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Westin's Breeze Runs Aground

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Less than two weeks after the *General II* ran aground on a rocky outcropping near the entrance to Enighed Pond Marine Facility, a Westin Resort and Villas ferry ran hard aground in the same area on Friday morning, December 16.

The 71-foot *Westin Breeze* had 23 passengers, one crew member and the captain on board when it went hard aground right inside of the red buoy off Moorehead Point.

"We had 23 associates on the boat," said Westin Resort manager Mike Ryan. "It was our associate run from St. Thomas."

The passengers and the one crew member were evacuated from *Westin Breeze* by local boaters and brought to the resort where they were checked out by St. John Rescue officials, explained Ryan.

"We had all of our associates checked out here at the hotel by St. John Rescue and Dr. James Clayton who were on the property," said Ryan. "They were also all transported to Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center for follow up examinations."

Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center officials confirmed last week that some passengers were being treated for back and neck strains.

"We're seeing people with back strain and neck sprains," said the MKSCHC official. "There are no life threatening injuries or severe bleeding or anything. We're just doing X-Rays and looking at sprains and strains."



Tradewinds News Photo by Mares Crane

The ferry was carrying 23 associates from St. Thomas when it ran aground, above, Friday morning, December 16.

U.S. Coast Guard officials received a call around 9:15 a.m. on December 16 that a vessel was in distress in the area of Moorehead Point, according to Roberto Castrodad, USCG spokesperson.

"As the information came in, we found out we were dealing with a passenger vessel," Castrodad said. "The vessel was heading to St. John and had entered the channel just off Moorehead Point when it went hard aground. There were several vessels on the scene assisting and taking passengers off the ferry."

USCG officials deployed their 25-foot response boat from its Marine Safety Detachment in St. Thomas, Castrodad explained.

"When our Coast Guard boat arrived on scene all of the passengers and the one crew member were off of the boat and the only one on the vessel was the captain," said the USCG spokesperson. "Our personnel went on board to see what was going on and they saw that the vessel was taking on water."

A vessel from the St. Thomas

marine salvage company Sea Tow was en route to the scene of the accident, according to Castrodad.

"Sea Tow was on its way to see if it was possible to salvage the boat," said Castrodad. "There was no indication of the vessel leaking oil or fuel but that is one of the things that we'll be monitoring. We'll be investigating the cause of the incident as well."

As of press time, Sea Tow had removed *Westin Breeze* from the reef and was making its way to Tortola, according to Ryan.

"It's my understanding that at this time Sea Tow did temporary repairs and is on its way towing *Westin Breeze* to Tortola," said the resort manager.

Westin Breeze is owned and operated by Inter-Island Boat Services, according to Ryan, who did not have any information on the identity of the captain of the vessel or what caused the accident.

"I have no idea what happened," said Ryan. "It's under investigation."

Ryan thanked local boaters who helped rescue passengers from the ferry.

"I want to thank the local boaters who actually rescued the associates from the boat and transported them back to the hotel," said Ryan.

The ferry grounding capped a tough several months for Westin Resort officials as they spent months recovering from damage to ballrooms, property, tennis courts and the pool from October floods.

Christmas Morning at Powell Park

The Annual St. John Serenade in the Park set for Saturday, December 25, at 5 a.m. at Frank Powell Park in Cruz Bay. Come by and bring an instrument and that Christmas cheer! Anyone interested in donating local breakfast items should call 693-8102.

IEK Christmas Concert Set for Dec. 21

The Ivanna Eudora Kean High School Music Department presents its annual Christmas Concert titled, "A Time to Celebrate" at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 21, in the cafeteria.

Lionfish Presentation at Maho Dec. 22

Karl Pytlik will be giving a presentation on the lionfish and CORE's management plan at Maho Bay Camps on Wednesday, December 22, at 7:30 p.m. in the main dining pavilion.

This will not be a diver training. Pytlik has also invited Ziggy Livnat to present his documentary, "Learning to Sea," which details the similarities of sea life in the Red Sea and the Caribbean.

Pytlik will be giving a second presentation at Estate Concordia Preserve on December 27 at 7:30 p.m.

New Year's Eve Party Set for Kids

Sisterhood/Brotherhood Agenda is hosting a New Year's Eve Youth Extravaganza at the Housing Parks and Recreation Building in Cruz Bay on Friday, December 31, from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Parents, please register children in person starting at 8 p.m. Businesses, please help Virgin Islands youth be safe and successful.

Call Angela at 714-7076 for more information.

Friends of Library Meeting Jan. 12

The public is invited to join Friends of the Elaine I. Sprauve Library on Jan. 12, at 6 p.m. at the library for its annual meeting.

The featured speaker is Brad Baldrige, of Baldrige College Solutions, who will speak about financial planning for parents. For more information call 776-6359.

Donations Needed for St. Thomas Family Devastated by Explosion

St. John Properties is accepting donations for members of the David family, who lost everything they own last week after an explosion at their Bovoni apartment.

Stop by the upstairs office in the St. John Properties Building, located next to Mongoose Junction, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday to drop off toys, clothing, and more to the family. There are three girls and five boys, ranging in age from 16 to 1, in addition to the mother in the family.

For more information call St. John Properties at 244-7418.

New 90-day Gross Receipts Tax Amnesty Period — Deadline Is January 25, 2011

Director of the V.I. Bureau of Internal Revenue Claudette Watson-Anderson, CPA, announced last week that the new, 90-day gross receipts tax amnesty went into effect upon the implementation of Act 7233, which was signed into law by Governor John deJongh on October 26.

Watson-Anderson urged taxpayers to file and pay delinquent gross receipts taxes before the deadline of January 25, 2011. All delinquent gross receipts returns are eligible for the amnesty.

For more information, call the Delinquent Accounts and Returns Branch on at 715-1040, extension 2232.

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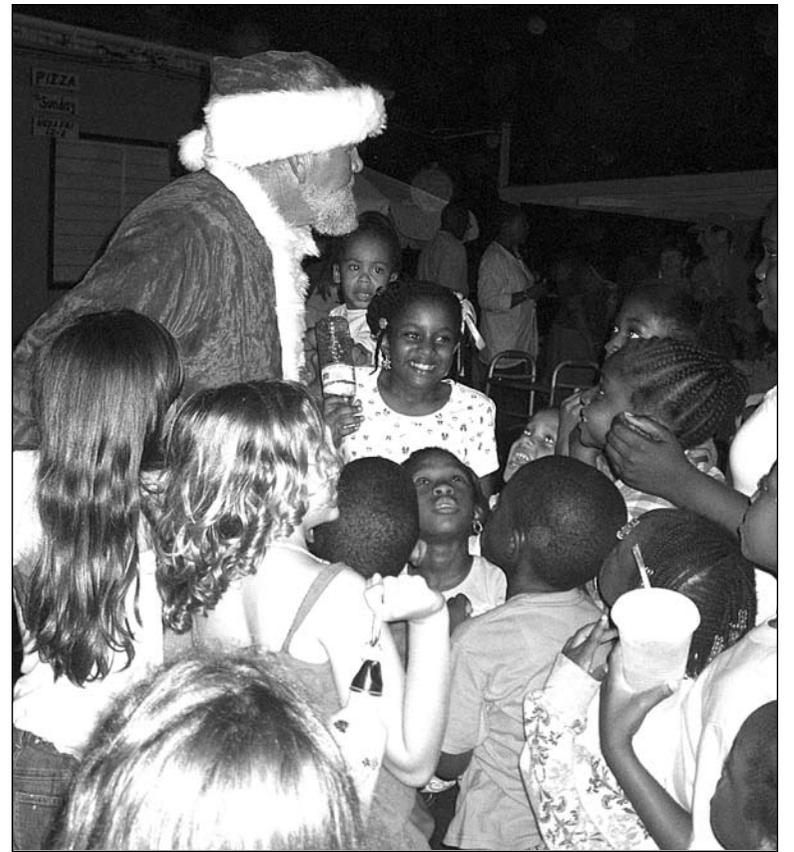
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St. John residents of all ages enjoyed the Coral Bay sing-along. Seniors from the Adrian Senior Citizens' Center, above, sang "O Holy Night." Children swarmed Santa Claus, at right, after he arrived on the back of a fire truck.



Annual Community Sing-Along Ushers in Christmas in Coral Bay

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Voices singing Christmas carols and Santa riding in on a fire truck can mean only one thing in Coral Bay — the annual Community Carol Sing and Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Residents of all ages from East End to Mandhal gathered outside of Sputnik's in Coral Bay for the annual Community Christmas Program on Wednesday, December 15, at 6:30 p.m. Still spry and looking dapper in a bright red shirt, George January lit the tree to get the night underway.

Emcee Joan Thomas introduced each neighborhood and kept the crowd entertained throughout the night with her witty jokes.

The entire crowd joined to sing the first carol of the night "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," followed by St. John Montessori School students who sang impressive renditions of holiday favorites "Jingle Bells" and "Frosty the Snowman."

Emmaus Moravian Church members offered renditions of several Christmas hymns, followed by Upper Carolina residents decked out in antlers, who sang "Jingle Bells."

Many Upper Carolina residents came out for the carol sing-along



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Upper Carolina residents, above, donned antlers to sing "Jingle Bells," to get the annual community sing-along underway.

because of one of their neighbors, explained Caroline Rogers.

Carey Mercurio, who has been dealing with serious landslide issues on her property, never thought about missing the annual event, she explained.

"I came out because it's a great time to get together with our wonderful neighbors and share in the holiday joy," said Mercurio.

That was all the convincing it took Rogers, a 25-year St. John resident, to attend her first ever

community Christmas Program.

"I thought if Carey could make an effort to come out and do this, the least I could do was come down too," Rogers said.

The annual sing-along in Coral Bay dates back more than 50 years, to a time when residents on the quiet island would gather to bring some Holiday cheer to the neighborhood, explained Edmund Roberts, who gave a short history of the tradition.

Esteemed educator Guy Benja-

min also discussed the history of the event and explained how close neighbors were back in the 1960s.

"If I had sugar and you needed some, I would give it to you," said Benjamin.

John's Folly Learning Institute founder Alvis Christian works hard to make sure that neighbors continue to join together in song each Christmas time.

"This is a tradition that was started by the elders many years ago and is what starts the Christmas celebration on the island," said Christian. "I want to do my part to make sure that this tradition continues."

For Pam Dolson, who read two passages about the Christmas miracle, it just isn't Christmas without the annual sing-along.

"This is my Christmas," said Dolson. "This makes it official for me. Now it's Christmas."

Joining the celebration for the first time this year was a group from the Adrian Senior Citizen's Center, who sang "O Holy Night," and "The Light of the Lord."

Neighbors from John's Folly, Bordeaux and Calabash Boom also took their turns singing Christmas carols. A large group from Skinny Legs, which donated refreshments for the evening, sang "I Saw Three Ships," "Santa Claus is Coming

To Town," and "Winter Wonderland."

The whole crowd joined in singing "Joy to the World" and flashing lights from the Coral Bay Fire Station across the streets sent children in a frenzy. Perched on the back of the truck was Santa Claus himself, who handed out donated toys to all of the youngsters and took last minute requests.

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Members of Steel Unlimited with Sis Frank, center, in New York at Lincoln Center, 1974.

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Local Legend Sis Frank Leaves Behind Lifetime of Island Love and Memories

By Mauri Elbel
St. John Tradewinds

When Ruth “Sis” Frank passed away on Thanksgiving Day, she left behind a collection of warm memories which still live on in the minds and hearts of those who loved her.

From her unmistakable laugh and signature “Sis-isms” that could be heard echoing through the streets of Cruz Bay for more than 50 years to her genuine love of the arts, the island and its children, Sis was as much a part of St. John as it was of her.

“Sis fell in love with the island people and their culture which she shared for almost 52 years,” said Jan Kinder, a close friend of 26 years. “My life has been forever touched by her presence. As our friendship grew closer over the years, we began caring for and loving each other more like family.”

Phillip “Grasshopper” Pickering, leader of St. John’s premier reggae band Inner Visions and new member of SJSA Board of Directors, knew Sis from the time he was a young boy and throughout

his teenage years playing in Steel Unlimited, the steel pan band success Sis managed alongside band director Rudy Wells.

“When we looked at Sis, we never saw color,” Pickering said. “When we looked at Sis, we saw ourselves. She was one of us and she embraced us.”

From the moment he met Sis, Pickering recalls the overwhelming compassion in her eyes and the unwavering sense of reassurance and encouragement she provided to so many of the island’s youth over the years.

“She came to St. John and really looked at the community and became a part of it and became a part of the people,” he said. “She and Rudy took a group of kids who would normally have been on the street corner and getting into trouble and gave them something to do. Sis is going to be missed dearly and we will all remember Sis just as Sis was — as an inspiration to everybody.”

Rudy Wells fondly recalls the time he first met Sis — when she would come to Cruz Bay Park to listen to him teach steel pan music

to local youth on weekends.

“She was very impressed by what I was doing with the children,” he said. “She asked me if I was a musician and I told her, ‘No, I just do this because as a kid in Trinidad I got involved in steel bands and I’ve been with steel band all my life.’”

After a few months of listening to Wells creating steel pan music with the children on the weekends, a friendship was forged. Soon Sis organized a scholarship for Wells which allowed him to study his passion at the Berklee College of Music. When he returned six years later, the two worked together to make Steel Unlimited and then Steel Unlimited II the pride and joy of the island.

“Sis was the person I depended on — she became a part of this with me,” he said. “She had a love for children that was unbeatable.”

Sis and Wells helped broaden the horizons for St. John youth — Steel Unlimited performed at the Rose Bowl parade, Disneyland, the Lincoln Center and Shea Stadium while Steel Unlimited II put

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St. John Community Says Goodbye to Sis Frank



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Jaime Elliott

Music wafted from the St. John School of the Arts on Saturday, December 18, as friends and loved ones celebrated the life of Ruth "Sis" Frank, who died on November 25. Approximately 500 people gathered for the memorial party to pay tribute to the SJSA founder, who impacted countless lives over her more than 52 years on St John. Musicians played all afternoon as a slide show of touching personal pictures played. Guy Benjamin, Bonny Corbeil and Phillip "Grasshopper" Pickering shared memories of Frank, who will be sorely missed.



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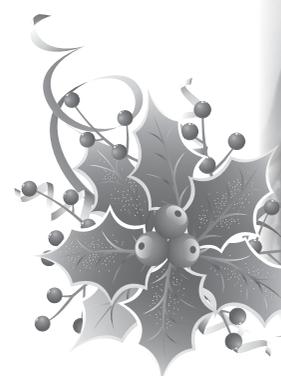
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While the trailer in BMV parking lot, above, was originally supposed to house a branch of the V.I. Energy Office, UVI CES will take it over next month.

UVI's CES Opening Office in Bureau of Motor Vehicles Parking Lot in January

By Jaime Elliott
 St. John Tradewinds

University of the Virgin Islands will have a presence on St. John in the new year.

While the university continues to negotiate with management of The Marketplace, the school's Cooperative Extension Services is moving ahead with plans to open an office in the brightly painted trailer in the Bureau of Motor Vehicles parking lot, according to Carlos Robles, extension specialist and acting CES supervisor for St. John and St. Thomas.

"The entire university has been in talks with The Marketplace for a space to meet with program participants and distribute information," said Robles. "CES is currently working on an area near inspection lane, in the trailer there run by solar power. We are in the process of getting ready to move into that facility while we await the facility at The Marketplace."

CES officials will use the office as a space to of-

fer publications about its programs and as place to meet with its clients in the areas of agriculture, urban gardening, farming, natural resources and family and consumer sciences, Robles explained.

"We're also going to offer sewing classes, nutrition programs and other non-credit courses that everyone can take for a nominal fee or for free," he said.

Although CES had an office on St. John for years, officials were forced to shut its doors several years ago because the space, located above Fashion Palace, was not handicapped accessible, according to Robles.

UVI's CES St. John office should be open in the BMV parking lot by the end of January 2011 and officials hope to be in The Marketplace several months later, Robles added.

"At The Marketplace, we're looking at the old gym space on the third floor," he said. "We're hoping to be over there a few months down the road."

Antonio Powell Arrested for Domestic Violence

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V.I. Police Department officers on St. John arrested Antonio Powell, 28, around 8 a.m. Sunday, December 12, and charged him with Aggravated Assault and Battery, Domestic Violence.

Powell repeatedly punched a female victim on her body and face causing cuts and scratches, according to the initial police report. The suspect and victim are romantically involved, police added.

The incident occurred at an Estate Grunwald residence. The victim was transported by private vehicle to the Myrah Keating Smith Community Health Center for treatment.

Powell is a St. Thomas native who was residing in Estate Adrian on St. John.

Bail for Powell was denied due to the domestic violence charge and he was remanded to the Bureau of Corrections pending further court action.



Antonia Powell

Estate Adrian Gas Station Proposal Draws No Opposition

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Unlike plans for a proposed gas station atop Jacob's Ladder, Guilderoy Sprauve's public hearing for a zoning variance request on Tuesday evening, December 14, in order to build an automated service station on his Estate Adrian property didn't draw any opposition.

While only two residents — out of the three who attended the hearing — spoke during the meeting, both were in favor of the project.

"I live about 300 feet up the road and I think it's a great project," said Brian Smith said. "I usually feel so upset about where St. John is today with just one gas station. I want to hear about how we can assist this guy to pull this project off."

"We need more than one gas station," said Smith.

Julia Sommersall, who also lives nearby, gave her thumbs-up to the project as well.

"They asked me my concerns about this project and they were very sensitive to my feelings," said Sommersall. "Mr. Sprauve was very informative and told me about this



St. John Tradewinds News Rendering Courtesy of Guilderoy Sprauve

Guilderoy Sprauve of Jixter LLC requested a zoning variance in order to construct a six-pump automated gas station and convenience store at his Estate Adrian property, like the rendering above.

meeting. He seems reasonable and I think the project is workable."

Sprauve presented his plans for a six-pump automated service station and con-

venience store at Parcel No. 17 J-1 Estate Adrian during a Department of Planning and Natural Resources zoning variance request public hearing at St. Ursula's Multi-

purpose Center.

The parcel is currently zoned R-1 (residential low density) which does not allow for a gas station. Sprauve is requesting a variance in order to construct a six-pump automated gas station and convenience store on the roughly 20,000-square foot plot. Sprauve's entire lot is six acres, but he is only planning to develop the 20,000-square foot parcel of the land.

The parcel is located on Centerline Road, adjacent to the Love City Home and Garden Center, on land previously used by the Seventh Day Adventist Church for evangelistic meetings. Other than a tent and temporary stage erected by the church, the property is empty.

The other side of the property is abutted by an empty lot, which is also owned by the Sprauve family, according to the developer. Much of the area is already home to industry, explained Sprauve, who owns Jixter LLC with his brother Gerren.

"Every other property in that area is an industrial operation," Sprauve said.

When creating the project, Sprauve saw

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Driving a taxi on St. John will put one back a cool \$50,100.

That was the winning of two bids received at a Thursday, December 16, public auction for St. John Taxi Medallions at the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, according to V.I. Taxicab Commission officials.

The opening bid was \$35,000, and officials had no problem obtaining that. All bidders were pre-approved and Kevin Williams posted the winning bid of \$50,100. He had to post 10 percent on the spot with the remainder to be paid no later than the close of business that day.

The V.I. Taxicab Commission was ordered by the V.I. Superior Court to host the public auction, after no one attended a Marshal's Sale of the medallion, according to Judith Wheatley, the executive director of the V.I. Taxicab Commission.

"The bank had a credit bid and they repossessed the medallion," said Wheatley. "The bank can't use the medallion so they hosted a Marshal's Sale. But they advertised that sale online and no one showed up."

"So the court ordered the Taxicab Commission to proceed with the public auction," Wheatley said.

In addition to the public auction, the Taxicab Commission also hosted its annual Veteran's Medallion auction earlier on Thursday, December 16.

Edmund Roberts had the sole and winning bid of \$20,100 to take home the medallion. The minimum bid for the Veteran's Auction was \$20,000 and while the Taxicab Commission had many inquires, Roberts was the sole bidder, Wheatley added.

Chocolate Hole Gas Station Permit Approval Likely with Long List of Special Conditions

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

While a proposal to construct a 24-hour gas station in Estate Chocolate Hole was met with opposition from most residents, the land is zoned for such uses and the development looks likely to be okayed.

Nedal Salem, principal of #481-1 Estate Chocolate Hole Realty Inc., plans to construct a four-pump 24-hour gas station and a three-story building with a convenience store and two apartments on his .473-acre site adjacent to the Greenleaf Commons parking lot atop Jacob's Ladder.

At a November meeting with the developer and Department of Planning and Natural Resources officials concerning the development, most residents opposed the location of the station and raised concerns over the steepness of the site.

The area, however, is zoned B-3, business scattered, which allows gas stations among myriad other commercial uses. While the developer's permit is currently pending, it seemed likely to be approved with a long list of special conditions, according to DPNR's terminal facilities coordinator Kent Bernier Jr.

"We took into consideration all of the comments

mentioned by residents during the November meeting," said Bernier. "We put those into a list of special conditions that he must answer, explain, meet and turn in before he can move forward. We are trying to make sure that all of our 'I's' are dotted and 'T's' crossed."

For foes of the project, there is a possibility the development could be stopped. Despite having the necessary zoning, overwhelming community opposition could convince DPNR Commissioner Bob Mathes to deny the permit, explained DPNR's Division of Comprehensive and Coastal Zone Planning director Marjorie Emmanuel.

"We had a similar situation on St. Croix where a property was rezoned for a particular use, not a gas station, and then that property was sold to someone else," said Emmanuel. "The new owner applied for a gas station which residents in the area were against. Even though the zoning was correct for the station, there was overwhelming opposition to the development and the developer ended up withdrawing his application."

"In this case, it would be a decision by the commissioner," said Emmanuel.

25th Annual GHS Auction Set for March 12

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The 25th Annual Giffit Hill School Auction will be Saturday, March 12, at the Westin Resort and

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First Windmill on St. John Rises on Bordeaux Mountain

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Love City's first wind generator rose more than 40 feet into the sky last week.

Doug White, who owns Solar Supply with his wife Leslie, oversaw the project, while Chris Clark of Eclectic Electric did the wiring and Julio's Construction built the concrete foundation.

The island's first ever windmill, a Skystream 2.4 kW wind generator, arose on Ellen and Edward Robert's Bordeaux Mountain property.

"It's a Skystream 2.4 kW wind generator on a 45 foot tower," said White. "It should produce, I would say, 500 kW hours a month depending on the wind speed. We're estimating an average of 12 miles per hour."

"Sometimes it's not blowing at all up there but 15 to 20 miles per hour is not unusual either for Bordeaux," White said.

After spending more than a year in the permitting process, watching the tower rise last week was a triumph, explained White.

"It took us over a year to get the necessary permits," he said. "We



The first windmill on St. John, at left atop a 45-foot tower, rose on Bordeaux Mountain last week.

needed a Fish and Wildlife permit, an earth change permit and a building permit. We were definitely out there in the forefront."

The 45-foot tower supports the windmill's six-foot blades and is anchored by a concrete footing, "to keep it from turning over," said White.

The wind generator shouldn't emit much noise, but is "very visible from the Bordeaux lookout," said the owner of Solar Supply, the Skystream dealer in the Virgin Islands.

In addition to the windmill, the Roberts have also installed a solar hot water heater and two kW of solar power, White added.

"The Roberts are really committed to renewable energy and we kind of pushed the envelope with this project," he said.

While Robert's is the first windmill on St. John, a second one is expected to be erected on the south shore, explained White, who did not have specifics on the project.

And more wind generators on St. John are sure to follow.

"I think for the people who live in areas like Bordeaux, if you have the wind resources and you can meet the setback requirements, it's certainly a viable option for renewable energy," said White.

Wind generators must be set back from the property line one and half times the height of the tower, White explained.

"You need a pretty good amount of property to put up that kind of wind generator," he said. "There are other generators that can be put up in a smaller space."

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Festival Committee Celebrates with Gift Giving



Julius E. Sprauve School students show off some presents they received from St. John Festival and Cultural Organizations members on Friday, December 17, at the Cruz Bay public school.

Merry Christmas!

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Stone Masonry Erecting Modern and Eco Bus Shelters Across St. John

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

Four new bus stops on St. John are sure to make taking VIT-RAN much more enjoyable.

The project was initiated by the Department of Public Works, which contracted the job to Stone Masonry to the tune of \$147,085, according to St. John Administrator Leona Smith.

The concrete bus shelters are located at Estate Susanaberg, George Simmons Terrace, the Emmaus Moravian Church and Estate Hard Labor and all include renewable energy sources, explained Smith.

“All shelters will have solar panels on the top of the roof, which will allow the shelters to be lit at night,” said the administrator. “These bus shelters are very sturdy and attractive and I encourage the public to utilize them.”

Next year, DPW officials plan to implement GPS into all VIT-RAN buses, enabling riders to follow the bus route and know of any delays in the schedule, Smith added.

“Going forward residents will be able to use GPS next year to track the movement and time of the bus arrival and departure at each shelter,” said Smith. “This is good news and technology is the way to go. We are moving in the right direction and other projects are in the making for this administration on the island of St. John.”



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Jaime Elliott

Love City Pan Dragons, above, wowed the crowd gathered at the Westin Resort and Villas to hear the steel pan group’s Christmas Concert.

Love City Pan Dragons Perform Festive Holiday Concert

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

More than 50 residents and visitors joined the Love City Pan Dragons in kicking off the holiday season on Sunday afternoon, December 12, with the group’s annual Christmas concert at the Westin Resort and Villas.

Led by instructor and arranger Samuel Lawrence, the group played a variety of traditional and local holiday songs. From the Christmas standard, “O Holy Night” by Adolph Adams to the upbeat “Pan,” by Cool Session Brass, the crowd was tapping their toes and bopping their heads to the beat.

The fun even continued between sets when during the short intermission, one Love City Pan Dragon student gave a special show. Taking the baton from Samuel, the pan player gave a dead-on impersonation of the one-of-a-kind instructor, which had the whole crowd in stitches.

The difficulty level of songs rose during the second set with the Pan Dragons showing off their considerable skill with such songs as “Can Can” by Cole Porter and “Pan in Mas” composed by Lawrence himself.

The program wrapped up with the holiday favorite “Winter Wonderland” to thunderous applause.



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Not 8 Tuff Miles — Relay for Life is A Community and Family Event, Not a Race

By Jaime Elliott
St. John Tradewinds

With February 19 inching ever closer, organizers of the first ever St. John Relay for Life continue to add exciting events to the night's activities, but some Love City residents are still not clear on the day's intention.

While Relay for Life is the premier American Cancer Society fund raising event, the event is not a race, explained Mary Bartolucci, St. John Relay for Life event chair.

"Relay for Life is not a race and is not even an athletic event, it is a family, community 18-hour event," said Bartolucci. "The theme is that cancer never sleeps, which is why the event goes through the night. It started years ago when a physician did a continuous jogging event in order to raise money for cancer research."

"This is not 8 Tuff Miles," Bartolucci said. "Someone from the team just has to be on the track at all times."

The event, which starts at 4 p.m. on Saturday, February 19, at the Winston Wells ball field, features teams of between 12 and 15 participants, who each raise a minimum of \$100 for the American Cancer Society. During the event, one team member must be on the track at all times, whether walking, jogging or running.

The event kicks off at 4 p.m. with an opening ceremony followed by survivors taking to the track for the first lap. Relay for Life focuses on celebrating survivors and fighting back against cancer, explained Bartolucci.

"A survivor is anyone who has ever been told 'You have cancer,' whether they are in treatment or have finished treatment or not," she said. "They do the first lap and after that the teams take over with one person from each team on the track at all times."

Survivors are also in for a treat with the Relay for Life survivors dinner, which starts at 6 p.m. All survivors and one caretaker each, should sign up for the dinner, which is going to be quite a feast.

"It's going to be a beautiful gourmet dinner," said Bartolucci. "We have Ted Robinson, from Ted's Supper Club, Alex Ewald from La Tapa, the guys from La Plancha del Mar and Zozo's each doing courses."

At 9 p.m. the night turns emotional with the lighting of luminaries, which are lit in honor of those who have lost their battle with cancer, those who continue to fight and those who have beaten the disease.

The luminaries are lit at 9 p.m. and will be arranged on the bleachers to share a special message with the Relay for Life crowd.

The entire night will be full of games, events, children's activities and great music for all ages. Philip "Grasshopper" Pickering is helming the entertainment committee, so participants can expect the very best of island entertainment.



Relay for Life focuses on messages of hope, celebration and fighting against cancer.

A stunning show by Cirque-Tacular is sure to be a highlight of the evening, Bartolucci added.

"The Mongoose Merchants Association is sponsoring Cirque-Tacular, which is an amazing aerial troop," said the Relay for Life event chair. "We've never seen anything like this on St. John. It's going to be an amazing show."

Music and activities will take participants through the night until the event wraps up at 10 a.m. with a closing ceremony.

While many aspects of the event have already been covered, Relay for Life organizers are still looking for sponsors, explained Bartolucci.

"The community can help out by forming teams, and providing donations and sponsorships," said the event chair. "We need to find accommodations for the Cirque-Tacular performers, who just need two bedrooms for four or five nights."

United Airlines is providing transportation for the performers, Rocky Coast has offered discounted T-shirts which Skinny Legs is buying for all teams and volunteers. St. John Market, which is opening a new deli, is providing food for the volunteers, explained Bartolucci.

Survivors should register for the survivors' dinner by emailing Beverly Biziewski at bevj@vipowernet.net or Elaine Estern at elaine@coconutcoaststudeios.com.

For more information, or to donate or volunteer, check out the St. John Relay for Life website at www.stjohnrelay.org or call Bartolucci at 774-1484 or 642-1629. The group is also Facebook, to sign up and become a fan.

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Rhythm & Views

An outlook on young adult interests and concerns
by Coral Breuning

Mid-Term Exams and the New Year

St. John Tradewinds

In this ever-changing world I feel you must give thanks for what you've got, especially during this time of year. Among many great things, I'd like to give thanks for the end of hurricane season, holiday break from school, and the beautiful "winter" weather.

Although I am thankful for our holiday break at Giff Hill School, midterm exams always create anxiety over studying. When talking to other students, we agree that about three weeks before midterms, the teachers kick it into over-drive and start loading up the homework.

Students start freaking out because of the excess

work and the building stress of midterm exams. We students do, however, learn many lessons during these three weeks.

Procrastination is one of the many lessons we learn. Everyone procrastinates. It's so easy to put things on the back burner. You realize the uselessness of procrastination when you are stuck at one o'clock in the morning finishing your history projects and lab reports. I sometimes feel that we need a class on procrastination, because we tend to forget how awful it is.

A big problem that comes with midterms is test

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St. John Tradewinds News Photo Courtesy of Island Treasure Map

Patty Beach, at left, and Sally Pedrick, at right, celebrate after winning the 2010 Island Map Contest.

Patty Beach Wins 2010 Island Treasure Map Contest

St. John Tradewinds

The winner of the 2010 Island Treasure Maps contest is Patty Beach.

Beach lives on her boat "The Seven Sisters" with her husband Billy Beach. The two spend their time between Coral Bay, St. John, St. Croix — where they own a home — and Rochester, New York where the two hail from.

Beach plans on sharing her prizes with her friend Sally Pedrick who accompanied her on the five scavenger hunts across St. John earlier this year to solve the riddle and become eligible for the contest.

Beach and Pedrick will share a whole pot luck of prizes including a week long stay at one of Catered To's villas.

Congratulations to Beach and good luck to next year's Treasure Map participants who will contend for best photo.

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Kwanzaa Celebration Set for Dec. 26 in Cruz Bay

St. John Tradewinds

Sigma Theta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. will host its 16th Annual Community Kwanzaa Celebration on Saturday, December 26, at 6 p.m. at the Franklin Powell Park in Cruz Bay.

The public is cordially invited to join the sorority members as they take time to celebrate Kwanzaa. The program has grown tremendously from the first celebration held in 1995.

This year promises to be festive and fun as in times past with local artists and students from the various schools, dancers, and other performers such as the Love City Leapers, Love City Pan Dragons Youth Steel Orchestra, St. Thomas Majorettes, to name a few.

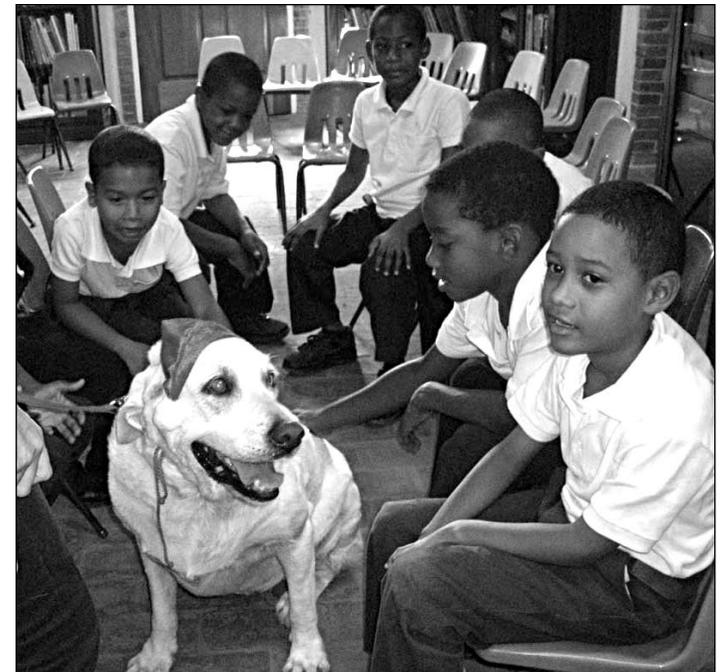
St. John students who participated in Alpha Kappa Alpha's Earn Set Potential Kids Club will be recog-

nized for their exemplification of the Kwanzaa principle Ujamaa (Cooperative Economics) meaning: to build and maintain stores, shops and other businesses and to profit from them together.

Over the past four years the students have participated in workshops and other activities geared towards helping them learn how to save and invest money towards their future.

"Kwanzaa Celebration does not replace Christmas or other religious holidays, it is a time for us to come together to reaffirm our commitment in our African heritage and to focus on the goodness of life, culture, community and family," said Laurel Hewitt-Sewer, president of Sigma Theta Omega Chapter.

Additional participants for this program are welcome and can contact Elisa Hodge at ehodge@yahoo.com or 774-8675 or 771-5332 22.



St. John Tradewinds News Photo by Carol McGuinness

Students from Julius E. Spruave School's first grade got a special visit from Santa Dog during their weekly reading time at Elaine I. Spruave Library.

Santa Dog Joins Reading Time at Elaine I. Spruave Library

St. John Tradewinds

Friends of Elaine I. Spruave Library volunteers Miles Stair, Heather Ruhsam and Joy Stillman brought a special friend along with them to the library last week.

While the trio regularly read to youngsters at the library, they brought along Santa Dog on Thursday morning, December 16. Santa Dog was able to visit with Julius E. Spruave School first graders and Head Start students as the volunteers read Holiday-themed books.

Go Wild With Christmas for the Animals on January 8

St. John Tradewinds

The annual fundraising gala to benefit the islands' only animal shelter, the St. John Animal Care Center, will take place in the evening on Saturday, January 8, at a breathtaking villa in Estate Chocolate Hole.

Tickets are on sale now for \$100 each. Event attendees can submit ticket stubs at the door for a chance to win a Biras Creek getaway. Only 150 event tickets will be sold.

Ticket holders will be shuttled from the Westin Resort and Villas' time share entrance road to the fountained courtyard entry of the sprawling, elegant Hall residence. With a two-level pool, poolside

bars and large decks, the residence is a perfect venue to watch the night rise and to celebrate the ACC's continued efforts to help the community and the animals.

As darkness approaches, so will the wild side. Guests are encouraged to support the evening's "Walk on the Wild Side" theme by wearing animal inspired clothing. Dress is "island fancy" and party favors to adorn outfits will be provided. Local chefs and restaurants are providing a menu of delicious appetizers, salads, entrees and desserts.

Prizes will be raffled off as well, including: Dine Around St. John packages; three-courses, plus wine for four people from St. John Ca-

tering; a one-week stay at the Rose Estate in Great Cruz Bay; a commission for a custom oil painting by Livy Hitchcock; a legal Will by Kathy Depree and more. Winners need not be present. One event attendee who purchases one or more raffle tickets may win the Wild Card prize, a full-day charter on Southern Hospitality.

Event tickets are available for sale from the ACC, Catered To, Connections and St. John Hardware. Raffle tickets can be purchased in advance at www.stjacc.org.

For more information contact the ACC at 774-1625 or online at www.stjacc.org. The ACC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

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Tourism Launches Local TV Campaign to Promote Customer Service

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As a component of its ongoing local tourism awareness campaign, the Department of Tourism launched five new television spots designed to raise the level of customer service in the territory and promote the customer service pledge.

The ads will air locally on the Government Access Channel and other local cable channels and began running last week.

“Until now our tourism awareness message has been promoted locally in print, radio and online, so we are very excited to broaden our audience even further by adding television to our media mix,” said DOT Commissioner Beverly Nicholson-Doty. “Television also provides us a great opportunity to visually dramatize interactions with our visitors and illustrate how improving our customer service skills not only enhances the visitor’s experience but also fosters a greater sense of personal ownership in our tourism product.”

Each spot features a mocko jumbie character who intervenes when poor service is being delivered and “inspires” the service provider to take the customer service pledge.



St. John Tradewinds News Photo Courtesy of DOT

Andrew Moore, at left, and an actress enjoy lunch at Sun Dog Cafe in an outtake from DOT’s new advertising campaign promoting customer service.

In the spots, taking the pledge results in the delivery of superior customer service, produces satisfied customers and fills the service provider with pride. The interactions depicted in the ads came directly from comments received by mystery shoppers who visited the territory in 2009 to rate the level of service in the USVI.

The mystery shopper study, commissioned by DOT, revealed that although the USVI scored 82 percent across 10 customer service standards, a score of 90 percent or above is what it will take to ensure that visitors return and recommend the destination to others.

Mystery shoppers “shopped” 10 sectors

throughout the territory including hotels, taxis, restaurants, retail and the general public, among others.

“As members of a tourism-based community, providing exceptional customer service is essential to the success of our destination and our future prosperity,” said Nicholson-Doty. “Equally important is the level of service we provide each other as residents of the Virgin Islands which is why we encourage the public at large to take the pledge and make the USVI a more hospitable place for all of us.”

In addition to placing the ads on local television, the department planned to incorporate them into school presentations to encourage dialogue about exploring attitudes and cultural differences as it relates to tourism.

The spots may currently be viewed online at www.usvimarketing.com. The spots were produced by Tell Tale Pictures, a film and digital production company based on St. John.

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Ninth Annual St. John Blues Festival Adds Second Star Studded Show

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Steve Simon, the creator, producer and Blues Boss of the world-renowned Johnnie Walker St. John Blues Festival proudly announced that the 9th annual Johnnie Walker Blues Festival will have two nights of celebrity concerts in the Coral Bay ball field — on Friday evening, March 18, and Saturday evening, March 19, both starting at 8 p.m.

“With record breaking attendance year after year, we have decided to add another evening of world class Blues under the stars this coming March,” said Simon. “For the very first time the Johnnie Walker St. John Blues Festival will be held on two consecutive nights with two star studded shows.”

The Friday night show will showcase Blues Challenge winner Grady Champion and his band, the Superhero herself Candy Kane and Blind Pig Records recording artist Albert Cummings.

Taking the stage at 8 p.m. on Saturday evening will be Telarc recording artists Moreland & Arbuckle, the “Queen of Memphis” Reba Russell and her band and then the man who inspired John Belushi to create the Blues Brothers, Curtis Salgado and his Big Band.

Tickets will go on sale right after January 1, 2011, and will be available on St. John at Connections in Cruz Bay, Connections in Coral Bay, Chelsea Drugs in the Marketplace and on St. Thomas at Chelsea Drugs in Red Hook.

Advance tickets are \$25 for each night or \$45 for a two-night pass. Tickets purchased at the gate will be \$30 each night. All children under 16 are admitted free.

There will be \$5 safari taxi rides to the Coral Bay ball field from the Cruz Bay passenger ferry dock and from the Coral Bay ball field to the Cruz Bay passenger ferry dock all night long both evenings.

There will also be a late night ferry from Cruz Bay to Red Hook at 1 a.m. after both shows.

Food and beverages will be available both nights so bring a blanket or bring a chair but please be cool — no coolers.

The 9th Annual Johnnie Walker St. John Blues Festival is presented by Johnnie Walker, The

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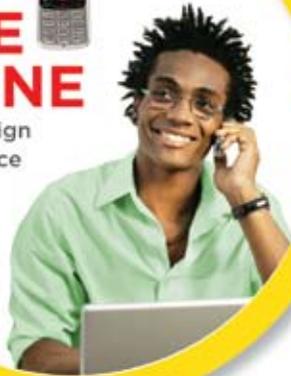
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Letters To St. John Tradewinds

Community Came Out Strong for St. Lucia Food Drive

VIVA! Villas sends a big thank you to the St. John community for the many donations to the company's St. Lucia food drive last month. We collected 14 cases of food/linens and received \$1,000 in cash donations. The items are all being sent down this week to St. Lucia in hopes the families will receive everything for the holidays

Angie Smith
VIVA! Villas

Keeping Track of Crime

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Homicides: 1

Shootings: 0

Stabbings: 0

Armed Robberies: 5

Arsons: 0

1st Degree Burglaries: 6

2nd Degree Burglaries: 17

3rd Degree Burglaries: 70

Grand Larcenies: 67

Rapes: 1

2010 TO-DATE

Homicides: 0

Shootings: 0

Stabbings: 0

Armed Robberies: 1

Arsons: 0

1st Degree Burglaries: 2

2nd Degree Burglaries: 20

3rd Degree Burglaries: 69

Grand Larcenies: 63

Rapes: 0

No Arts Festival Save for Sis

I am sure that all of us who knew Sis Frank feel a certain numbness at her passing, simply because her presence remains with us through all of her good deeds throughout her life on St. John.

I'll always remember coming back to St. John after an absence of 30 years and, realizing the contrast between back then and now, wondering if we could bring it back if only for a week, by searching out the "real" islanders and staging a cultural festival.

After buying a small cottage, I mentioned my desire to Sang Khauv, who suggested I should talk to Sis Frank at the St. John School of the Arts.

Sis invited me to meet with her one morning, and sitting at the small table as you entered the little theater, I presented my thoughts to Sis based on a festival I had started in New Zealand. She was all for it and arranged a meeting with Julien Harley, the St. John Administrator, and Corine Matthias, his secretary. They too liked the idea and chose February, Black History Month, as the preferred month.

Thereafter, Sis provided contact after contact to help build a team of like-minded enthusiasts and volunteers. I didn't know anyone and without Sis' unrelenting encouragement and support, the fes-



(L to R) St. John Arts Festival organizers Sis Frank, Andro Childs, Jude Woodcock, Frank Langley, Jim Provost, Terri Provost, Karl Foster, Elaine Estern and Clarence Cuthbertson celebrate the first festival in 2001 at Morgan's Mango.

tival would have remained just a good idea.

After applying my analysis skills to marrying available artists and musicians to the limited venues on St. John (there was no town hall) a program was pulled together and published for February 17-23, 2001, with the theme "Something Different," suggested by Harley.

There were events everywhere and anywhere possible: The School of the Arts, Cruz Bay Park, restaurants, art galleries and studios, Cruz Bay ball field, The Marketplace (before it was finished).

There were band concerts every day in the afternoon and evening and small groups at the restaurants and art galleries, and church choirs sang on Sunday.

The Festival took root and was adapted and refined over the past 11 years to become an established, "looked forward to" real St. John cultural event.

Which is what I mean when I say, "Her presence is still with us."

This year's St. John Art's Festival will be February 19 to 25.

Frank Langley

Crossword Answers — Puzzle on Page 16

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Boating Community Needs Support

I do not have a boat and can therefore be objective in the case of our boating community. Last week, we were invited on a sailing ride by friends.

When coming into the Coral Bay harbor, I was amazed how poor the place looked. This surprised me because sailing and other boating is a very important attraction of our islands; it is like a magnet for tourists from all over the world.

This of course means an important source of business income and substantial landing and registration fees going to the treasury. The dock is in a very deplorable condition: pieces of concrete missing, part of the pier is made of wood. I did not realize that this part is actually floating and moves with the waves.

Not knowing this, I lost balance when the pier moved and I fell into the water. Fortunately, I just lost one shoe in the deep mud but the fall was very unpleasant.

I discussed the harbor and boating community with some bystanders and I was amazed to hear that the

government is not only negligent, it even looks hostile against the boaters.

Permits for any repair take a very long time and some of them are not even granted, like the one to expend the solid part of the pier. This is not a question of money.

The government collects fees but gives nothing back to the boaters. Even repairs which would be made by the boaters for free including the materials, are frequently not granted. Several years back, even charters were not permitted for most applicants.

Consequently, many charters moved to British Virgin Islands. There is no garbage bin in close vicinity of the harbor. The boaters do not usually have surface transportation and dispose of their garbage with difficulties.

Boating is very important for the Virgin Islands. Please give them support.

Z. Hruza

Letters To St. John Tradewinds

Mom, Is Santa Real?

The night before last as my sons and I prepared for bed, they were pushing me hard to be honest with them about Santa Claus. Otis is 10-years-old and Andrew is seven. I was doing my best to evade the barrage of questions with comments like, "What do you think?" and "Do you think he is real?" Finally Otis said sternly, "Mom, stop asking us the same question we are asking you!"

I smiled awkwardly. He continued, "We know that you know, so tell us the truth. Is he real?"

I give my final attempt at saving grace with, "I guess it depends on what you mean by real."

To which Otis replies, "OK, for example, we know the tooth fairy comes into the house and takes the tooth from under the pillow and leaves a gift. Does Santa actually come into the house and leave gifts in the stockings?"

At this point my mind twists and turns into various configurations, I am trying to wrap my head around the conversation I am having with my sons.

On one hand I am thinking that ten is kind of old for having this conversation. Why haven't his friends told him the truth? Why do I have to be the one to break it to him? Maybe there is no right age to learn the truth about Santa.

My mind continues to spin. I think I was seven (Andrew's age) when my mother told me Santa wasn't real. I can remember it like it was yesterday. She was ironing in the basement just outside the laundry room, in my childhood home. I was asking the same questions my sons were now asking me. She was trying to evade the question. I was persistent.

Finally she said what I feared most. Santa was not real. I was destroyed. I was filled with loss and sadness yet I knew she was telling the (her) truth, but it didn't seem fair. Or right.

My mind spins back to my kids, I actually feel a little queasy. Otis has just asserted that "We know the tooth fairy comes....." I am stuck with my same question of what do we mean by real. Not in the spirit of further evasion, but for real.

Here, within this inquiry, there is hope for believing in goodness and joy. Yet still I am not prepared to lie about who puts the gifts in the stockings. And the boys are no longer letting me dodge the issue. I can feel the tears welling up in my eyes and after Otis asks me one more time with much intensity and seriousness, "Who puts the gifts in our stockings?!?!?" I reply meekly, "I do."

Tears now running down my cheeks. The boys, wide eyed, quiet as church mice, looking at me. The bedroom is still. Time stops. Quiet all around. Finally one of them asks me why I am crying and I reply that I am not sure.

Andrew puts his head in my lap and these words come out of my mouth, "Of course he can not get to all the houses, he relies on parents to help him out." And Andrew chimes in with his sweet high pitched, little boy voice, "He probably goes to places like Haiti where the parents aren't able to help out." I let this comment linger, not responding verbally, letting it fill the air around us.

Now Otis has joined the cluster on my lap and under my arms. The boys are spilling out, all legs and arms across the bed. There is a small feeling of relief. The boys are now discussing their new awareness and adjusting the mythology to fit.

Probably the reindeer don't actually fly. And Rudolph, well he certainly doesn't have a glowing red nose. It's likely that Santa focuses on the kids in need up north near his factory and maybe he ships toys to places like Africa and Haiti. Their voices blending in with the heaviness in my heart and the uncertainty I feel in letting them continue to believe.

And still growing and welling stronger inside me and all around us is the vastness of possibility, so close to being lost, now restored.

This morning as I write about it, I wonder if this is some odd version of what Christmas is really about. Believing in something magical, something that brings good things to people in need. Hope, something we all need. I now know why I was crying.

I need to believe in the Greater Good, in the Holy Spirit, I need to believe in you and me. I need hope to stay alive. I need to see and feel the light, in myself, in my children, in my family, in my neighbors and the people I do not know. I need to believe. Especially during the darkest hour, the reminders are ever more important to me.

I guess this is the story about someone raised Christian, raised to celebrate Christmas as the celebration of the birth of Christ. Someone who was told at a young age that Santa was not real. Then found meaning in things ancient as an adult. Seasons. Moon cycles. Solstices and Equinox's. Someone that then become a mother and saw again the ease with which children believe and carry hope in their hearts. This story is mine. It is my children's. I suspect part of it may be yours too.

I no longer will celebrate Solstice separate from Christmas. I no longer need to believe that Christ is more real than Santa. I hold all this as true. Jesus. Santa. The Great Mother Earth. You. Me. Love. Light. Hope.

I offer my light up to the darkness that surrounds us.

Blessed Be,
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V.I. Receives \$1.5 Million To Help Students Attend College

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The University of the Virgin Islands has received a \$1.5 million grant to increase the number of students in the Virgin Islands who enter colleges and universities.

A total of \$1 million in scholarships will be available to eligible

students for the 2010-2011 academic year. UVI, in collaboration with the Virgin Islands Board of Education and the Office of the Governor, received the grant from the U.S. Department of Education College Access Challenge Grant (CACG) Program. This is a marked

increase over the \$330,000, two-year grant that was previously awarded to the territory in 2008.

This grant allows UVI and its community partners to provide information to students and families about postsecondary education benefits, opportunities, planning

and career preparation, and to offer need-based scholarships to students.

Scholarships in the amount of \$5,000 will be available for students who demonstrate a need and meet the grant's criteria for application. Scholarships can be used at any accredited college or university. Grant awards will be distributed between the St. Thomas/St. John and St. Croix districts.

Through the grant, targeted interventions will be implemented to address the disparity in the categories of students most underrepresented in accessing post-secondary training.

It also allows UVI to collaborate with the American Counseling Association of the Virgin Islands to implement professional development training and to provide support to guidance counselors at middle and secondary schools. Scholarships applications

and awards will be administered through the V.I. Board of Education.

Denise Lake, the grant's educational outreach coordinator from its inception, has vast experience in implementing federal grant-based programs. She works closely with educators to enhance students' and their families' awareness of the benefits of college and methods of accessing and financing higher education.

The CACG primarily seeks to focus on students who may be at risk of not enrolling in or completing college and who are first-time college attendees.

For more information contact Educational Outreach Coordinator Denise Lake at 340-692-4101 or CACG Program Project Investigator and Associate St. Croix Campus Administrator for Student Affairs Miriam Osborne Elliott at 340-692-4188.

Merry Christmas

Happy Kwanzaa

Happy Hanukkah

from the staff of
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Our office will be closed
December 18th-27th.

Holiday and Christmas Festival Leave

St. John Tradewinds

Governor John deJongh signed a proclamation granting administrative leave to non-essential government employees during the Christmas holidays, St. Croix Christmas Festival and the 2011 Inaugural Celebration in January.

Administrative leave has been granted territory-wide from 12 noon to 5 p.m. on both Friday, December 24, and on Friday, December 31, to celebrate the Christmas season and to ring in the New Year.

To encourage greater participation in the annual St. Croix Festival celebration, deJongh's proclamation granted territory-wide administrative leave from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, January 7, the day of the Children's Parade.

St. Croix only will also be granted administrative leave from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, January 5, for both the St. Croix Christmas Festival J'ouvert and the Festival Food, Arts and Crafts Fair.

To celebrate the 2011 Inaugural, deJongh has granted territory-wide administrative leave on January 3 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. St. Croix only will be granted administrative leave on January 4 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for post-inaugural activities and on January 5, administrative leave will be granted only to employees on St. John to participate in post-inaugural activities.

Holiday Administrative Leave

December 24 and 31: Territory-wide administrative leave 12 noon - 5 p.m.

January 3: Territory-wide administrative leave 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

January 4: St. Croix only administrative leave 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

January 5: St. Croix and St. John only administrative leave 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

January 7: Territory-wide administrative leave 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The administrative leave as provided for in the proclamation does not apply to essential government employees, employees on a regular or rotating shift and employees on annual or sick leave.

WAPA Approves St. John Cable

St. John Tradewinds

The V.I. Water and Power Authority Governing Board last month and approved a major step in the utility's long-term plan to increase electric transmission capacity and reliability to St. John.

The Authority authorized management to negotiate and enter into an agreement in an amount not to exceed \$3,308,000 with Kerite Cable Services of Connecticut to manufacture, install, test, and commission a 34.5 kV underwater cable from Red Hook Pond, St. Thomas to Frank Bay, St. John. Kerite has been in the power cabling business since 1854.

Clinton Hedrington, Director of Transmission and Distribution, explained that the submarine cable will improve restoration time on the transmission system to St. John because it will be completely underground from St. Thomas' east end substation. The cable will have a full load capacity of 22 to 27 megawatts of power.

Presently, the peak St. John demand is about 10.5 megawatts. The new cable will increase the capacity of an existing smaller cable by 172 percent and will allow growth on St. John for 30 years, Hedrington explained.

The new cable will carry the entire load of the island in the event that the first 34.5kV cable installed five years ago fails or is out of service for maintenance. The project is expected to be in operation by June 2011 and will complete the 34.5 kV underground circuit from St. Thomas' east end to St. John.

Board members also approved a contract award to Asplundh Tree

Expert Company for supervision, materials, labor, supplies, tools, equipment, and transportation to trim or remove trees and brush, and to perform right-of-way cleaning and other utility forestry services in the territory. The 18-month contract, to be funded by WAPA's operating budget in the amount of \$1,290,557, covers services for the remaining months of fiscal year 2011, and for FY 2012.

During the Executive Director's Report to the Board, Hugo Hodge, reported on the successful EDIN-USVI Workshop, which was November 15 and 16. The two-day meeting took place on the St. Croix campus of the University of the Virgin Islands and provided a discussion forum for invited government, utility, education, and business leaders, environmental groups, clean energy advocates and developers; and others.

In the third collaborative session since the territory was designated an Energy in Developing Islands partner earlier this year, experts from the U.S. Departments of Energy and the Interior, the National Renewable Energy Laboratory, the V.I. Energy Office, WAPA, and the private sector, reported on progress and opportunities in energy efficiency, transportation, and renewable energy generation and transmission, Hodge explained.

Local working groups of public and private sector members teleconference weekly with their federal counterparts to discuss and take action on initiatives to meet the mandated goal of reducing fossil fuel usage in the territory by 60 percent by the year 2025.

Governor deJongh Announces Scaled Back Inaugural Festivities

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Governor John deJongh has announced that inaugural festivities scheduled for January 3-5, 2011 will be significantly downsized when compared to those of the past.

After consulting with Lt. Governor Gregory Francis and the co-chairs of the Inaugural Committee, deJongh said that several activities have been eliminated altogether, including the Inaugural Luncheons and Inaugural Balls previously held on all three islands, as well as the post-Inaugural ceremonies on the islands of St. Croix and St. John.

"Although there is a \$200,000 appropriation for these events, we believe it sends the wrong message to our community for us to stage an elaborate celebration at a time when we have had to borrow to sustain government services for the last two years," said the governor. "We no longer have this option and yet may have to implement additional austerity measures in the current fiscal year."

Many of the territory's residents are suffering to make ends meet and to pay their fixed obligations due to the continuing effect of the economic recession, explained deJongh.

"It is simply not right for us to put on a celebration to the tune of \$200,000," he said.

In making the announcement, the governor noted that the scaled back 2011 Inaugural in no way diminishes the hard work of the members of the Inaugural Committee.

"Greg and I, and Cecile and Cheryl, appreciate all that has been done by everyone involved to plan out

this event to celebrate the beginning of our second term in office," said deJongh. "However, the times in which we live dictate that we continue to tighten our belts."

The governor expressed appreciation to the Inaugural co-chairmen for the three islands including Madeline Stevens-Webster and Philomina Doras on St. Thomas; Janet Brow and Rueben Roebuck on St. Croix and Laurie Milliner and Fraser Drummond on St. John.

"The co-chairs and the many members of the various subcommittees have been working around the clock to pull together a memorable celebration and we sincerely appreciate their efforts," deJongh said.

The three-day Inaugural is currently shaping up as follows: On January 3, the day will begin with a church service of Thanksgiving, followed by the formal Inaugural Ceremony, a military parade and an open house at Government House on St. Thomas.

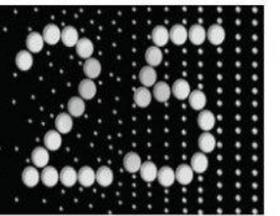
The next day, January 4, on St. Croix, a church service will precede an open house at Government House in Christiansted.

On January 5, the celebration will shift to St. John where an afternoon church service will be held followed by an open house at The Battery in Cruz Bay. More details about the activities that are planned for January 3 through the 5, 2011 will be released later this month.

DeJongh is the seventh elected governor of the U.S. Virgin Islands and third Democrat to be overwhelmingly re-elected to a second term in office.

25th Annual Giff Hill School Auction

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Rhythm & Views: Mid Term Exams

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anxiety. Some people disagree and think that test anxiety is simply not being prepared for the test, but I have experienced it first hand.

You can study all you want and take your test and get points off because you were nervous and made a mistake. I hear that yoga and breathing exercises are always good ways to help ease test anxiety.

The holidays are a part of the year that everyone likes. I don't know many people who don't enjoy the festivities. During the holidays, everyone goes to visit their family and go shopping. Personally I think that everyone needs a break from the rock, even if they don't realize it. It really makes you think more about the "Rock Life" when you take a break from it.

Another great part about the end of the year is the coming New Year! It's really great to reflect on the year and think about all the adventures, laughs, good times, bad times, sadness, and lessons learned. Even more fun, is making resolutions and daring yourself to stick to them!

I think the New Year it a great time for students to think about things seriously. For upperclassmen, they think about their future and the steps they need to take to get there. Many of them make changes or strive to do better.

The younger classmen tend to roll they're eyes at the older ones because they've yet to realize the importance of their upcoming future.

In January, Giffit Hill School is beginning its annual "Mini Units." Mini Units occur during the first two weeks back from break, when teachers instruct the students in something other than everyday school. This year the school has broadened its Mini Units and is offering more and greater opportunities.

There is already much talk about Mini Units. Many students are very excited for diving, theater, apprenticing, and the Italy Trip. Yes, I did say Italy Trip. Giffit Hill School offers and organizes a trip to send students away every school year to different places in the world.

This year amongst many great places we could have gone, we chose Italy. It's a place that is so beautiful and holds so much history (and good food), that we couldn't resist going.

Overall, even with all the stress, the end of the year and the beginning of the new, lends a new perspective for everyone. We can think about what we've accomplished and what we would still like to. Islanders don't let this seasonal stress overwhelm you, rather, embrace it. Challenge yourself this New Year!

Happy Holiday and lots of love!

Crime Stoppers U.S. Virgin Islands Seeking Information on Current Crimes

Crime Stoppers is asking the community's help to solve the following crimes. If anyone knows something, they should say something so law enforcement can identify and arrest these thugs. The minimum cash reward for an arrest is \$714 for a burglary, and \$900 for an armed robbery.

On November 27 at about 4:30 a.m., a resident at 17 B-1 Estate Enighed was awakened by the sound of a burglar in her bedroom. When she got up to investigate, the burglar left via the sliding glass door and then

jumped over the balcony to escape. The burglar gained entrance by scaling the patio and entering via the southwest sliding glass door.

Crime Stoppers is pleased to report that, since January 2009, anonymous tips have assisted law enforcement in making 102 arrests, which is more than one per week. Please continue to help law enforcement make the territory a safer place to live, work and raise a family by telling what you know about these by calling 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).



Guilderoy Sprauve, at far left, and his brother Gerren, at right, presented their gas station development plans at a DPNR public hearing last week.

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Adrian Gas Station Proposal Draws No Opposition

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the need for a second gas station on St. John and thought the mid-island location of his property was ideal, he explained.

"The idea is to build a full-service gas station and convenience store," said Sprauve. "Right now St. John is being serviced by one gas station. Our property is centrally located and we had been looking at a different parcel of our property."

"After talking to residents in the area, however, we have decided that the 17 J-1 site is the ideal site for the project," Sprauve said.

The project calls for a three tanks with two pumps on each side, five of which will disperse gasoline and one diesel fuel. The service station will be automated with customers able to use their debit or credit cards right at the pump. A cashier will be available for patrons using cash and together the businesses would employ about two to three people, explained Sprauve.

There will be two 25,000 gallon double wall gas tanks and a roughly 6,000 diesel tank — all above ground — on the property. A poured concrete convenience store with modern paneling and digital gas price signs, will also be located on the site, Sprauve explained.

The project will likely be enclosed in barbed wire fencing and will include several security cameras, Sprauve added.

"There will be an elaborate camera system with security cameras looking straight down on the pumps," said the developer. "There will be fencing around the storage tanks and around the east side of the property so the land will be totally fenced in. I've also spoken to some security companies who will help with having someone stationed at the site during closing time."

The land is located on a partially blind corner, according to Sprauve, who tweaked the project's layout in order to make the entrance and exit as safe as possible.

"The issue of a blind corner came up and we went up to the site to do some analysis," said the developer. "It is a blind corner to some extent. Usually you allocate 20 to 30 feet for a driveway, but we're extending that to 60 feet to make it easier to drive in and out of the station."

The parcel of land is about 80 feet wide and 200 feet long, presenting project designer Clarence Browne

with the challenge of where to locate parking spaces for the convenience store, oil and water separators, sewage treatment facility and a generator and tank.

Responding to questions from DPNR's Division of Environmental Protection terminal facility coordinator Kent Bernier Jr., Sprauve agreed to take a closer look at the exact logistics of the site as it pertains to traffic flow, storm water drainage, water storage and vapor recovery.

"DPNR is implementing new laws as far as vapor recovery covering both from the truck to the storage tank and from the pump to the vehicle," said Bernier. "We're going to make sure that all stations recover that vapor and have it pumped out. It's good to see that you're already started to put these requirements into your plan."

Sprauve planned to have the station and store open from around 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The businesses would close around 5 p.m. on Friday and reopen in the evening on Saturday.

"We didn't feel that St. John was busy enough to support a 24-hour operation," said Sprauve.

If the zoning variance is approved, Sprauve said he could secure funding for the project within 60 days.

"We've already reached an agreement with a loaning institution and they're just awaiting the variance," said Sprauve.

If the okay comes through, the tanks could be installed three weeks of having the equipment on island, explained Paul Tollefson, president of Petroleum Equipment Sales and Installation, who will oversee that side of the project.

The overall project — including the convenience store and gas station canopy — could be complete within six months of approval, Sprauve explained.

The developer pledged to be transparent with the project and to work in concert with all DPNR regulations.

"We intend to work in tandem with all regulations and to be as transparent as possible with the community," said Sprauve. "We want to get the public involved so they can feel a part of the project. We will build a project that St. John can be proud of."

DPNR staff has 30 days to prepare a report supporting or opposing the variance request. DPNR officials will then present their report to members of the 29th Legislature, who will host its own public hearing on the measure and ultimately vote on amending the official district map of St. John.

Frank Leaves Behind Lifetime of Love and Memories

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on 60 annual island performances and booked month-long tours in Denmark, Germany, New York, France and Switzerland.

"I have been looking around for years, and I haven't met anyone who could think or operate or function like Sis," Wells said. "Sis was the type of person who you could go to with a small idea, and she would make it happen — maybe she knew nothing about it, but she would find a way to help you to achieve it."

Wells said Frank possessed an unbelievable energy — one that radiated when she listened to the youth steel pan band.

"They don't make that model anymore," Wells said. "I have never met a human being that can say and do the things I have seen and heard Sis do in her lifetime. She was an incredible human being."

Born out of the steel band's success, Sis co-founded St. John School of the Arts with Wells and Elroy Sprauve and served as its executive director for 30 years.

"I remember when we negotiated to buy the land for the school — Sis was always so optimistic and she really saw this as her way of giving back to the community and helping the young people of St. John," Elroy Sprauve said. "Even during the discouraging times, she kept all of us motivated and focused, and always managed to build our spirits."

Knowing Sis from the time she arrived in late 1959 and working by her side for more than 20 years with Steel Unlimited and the art school, Sprauve recalled the tremendous impact she had on the island and its youth.

"Many young people who had the chance to participate in the band and take these lessons at the art school and get this whole experience would not have had that opportunity if it weren't for Sis," he said. "She led a life that all of us should try to follow and exemplify."

Kinder, who met Sis in New York in 1984 when she asked her to help develop programs and workshops for St. John's budding art school, called Sis a visionary — someone who could recognize the potential in others.

"She had an ability to connect with and attract accomplished and renowned teachers to join her while encouraging and giving new teachers an opportunity to grow," said Kinder, who Sis appointed as SJSA's executive director in late 2006.

Kinder attributes the school's success to Sis' straightforward approach and ability to keep things simple and uncomplicated.

"She would never shy away from a challenge," Kinder said, recalling their daily morning phone calls. "Every morning she would say she was off to the school to see what problems needed solving for the day."

Rafe Boulon remembers Sis as far back as a child of 9- or 10-years-old. One of his first recollections is when she and her late husband, Carl Frank, gave him his first rod and reel to replace the hand lines and bamboo poles he was accustomed to fishing with.

"To me, Sis never changed, she was always Sis,"

he said. "Sis just provided so much to the children of this community and opened lots of doors and opportunities they wouldn't have otherwise had. She is very much a part of this island, and I don't know if a single person who has ever spoken a negative word of her."

Inga Hiilivirta met Sis in the early '60s; times she refers to as the "kinder and gentler" days of St. John.

"She was a dear friend and has been a great blessing in my life," Hiilivirta said. "In many ways, Sis has helped St. John become Love City by being herself and so caring. She was a legend already while she was still with us."

Vashti Boynes first met Sis during her tenure at Caneel Bay Resort when she honeymooned there with Frank. The two remained close throughout the years, and Boynes was among the handful of friends who bid Sis farewell during her final days.

"Sis was an asset to St. John and I will miss her dearly," said Boynes, recalling her constant friendship and encouragement throughout the years. "She was a good, good friend of mine; truly beautiful."

Pastor Carlyle Sampson of the Nazareth Lutheran Church remembers Sis as someone who was always involved in and supportive of the community.

"She has been very gracious and generous in supporting the arts and younger children," Pastor Sampson said. "That is something she has always been very passionate about."

Karen Samuel, who knew Sis from the time she was a young girl, said Sis provided invaluable support for the local children with artistic talents when others would have told them to pursue something more sensible.

"Sis was someone who always encouraged people to continue pursuing their skills and training," Samuel said. "St. John is a small community and there were not a lot of professional, local artists. Having someone from the outside encouraging you was extremely valuable because it gave a different perspective."

Barbara Fernandez, Sis' childhood friend of 86 years, shared a lifetime of stories about Sis — from growing up together in Norwich, New York, where they spent summers riding horses, going to camp and taking vacations to moving to St. John years later and creating memories together there.

"I am two weeks older than she is, and we always celebrated our birthdays every year — we knew each other since the time we were born and we've remained close all these years," said Fernandez, who lived on St. John in the 60s and 70s. "When we were in the islands, there were a couple of jazz bands mixed with the steel drums, and we'd go every weekend just to listen to them perform and have a couple of rum and tonics."

Fernandez, the oldest of five sisters and brothers, said Sis, who had no siblings of her own, was like part of the family.

"She was so much fun and full of life and I enjoyed her like a sister," she said.

It is this same sense of family Sis found on St. John. As the island's matriarch, she was a mother, sister and friend to all who had the privilege of knowing and inevitably loving her. She will be greatly missed, but her spirit still radiates in the community she left behind.

Police Log

EMERGENCY NUMBERS:

EMERGENCY LAND LINE: 911

EMERGENCY CELLULAR: 340-776-9110

POLICE DEPT: 340-693-8880

FIRE STATION: 340-776-6333

Friday, December 10

3:30 p.m. - A citizen p/r that an unknown male is harassing him by phone. Telephone harassment.

Saturday, December 11

8:00 p.m. - A citizen p/r a fight in progress among a group of boys at the Cruz Bay ferry dock. Simple assault.

Sunday, December 12

1:11 a.m. - An employee of Castaways r/ a fight at the business. Simple assault.

6:52 a.m. - A citizen c/r that she was assaulted by her ex-boyfriend. Aggravated assault and battery, D.V.

8:20 a.m. - Badge #731 p/ at Jurgen Command with one Antonio Powell of Estate Adrian under arrest and charged with Aggravated Assault and Battery, Domestic Violence. No bail was set by order of the court. Powell was released into the custody of his mother.

1:08 p.m. - A citizen c/r requesting police assistance with her minor son. Police assistance.

11:48 p.m. - A citizen c/r that her neighbor is trying to commit suicide. Police assistance.

Monday, December 13

7:41 a.m. - A citizen c/r a D.O.A. DOA.

8:47 a.m. - A citizen c/r a disturbance. Malicious mischief.

1:45 p.m. - An Estate Pastory resident p/r her bag was stolen in Cruz Bay. Grand larceny.

6:49 p.m. - A visitor from Vermont p/r that he lost this digital camera in Cruz Bay. Lost camera.

8:27 p.m. - A Bellevue Village resident p/r her son was threatened by a male via the internet. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

Tuesday, December 14

8:15 a.m. - A citizen p/r that she lost her wallet. Lost property.

8:55 a.m. - A citizen p/r that he lost his wallet. Lost property.

10:40 a.m. - A citizen p/r that he overheard someone threatening him. Police assistance.

4:30 p.m. - A citizen c/r an auto accident near E&C Gas Station. Auto accident.

4:45 p.m. - A citizen p/r that she and two friends are being harassed by a group of individuals. Disturbance of the peace, threats.

Wednesday, December 15

3:35 p.m. - A citizen c/r an auto accident at The Marketplace. Auto accident.

4:02 p.m. - A citizen c/r a burglary. Burglary in the third.

Thursday, December 16

10:23 a.m. - A citizen p/r that a male owes her money for a security deposit. Grand larceny.

10:50 a.m. - A citizen c/r an auto accident on Centerline Road. Auto accident.

11:24 a.m. - A Cruz Bay resident p/r that his laptop was stolen from his checked bag at the airport. Grand larceny.

3:40 p.m. - An Estate Hard Labor resident p/r that she is being harassed by another female minor. Disturbance of the peace.

4:25 p.m. - An Estate Grunwald resident p/r that she got into an altercation with a male. Disturbance of the peace.

10:45 p.m. - An Estate Bethany resident p/r that someone is removing money from his bank account without his permission. Grand larceny.

Friday, December 17

6:42 a.m. - A citizen c/r an auto accident in the area of Centerline Road. Auto accident.

Ferry Schedules - Cruz Bay and Charlotte Amalie

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11:15 a.m.	1 p.m.
3:45 p.m.	5:30 p.m.

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11 a.m., Sunday School 776-6291

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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.

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Wednesday Testimonials
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Sun., 5 p.m., STJ, Lumberyard

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Tuesday 7 p.m. Bible Study 693-8884

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Wednesday and Friday, 8:30 a.m. 776-6339

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SALARY: Commensurate with experience

DEADLINE: December 21, 2010

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- Initiates injunctive actions to halt and limit environmental damages, and prescribes remedial actions as necessary to restore appropriate environmental conditions
- Review all Environmental Enforcement Officers work orders, investigates reports and complies and prepares monthly summaries of activities.
- Prepares work schedules for approval by Division Director and/or Senior Compliance Officer.
- Provides oversight, leadership, guidance and assistance to Environmental Enforcement Officers and trainee while in the field
- Perform other duties as assigned.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

- AA degree in Environmental Science, Environmental Planning, Criminal Justice or Political Science from an accredited college or university.
- A minimum of six (6) years serving in the capacity of a law enforcement officer.
- A minimum of five (5) years serving in the capacity of an Environmental Enforcement Officer II.
- Must be a Virgin Islands Police Department Academy Graduate.
- VI driver's license is required.

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RFP-WMA-002-T-11 Preventative Maintenance and 24-Hour Emergency Repair Services of Emergency Power Generator Systems and the VI Waste Management Authority's Facilities – St. Thomas and St. John, Virgin Islands.

Documents pertaining to this Request for Proposal (RFP) may be obtained from the VIWMA's Division of Procurement and Property, St. Thomas-St. John District Office at 9500 Wheatley Center II, Suite 2 or from the St. Croix District Officer at #1 La Grande Princesse, Suite BL1, Christiansted between the hours of 8:00am and 4:30pm, Monday through Friday, or by contacting the Director, Mrs. Cecile Lynch, directly via phone or email.

PROPOSAL DUE DATE and TIME: Wednesday, December 22, 2010 at 2:00pm Atlantic Standard Time

PROPOSAL DUE PLACE:

Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority
9500 Wheatley Center II, Suite 2, St. Thomas, VI 00802
P. O. Box 303669, St. Thomas, VI 00803
#1 La Grande Princesse, Suite BL 1, Christiansted, VI 00820
P. O. Box 1689, Kingshill, VI 00851-1689
(Six (6) Sealed Proposal Packages Marked Proposal for RFP No. RFP-WMA-002-T-11, DO NOT OPEN)

NOTE: The proposal number must be placed on the outside of all Bid Packages. Proposals may not be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of the submission deadline.

DIRECT INQUIRIES:

Mrs. Cecile Phillip-Lynch
Director, Procurement and Property Division
Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority
#1 La Grande Princesse, Suite BL1, Christiansted, VI 00820 OR
Email: clynch@viwma.org Phone: 340-718-4489

All questions pertaining to the submission of proposals, scope of services and the award process should be directed in writing either in hard copy or by email to Mrs. Cecile Phillip-Lynch, Director of Procurement and Property, at clynch@viwma.org.

The Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority reserves the right to waive any non-substantive informalities, technicalities, or irregularities; or reject any or all qualifications and proposals; or to re-advertise for proposals, and to award or refrain from awarding the contract for the work. The Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority also reserved the right to accept or reject any Proposal or any item listed therein. VIWMA further reserves the right to waive any informality in Proposals received.

May Adams Cornwall
Executive Director



Community Calendar

St. John Tradewinds welcomes notices of community-oriented, not-for-profit events for inclusion in this weekly listing. Call 776-6496, e-mail editor@tradewinds.vi or fax 693-8885.

Wednesday, December 22

Karl Pytlik will be giving a presentation on the lionfish and CORE's management plan at Maho Bay Camps at 7:30 p.m. in the main dining pavilion.

Saturday, December 25

The Annual St. John Serenade in the Park set 5 a.m. at Frank Powell Park in Cruz Bay. Come by and bring an instrument and that Christmas cheer!

Saturday, December 26

Sigma Theta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. will host its 16th Annual Community Kwanzaa Celebration at 6 p.m. at the Franklin Powell Park in Cruz Bay.

Friday, December 31

Sisterhood/Brotherhood Agenda is hosting a New Year's Eve Youth Extravaganza at the Housing Parks and Recreation center in Cruz Bay from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Saturday, January 8

The annual fundraising gala to benefit the islands' only animal shelter, the St. John Animal Care Center, will take place in the evening at a breathtaking villa in Estate Chocolate Hole.

Wednesday, January 12

The public is invited to join Friends of the Elaine I. Sprauve Library at 6 p.m. at the library for its annual meeting.

February 19, 2011

St. John Relay for Life — momentum continues to grow in team sponsorships, volunteer recruitment, purchases of luminaries and additional corporate sponsorships. For more information call Mary at 642-1629 to learn how to get involved.

Saturday, March 12

The 25th Annual Giff Hill School Auction will be at the Westin Resort and Villas.

March 18-19, 2011

The 9th annual Johnnie Walker Blues Festival will feature two

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

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

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

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

AL-ANON MEETINGS

Al-Anon meets on St. John every Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the picnic table at the VINP ball field, and every Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at St. Ursula's Multi-purpose center.

ALATEEN MEETINGS

Alateen will meet on Mondays at St. Ursula's Church from 6 to 7 p.m. and is open to anyone interested in attending.

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

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CONDIMENT TRAY

ACROSS

- 1 Open insults
- 9 Bagel seeds
- 16 Ruckuses
- 20 Of heart arteries
- 21 Ignorant (of)
- 22 — fide (true)
- 23 Hidden cheat sheet used during a math exam?
- 25 “— the picture”
- 26 Disburdens
- 27 Eeyore's pal
- 28 Really suffering
- 30 Hair colorer
- 31 Obstacle encountered at 12 a.m.?
- 36 32nd U.S. prez
- 37 Tampa Bay footballer, for short
- 38 Psychic glow
- 39 Sofa, say
- 41 Pest control motto?
- 49 Citi Field replaced it
- 52 Of the ear
- 53 Security requests
- 54 Has good fortune
- 57 Military prison?
- 62 Lincoln's veep Hamlin
- 63 Phrase of denial
- 64 Put — fight
- 66 Part of BLT
- 67 Kin of 45s
- 70 Friz Freleng's initial sketch of Porky?
- 74 Nevertheless
- 75 Vexes continually
- 77 “Right on!”
- 78 Trunk locale

- 79 1950s young toughs
- 82 Job for a novice hauler?
- 89 Inward burst
- 91 Berg material
- 92 Supreme Court Justice Samuel
- 93 Ski spot near Santa Fe
- 94 Drain problem caused by your dad's dad?
- 99 Hauls in
- 102 Get fatigued
- 103 Prior to, in verse
- 104 Relaxing site
- 106 Dustcloth?
- 111 Very hot rock
- 115 Road topper
- 117 Bacteriology gel
- 118 See 35-Down
- 119 Jane of literature
- 120 Online journal's latest young participants?
- 126 Big jet name
- 127 One interning
- 128 Plunders
- 129 Brand of toy bricks
- 130 Ways of doing things
- 131 Bank accrual

DOWN

- 1 Was part of a cast
- 2 Quick raid
- 3 Bichon —
- 4 Critic Ebert
- 5 Large burden
- 6 Rest period
- 7 Torrid Zone
- 8 Council of ecclesiastics
- 9 Fish served with sake
- 10 Coast Guard officer: Abbr.
- 11 Baseball's Bando
- 12 Stupefaction

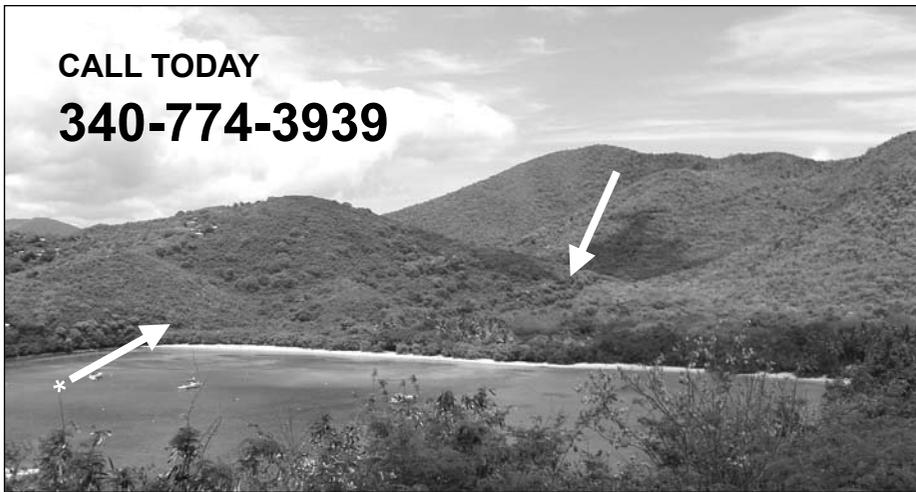
- 13 “Klondike Annie” star West
- 14 Sam of Watergate
- 15 Judged to be
- 16 Make — splash
- 17 Inlet-dwelling pooch?
- 18 Make one's hair stand —
- 19 Mythical lecher
- 24 Long time-
- 29 Long time
- 31 Make faces
- 32 Helium, e.g.
- 33 “Say again?”
- 34 Not kosher
- 35 With 118-Across, debater with Joe Biden
- 37 Light source
- 40 Go for — (enjoy the pool)
- 41 Pop-top part
- 42 Lew Wallace's “Ben- —”
- 43 “— tu” (aria for Renato)
- 44 Tea holder
- 45 Leans
- 46 Strangeness
- 47 Last Greek consonant
- 48 Timeline time
- 50 Tickle pink
- 51 Portion out
- 55 Unbroken
- 56 Kiss and cuddle, in British slang
- 58 Coalesces
- 59 Suffix with super
- 60 Health-care worker
- 61 College transcript no.
- 65 Mali locale
- 67 Kosher
- 68 City near Milan
- 69 Find footing while mountain climbing?

- 70 Burkina — (neighbor of Mali)
- 71 Cotillion star
- 72 Creed part
- 73 Lousy review
- 76 Zesty dip
- 80 Equip
- 81 “Kinda- —”
- 83 PC image file, familiarly
- 84 Unusual
- 85 Capital of Utah, for short
- 86 “— Abner”
- 87 — -Aztec (family of languages)
- 88 Magog's partner at Armageddon
- 90 Brand of depilatory
- 95 Gun org.
- 96 Animal lair
- 97 Cheer up
- 98 Work unit
- 100 E preceders
- 101 Leans
- 104 Fragrance
- 105 Wage earner
- 107 Nail salon abrasive
- 108 Crates
- 109 Vainglory
- 110 “Amazing” debunker
- 111 Plug away
- 112 “Kate & —” (sitcom)
- 113 Cello ancestors
- 114 Existential torment
- 116 Of flying craft
- 118 — Le Pew (skunk toon)
- 121 Once existed
- 122 Tool set, e.g.
- 123 Hero's end?
- 124 Rep.'s rival
- 125 Follower of 36-Across

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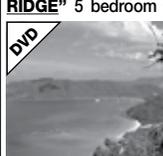
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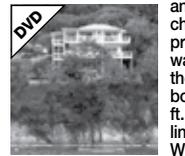
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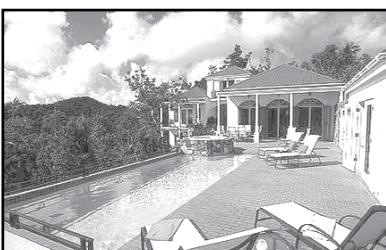
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