pool deck for the ultimate relaxation day. A comfortable dining area, a granite bar area and BBQ make the pool area at Unicorn by the Sea the perfect place for pool parties and entertaining guests of all ages.

Nestled on a portion of the property opposite the main home is a quaint stand-alone one bedroom guest cottage. With its own kitchenette, living space, large bedroom and bath, guests will enjoy plenty of privacy at Unicorn

by the Sea's guest cottage.

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The issues boil down to two: burn-out of leadership and dwindling membership.

The band began 2013 with new arrangers Shomari and Ikema Dyer, quickly learned a delightful repertoire of challenging and exciting new music, shone for St Thomas and St John Panoramas, took part in the school band spring jam at Rising Stars panyard, and played for St John's Food Fair and the opening of the Village.

Then regular band members took a summer break while Shomari ran a steel pan component for the Sports and Recreation summer camp. Alas, by the time school began and it was time to contact the most promising campers to invite them into the band, the computer

at Sports and Recreation had lost their contact information.

This loss proved disastrous. Summer camp is the Pan Dragons' best recruitment tool to replace players lost to graduation or schedule conflicts. This year these factors reduced active membership from about 20 at St John Festival to a current core of fewer than a dozen, whose commitment continues to erode as they see no consistency in the attendance of their fellows. Two became Eudora Kean football heroes. Several others had similar conflicts.

A small new group participated in a few practices, but live so far "east" that transportation proved a deal-breaker. The dearth of personnel has forced the band to turn down performance opportunities and to pass on their annual Thanksgiving and Christmas concerts. The St Croix trip is also out of the question for this year. The arrangers are becoming as discouraged as the remaining players.

What is needed immediately is new blood: enthusiastic adult leadership in both the areas of administration and membership.

Much of the problem with membership stems from the lack of adult effort to recruit new members and to be more proactive about attendance. The remaining band members need to see leadership in the form of a hands-on person, whom they see often in the panyard and learn to trust, and who possesses the enthusiasm and determination to pull them back together into a cohesive group who can once again count on each other to show up at the twice-a-week practices needed to rebuild their repertoire and their pride as Pan Dragons. Once the musical force begins to flow again, the vibe will reach out the panyard door and draw in more.

The Pan Dragons also need a president. The band has never had a paid administrator in the twenty years of its existence, having been lucky for many years to have the dedication of their sorely-missed Ira Wade and a few others to lean on. Their current president, Edis Santos, who bravely took over the reins on his departure, leaves St John at the end of January, so the need is urgent.



The Pan Dragons need new blood to bring the youth orchestra back to life.

The band worked hard to earn its coveted 501-c-3 nonprofit status and needs someone with non-profit experience to take over day-to-day administrative duties and coordination of operations including practices, fundraisers and performances, to be the primary contact for the band, to work with the board to fulfill the goals of the Pan Dragons as a force for the St John community and its youth. The ideal person will possess warmth, team spirit, a love of children and of music, and a willingness to work hard for the simple and wonderful reward of making the best little steel band in the Virgin Islands a vibrant force once again.

Most of the small volunteer board and crew have worked with the Pan Dragons for 10 years or more, starting as band parents, and

remaining even as their children have grown up and moved on. These folks are eager to continue to assist for special occasions and events, and to serve on the board, but none are willing to be "the place where the buck stops". Whoever answers this plea is guaranteed plenty of support from this core of experienced volunteers, who among them possess a broad range of expertise in all aspects of Pan Dragons operations.

Another incentive: a good grant-writer could not only secure more funding for band operations and projects, but also perhaps find funding for a part-time executive director position.

If you are interested in learning more about the band and becoming part of this important youth effort, contact Greg and Josephine Edward at Courtesy Car Rental (776-6650), Ruth Frett (774-1234) or Elaine Penn (998-3726), or just show up at practice to explore what's going on, what resources are in place, and where you might fit in — late Friday afternoons and early Saturday afternoons. You are welcome and sorely needed.

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Residents Help Clean Up Coral Bay Corner Park



Gary Clendenin and Watusi Evans worked hard for several days to cut the grass and remove weeds and debris at the new Coral Bay corner park at the wetlands by the intersection of Kings Hill Road and Route 107. They plan to continue to volunteer their time to do maintenance of this area to be enjoyed by all, especially parents and small children under the shade of the big tree.

This is part the continuing follow-up community maintenance necessary after the 2013 completion of the joint Coral Bay Community Council and Dept of Agriculture project to improve and preserve this wetlands area.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel's Kallaloo Free Soup Kitchen Measures Care by Spoonful

By Judi Shimel
St. John Tradewinds

In the heart of Love City, care can be measured by the spoonful.

Between 20 and 25 people file into the parish hall at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church at lunch time. Since 2012 it has become the church's mission to provide the needy with a daily meal. Soup, baked chicken, stewed turkey, spaghetti and meatballs, fish and macaroni await, along with volunteers that cook, fill the plates and clean up at the end of the day.

"Our Lady of Mount Carmel's Kallaloo Soup Kitchen opened about two years ago," said church secretary Simonia Athense. "We started with one day, on Mondays, and then we expanded to two days, adding Fridays because we were receiving a lot of food donations from businesses."

Efforts to provide meals for St. John's homeless began several years ago, with the first program started by the St. Thomas-based Catholic Charities.

"I came to Catholic Charities in 2003," said Michael Akin, executive director. "It was well established by then. What Mt. Carmel is doing is something separate, although we support each other."

Between three St. John churches meals are available most days of the week, Akin said. Catholic Charities operates a Tuesday soup kitchen at Nazareth Lutheran Church. Volunteers from the Seventh-Day Adventist Church offered dinner service on Thursdays.

Most recently Catholic Charities branched out on Wednesdays to serve lunch to homeless people in Coral Bay. This year, Akin said, his agency is looking at partnering with Mt. Carmel to add mid week evening soup kitchen in Cruz Bay.

"Someone goes over there and we could use Our Lady of Mt. Carmel's facility," he said.

It's a facility that doesn't include a kitchen. That part is done by church-based volunteers who bring in home cooked dishes.

Josephine Malthurin recently retired as the chief cashier at Caneel Bay Resort. Now she whips up extra portions of whatever she's serving at home and brings it to the church on Fridays.

Cooking for the 20 to 25 clients who show up for lunch took no adjustment, because as a child Malthurin said she cooked for seven members of her family.

"I enjoy doing it," she said. "I like cooking because I do it on my own."

Donations Come from Community

Supplies and ingredients come from donations made at church and concerned citizens, according Athanese.

"The community on a whole helps the soup kitchen by donating canned and frozen food, prepared foods, paper items, drinks, desserts," she said. Sometimes visiting families prepare a daily meal and serve.

Students at Giffit Hill School have also cooked and served on their annual Day of Caring.

The St. John Community Foundation also lends a hand.

All of this effort, Akin said, reaches roughly one third of the 71 homeless people counted in the latest homeless census. But Athanese said the effort goes a long way for those who show up at Mt. Carmel's door.

"From sitting and talking to some of the people we serve, you find out a lot about their backgrounds, which sometimes amazes you" she said. "You have people who were once supervisors, owned their own businesses, have a specific trade. And for whatever reason, they have fallen on hard times."

"Most of the people we serve are very appreciative of the meal they are receiving, she continued. They thank you profusely. It touches us the most when they can get back on their feet."



The late Jeffrey Brown, above, from the very first soup kitchen. Some of the women who cook and volunteer, left, in the soup kitchen: Rosalie Francis, left, Jane Steven and Mary Athanase.

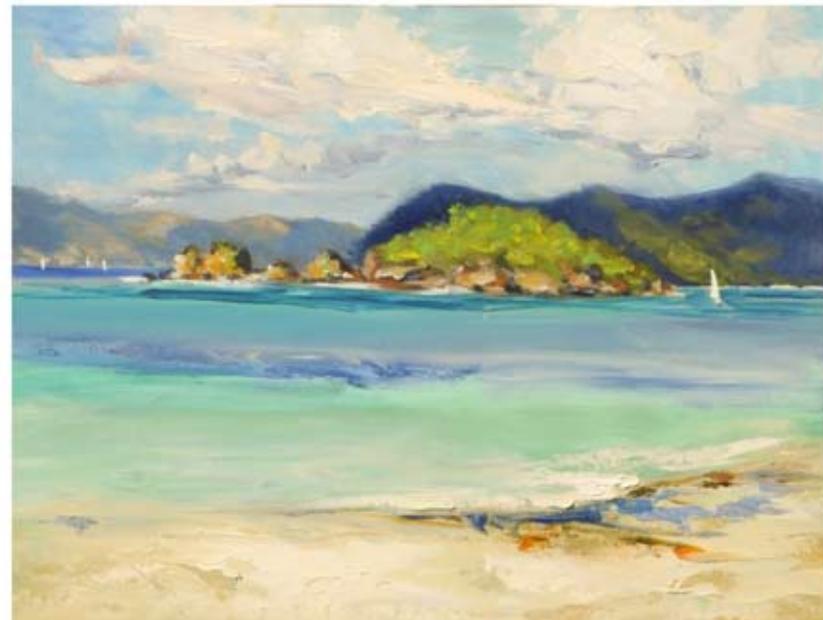
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Love City Live! Entertains Cruz Bay Crowd

Fans flocked to Cruz Bay from the big islands for a top level concert featuring renowned Beres Hammond, above left, Saturday, January 25. They lined up early to get in and stayed late into the next morning for the top flight line-up which rocked Love City.



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

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

AL-ANON MEETINGS

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St. John Tradewinds News Photo

Michael Schnell, Chris Reinbold, Caitlin Yengo and Jessica Schnell outside the office of St. John Physical Therapy at the Amore Center in Cruz Bay.

Chris Reinbold Joins St. John Physical Therapy

St. John Tradewinds

St. John Physical Therapy welcomes a new physical therapist this month, adding to their highly experienced staff. Chris Reinbold, who recently moved to St. John from Santa Monica, California, joined the team on January 2. Reinbold brings extensive experience, education and skill to the already flourishing physical therapy practice, a much-needed business in the St. John community.

Reinbold attended American University in Washington, D.C., and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Biology. In 2006, he moved to Santa Monica, California, where he received his Doctorate in Physical Therapy from Mount St. Mary's College in Los Angeles. Upon graduating, he was offered a Residency at HealthCare Partners, named a top-performing medical group in California for the last seven years.

Reinbold then went on to be one of three chosen to complete an Orthopedic Fellowship in Spine Rehabilitation in Southern California through Kaiser Permanente.

Through his residency and fellowship, Reinbold has gained valuable hands-on experience and mentoring by some of California's top therapists. He also has taken continuing education courses, including Visceral Manipulation, Functional Movement Systems, and is a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist and Orthopedic Certified Specialist. He comes to St. John with experience working with some of the most highly-acclaimed practitioners in the field,

"Chris shares the same approach towards patient care and passion for his profession, as well as the same drive to provide an integral service to this community," said owner and physical therapist Jessica Schnell.

Both Reinbold and Schnell are up to date on the latest research, continuously striving to expand their knowledge and skill set through coursework and additional certifications.

St. John Physical Therapy opened in October 2011 and moved into a larger space in September 2013. The company's phi-

losophy is "healing through movement" with their vision being to extend services to facilitate a long-term commitment towards wellness and injury prevention. They strive to do this by assisting in injury prevention as well as relieving acute and chronic injuries through assessment and treatment of painful movement patterns.

Reinbold joins Jessica Schnell, PT, DPT; and Caitlin Yengo, MSOTR/L, who is a registered Occu-

pational Therapist, and specializes in pediatrics and hand therapy, as well as being a Licensed Massage Therapist.

St. John Physical Therapy also offers tele-therapy sessions with a licensed speech therapist and a certified dietician. The staff is available Monday through Friday by appointment with physician or chiropractic referral. St. John Physical Therapy is located at the Amore Center in Cruz Bay.

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<p>BUILD GREEN • Jan. 11, Sat. • 10:00am – noon <i>Meet:</i> Skinny Legs Restaurant to carpool; <i>Bring:</i> Notebook, building plans, & ideas; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$35 Mem / \$45 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>
<p>CRUZ BAY HISTORY – JULIUS VON ROHR • Jan. 12, Sun. • 12:30pm – 2:30pm <i>Meet:</i> Friends of the Park Store; <i>Bring:</i> Notebook & water; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$35 Mem / \$45 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>
<p>NATIVE ARTS & CRAFTS • Jan. 15, Wed. • 12:30pm – 2:30pm <i>Meet:</i> St. John School of the Arts; <i>Bring:</i> Notebook; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$35 Mem / \$45 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 25</p>
<p>KAYAK MANGROVES OF HURRICANE HOLE • Jan. 19, Sun. • 10:00am – 3:00pm; <i>Meet:</i> Skinny Legs Restaurant to carpool; <i>Bring:</i> Lunch, snorkel gear, water, towel, sunscreen; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$65 Mem / \$75 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 12</p>
<p>MEDICINAL HERBS • Jan. 22, Wed. • 12:30am – 2:30pm <i>Meet:</i> St. John School of the Arts; <i>Bring:</i> Notebook; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$35 Mem / \$45 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 25</p>
<p>HASSEL ISLAND KAYAK & HIKE • Jan. 24, Fri. • 2:00pm – 5:00pm <i>Meet:</i> Dock at Hook, Line & Sink, Frenchtown, St. Thomas; <i>Bring:</i> Towel, sunscreen, plenty of water, snack, dry bag, hiking shoes; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$69 Mem / \$79 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 8</p>
<p>NATIVE PLANTS OF ST. JOHN HIKE • Jan. 25, Sat. • 9:00am – noon <i>Meet:</i> Friends of the Park Store to carpool; <i>Bring:</i> Water, lunch, notebook, & binoculars; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$45 Mem / \$55 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 25</p>
FEBRUARY
<p>BIRDS OF THE PARK • Feb. 3, Mon. • 9:00am – 1:00pm <i>Meet:</i> National Park Visitor Center; <i>Bring:</i> Snack, binoculars, notebook, & water; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$55 Mem / \$65 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>
<p>EXPLORE THE SHORE • Feb. 5, Wed. • 9:30am – 1:30pm <i>Meet:</i> Annaberg Parking Lot; <i>Bring:</i> Lunch, snorkel gear (optional), binoculars, water; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$55 Mem / \$65 Non Mem</p>
<p>LOVANGO SUSTAINABLE DESIGN TOUR • Feb. 8, Sat. • 9:30am – 1:30pm <i>Meet:</i> Friends of the Park Store; <i>Bring:</i> Sunscreen, hat, lunch, water, & hiking shoes; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$55 Mem / \$65 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>
<p>HIKE WITH THE "SUPER" • Feb. 12, Wed. • 10:30am – 1:30pm <i>Meet:</i> National Park Visitor Center; <i>Bring:</i> Lunch, hat, water, & sunscreen; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$45 Mem / \$55 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>
<p>FULL MOON DRUM CIRCLE • Feb. 14, Fri. • 6:30pm – 8:00pm <i>Meet:</i> Annaberg Ruins; <i>Bring:</i> A drum, if you have one; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$25 Mem / \$35 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>
<p>PEPPER SAUCE MAKING • Feb. 19, Wed. • 12:30pm – 2:30pm <i>Meet:</i> St. John School of the Arts; <i>Bring:</i> Notebook; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$35 Mem / \$45 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>
<p>ARCHAEOLOGY BY SEA BOAT TRIP • Feb. 26, Wed. • 10:00am – 3:00pm <i>Meet:</i> National Park Visitor Center; <i>Bring:</i> Lunch, hat, water, & sunscreen; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$65 Mem / \$75 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 28</p>
<p>SEA TURTLE SAIL • Feb. 27, Thurs. • 1:00pm – 5:00pm <i>Meet:</i> Charlotte Amalie waterfront, St. Thomas; <i>Bring:</i> Sunscreen, hat, snack, snorkel gear, & swimsuit; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$65 Mem / \$75 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 30</p>
<p>BOTANY HIKE • Feb. 28, Fri. • 9:00am – 1:00pm <i>Meet:</i> Friends of the Park Store; <i>Bring:</i> Sunscreen, hat, lunch, water, & hiking shoes; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$45 Mem / \$55 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 25</p>
MARCH
<p>TROPICAL GARDEN TOUR I • Mar. 1, Sat. • 10:00am – 3:00pm <i>Meet:</i> Friends of the Park Store to carpool; <i>Bring:</i> Lunch, water, & sunscreen; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$55 Mem / \$65 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>

<p>ETHNIC DRUMMING • Mar. 5, Wed. • 1:00pm – 3:00pm <i>Meet:</i> St. John School of the Arts; <i>Bring:</i> A drum, if you have one; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$25 Mem / \$35 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>
<p>KAYAK, HIKE, & SNORKEL • Mar. 7, Fri. • 9:00am – noon <i>Meet:</i> National Park Visitor Center; <i>Bring:</i> Lunch/snacks, water, towel, & sun protection; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$60 Mem / \$70 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 10</p>
<p>LOVANGO SUSTAINABLE DESIGN TOUR • Mar. 8, Sat. • 9:30am – 1:30pm <i>Meet:</i> Friends of the Park Store; <i>Bring:</i> Sunscreen, hat, lunch, water, & hiking shoes; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$55 Mem / \$65 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>
<p>ST. THOMAS HISTORICAL WALKING TOUR • Mar. 9, Sun. • 9:00am – 11:00am <i>Meet:</i> Blackbeards Castle, St. Thomas; <i>Bring:</i> Notebook & water; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$35 Mem / \$45 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 25</p>
<p>PEPPER SAUCE MAKING • Mar. 12, Wed. • 12:30pm – 2:30pm <i>Meet:</i> St. John School of the Arts; <i>Bring:</i> Notebook; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$35 Mem / \$45 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>
<p>COASTAL ECOLOGY • Mar. 15, Sat. • 9:00am – 3:00pm <i>Meet:</i> National Park Visitor Center; <i>Bring:</i> Lunch, water, sunscreen, & snorkel gear; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$75 Mem / \$85 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 18</p>
<p>FULL MOON HIKE • Mar. 16, Sun. • 5:30pm – 8:30pm <i>Meet:</i> Salt Pond parking lot; <i>Bring:</i> Hiking shoes, flashlight, snack, & water; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$25 Mem / \$35 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>
<p>LAMESHUR BAY/VIERS TOUR • Mar. 19, Wed. • 10:00am – 2:00pm <i>Meet:</i> Lameshur Bay parking lot; <i>Bring:</i> Notebook & water; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$45 Mem / \$55 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>
<p>MARINE BIOLOGY SAIL • Mar. 23, Sun. • 9:00am – 3:00pm <i>Meet:</i> National Park Visitor Center dock; <i>Bring:</i> Lunch, snorkel gear, water bottle, towel, & sunscreen; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$85 Mem / \$95 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 30</p>
<p>TROPICAL LIGHT PHOTOGRAPHY • Mar. 24, Mon. • 8:00am – noon <i>Meet:</i> Friends of the Park Store; <i>Bring:</i> Camera & manual, batteries, memory cards, water, & notebook; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$45 Mem / \$55 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 15</p>
<p>LIONFISH BOAT ADVENTURE • Mar. 26, Wed. • 9:30am – 3:00pm <i>Meet:</i> Friends of the Park Store; <i>Bring:</i> Lunch, water, sunscreen, & snorkel gear; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$85 Mem / \$95 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 30</p>
<p>MANGROVE SNORKELING BOAT TRIP • Mar. 29, Sat. • 9:30am – 3:00pm <i>Meet:</i> National Park Visitor Center; <i>Bring:</i> Lunch, snorkel gear, towel, sunscreen, & snack; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$85 Mem / \$95 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 18</p>
APRIL
<p>HIKE WITH THE "SUPER" • Apr. 2, Wed. • 10:30am – 1:30pm <i>Meet:</i> National Park Visitor Center; <i>Bring:</i> Lunch, hat, water, sunscreen; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$45 Mem / \$55 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>
<p>EXPLORE & PHOTOGRAPH LEINSTER BAY • Apr. 5, Sat. • 9:00am – 3:00pm <i>Meet:</i> Annaberg parking lot; <i>Bring:</i> Lunch, water, sunscreen, & snorkel gear; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$35 Mem / \$45 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 15</p>
<p>ECO SPA MUD BATH • Apr. 9, Wed. • 2:00pm – 4:00pm <i>Meet:</i> Salt Pond parking lot; <i>Bring:</i> Old swimsuit, towel, water, & snack; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$35 Mem / \$45 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 15</p>
<p>TROPICAL GARDEN TOUR II • Apr. 12, Sat. • 9:00am – 3:00pm <i>Meet:</i> Friends of the Park Store to carpool; <i>Bring:</i> Lunch, water, & sunscreen; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$55 Mem / \$65 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>
<p>FULL MOON HIKE • Apr. 15, Tues. • 5:30pm – 8:30pm <i>Meet:</i> Salt Pond parking lot; <i>Bring:</i> Hiking shoes, flashlight, snack, & water; <i>Seminar Fee:</i> \$25 Mem / \$35 Non Mem • <i>Max Group:</i> 20</p>

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Letters To St. John Tradewinds

WARNING TO ALL FRUSTRATED DRIVERS! Beware of \$125 Boot and Tow by V.I. Port Authority

Like most St. Johnians, I needed to go to the Post Office. After seeing that there was no parking, but only chaos at the Customs lot, I went to the waterfront. I saw that no one was parking in 6 big empty spaces, I wrongly thought, I'll only be a couple minutes to check my mail. The spot was closest to the few spaces for residents and visitors, yet it was a sacred taxi area. No, it wasn't the taxis that complained, but a Port Authority official who saw another opportunity to grab \$125 from a local. The area wasn't busy, no one would have ever minded, but with a zeal of enforcement, this official got me, not for \$25, nor even \$50, bit a whopping \$125 and the threat that if I didn't pay the whole amount within minutes, my car would be towed and there would be towing charges added. Locals and Visitors heed the faded red paint on the wall. Poor signage, poor paint, but plenty of enforcement for taxis only.

This led to a discussion with the booting official and the dock master. I asked, "how could these few minutes receive such a penalty?" Their reply was that they were protecting the taxis space. I replied, how many times have you ticketed a taxi for parking in our few spaces down at the end? No reply. However, I did learn that the faded red paint on the sea wall indicated taxi parking only. Parker's Beware of the faded red painted wall.

I asked why there was no enforcement for the Customs area, where On Duty Taxis park illegally, Patrick's in full swing, our old Post Office Parking Only stolen by all day parking, and why, even during the construction in the lot, that the Port Authority has provided absolutely no management of the chaos, yet leaps to an empty waterfront to give a ticket.

As often is the case, the Port Authority management is SELECTIVE, ARBITRARY & CAPRI-

CIOUS in their enforcement. We've all seen it. Violations and blocking the road happens all of the time, but if its a local or visitor who parks for a few minutes, the Port Authority is like a dog with a bone. Without proper signs WARNING that you will be BOOTED for \$125, and TOWED in minutes, is a form of EXTORTION aimed solely at residents and visitors.

What would have happened if I hadn't been gone only a few minutes and I would have returned to an empty space, car gone, towed, and \$200 in costs. No warnings, no signage, no sensitivity to the impact that locals have to live with, NO management from the Port Authority.

I have learned that the Chairman of the Port Authority is St. John's own Robert O'Connor. Does he not see the many impacts, the Customs Lot, the waterfront chaos, and the frustrating ferry and docks? Perhaps, what St. John needs is an Island Administrator and Port Authority Manager who would like to see a better situation for everyone, not for just a few who can do as they want without ever a fear of a \$200 day.

A year ago, January 2013, Port Authority Ex. Director Dowe stated at a meeting at the Battery, that within a couple weeks of that meeting, that the Port Authority would begin managing the Custom lot and Waterfront Parking with a PLAN. After a year, there is no management, and the chaos has only increased. Just another example of how out of touch the Port Authority is when it comes to St. John.

So, all locals and visitors, PLEASE BEWARE of the selective enforcement downtown. If you are not a taxi, or a cruise ship, or a friend of an official, you could have a big WAKE UP CALL that comes in the form of a \$200 day.

Name Withheld by Request

17th Annual Sprauve Gala a Huge Success

The 17th Annual Sprauve School Gala was a huge success. Thanks to Caneel Bay Resort, specifically Nikolay Hotze and his staff, for partnering with us and providing us with great ambiance, excellent service and a very tasty meal. The Caribbean Groove band provided us with wonderful music that got people out of their seats and dancing.

We received great prizes from many businesses that were used for the raffle, silent and live auction. The concert choir under the direction of Danielle Greenaway offered some selections that left the audience speechless. Sprauve School has definitely got talent!!! Our guests were intrigued with the whole evening.

Thanks to all the contributors that participated in the silent and live auction especially the "Stand Up for JESS" portion. Your pledges that evening allowed us to meet our goals. Although we still don't official-

ly have a dollar figure because we are still receiving monies, I am happy to say that we raised 30% more than we did last year. This year's proceeds will go towards our playground, musical instruments and lessons, scholarships to attend The School of the Arts for our students, and continued psychological services for our students and families.

Without the commitment of the community and their belief in what we do at Sprauve School for the children of St. John, none of this would be possible. It was truly a joy to see everyone enjoying their evening and we look forward to seeing you at our 18th Annual Sprauve School Gala next year.

Dionne Wells
Principal
Julius E. Sprauve School

Letters To *St. John Tradewinds*

Fail to Plan, Plan to Fail

I know that all of us want to be successful, yet many don't achieve any success. We figure that by setting our minds on a task and pursuing it, that everything will fall into place. Personal experience has indicated that this doesn't work in every situation. Many times along the way, we experience obstacles that weren't factored in to the equation.

For example, in a marriage a couple may have different financial blueprints. This will cause enormous money issues if one is a spender and the other a saver. Or in the case of business, if you have too much inventory and not enough sales, your business won't be able to generate the income to stay open for the long term.

Many of us believe that love will solve everything and that our passion for a particular idea will translate into achieving that goal. Yet, sadly, we find that after many years of effort, marriages and businesses fail due to a lack of planning. Don't get me wrong, even the best laid plans can go off course. However, careful planning can keep our sights on the goals, create a reasonable budget/time frame and ensure that energies are kept positive.

It is so frustrating when one party is pushing forward and another is holding back. This can be caused by the emotions that are driving these actions. Unless these parties identify and work out their differences, when trials come they won't have the fortitude to weather the storms.

In order to minimize stress, folks should write out their dreams. Then compare them to see if they are compatible. If they are, that's a good start. If they're not, you have to decide (without emotions) if it's pos-

sible to continue or dissolve the partnership. If you decide to proceed, you may have to enlist the assistance of a professional to strengthen your weaknesses.

Dreams are often broken because we don't create a realistic plan. We expect to do everything big, perfect and right. Many of us know that along the way life will test our resolve. Things don't come out the way we want them to. Therefore, careful planning also includes back up plans. Workable solutions that take into account the "What ifs?" of life. And, believe me, nothing tests a relationship like the unexpected problems of this world.

In order to achieve our goals, we must be committed mentally, physically and financially. All the planning in the world won't matter if you're not "sold" on the cause.

Even if things fail, 1) You will have tried your best; 2) You can examine what went wrong; 3) You can address and resolve the issue; 4) You can use it as motivation to try again.

We're still in the process of putting together resolutions for 2014. Don't stop at just the ideas. Go further, flesh them out, add as much detail to the plan. Surround yourself with people who will assist in making them work. Make room for disappointment and space for reflection. Each step takes you somewhere. Your attitude will decide whether it's up or down

So, whatever you have in your heart to do, take the time to plan, arrange the pieces and ask God to bless your efforts.

**Peace be the journey
Emmanuel Prince**

Service Celebrating Life of Guy Walsh Set for February 3

A ceremony celebrating the life of longtime St. John resident Guy Walsh will be on Monday, February 3, at 2 p.m. at Miss Lucy's Restaurant in Coral Bay.

Employers Must Provide Tax Forms to Employees by Jan. 31

St. John Tradewinds

Claudette Watson-Anderson, CPA, Director of the Virgin Islands Bureau of Internal Revenue, reminds all Virgin Islands employers that they are required to submit Form W-2VI (U.S. Virgin Islands Wage and Tax Statement) for employment in 2013 to every employee by January 31, 2014.

Failure to provide an employee with Form W-2VI by January 31st is subject to a civil penalty of \$50. In certain cases, criminal penalties may also apply.

Form W-2, which is used for employment in the continental United States, cannot be used for Virgin Islands employment. Form W-2VI must be used to report wages paid to every employee for work performed in the Virgin Islands during 2013, regardless of where the payroll is prepared or how

long an employee worked in the Virgin Islands. Failure to use Form W-2VI will result in processing delays and penalties. Employers are reminded that Form 1099 is not the appropriate form to be used to reflect wages of employees.

Form W-3SS (Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements) must also be used in lieu of Form W-3, which is designated for use in the continental United States. Forms W-2VI and W-3SS are available at the Bureau's offices on St. Thomas, St. John and St. Croix.

Director Watson-Anderson reminds employers that the wage information to be reported to the Bureau can be transmitted by electronic format. Questions regarding the electronic transmission format should be directed to the Computer Operations Department at 715-1040, ext. 2251.

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Friends of the Virgin Islands National Park
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Kids First!
Kids in the Sea (KATS)
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St. John Audubon Society
St. John Christian Academy
St. John Community Foundation
St. John Film Society
St. John Historical Society
St. John Montessori School
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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 27

— Governor John P. de Jongh, Jr. will deliver his annual State of the Territory Address before a formal session of the 30th Legislature on Monday, January 27, 2014. The session will be convened at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, January 28

— The Audubon Society will host a movie night on Tuesday, January 28, at 7 p.m. on the second floor of Marketplace. The group will screen the documentary “Flight: The Genius of Birds” which took more than a year to produce. Eleven cinematographers filmed on three continents to capture footage that offers glimpses of the spectacular beauty and design inherent in every one of the more than 9,000 species of birds that inhabit the Earth.

— All public elementary schools in both the STT/STJ districts will be closed on Tuesday, January 28, to allow staff members to participate in professional development and training sessions.

Wednesday, January 29

— The Committee on Culture, Historic Preservation, Youth and Recreation, chaired by Senator Myron D. Jackson, announces its upcoming hearing at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 29, at the St. John Legislative Annex.

— The Coral Bay Community Council (CBCC) is hosting the second community forum of the new year, as part of the Coral Bay Watershed Management Project. Everyone in Coral Bay is invited. It will be on Wednesday, January 29, at 6:30 p.m. at Guy H. Benjamin School, Rm. 6. Enter through the big gate by the flagpole. The meeting will include some general discussion time for ideas on projects to improve our community.

Thursday, January 30

The Island Green Living Association will show the film “Garbage Warrior” at its Thursday, January 30, Green Thursdays seminar at 5:30 p.m. at Giff Hill School’s upper campus auditorium.

Saturday, February 1

— Help IGLA celebrate the Depot’s anniversary and its success on Saturday, February 1, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Resource Depot, located at Giff Hill and Centerline roads across from the Susannaberg Transfer Station.

Sunday, February 2

— Merry Stockwell will speak to “Reckless Abandon Revisited” at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Service Sunday, February 2, at 10 a.m., Gift Hill School, Lower Campus Great Room. Child care is provided during service. For directions and more information go to: www.uufstjohn.com.

Tuesday, February 4

— The St. John Film Society (SJFS) will screen the film “Rican-ing of White Boy” on Tuesday, February 4, at St John School of the Arts, at 7:30 p.m. Jeff Rodriguez, cinematographer and supporting actor, will be present to talk about the film.

Saturday, March 8

— The 28th Annual Giff Hill School Auction will be on Saturday, March 8, at Caneel Bay Resort. 776-1735 for more details.

Saturday, March 15

— The American Cancer Society will be hosting its first “Bark for Life” event in the territory at The Emmaus Moravian Church ballfield in Coral Bay, St. John. This event is a fundraiser, and proceeds will be used for cancer advocacy, prevention and education throughout the district. For more information, call 775-5737.

Committee Considers Bill Changing Grand Larceny Threshold, Penalties

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The Committee on Homeland Security, Justice and Public Safety chaired by Sen. Kenneth L. Gittens considered several measures including an act changing the terms and repercussions of grand larceny.

Bill No. 30-0111, proposed by Sen. Samuel Sanes, is an act that will increase the threshold for grand larceny and add a minimum incarceration sentence of one year.

While both senators and testifiers spoke in support of the bill, many disagreed with the terms. Sen. Gittens was concerned that the terms sent the message that officials were light on crime. He asked, “Who are we seeking justice for?”

Rodney Querrard, Police Commissioner for the Virgin Island’s Police Department agreed. “We don’t want to put the threshold too low,” said Querrard. “Two hundred dollars is still on the low side. One hundred dollars now, is half of what it used to be,” he said.

Sen. Samuel Sanes, Vice Chair of the Committee, disagreed. “We’re here to bring forth a bill that will help our society. I know what it is to start your life with a record. I’ve seen 18 year olds who couldn’t get a job as a bag boy because they have a record. We need to find a balance,” he said.

Samuel Joseph, Chief Public Defender of the Office of the Territorial Public Defender concurred. “Harsher sentences don’t always end in deterrence,” said Joseph. “The currently enacted statute places individuals in peril of possibly serving a ten year sentence for theft of things which have little monetary value.”

Joseph was referencing a technicality in the Virgin Island’s Code regarding larceny. Essentially, as it is written, grand larceny would be charged to someone who steals a wallet from another’s pocket, even if the wallet contained ten dollars. If the wallet was stolen from a table however, the thief would be charged with petty larceny, explained Augustin Ayala, Legal Counsel for the V.I. Legislature.

Ultimately, the bill was held in committee with a vote of six yeas, one absent. All present committee members voted in favor of the measure. This included Senators Craig Barshinger, Alicia “Chucky” Hansen, Clarence Payne III, and Tregenza A. Roach. Non committee member Diane Capehart was also present.

Also considered was Bill No. 30-0025, proposed by Sen. Diane Capehart. The bill proposes a new category in the V.I. Code, home invasion that will increase penalties from law breakers. The bill was held in committee.

Bertolino To Join Board of Directors of Kids First!

St. John Tradewinds

Kids First!, a VI based non-profit corporation that supports education on St. John is pleased to announce that Terry Bertolino has joined the Kids First! Board as a director. She will be replacing Margaret Black, who is stepping down after serving in that role for the past 4 years.

Commenting on Terry’s appointment, Bruce Claflin, President of Kids First! said “Terry is a well-known, liked, and respected member of the St. John Community. She has been active in a number of community affairs over the years including support for education on our island. The entire board of directors is thrilled that Terry has agreed to join us. At the same time, we are sad to see Mar-



Terry Bertolino

garet Black leave our board as she has provided great insights into the educational needs of St. John and support for the mission of Kids First!”

Commenting on her appointment to the board, Terry said “Ed-

ucation has always been an issue near and dear to my heart. Even before we had children, my husband and I have been involved in creating a safe, healthy, nurturing environment for the children on St. John (our future) to be educated.”

About Kids First!—Kids First! is a VI based non-profit corporation that supports education on St. John. With a focus on early learning, Kids First! has provided over \$250,000 of grants to island schools, parents and children over the past six years. These grants have allowed countless children to have positive learning experiences during their earliest years, preparing them for success in formal school and beyond. To learn more about Kids First! go to www.kidsfirststj.org

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Today’s Cryptoquip clue: F equals I



St. John Tradewinds News Photos by Yelena Rogers

Residents of all ages got dressed up in their favorite "rock star" outfit for the annual Animal Care Center Gala. This year's gala was hosted by the Hall family at their Chocolate Hole residence.



Church Directory

Baha'i Community of St. John

For Devotions and Study Circles, call 714-1641
7:30 p.m. Fridays; Study Circles 9 a.m. Sundays
776-6316, 776-6254

Bethany Moravian Church

Divine Worship 10 a.m., except second Sundays start at 9 a.m., 776-6291

Calvary Baptist Church

13 ABC Coral Bay, 776-6304
Sunday School 10 a.m.,
Sunday evening 6 p.m., Thursday 7 p.m.

Christian Ministry

Cinnamon Bay Beach
Inter-Denominational, Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Christian Science Society

10:45 a.m. Sunday- Marketplace
Wednesday Testimonials
7:45 p.m. on last Wed. of Month

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Sun. 9 a.m., on St. Thomas . 776-2379
Sun., 5 p.m., STJ, Lumberyard

Cruz Bay Baptist Church

Sunday 11 a.m., 6 p.m. 776-6315

Emmaus Moravian Church

Coral Bay, Sun. 9 a.m. 776-6713

Freshwater Church

Sunday Service 10 a.m.; Monday Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
Thursday Women's Bible Study 9 a.m.
Saturday Men's Bible Study 10 a.m.
Follow us on Facebook for Locations or call (340) 514-6578

Jehovah's Witness

7:30 p.m. Tuesdays; 7 p.m.
Saturdays (Español), 10 a.m. Sundays,
340-715-053

Missionary Baptist Church

9:30 a.m. Sunday Services, 10:45 Worship,
Tuesday 7 p.m. Bible Study 693-8884

Nazareth Lutheran Church

Sunday 9 a.m., Sunday School 8 a.m.
776-6731

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

The schedule is as follows: Saturdays at 6 p.m.
Sundays at 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 7 a.m.
Fridays at 7 p.m. Call 776-6339 for more information.

St. John Methodist Church

Sunday 10 a.m., 693-8830

Seventh Day Adventist

Saturdays, 779-4477

St. John Pentecostal Church

Sunday 11:05 a.m., 6:30 p.m.
Tuesdays Prayer 7:30 p.m.,
Thursdays Bible Study 7:30 p.m.
779-1230

St. Ursula's Episcopal Church

Sunday Church Service, 9 a.m.
Bible Class on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. 777-6306

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

9:45 a.m. Sunday, 776-6332

Island Roads Continues Centerline Road Repairs



Island Roads finally got down to solid ground in the project to rebuild Centerline Road. A temporary board wall has been put in place to stabilize the only passable lane while the roadbed is rebuilt.

*St. John Tradewinds News
Photo by Tom Oat*

VINP Will Negotiate New Concession Contracts

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100 canvas platform-tents and bare sites, a beach shop, convenience store and an open-air restaurant is the largest of the two major VINP beach concessions.

The two concessions at Trunk Bay, the gift shop and the "snack shack," will also be opened for bids in "free and open competition," according to the superintendent, a veteran NPS administrator.

At Trunk Bay "think new concession buildings," Supt. Fitzgerald told the Friends of the VINP annual meeting at T'ree Lizards Restaurant at Cinnamon Bay.

The Trunk Bay snack shack and gift shop operators "will have to put aside a percentage of their gross receipts," Supt. Fitzgerald told Rotary members.

In a whirlwind of appearances before island civic groups, Supt. Fitzgerald reiterated his dour forecast for the financially strapped VINP to the St. John Audubon Society chapter on Tuesday, January 21,

and the St. John Rotary Club on Wednesday, January 22.

Sequestered Federal Cuts Hurt

In the face of sequestered federal budget cuts which threaten continued across-the-board cutbacks in operations throughout the National Park Service and have cost the NPS seven operating positions in addition to a vacant Assistant Superintendent post, the new concession contracts could put the St. John park in a more beneficial financial arrangement from its two major concessions than it is under the current extended contracts.

The Cinnamon Bay Campground concession has continued remained in place since the first and only concession contract for the Cinnamon Bay property between the VINP and the Caneel Bay Resort expired in the early 1990s.

Supt. Fitzgerald said park officials hope to get the concessions prospectus "out by May... with new contracts by the summer of 2015."

Applications for U.S. Naval Academy Summer Programs Now Open

St. John Tradewinds

Applications for U.S. Naval Academy Summer Programs Now Open

(Washington, DC – January 23, 2014) – V.I. Delegate to Congress Donna M. Christensen is informing Virgin Islands youth interested in the United States Naval Academy’s Summer STEM program and Summer Seminar program that applications are now open.

Each year the U.S. Naval Academy invites 3,000 students to participate in their summer programs. These programs offer students a chance to visit Annapolis and experience the Naval Academy first-hand.

Rising 8th to 11th-graders in the Virgin Islands interested in pursuing education in science, technology, engineering and math fields are encouraged to apply to the Summer STEM program. During the STEM program, students will be exposed to world-class lab facilities and have the opportunity to learn from some of the best college professors in the country. In addition, they will meet fellow students from all over the country that share a similar passion for learning.

SUMMER STEM SESSION DATES

Rising 8th & 9th Graders: June 2-7, 2014

Rising 10th Graders: June 9-14, 2014

Rising 11th Graders: June 16-20, 2014

The Summer Seminar program, designed for rising 12th graders, gives students the opportunity to find out if they have what it takes to be a midshipman. The program allows students to experience the rigorous academics, physical challenges and student life at the Naval Academy. Summer Seminar is perfect for students who have no prior exposure to a service academy as well as those who are trying to decide if a service academy is right for them.

SUMMER SEMINAR SESSION DATES*

Session 1: May 31-June 5, 2014

Session 2: June 7-12, 2014

Session 3: June 14-19, 2014

*All sessions rising 12th graders

For more information and to apply, visit www.usna.edu/admissions.

Police Log

LAND LINE: 911 CELLULAR: 340-776-9110
POLICE DEPT: 340-693-8880 / FIRE: 340-776-6333

Saturday, January 18

12:27 a.m. – Citizen called to report loud music at Island Blues. Unfounded Loud Music.

7:09 a.m. – ADT reported an alarm sounding at the Lt. Governor’s Office.

8:18 a.m. – Woman called to report a burglary at her residence. Second Degree Burglary.

12:20 Man present reporting that his vehicle was broken into. Vehicle Tampering.

Sunday, January 19

6:40 p.m. – Woman called to report her home was broken into in Estate Upper Carolina. Third Degree Burglary.

11:04 p.m. – Man called to report an assault in the area of Cruz Bay. Simple Assault.

Monday, January 20

9:11 p.m. – Man from Coral Bay called to report vehicle playing loud music in area of Island Blues.

11:56 p.m. – Activated Alarm Cap’s Place.

Tuesday, January 21

12:48 a.m. – Alarm at Adrian Senior Center.

1:22 a.m. – Gallows Point security called requesting police assistance removing someone from business. Police Assistance.

Tuesday, January 22

2:12 a.m. – Man called and said that someone had pulled a gun on him in Cruz Bay.

7:10 a.m. – ADT reported alarm at Lt. Governor’s Office.

10:29 a.m. – ACC called reporting several (8) dogs being malnourished in Estate Upper Bethany. Animal Neglect.

10:30 a.m. — Woman present reporting a disturbance with her ex-boyfriend in the area of

Enighed. Disturbance of the Peace, Threats, DV.

4:12 p.m. – Man called requesting assistance with some individuals who refused to pay for damage to rental vehicle. Police assistance.

5:14 p.m. – Man called to report being involved in an auto collision in the area of Dolphin Market. Auto collision.

9:02 p.m. – Citizen called to report single shot fired in the area of Estate Chocolate Hole East. Unfounded Discharge of a Firearm.

Wednesday, January 23

6:29 a.m. – Citizen called to report a suspicious male African American walking in the area of Great Cruz Bay. Suspicious Activity.

2:59 p.m. – Woman of Mandahl called to report that she struck a vehicle from behind in the area of Dolphin Market. Auto Collision.

5:50 p.m. – Lindberg Bay man called to report an auto collision at the Enighed barge ramp. Auto Collision.

6:35 p.m. – Estate Chocolate Hole man called to report someone struck his vehicle at Caneel Bay parking lot. Hit and Run.

7:16 p.m. Cruz Bay man reported that he was thrown off his scooter in the area of Bordeaux. Accidental Injury.

10:05 p.m. – Citizen called to report loud music from the area of Estate Chocolate Hole. Disturbance of the Peace.

Thursday, January 24

9:48 a.m. – Man called to report an auto collision on Hill Street. Auto Collision.

1:39 p.m. – Woman of Estate Power Boyd reported heavy materials and trucks parked on her property. Police Assistance.

VIPD Safety TIPS

PET SAFETY TIPS

Common sense tips to use everywhere — at home and on vacation

- Domesticated animals (dogs, cats) must be registered yearly with the Animal Welfare Center
- Aggressive or potentially aggressive animals, in addition to being registered yearly, must be in a fenced area or restrained while in public places.
- Horses and other livestock must be tagged and registered by the Department of Agriculture
- The Animal Cruelty laws protect animals from intentional, malicious abuse. It is your responsibility as a pet owner to provide your animal with daily food, water and exercise.

Making our Community a Safer Place to Live, Work and Play

These safety tips are brought to you by the VIPD and the St. John CIT



Crime Stoppers U.S. Virgin Islands

St. John Tradewinds

Crime prevention is up to all of us, and thanks to you, the community, we are seeing a reduction in crime. Please continue to speak up so the USVI becomes one of the safest places in the world to live, work, and raise a family. If you know something, say something. Make sure no crime goes unsolved. Even the smallest bit of information may be just what law enforcement needs to solve the following cases.

St. John: On Tuesday, January 14th, police received a report from Denzil Clyde Car Rental in Cruz Bay that three Jeep Wrangler spare tires had been stolen from vehicles parked in the business’s parking lot. Please help police solve this crime and apprehend the thief(s).

St. Thomas: On Friday, January 10th at 8:45 p.m., two armed black males wearing hoodies and hats covering most of their faces entered the La A Vejita Restaurant and robbed two women and a man. They took the victims’ hand bags, cell phones, and over \$100 in cash before leaving. Tell us what you know about this robbery so police can identify the suspects.

Speak up. Be part of the solution. Continue to help make our islands a safer place to live and visit by telling us what you know about these, or any other crimes, at www.CrimeStoppersUSVI.org or by calling 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). You can also text “USVI” plus your message to CRIMES (274637). All three of these methods will keep you anonymous.

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islandgetawaysinc.com
kathy@islandgetawaysinc.com

Suite St. John Villas/Condos
tel. 1-800-348-8444
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Island Green Building Association
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Answer to Jan. 26 Cryptoquip:
FAMOUS FILM IN WHICH A SUPREME
RULER SCRATCHES ITCHES BETWEEN
HIS SHOULDER BLADES: "THE EMPEROR
STROKES BACK."

Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

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CHANGING INTO A MAN

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- 26 Deep blue
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- 30 — -do-well (idle type)
- 31 Half of twelve
- 33 Man with no fastening band?
- 36 Fistfight reminder
- 39 "I'm tellin' ya, that's who!"
- 40 — Francisco
- 41 Slightly
- 44 1994 "Saturday Night Live" spin-off film
- 48 Start to mature?
- 50 Attacks a man?
- 52 Rodent-killing poison, old-style
- 57 Missouri River city
- 58 Like details for carrying out an operation
- 60 "Get lost!"
- 61 Rock music's — Leppard
- 62 Archie Bunker type
- 65 John, to Ian
- 66 Excessively

- 69 Man at one's heels?
- 73 1964 Beatles song
- 75 Dreaded IRS probe: Abbr.
- 76 Stipulations
- 77 Barely get, with "out"
- 80 Actor Malden
- 81 Much better than so-so
- 84 Stopwatch, e.g.
- 86 "Webster" star Lewis
- 89 Man doing some film editing?
- 92 Blue Jays, on scoreboards
- 93 Very fast, in scores
- 95 Chooses
- 96 "Na Na" preceder
- 99 Very manly
- 101 Artists' props
- 103 Man who owns a Mexican restaurant?
- 108 Oz. and lb.
- 109 Add (on)
- 113 Huge
- 114 Treat like dirt
- 116 Actor Peter
- 117 Steak type
- 118 "Ms. Oakley, go after that man?"
- 123 Small vessel for oil or wine
- 124 Piling-on footballer
- 125 Render obsolete
- 126 "— a thought ..."
- 127 Ought to have, informally
- 128 Forced away (from)

DOWN

- 1 Heavy noble gas
- 2 Bring forth
- 3 Pfeiffer of "Cybill"

- 4 Use a harpoon
- 5 Berkshire school
- 6 Old politico Landon
- 7 Soap compound
- 8 Emmy winner LaBeouf
- 9 Actors Sean and Kal
- 10 Head of a monastery
- 11 More faithful
- 12 Old Egypt-Syr. alliance
- 13 Large
- 14 "Peanuts" cartoonist Charles
- 15 Foes
- 16 Smacks
- 17 West Indies natives
- 18 City ESE of Istanbul
- 19 Rationality
- 24 Cato's 611
- 29 Lead on
- 31 WWII battle city in France
- 32 Robert who played A.J. Soprano
- 34 Blind — bat
- 35 — dish
- 37 Friendly
- 38 Oversize-load escort vehicle
- 41 Leon Uris' "— in Ruins"
- 42 Heavy book
- 43 Assert anew
- 45 Dress finely, with "out"
- 46 Hangouts on the slopes
- 47 Cuban bills
- 49 Buddy who played a Clampett
- 51 Really ruin
- 53 One- — (short drama)
- 54 Bookish
- 55 — "King" Cole
- 56 Ending of ordinal numbers

- 59 In direct confrontation
- 63 Feeling sick
- 64 "Fiddler on the Roof" wife
- 67 Resistance unit
- 68 Purify, as liquor
- 70 D sharp's sound-alike
- 71 Leg exercise
- 72 Nap locales
- 73 Clanton of Tombstone
- 74 Gp. of relatives
- 78 Daily Planet's Clark
- 79 Physicist's work units
- 82 Aristotle's A
- 83 Prov. with Thunder Bay
- 85 Wintertime tempests
- 87 See 15-Across
- 88 Europe-Asia border range
- 90 "Hey you"
- 91 Alternative to Levi's
- 94 Giant bird of myth
- 96 Sew
- 97 Man, in Spain
- 98 Brand of hot dogs
- 100 Grippers on shoes
- 102 Throw — blanket on
- 104 Cliffhanging
- 105 17-syllable poem
- 106 Clear as —
- 107 Summoned in an airport
- 110 Lingo
- 111 Unrefined
- 112 Nervous, with "up"
- 115 Fluids in syringes
- 116 Guitar relative
- 119 "Uh-uh"
- 120 First sgt., e.g.
- 121 "That hurts!"
- 122 Father or Lady lead-in

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"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 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**



"L'Autre Monde" - "Another World" in french - offers extraordinary sunset views with the twinkling lights of St. Thomas and Great Cruz Bay harbor. This unique, custom villa was built with entertaining in mind with a large open air living area, spacious great room & dining, custom gourmet kitchen, heated pool and a large deck area. The property consists of two nicely separated homes joined by a covered stone walkway for a total of 7 bedrooms and 7.5 baths. **\$5.25M**



"The Point at Privateer" - The eastern most point of St. John is the location of St. John's newest upscale subdivision with minimum lot sizes of 1 acre, paved roads & underground utilities. All building sites have great breezes & unlimited views to the British Virgins from Tortola to Virgin Gorda and Norman Island. Many are waterfront. A sub-division for the discerning buyer. **Prices from \$375,000 to \$9.15M**



"Sunset Villa" - New Listing In Cruz Bay - A cute and compact house in a convenient location just past Gallows Point Condominiums. Walk to swimming and snorkeling at Frank Bay Beach as well as to restaurants & shopping in Cruz Bay. Sunset Villa is one bedroom with small attached child's room or large walk in closet. Excellent water and sunset views over Pillsbury Sound. This would be a great vacation rental with no car needed. Lot is R-4 zoning which allows for 3 stories and multiple units. **\$750,000**



"Milkmoon Cottage" - Expansive breathtaking views, privacy, tranquility and cooling breezes make this charming 2 bedroom home in Privateer Bay Estates very special. Large masonry pool, native stone work, tastefully furnished and landscaped. Excellent vacation rental potential. Paved roads and underground utilities. Sunrise and moon rises are spectacular. Ownership includes access to 2 deeded beach parcels and use of the Newfound Cottages. **\$995,000**

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"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**

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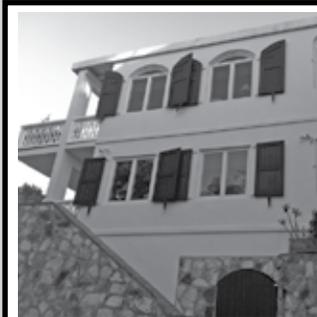
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St. Johnians are invited to the St. Thomas Synagogue's 15th annual Antiques, Art and Collectibles Auction on Sunday, Feb. 9, at the Antilles School's MCM Center.

Doors open at 10 a.m. for the "flea market" sale tables, a preview of the 40 live auction items and the start of bidding on about 300 new and vintage items in the silent auction.

Bruce Wilson of St. Croix will be the auctioneer. Off-island shipping or on-island delivery can be arranged at the auction. Proxy bidding is available by calling the Synagogue at 340-774-4312.

Passion Fruit Chefs will offer breakfast, lunch, champagne and wine for sale.

Live Auction features: antique West Indian furniture (many selected by renowned expert Philip Sturm), unique hospitality and dining packages, an etching by St. Thomas-born Impressionist Camille Pissarro, paintings by Shansi Miller, Tony Romano and the late Diane Kreiner, solar panels with installation and an eight-hour self-defense class for eight women.

Silent Auction has about 300 items, including gifts and gift certificates from most of the island's best restaurants, shops, hotels and water sports operators. However, what makes the Synagogue's silent auction unique are the donated items from some of the island's most discerning collectors -- statues and stools from Africa, Indian temple toys and carved horses, Kosta Boda art glass pieces, jewelry by Israeli designers, art by internationally acclaimed artists, and old brass boat lanterns and bells.

Sale tables feature a vast array of items -- new and vintage jewelry, glassware, baskets, china, books, gently used clothing, hats, art and more. Prices start at \$1 and offer bargains and treasures for every pocketbook.

To see photos and descriptions of many items in the live and silent auction, go to www.synagogue.typepad.com. For more information on proxy bidding, shipping or donations, please call the Synagogue at 340-774-4312.



The 15th Annual St. Thomas Synagogue Auction will include items such as this purple chaise lounge, above, and Barrera flower pin, left, and pottery mask, right.

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Residents joined Skinny Legs for the Coral Bay Open to support the island's rescue organization.

Coral Bay Open Draws Huge Crowd for St. John Rescue

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

A huge crowd packed Skinny Legs on Saturday morning, January 25, for the "Almost Famous" Coral Bay Golf Open, a benefit for St. John Rescue.

About 34 foursomes, many decked out in hilarious costumes, shot their way through the challenging 13-hole, distinctly Coral Bay-style mini golf course which featured water hazards, a dinghy hole and "pebble beach" fairway along the rocky shoreline.

A raffle and prizes for best costume rounded out the afternoon of fun for a great cause.

Organizers, who were still tallying as of press time, estimated the amount raised to around \$10,000 thanks to hole sponsors, beverage donations, team registrations and raffle ticket sales and prize donors.



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