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announced an agreement in

which the two carriers will combine in an all-stock transaction with a combined enterprise value of $17.7 billion, creating the world’s largest airline. The new airline, which will be called Delta, Delta flies to Bonaire and Northwest is a KLM partner.

With the winding down of the busy season, according to many merchants the busiest in Bonaire’s history, Delta Airlines cancelled its second weekly 757 flight on Thursdays. There is a good possibility it will resume when demand warrents. The Saturday flight continues.

Lt. Governor Herbert Doma-

cassew in Eugene Robert Abdul as Deputy Lt. Governor this week. Abdul will replace Ubaldo Anthony who has been in this position for more than four years. Abdul was Lt. Governor of St. Eustatius from 1997 till 2003, and with his experience he wants to contribute to this island.

There will be a recital by

Dutch pianist Hannes Minnaar

on Thursday, April 24, at the

Plaza Resort. On the program

are works of Bach, Beethoven

and Schubert. Minnaar is a well

known artist in Europe and is on

tour to Bonaire, Aruba and Curaçao, supported by the “Consorcium Martinus,” KLM and Sun Alliance Insurance. Presale tickets for the concert are NAƒ 30 at Flamingo Bookstore and NAƒ 40 at the door on the evening of

the performance. The price of the ticket includes food and drinks after the concert and the opportunity to meet the artist and other visitors. Coordinating the concert on Bonaire is Hans Faassen, telephone: 717-5767.

There is a scarcity of coins on Bonaire. The Central Bank (BNA- Bank of the Netherlands Antilles) publicized this and re-

quests the public to turn in quanti-
ties of coins for paper money at commercial banks. The BNA said there is an international scarcity of raw material to make coins. Never-

theless, BNA expects to receive enough coins in a few weeks.

Rincon Day/Queen’s Birth-

day (April 30), Labor Day and Ascension Day (May 1 and 2) will be public holidays offering an extended vacation for many Bonairean workers. Employers are reminded that according to the labor laws employees cannot be forced to work those days and those that do must be paid the holiday wage.

Minister Elvis Tjin A Sjoe said that May 2 will be an official holi-
day this year, based on two holi-
days coinciding, and has been approved recently by the Council of Ministers.

A free trade agreement

between Aruba and the Nether-

lands Antilles is nearing comple-
tion, announced the Antillean Economic and Labor Affairs Min-

ister Elvis Tjin Ajoie after his meet-

ing with Aruban Finance Minister Nilo Swaen last week in Aruba. Both Ministers have final-

ized the protocol regulating agree-

ments on free trade of products of the islands. The Ministers also discussed lowering the unbalance in airport departure taxes. The Aruban departure tax to Bon-

aire was supposed by an approximate 2.5% jump in fuel prices because the governments press release didn’t arrive until the gas pump prices were already changed. The new prices are:

Gasoline 92 octane- NAƒ 2,02 per liter

Kerosine- NAƒ .8037 per liter

Diesel (Gasoil)- NAƒ 127,04 per liter

LPG cylinder 100 pounds, domestic use- NAƒ 76,77

LPG cylinder 20 pounds, domestic use- NAƒ 14,69

The price of regular gas on Bonaire is quoted as $4.32 per gallon. The current average price for regular in the US is about $3.60 according to Reuters. The gap between Bonaire and US gas prices is narrowing.

The power company, WEB, also announced an increase in the fuel surcharge (brandstofclauses) to NAƒ 0.41288 per kWh. Look for ever higher electric bills as the price of oil hovers over $110 a barrel.

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(Tourism Awareness Program)
I was inspired to make this short film as I stood on the shore one day here on Bonaire and witnessed two divers coming out of the water with gloves on. When I asked them why they needed to wear gloves they simply replied, “We need to protect our hands because we use them in our daily work!”

Being a free-lance videographer I do meet lots of divers whom I film during their diving experience, but each time, over and over, divers show a lack of respect for that very thing that Bonaire stands for. Bonaire has always been the forerunner of nature conservation, 46 years to be exact, and well before any other island in the Caribbean had any clue of the importance of nature conservation. This human action 46 years ago is why Bonaire is today the last haven for many people to still see a natural paradise.

Bonaire used to be on the travel map only for those who could endure the long flights, knowing that their destination had only a small airport with little or no modern conveniences like plush hotels, smart white-lined roads or discos. So for many years Bonaire remained off the tourist radar. Those people who did come here respected and loved both the island’s nature and its warm hearted inhabitants.

The tourism frenzy of the last decade has put both of these things in danger, a danger that Bonaire has not seen since the last Dutch occupation in 1663! With the new BES Island agreement that has allowed Bonaire to be seen as a safe financial investment, has brought with it all the trimmings of the modern world, accompanying this modern day occupation. It would be both unrealistic and unfair to expect the island and its people to stay in the past.

As the price of real estate goes up on a daily basis and the import of cars challenges the durability of the roads, the new hotels exceed the ability of the island to absorb their waste. It is time for all of us to reassess the value of coral, the very thing that inspired all this interest. If you believe that the coral has a value, think again. Watch this YouTube film and see how our diving freedom ideology has been degraded by a lack of respect for life: http://www.youtube.com/scubavisionfilms and select: “The Value of Coral.”

As an independent film maker one of the things I can do to help is to bring the whole situation to the attention of the public. Youtube is a powerful media form and can bring about change. I made films about waste water and the landfill. It is not understandable to see how they can get away with their waste water and landfill pollution, knowing that all these action are described as unacceptable and totally illegal.

Films that bought about awareness of these situations have been felt as far away as the Dutch Government. If you have an issue you would like to bring up, contact me, Hendrik, at info@scubavision.info or call me at 717-2844. I will make your voice heard. Show you care! Speak out! Help Bonaire keep its heart.

Story and photo by Hendrik Wuyts

If you thought that big sign said “International Bible Church” on the white pickup truck parked in front of SGB High School (Scholengemeenschap Bonaire) last weekend, you are right. As of April 6th, the International Bible Church of Bonaire has moved its Sunday morning worship services to the auditorium (aula) of the SGB High School. For the past nine years they held their activities at Trans World Radio. The IBC is planning to build its own church building in the Hotel Row / southern Hato area. The church has a building fund goal of NAƒ 200,000 for a user friendly, but not elaborate, facility. The building fund stands at about NAƒ30,000 right now.

The picture shows the church’s new home at the auditorium of the high school, relative to other Bonaire landmarks, like Cultimara and the big satellite dishes of Flamingo TV. The Sunday morning service is at 9 am and visitors are always welcome. The church lives up to its international billing with a friendly congregation from all over the Antilles, the Caribbean and the rest of the world.

On Fridays, the IBC Light and Life Club provides two hours of fun and games, with songs, story time and Bible verses in English and Papiamentu for children five to 12 years old. It’s just a part of IBC’s community presence. The International Bible Church at SGB will be a positive factor in the school’s life, too, beginning with plans already in the works for group clean-up.

Ditta Morrison / Brad Swanson
Last week the LVV (Agriculture Dept) and the SSV (non-criminal police) started to tackle the problems of stray dogs. The actions began following several attacks on local people and a meeting between Commissioner Boy Clarenda and officials of LVV, SSV, Selibon, the Animal Shelter and the island attorney. The Bonairian government’s security service, SSV is patrolling the countryside where the kunukuus with goats are. The LVV dog catcher will patrol the streets more often, especially in the evening. In those neighborhoods with a lot of stray dogs, the SSV will inform dog owners to keep their dogs inside their yards. There will be actions against those owners who ignore the warning.

The Netherlands Antilles has been accused of being a vacation destination with a large amount of animal suffering. By the Venezuelan-based Stichting Dierenhulp (Animal Aid Foundation).

At the top of the list is Greece, which took over the first spot from Spain. The Netherlands Antilles now occupies the third place. Reasons include the recent purchase of six wild dolphins from Cuba for the dolphinarium on Curacao, reports of animal abuse on the streets, and the transport of wild donkeys from Bonaire to Curacao to be served as food for the zoo animals. Stichting Dierenhulp has been active since 1996 in Venezuela.

The Catholic Church’s leader in the ABC islands, Bishop Luis Secco, recently met with Pope Benedict XVI during the quinquennial (every five years) meeting of regional bishops and archbishops with the Pope. Since the 16th century bishops have been required to make a pilgrimage to Rome every five years.

The last two cruise ships of the season are due this Sunday, April 20 and finally on Wednesday, April 30. The off-season replacement for the Cruise Ship Open Market in Wilhelmina Plaza is currently awaiting approval by the Bonaire Government. According to some of the market’s vendors, even on cruise ship days, local people are the best customers for their crafts.

There are several events leading up to the 30th annual Rincon Day celebration on April 30. A Children’s Festival will take place at the Rincon Community Center (Centro di Barrio) this Saturday, April 19 and the Chichi and Bubi Festival on the next Saturday, April 26. Both will run from 7 to 11 at night.

Persons interested in having a stand during Rincon Day are invited to pass by the old Hulp Bestuurskantoor behind the Centro di Barrio in Rincon between 5 and 7 pm. Contact Francisco Janga for more information.

Youth for Christ of Rincon and Playa (Hubentut pa Christu di Rincon i Playa) will again have their second-hand book stand beside the Protestant church on Kaya Crestian during Rincon Day, May 30. You can buy new and second-hand books in many kinds of languages and a lot of children books too.

The 5th Annual Antique Bicycle Parade will take place on May 2 in Rincon. This year it’s dedicated to Galen Cicilia of Rincon. Bikes have traditionally been used as transport in the Rincon area and to this day many senior still ride regularly.

The Punt Vierkant neighborhood residents, Allerd Stikker and Lenor Linder among others, who fought to block the construction of high rise buildings in their residential neighborhood were successful in their first round. However, it is anticipated that the developer, E.G.Vastgoed will appeal.

On Tuesday, April 1st, Dive Friends Bonaire officially opened their fourth and newest location on Bonaire, at Dive Inn. They are offering special prices as part of their grand opening celebration. Go to www.dive-friends-bonaire.com for more information.

Remember please, dear readers, to tell merchants and advertisers that you heard about them in The Bonaire Reporter! They keep us “still free.” G.D.
I met with Jane Townsend and Alan Gross in their wonderful house in the kunuku where they live with their three Dalmatians and two cats. The couple came to Bonaire from New York where they had a very busy life running their own business in advertising and public relations. In the mid 80s they came to Bonaire as divers and did their first open water dive here. They tried visiting other dive destinations but came back to Bonaire to dive five more times.

When in December 1992 Alan was told he had a serious illness, it gave them the impetus to leave New York and move to Bonaire. They sold their business and found their first house in Republiek. When they lived in New York there was never any free time to do volunteer work, so on Bonaire they wanted to become involved in their new community.

Shortly after arriving, during a visit to Alan’s doctor, Giovanni Frans, they were asked by him to volunteer to help the Red Cross. Using their advertising experience they produced a brochure warning of the danger of burns from fireworks. This led from one volunteering activity to another, and they became involved in Tene Boneiru Limpi (TBL) in 1993. They joined Diana Gevers and others in organizing a general clean up of the island, from popular barbeque places to the roadsides. In a short time TBL managed to get the cooperation of churches and centro di barrios (neighborhood centers). It was estimated that some 25% of the population contributed to the clean up. It became a real awareness call. SELIBON (waste management company) became very active and placed trash cans in numerous public places (like Sorobon) and identified many unofficial dumpsites. Carib Inn’s Bruce Bowker and his team of volunteers were an instrumental force in cleaning up those dumpsites.

After about four years of community activities, Jane and Alan could withdraw from the TBL project because SELIBON and members of the community had taken over. Even the schools became involved in keeping the island clean. The hard work of TBL, SELIBON and the Bonairean people was so apparent that it became hard to find areas that needed extensive cleaning so TBL went to sleep until about three years ago when it was revived by a new board of local people.

“So in the mid-90s,” Jane says, “it was time to find a new project,” which they did in the rebuilding of Jong Bonaire. At that time the crime rate was up so they and two other pensionados, Rene Hakkenberg and Wim Nagtegaal, decided to try to do something to prevent crime on Bonaire. They realized that after-school activities for teenagers were almost nonexistent, so getting into trouble was the obvious alternative to boredom. The Foundation and buildings of Jong Bonaire date from 1959, but by 1995 they were hardly used for activities or for any other purpose. The four retirees developed a questionnaire for high school students, distributed about 1,000 copies of a four-page-long survey, inviting the students and their parents to write down their needs and suggestions. More than 300 questionnaires came back filled with needs and suggestions! They wrote a proposal to Sede Antila, the group then channeling Dutch government money to the Antilles, and received a grant to repair the existing facilities of the building, to build sports fields and classrooms and funding to get operations started as well. Extra grants came from the Maduro and Cruiel’s Bank (Continued on page 9)
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ENTERTAINMENT (Part 1)

Entertainment: the definitions can be very broad. According to different dictionaries, entertainment means some kind of mental occupation and physical movement. We can name all kinds of entertainment: parties, sports, going on vacation, dining out, visiting friends, watching television and so on. Some people might think that Bonaire is boring and there nothing to do. But according to me and those whom I interviewed, you have to make your own entertainment sometimes. There is plenty to do, but you have to motivate yourself. I interviewed some people who are experienced in entertaining themselves, and maybe you can learn from them.

For instance there’s this lady, 76 years old, a member of the UPA (Union di Penthodonan di Antias Hulandes) and COMAK (Commission di Aktivadiala) who said, “All my life I’ve liked to be active even though I had a full time job. I like to be in different social groups and to motivate people to get out of their houses and do something for themselves and the community. And now since I’ve retired I don’t want to stop being in these groups because I realize that I’ve learned a lot from them and I see some positive results. We started a swimming group for the 60 pluses (ages 60 and above) every Wednesday at 7:15 a.m. and Eddy Christian is our swimming coach. We got money from Holland to continue these lessons every Wednesday and more people are joining the group. I have a routine of walking 7 km in the morning for at least an hour and 15 minutes. The group also has a painting project with painting lessons from Addy Figaroa on Mondays. We take joyful (a small krioyo guitar) lessons in the Centro di Barrio Niki-boko. I also belong to some ladies’ clubs. In ‘Goldfinch’ we have different outside activities, for instance together with the ladies’ club, Rinfa, we are planning a Mother’s Day celebration. I think here in Bonaire the ladies’ clubs should join together, break the barriers, share their experience and thoughts so together we can motivated the 60 pluses to do more. So if we let go of what we are holding so tightly we can get other people to do what is good in entertaining themselves.”

But what about you as a parent? Do you ever hear your kids saying, “In Bonaire there’s nothing to do”? What do you do about it? The next interview is with a housewife. You might think that housewives get nothing to do, but you have to motivate yourself. I interviewed this wonderful woman of 42, a mother of two. “I’m a housewife and I love the kitchen,” she said. “Instead of using it only to prepare meals for my family I took some lessons in making cakes and snacks 23 years ago. It started as a hobby and for fun, but then it turned into a business when people started asking me to make cakes and snacks for their parties. Then I learned how to do the decorations for the parties. I’m always learning more techniques about making cakes, snacks and decorating. I’ve learned how to sew too. Now I have my aunt, who is very talented in this area, as my associate. I involve my children in all my activities, and they’ve learned to do it well. They know we’re earning money to go on vacation, buy new clothes, and enjoy recreational times. Besides all this, my husband and I started a karaoke business, so the whole family is busy entertaining themselves and others. My goal is to pass on my knowledge to the youngsters and the grown ups. Sometimes we invest money and time in giving ‘information days or nights’ and just a few show up. But I learn not to give up and keep on trying. I hope people get motivated to do whatever it is and to enjoy their environment like having some fun time in the kunuku (the countryside), going to the beach etc., etc.”

Count the blessings you have on your island and don’t waste it. Get off your couch and entertain yourself and others in a positive way.

Siomara E. Albertus

Send your comments to The Bonaire Reporter, P.O. Box 407, Bonaire, or email reporter@bonairenews.com.
Algae Growth Is A Concern

Recent reports by well-known marine biologists suggest that there are “serious areas of concern” for the continued well-being of the shallow water, fringing coral reef system surrounding Bonaire and Klein Bonaire. When humans feel sick or abnormal the first thing their doctor asks is to get a blood test to determine their chemistry. In humans, well-balanced chemistry is vital to their good health.

The good health of a coral reef is totally dependent on well-balanced sea water chemistry. Every living organism in the sea—fish, lobsters, crabs, sea urchins, corals, sponges, every living thing—is dependent on good water quality. When the sea is contaminated by the continuous release of unprocessed waste water containing excessive nutrients from human and land-based activities, the waste water promotes massive growths of algae and seaweed that smothers the coral reef system. These conditions, left unchecked, will poison the seawater, and all life underwater will cease to exist.

The Light and Motion Sensor Program (L MSP) is the first step in the process needed on Bonaire to prevent the scenario that has happened on other Caribbean Islands. We need your help to continue. Your donations and support as volunteers will make a difference. This 10-year long project is entirely funded by private donations from concerned individuals and carried out by dedicated research volunteers on the island. Additional full-time, on- island volunteers are needed now to help with the continuation of the Program. If you are interested in diving and collecting the electronic data from our shore-based sites please contact Albert Bianculli at 791-2214 for more details. The task of collecting the electronic data is the responsibility of local or island government.

Volunteer Reports

Here are more observations concerning the algae growth from several volunteers who visit their assigned Rainbow Sensor Site each week to clean and retrieve the data:

Sunday, March 2 - Site #1 - The 5-meter sensors had almost 1” of algae growing on them, along with the float. Incredible that that much growth can occur in one week. The 12-meter sensors had less, and the 20-meters very light growth. Todd chipped away all the pink scale from one sensor at 12 meters that was becoming encrusted. There was a school of ballyhoo above the sensors, and the school of southern snapper remained below the array.

Lynn & Todd Fulks

Thursday, March 6 - Site #12 - After cleaning the sensors I took a look around and saw a large rainbow parrotfish. A large school of boga swam by quickly. We saw many harlequin bass, brown and blue chromis and Creole wrasse. A doctor fish was being cleaned by five juvenile blue head wrasse. I disturbed an octopus that was sitting out in the open. It changed its color to black and sped into a hole. Then it turned back to speckled brown. In the shallows there was another octopus spread out on star coral. It didn’t seem bothered by me at all. Two chubs were swimming in three feet of water as we were finishing our dive.

Algae Growth: The growth of algae is amazing at this site. This week it was at least 2 to 3 cm. long on the line and the bottles. The sensors were clean, but the Marine Park tags had some crusty pink circles on them. I also had to pick off a white, hard growth on the rope. It was about 1 cm. long. It had a problem with the deepest sensors. The top one at 20 meters signaled failed. I did it twice. The others were fine. I then tried again and it read the sensor! Cassandra and Franklin Nea  Press Release

Money is needed to continue this project. Donations accepted by Support Bonaire (US tax deductible) or you are invited to directly deposit your donation to SEA MONITOR Foundation accounts: Maduro & Curiel’s Bank (Bonaire) US$ Account # 116.735.09 NA Account # 116.736.07 SWIFT TRANSFER: McBanCunBon

Work is underway to repair the major light-houses of Bonaire to return them to use as aids to navigation. The lighthouses are at Speiloko, Willemstoren and Wecula. The lighthouse towers will house modern automated solar-powered lights that report their status via satellite. In the photo a Royal Marine helicopter assists in the installation.

Most of the lighthouse in the Antilles have been out of service for over 10 years partially because of a dispute over whether their maintenance is the responsibility of local or island government.

G.D.
Profiles (Continued from page 5)
Bonaire, Radio Netherlands, Rocarco, City Cafe, and Sabuco. Those groups and others continue to provide support for the center. Jong Bonaire youth center began operations in 1998 and now gets one third of its funding from the Dutch government, one third from the island government and has to find the last one third via fundraising and local sponsors. Parts of the facility are rented out to other organizations for private programs. The staff and the teens organize the Annual Swim to Klein Bonaire, a 20-kilometer walk to Sorobon and back, mini-triathlons and much more. The teenagers contribute financially with car washings and barbecues. The students have to be members of Jong Bonaire, and their parents have to sign as well, with the membership fee according to income. Currently there are about 170 members and a professional staff of eight leaders.

Every day the activities begin with homework time when volunteers and staff help with the lessons. After the homework is done it’s time for music, computers and other programs. “Creative activities are really encouraged,” says Jane, “as a means of individual expression. It’s especially rewarding for the boys as they aren’t normally encouraged to do so.” The various activities help teens identify their interests which could lead them toward future employment.

Currently Jane and Alan are working hard on the next project. Together with Michael Gaynor of Chat ‘n Browse and Trans World Radio, Jong Bonaire will be publishing a new edition of the Papiamento-English dictionary. Betty Ratzlaff-Henriquez, the editor of the dictionary, is adding missing words which will be incorporated along with a new cover design. Michael Gaynor will take care of the distribution and sales. The new dictionary will be on the market in a couple of months with much of the income going to Jong Bonaire.

Yet another fundraising project is coming up, thanks to photographer Bart Landheer. He and his wife, Jacqueline Bremmers, had the idea of making a special calendar featuring the teens of Jong Bonaire. Thirty teens participated in writing a composition about their plans for the future. Twelve of them were selected to feature their stories, including a picture of themselves, on each page. The Jong Bonaire drum band was introduced last year under the instruction of Leroy Sedney. Sports competitions help teens focus and teach them the importance of teamwork. Ping pong, foosball, dominos, volleyball, ball hockey and roller hockey are all very popular.

The accomplishments of Jong Bonaire are amazing, impressive and hopefully inspiring. Most of the staff is local, one is Dutch. Jane, Alan and Rene serve as the daily board, responsible for guidance and finances. Other board members include Glenda Bernabela, Selly Grotmoka-Pourier, Alex Senchi and Kerenza Rannou-Franz. The life philosophy of this lovely couple, by which they live their lives, is: “If you can dream it, you can do it. Look beyond your self imposed limitations and you’ll discover an unlimited source of potential.” By using the skills they developed in business - planning, organizing and communication - Jane and Alan have been able to contribute to the future of the island they love so much. They encourage other retired people to consider what skills they bring to the island and to seek out ways to put them to use for the benefit of Bonaire. Story & Photo by Louise Rood

For more information: Stichting Jeugdwerk Jong Bonaire. Tel: 717-4303 Email: manager@jongbonaire.org Website: http://www.jongbonaire.org

Underwater Camera Repair
Dan Blodget is the owner and operator of Sub-Aquatic Camera Repair Company located near Monterey, California. Sub-Aquatic is the largest underwater camera repair facility in North America. They are the authorized service center for Nikons and Sea and Sea cameras. Dan is also the co-owner of Capture Photo here in Bonaire with 2 locations, one at the Divi Flamingo Resort and the second at Captain Don’s Habitat. Dan received his first camera at age 8 and has been tinkering with camera’s ever since. Dan has been a certified diver since 1986. While visiting in 1988 Dan had an idea to start a photo business here in Bonaire. With Kathy Layapsy that dream was realized in February, 2007, when Capture Photo opened on Bonaire. Their goal is to provide excellent service for novice to professional photographers.

Dan Blodget will be on Bonaire from the 28th of April thru to the 9th of May. During this stay he will be available for camera repairs at either location. His skills are not limited to the Nikon and Sea and Sea line. If you have any camera concerns please call Capture Photo at 717-6151 to book an appointment with Dan.

DOBON 2008
Sudoku

Here’s the first medium difficulty Sudoku puzzle we’ve published. And there’s a story behind this one that Molly Bar- tikoski Kearney who does this feature for us related and thought you might enjoy:

My 91 year old father, RJ, introduced me to Sudoku, and got me hooked on them. The last time I visited him, he actually printed out two copies of the same puzzle to have a “race.” My seven older brothers and sisters and I bought him a computer about 10 years ago. He pretty much just used it to read/respond to email (a pretty big feat some might say) and to print out two Sudoku puzzles each day (his self-imposed limit).

He led a happy life, but sadly passed away in his sleep just two weeks before his 92nd birthday. This puzzle is one that we found next his favorite chair, all set to be solved the next day… so tell your reader’s to sharpen their pencils, and give the next difficulty level a try and clink a beer to RJ, after they solve it!  

Sudoku means “the digits must remain single” in Japanese. To solve the puzzle, enter the numbers 1 through 9 to the partially filled in puzzle without repeating a number in any row, column or 3 x 3 region. For a tutorial visit the web site www.sudoku.shock.com. Answer on page 18. Supplied by Molly Bar- tikoski-Kearney (who solves all the puzzles first.)

Simply the Best

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Family activities were held on the past two Sundays: The 20th Annual Contest di Fli, Kite Contest, and a leisurely bike tour in the southern part of the island.

Conditions were ideal for kite flying and the entries were colorful, original and most flew very well. It was an all day affair with lots of winners.

The bike tour was headed by Governor Domacasse and included kids, parents and grandparents. There were numerous water and fruit stops along the way and the finishers were treated to watermelon, juice and hot pumpkin pancakes. Bonaire is more than a diver’s paradise, it’s a family paradise.

You could fly sitting down.

Minnie Mouse was there.

“Flying” the Bonaire and Antillean flags.

Food at the bike tour finish.

Big, beautiful and a great flyer.

Governor Domacasse leads.
Kuifje Kraze Kontinues

Kuifje fans never grow up and retired businessman Co deKoning, journalist Boi Antoin, and several others on Bonaire are no exception.

Working together they arranged for one of the most popular Kuifje (Tintin in the original French) stories to be translated and published in Papiamentu. Last month they and their sponsors presented 10,000 copies of one of this most-loved characters adventure, named The Sunflower Affair to the schoolchildren of Bonaire and Curaçao.

Last week deKoning hosted a party at the Vespucci Restaurant for the island’s young Kuifje fans. The admission ticket was that they dress as one of the characters in the Kuifje comic strip. A look-alike contest and Kuifje Quiz were highlights. There were a few Kuifjes, Captain Haddocks, Janssen & Janssen (Yanchi & Yanshi for the Papiamentu version), Bobbi the dog and even an appearance by Bianca Castafiore, all wildly enthusiastic.

Let’s hope we can look forward to a new Kuifje story in Papiamentu soon. G.D.

Kuifje stories didn’t feature many girls, so these two dressed as the characters Yanchi & Yanshi in the album.

The deserving winner of the Kuifje look-a-like contest

Marsha deKoning and Larry Gerharts conducted the quiz

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In recent weeks innocent people have been attacked by vicious dogs on Bonaire. I feel empathy for the victims of the vicious dog attack recently on Seru Largu. The information I have read reveals the dogs have been attacked by vicious dogs and liable for any medical care for the innocent victims. I also feel that all dogs should be tagged and licensed. It is strongly recommended that pets be spayed and neutered as well. This is responsible pet ownership. Dogs cannot live a life on chains either. They are pack animals and need to be with their owners. Walks daily or being allowed to run in their enclosed yard is humane and correct animal care. Dogs that are chained for life become vicious and unpredictable. Once off their chain their behavior may be aggressive.

There are many solutions, including education about animal welfare for the young and old of Bonaire. Sterilization is crucial. Breeding of pit bulls, fighting dogs and aggressive breeds should be banned. All residents of Bonaire should license and collar their dogs. These are my hopes. I hope the government of Bonaire takes time to think out a plan that will benefit all.

A Concerned and Responsible Pet Owner and Animal Lover

No Respect For The Environment

Dear Editor:

I guide tourists from the cruise ships. From the top of 1000 Steps (dive site) I always look down at the Parrot Fish in the water and point them out to the tourists who really enjoy that. I was noticing the other day how many Parrot Fish there at all. Nothing to point out all of a sudden. And I noticed a green line in the water that was not there before.

I talked to the taxi drivers about the Parrot Fish not being there and I was told that Parrot Fish are very good to eat and that many people are being exported to Aruba as iced fillets, flown over there. I immediately said: “Tell me who is doing that and I will denounce them.” They stopped talking after that.

But what else they said before I made my stupidly honest remark was that the Dominicans have eaten all the groupers, the Chinese are taking out all the lobsters and the Bonaireans are eating all the Conch and Parrot Fish. Also one bus driver said that he eats turtle and he was angry that it was not allowed to eat turtle because he said it is a good medicine against asthma.

Last night I watched TV Channel 24 - Arthur Sealy’s program and heard Uz Evertz say on TV that he eats turtle. The taxi and bus drivers tell me: “If you do not take the conch home to eat, someone else will take it.” This is the mentality some people have here.

Of course I read The Bonaire Reporter every week and I have noticed that you mentioned groupers are almost not here anymore. I thought I should pass on what I was told.

I am very shocked about people not caring at all about animals becoming extinct and the destruction of Bonaire. How many people are eating all the algae eating fish. I am sorry to say that I think the parking out of Bonaire is a bigger threat to the reefs than the cruise ships.

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Earth Day Cleanup at Klein

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**KuifjeLand, Bonaire**

Jan-Aarnout Boer, the man who took on the task of negotiating the first Papiamentu language version of Kuifje (Tin Tin if you’re not Dutch/Belgian) with the copyright owners, dressed up in his Kuifje outfit, the album and The Reporter.

For more on Kuifje mania turn to page 11.

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The organizers are also planning some evening presentations on the birds of Bonaire including, of course, a presentation on the loras. The Oriole and Treupial count that was a success last year will be repeated on May 11th. Check the next issue of The Reporter, posters and Forum on Mega FM for further details.

Sam Williams

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April 22-May 22 – 7th Caribbean endemic Bird Festival. Activities sponsored by Salta Nos Lora and STINAPA. See page XXX

Thursday, April 24 - Classical piano concert by Haines Min-
mann, Plaza Resort. NAƒ 30 pre-
sale at Flamingo Bookstore. NAƒ 40 at the door. Includes foods, drinks after concert. Call Hans Faassen, 717-5767. See page 2

Sunday, April 27 – Nature Walking Tour sponsored by STINAPA, 7 am. Free. Call 717-3444 or 717-4163 to register. See page 14

Sunday, April 30 – Rincon Day Biggest party in Bonaire. Don’t Miss It. – More information in Flotsam and jetsam, page 4

May 22 to 25 -Bonaire Heine-
ken Jazz Festival 2008. Nu-
erous headliners. More infor-
ma tion in upcoming issues

Sunday, June 1 - Anniversary Celebration Washington Park, 8 am-5 pm. Free entrance and participation in activities. Call STINAPA 717-8444, 717-4163

REGULAR EVENTS

- The popular SGB High School restaurant, Chez Nous, is now open to the public. Four-course dinners with welcome cocktail on Tuesdays. Seat-
ing begins at 6 pm. Lunches on Wednesday & Thursdays. Call 717-8320, ask for Chez Nous or email: keeseleem@telbonet.am
- HH 2 for 1 (all beverages) 6-7 pm, Divi Flamingo Balashi Beach Bar
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tion—796-7870.
- “Live Cooking by the Chefs” with live music by the Flamingo Rockers Unplugged - Buddy Dive Resort, 6-10 pm
- CluB’s and Meetings

HAPPENING SOON

- Park Publico children’s play-
ground open every day into the eve-
nings.
- Steak Night On the Beach (a la carte) with live mariachi- Buddy Dive Re-
sort, 6-10 pm
- Rincon Marshé–6 am-2 pm. Enjoy a Bonairean breakfast while you shop, fresh fruits and vegetables, gifts, local sweets, snacks, arts, handcrafts, candles, incense, drinks, music. www.infobonaire.com/rincon.
- All You Can Eat BBQ at Divi Flamingo with live music, 6 to 9 pm. Call for reservations 717-8285 ext. 444.
- Soldachi Tours—See the real Bonaire and be transported back in time. Learn about the history, culture and nature by Bonairians from Rin-
coon. Call Maria Koks for more information—796-7870.
- Mountain Bike Training for riders of all levels (also Tuesday) at 1 pm. Bonaire Wellness Connections, Eden Beach, 785-0767, email info@bonairewellness.com
- Live music 6-9 pm while enjoying a great dinner in colorful tropical ambiance at the Chibi Chibi Restau-
rant & Bar, Divi Flamingo. Open daily 5-10 pm.
- “Dive & Dine” Buddy Dive Resort, 6:30–9:30 pm
- Soldachi Tour of Rincon, the heart of Bonaire, 9 am-noon. S20-Mall Taria 717-6435
- Margarita & Taco Tuesdays! With $2.50 Margaritas and a Taco bar! Live music by Maggie from Margarita’s.
- “Admiral’s Hour” for yachtsmen and others, Vespucchi Restaurant, Harbour Village Marina. HH drinks, gratis tapas, 5-7 pm
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CHURCH SERVICES

Protestant Congregation of Bonaire: Krulendijk, Wilhelminaplein. In Papiaments, Dutch, English, Sundays, 10 am.

Sunday, April 20

- Rincon, Kaya C.D. Creastaan, in Papi-
ments, Sundays, 8:30 am. Children’s club, Saturdays, 5 pm, in Krulendijk

Sunday School, Sundays, 4 pm, in Rincon. Bible Study and Prayer meet-
ings, Thursdays, at 8 pm, Krulendijk.

New Apostolic Church: Centro de Bario Nord Salilia, Sundays, 10 am. Services in Dutch. 717-7116.

International Bible Church of Bon-
aire, at SGB High School auditorium (Kaya Frater Otdalw, off Kaya Korona.) Sunday services in English at 9 am; Sunday evening prayer meet-
ing at Pastor’s home, 7 pm. Fridays, 6 to 8 pm, Light & Life Club, children 5 to 12 yrs. Tel. 717-8132.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Lat-
er Day Saints: Kaya Sabana #26, Sundays 8:30 - 11:30 am. In Papi-
ments, Spanish and English.

Catholic: San Bernadusa in Krul-
endijk – Services, Sunday at 8 am and 7 pm in Papiamentu, 717-8304. Our Lady of Coronation in Antisida, Sunday at 6 pm in English. Mass in Papiamentu on Sunday at 9 am and 6 pm. 717-4211.

Assembly of God (Assemblea di Dios): Kaya Triton (Den Chefli). In English, Dutch and Papiamentu on Sunday at 10 am. Wednesday Prayer Meeting at 7:30 pm. 717-2194.

Ministerio de Cristo Jesus Services Sunday mornings at 10 am at Jong Bon-
airie Youth Center in English, Dutch and Papiamentu. Preaching the full gospel. Contact: 786-2557.

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Every April I like to remind you of how you can have fun with the Big Dipper in early evening because it is positioned in such a way that it gives evidence to a very old folks saying. Plus it is so high above the horizon it can be used to easily find two wonderful stars of spring.

On any night in April between the hours of 8 and 10 pm, look due north in the Sky Park where you'll see the Big Dipper almost directly above and just to the right of the North Star, its cap pointed down in such a way that if it were filled full of water the water would be pouring out directly onto the ground below. This gives a celestial significance to that old saying, “April showers bring May flowers,” because every April in early evening the biggest water dipper of the heavens is indeed positioned so that it is pouring its imaginary water onto the Earth below. Plus because it's so high above the horizon it makes it very easy to use the three stars of the Dipper's handle as a finder to locate two wonderful stars of spring which are also very high above the horizon.

Simply draw an imaginary line through the handle of the Big Dipper and extend it in the same curve or arc as the handle and you'll "arc to Arcturus," the brightest star of Bootes, the Herdsman. Then if you extend that curve, that "arc," on from Arcturus you can speed on to Spica, the brightest star of Virgo, the Virgin. Once again using the handle and its curve, arc to Arcturus, then speed on to Spica. What could be easier? Now brighter Arcturus is relatively close, only 37 light years away. That means we see the light that left it 37 years ago in 1971. Spica, however, is seven times farther away than Arcturus - 260 light years. That means we see the light that left it 260 years ago in 1748.

But to make finding Arcturus and Spica even more special just remind yourself that when we look at them now we are really looking back in time, because when I say that Arcturus is 37 light years away I really mean that when you look at Arcturus this month you are not seeing Arcturus as it actually exists now in the present but as it actually existed 37 years ago. And when you speed on to Spica and look at it this month you are really seeing Spica not as it exists now but as it actually existed 260 years ago. Wow! Which inevitably leads one to the question, "Is it possible that some of the stars we now see are no longer in existence?" The answer is yes. Although we are quite sure Arcturus and Spica are still there.

So some time this April between 8 and 10pm find the Big Dipper as it rains down April showers for May flowers, then arc to Arcturus 37 light years away and speed on to Spica 260 light years beyond! □ Jack Horbheimer
FORMA
Making Tomorrow Better

FORMA is Bonaire’s institute for adult education. Since March 2006 Inge Berben has been the director of FORMA and has reorganized and revitalized the organization.

Forma has four departments: Literacy, Social Cultural Duty (SVP), Vocational Training Level 1 (SBO) and Upgrading Courses.

Department of Literacy is for illiterate or nearly illiterate adults. Although Bonaire has a 97% literacy rate, 20.8% can read but can’t understand what they read and are at a 4th grade elementary school level. That’s the reason FORMA started this department. Last year a coordinator trained 20 teachers in FORMA’s methods of working, developed curricula for three levels, put together 20 packages of class material based on themes, and created CDs and DVDs as teaching materials.

Department of Social Cultural Duty (SVP) is a project initiated by the Central Government and financed by USONA. The focus of SVP is on young adults between 16 and 24 years old who do not have an educational qualification and/or a diploma. These young people dropped out after elementary school or high school for various reasons: pregnancy, responsibilities at home, behavioral problems, learning methods at school. The majority are young parents. Every one has a coach from FORMA who follows the participant on a weekly basis to see how he or she develops and checks to see that all continues accordingly. FORMA also has a social worker who guides those who have difficult living circumstances. All participants receive a small allowance and child care to make it possible for them to attend classes and appointments.

Vocational Training Level 1 (SBO) organizes a one-year education program. If participants follow this education he or she will earn a valid diploma at the end of the year. In 2007 FORMA opened the Restaurant and Bakery Assistant program. With this diploma participants can qualify for a job as assistant waiter assistant cook or assistant baker. In June 2008 FORMA will begin the Construction Assistant program. With this diploma participants can get a job as an assistant carpenter, assistant bricklayer or assistant painter.

Department of Upgrading courses focuses on the working population who likes or needs to be upgraded. The courses are on a higher level (MBO and HBO) and at the moment are:

- Language classes (Papiamentu, English, Dutch, Spanish)
- Electro technician
- Bookkeeping
- Hobby courses
- Naturalization course
- Upgrading courses are given on request from companies and organizations.

For further questions or information: Contact Fundashon FORMA, Kaya Korono 13, Inge Berben, Director. Tel: 717-6949 / fax: 717-6940. E-mail: ingeberben@fundashonforma.com Website: www.fundashonforma.com

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Fishing Tournament Results

Fine weather greeted the fishermen of Bonaire’s 20th International Fishing Tournament last Sunday. While the catch of billfish and the turnout of boats was disappointing to the organizers, the ambiance was great with a big BBQ and live music. During Regatta time, October 3-5, there will be another fishing tournament organized by It Rains Fishes Restaurant at Club Nautico.

For more information about this event and the next one call Robur de Vries at 786-1070.

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SOLUTION TO DO YOU SUDOKU?

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Anke's FIAT 500D. The car is spray-painted metallic purple. The two-door coupe was manufactured in Italy in 1962 and is known as the nuova FIAT cinquecento. (Pronounced as: “chien-kwe-chen-to” by those inventive little Italian laborers from Torino) Photograph: Jân Brouwer

Anke, born in Indonesia, spent a couple of years on the island of Aruba before she decided to live on our lovely Diver's Paradise. Since June 2007 she and her son, Kalani (born on the 26th of July 2006 in Aruba) live on Bonaire.

Anke’s little purple painted treasure on wheels can regularly been seen on and along the roads of Playa. Anke has two part time jobs down town. She works at the Indonesian restaurant, Warung Louise, on Kaya Grandi and at the barbershop, De Kapper, both in Kralendijk.

Anke is the proud owner of a very well restored economy car or city car, made in 1962 in Torino, Italy. In those days the car was exported from Italy to the Netherlands. Small family cars were very popular in Europe after World War II. Anke bought her Italian beauty in The Netherlands. The car was in more or less running condition but needed a lot of work. She started the restoration in Europe and continued the job in Aruba. Finally the car got its metal flaked color in Bonaire. It was Garage Emanuel, along the unpaved road behind Warehouse Bonaire that did the job. Now the little backpack (as this FIAT is nicknamed in Holland) is in running condition. The purple jewel is a quick starter and a good runner. It is very difficult to get to know the location of the gasoline station by heart because of the very low consumption of this classic vehicle. Anke and her Cinquecento: two new little gems on our island.

The FIAT Nuovo 500 was designed by Dante Giacosa. The model was produced from 1957 until 1975. The first models were equipped with a small 479 cc two-cylinder four stroke engine with overhead valves, producing 13 British horse power. This model had a soft top from head to hips and two so-called suicide doors. It’s length was only 2.97 meters (9 feet, 9 inches). The later model was produced from 1962 until 1967 and is known as the nuova FIAT cinquecento. (Pronounced as: “chien-kwe-chen-to” by those inventive little Italian laborers from Torino) Photograph: Jân Brouwer

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The first workshop is about what Bonaire has to offer tourists, while another deals with keeping the balance between people, planet and profit in our touristic developments. Another is about hospitality, showing that tourism is not limited to people working in the hospitality industry, but that all others have a very important role as well. Then it’s about quality of service, while the following is about flexibility, the dynamic nature of tourism and that one thing is certain in life: the world will continue to change. The final one then draws the conclusion that tourism is vital to the island and to our community.

To make things attractive to the participants there are no endless theoretical presentations in these workshops. Obviously some theory is presented, but the program focuses on bringing up many topics on playful ways to make things fun. Films, quizzes, role playing, creating artwork, lotteries and much more are all part of the game. The creative things like poems, drawings, paintings, stories etc. we have seen the attendants come up with are very impressive and a first exposition was at the Kas di Arte some months ago.

Last week 300 SGB students attended the program in a special five-day project at the school. The last day was dedicated to presentations from the students on various topics related to tourism on Bonaire. Creativity ruled! Who knows? Maybe some of the rap songs about how dushi Bonaire is that we heard there might make it into big hits on our local radio stations.

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