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## Dignitaries Dedicate New Pine Peace Basketball Court

Governor John deJongh, center, and Lt. Gov. Greg Francis, third from right, are joined by cabinet members, St. John Administrator Leona Smith, Delegate to Congress Donna Christensen, donors and Pine Peace resident Mrs. Daisy Callwood, cutting ribbon to right of governor, to officially rededicate the recently renovated Pine Peace basketball court.

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# Three Years and Counting: Still No Progress on Centerline Road Collapse

By Jaime Elliott  
*St. John Tradewinds*

Although government officials promised action soon, a heavily traveled section of Centerline Road — which was first undermined more than three years ago — was still no closer to being fixed last week.

Heavy rains from Tropical Storm Otto in October 2010 caused wide-spread flooding and undermined at least one section of Fish Bay Road as well as several sections of Centerline Road, the lone roadway connecting Cruz Bay and Coral Bay.

In the aftermath of the storm, Department of Public Works officials placed orange cones in the most severely damaged areas, yet no other actions were taken to re-inforce the weakened sections of road.

As the sole thoroughfare between Cruz Bay and Coral Bay, Centerline Road is the main artery of traffic on the island and is vital for the movement of school students, construction equipment and crews, delivery trucks for local businesses, commuters and more.

DPW officials pledged to fix the road, but pointed to the Federal Highway Administration's lengthy application process for causing delays.

In May 2013, heavy rains further undermined several sections

of Centerline Road, parts of which crumbled down the steep Carolina Valley hillside. A section of the road near the Upper Carolina subdivision was so badly damaged, it left only one lane usable in the area.

In response, DPW officials placed orange barriers in the area. By July, speed bumps were erected on either side of the widening gap and a solar flashing sign was borrowed from V.I. National Park Service officials warning drivers heading in the direction of Cruz Bay of the upcoming partial lane closure.

With the gap expanding, residents circulated petitions and gathered in the area to demand improvements to the road. While an asphalt berm was erected in the area, in an effort to direct water away from the hole, repairs were still delayed due to strict Federal Highway Administration application requirements, according to DPW Commissioner Darryl Smalls

Meanwhile, DPW's plans, specifications and estimates for the project were finally approved by FHA on May 23. Bid packages were issued in mid-June and initially due by July 16. That deadline was extended an extra 60 days and Island Roads was chosen as the contractor in August.

DPW officials pledged that

work in the area would begin by the end of October, a date which has come and gone with no sign of road repair activity.

"I had anticipated that the contract would have been signed and executed but there was a legal issue that has now been resolved," DPW Commissioner Smalls said last week.

The contract should now be executed "any day," according to Smalls.

"I anticipate the contract to be executed and signed any day," he said. "The contractor knows the importance of the project and has a number of items in place so he can get started as soon as possible."

Smalls did not have information about what legal issue delayed the execution of the contract.

While residents hope to see repairs begin this week, at least one commuter who lives in Coral Bay and works in Cruz Bay wasn't ready to get her hopes up.

"With the rain we had last week, all I could think about was that road falling apart," said the resident, who asked to not be identified. "There are concrete trucks and water trucks going by every single day. Every time I drive over that area I hold my breath and pray."

"It's scary and it's time they do something about it already," said the resident.

## SJHS President Lonnie Willis Sharing Family Photos at Nov. 12 Meeting

The St. John Historical Society will host its first meeting of the 2013-2014 season on Tuesday, November 12, at 7 p.m. at the Bethany Moravian Church.

New SJHS President Lonnie Willis will share a slide show and stories of her family's life on St. John, which began in 1975. The Willis family's story features adventures with a queen, a king, two dukes, cannons, pirates and ships, heroes, and hurricanes. All are welcome to attend.

## College Financial Aid Night Nov. 13

Giff Hill School will be hosting a college Financial Aid night on Wednesday, November 13, at 5:30 p.m. at the Upper Campus.

This event is most appropriate for high school seniors and their families, but also appropriate for 9th-11th grade families who want to get a jump start in understanding the college financial aid process. All St. John families are invited. Contact Meghan Duffy at 776-1730 or [meghanduffy@giffhillschool.org](mailto:meghanduffy@giffhillschool.org) for more information.

## CAHS Class of 1984 Meeting Nov. 15

The Charlotte Amalie High School Class of 1984 will meet on Friday, November 15, at 5:30 p.m. at the Kimmelman Cancer Institute near the Roy Lester Schneider Hospital on St. Thomas.

Plans for the 30th Anniversary Reunion will be discussed. Visit the FaceBook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/cahs1984/>. For more information contact Dwayne Benjamin, Class President at 513-2952.

## GHS Hosting Strategic Planning Workshop at Westin on November 16

Giff Hill School will be hosting a Strategic Planning workshop on Saturday, November 16, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Westin St. John.

The purpose of this workshop is to consider the needs and future direction of the school and create action steps to implement this plan. Input from the community is welcomed. Anyone interested in participating, should contact Molly Murrill or Beth Jones at 776-1735.

## CBCC Annual Meeting and Potluck Now Set for November 18

The Coral Bay Community Council's Annual Meeting and potluck is rescheduled for Monday, November 18, at Miss Lucy's from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

Dinner will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the business meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m., during which time the group will elect board members.

CBCC officials apologized last week to anyone who went to great effort to prepare delicious food for what was a rain-cancelled event.

"We were disappointed too," said CBCC President Sharon Col-dren. "We hope you will surprise us with another wonderful dish on November 18! And to those who cannot make this rescheduled event, we also apologize."

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Daisy Callwood, above, lives next door to the Pine Peace basketball court. Governor DeJongh tried his luck from the free-throw line, at left.



# Pine Peace Basketball Court Officially Open for Play

Department of Sports, Parks and Recreation Commissioner Stanley Smith, above with Charlie Palminteri, addresses the crowd gathered on the new covered bleachers, below.



By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

The territory's top brass gathered on the newly renovated Pine Peace basketball court on Thursday afternoon, November 7, as residents packed the covered bleachers and more than 50 St. John youngsters eagerly awaited the resumption of their games.

After about six months of renovations, St. John youth were thrilled to have the Pine Peace basketball court — which withstood recent rains without flooding thanks to newly installed drainage in the area — finally back open for action.

But before the exhibition basketball games could continue, officials from the Department of Sports, Parks and Recreation, Department of Public Works and Government House hosted a rededication ceremony to officially reopen the Pine Peace basketball court.

Renovations to the court by government contractor Stone Masonry LLC included raising the level of the court, installing drain-

age, pouring a new court, installing backboards, upgrading the bathrooms and installing lighting in the area. There were not enough government funds, however, to cover the cost of installing a children's playground area, two covered bleachers and a scoreboard.

To fill that gap, community activist Alice Krall stepped in and, working with fellow community activist Nedra Ephraim, raised a total of \$60,000 in funds and donated labor to complete the project.

"When I learned that the bleachers, bleacher covers, player's benches, scoreboard and playground equipment were not included in the scope of work, I knew we had to raise the money necessary to fill the gap," Krall told the crowd. "I went to work and went to talk Nedra Ephraim, who jumped on board. Also Helen Simon, also a donor, was instrumental in attracting more donors."

A number of private individuals and local businesses pitched in with overwhelming generosity, Krall explained.

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*Above left: Students at work in new building, circa 1982.  
Above right: students of Pine Peace School in 1986.*

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## Reflections on 35 Years of Giff Hill School

By **Andy Rutnik**  
*St. John Tradewinds*

My first involvement with the Pine Peace School was when my wife Janet summoned me to appear at the old Daniels Restaurant. It was an unusually hot day with not a breeze in the air. When I arrived, Peter, the other half of Dorothy Muilenburg, was already at work with a machete.

Not a man of the land, more comfortable hoisting a sail, Peter flailed wildly at a stand of Guinea grass. As he noted my arrival, his shirt soaked in sweat, his brow so wet that his eyes squinted at my form, and finally said, "its about time you showed up."

It didn't take me long to literally get into the swing of things, as my machete matched Peter's slash for slash, and the thick stands of grass were soon laid to waste. At about noon, Janet and Dorothy showed up with lunch and cold Heineken's. Peter and I draped our sweat-soaked bodies over the overreaching limbs of a near by Maho Tree, unable to move.

Not long after the small wooden building hidden by the brush was cleaned and painted, Peter was hanging the famous Sunburst Gate located at the entry to the small yard. That made it official; Pine Peace School had just begun. The next steps were all accomplished by the school organizers; mainly Dorothy, Joanne, Anna, and Janet and soon our first class was assembled.

Peter and I resumed our lives as sailor and landscaper. I can remember going to pick up Ruby after school and feeling so proud at having our own school; with its little chairs and school supplies strewn about the small room, children sitting in a circle on the floor, completely in rapture as Dorothy read them a story.

Our generation spent many hours sitting around tables talking about religion, politics, racial inequality, war, social injustice, and of course education. Our school was organized around a loose concept of "learning at your own pace," not always on the same page, but helping each other learn. I was a big fan of AS Neil, a radical educator, who disdained testing, mediocrity, and conformity.

Each of us brought our own beliefs and visions of what the school should be about, and since there were only four students, there were not many opinions.

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# IGBA Looks To Launch Glass Recycling on St. John with Community Assistance

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On an island with limited space for waste and few recycling options, the Island Green Building Association is working toward bringing glass recycling to St. John with the help of donations from the community.

IGBA hopes to purchase a solar-powered glass pulverizer to operate at its ReSource Depot site, across from the Susannaberg Transfer Station at Giff Hill and Centerline.

The glass crusher will pulverize glass waste down to the size of a grain of sand, making it ideal for reuse in water filters, landscaping, concrete, and asphalt. IGBA plans to sell 50-pound bags of the pulverized glass at the ReSource Depot.

"You get a sellable product right out of the machine," said IGBA board member Doug White. "We estimate it can process between 45 and 90 percent of St. John's glass."

The island's waste is approximately five percent glass, accounting for 680 tons annually.

"The glass crusher would take care of a phenomenal amount of glass that gets thrown away every year," said IGBA volunteer Kristin Hawk.

The resulting pulverized glass would be competitively priced with bags of sand sold on St. Thomas.

**"Right now, shipment of our waste to St. Thomas is paid for by the St. John Capital Improvement Fund," he said. "That money should be going toward doing projects on St. John, not being used to haul trash. The more waste we can process on St. John, the more we can free up the fund for needed improvements on St. John."**

— Doug White, island architect

With St. Thomas landfills ordered closed by 2019 by the Environmental Protection Agency, the territory will need to look at creative ways to dispose of its waste, White explained.

"Glass is a reusable resource," he said. "It's already on the island, so transportation and shipping are not necessary, and the material is virtually free except for the collection efforts. We can reuse it right here on St. John."

IGBA plans to collect the glass alongside aluminum can collection points that stand at many island trash bins.

In addition to reducing the amount of waste produced by island residents and visitors, the solar powered glass crusher will also benefit the island by helping to free up St. John Capital Improvement Fund money, explained White.

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The entire cost of the project is estimated at \$76,528, and donations from the community will be needed to help the non-profit purchase the glass crusher and get it up and running. Donations are being accepted at [razoo.com/story/Island-Green-Building-Association](http://razoo.com/story/Island-Green-Building-Association). IGBA hopes to have the glass crusher up and running within approximately one year.

"The glass crusher will be a benefit to the people who live and visit here and a benefit to the island's environment," said Hawk.

## Venus and Crescent Moon Shine Over Love City



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The shining light of Venus joined the growing crescent moon, creating a beautiful night sky over St. John last week.



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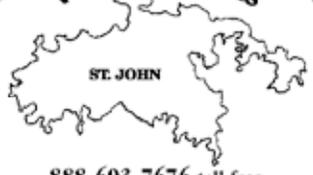
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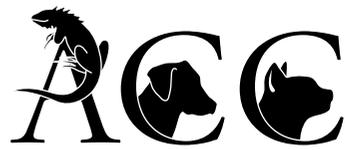


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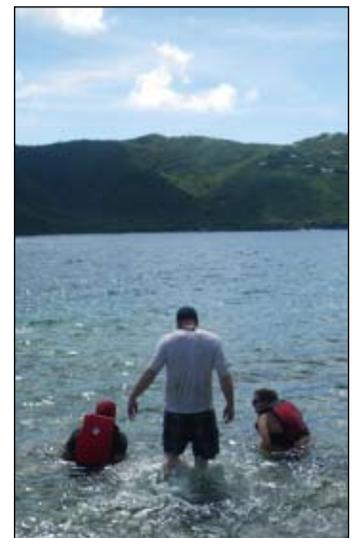
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## TRR Brings Wounded Veterans for Week of Healing



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Team River Runner founder Joe Mornini, below at right, was among the staff which hosted a group of wounded veterans at Cinnamon Bay for a week of health and healing and sea kayak trips last week. See next week's Tradewinds for additional photos and full story on this annual trip by Team River Runner, a non-profit organization which teaches adaptive kayak skills to wounded veterans.



# Rotary Interact Is Building the Next Generation of St. John Leaders

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

A new program at all three island schools is poised to empower students to improve their community while gaining invaluable life lessons along the way.

St. John resident and community activist Helen Simon helped launch the island's first Rotary Interact last month with a passion to reach out to St. John teens, she explained.

"I've been working on this for about six months," said Simon. "I wanted to get involved with kids and do something about the kids who were dropping out of school. What I saw as the problem was trying to help these teenagers figure out who they are and how we can help them and give them their own strength."

"I saw a lot of individual activities happening but nothing that addressed these kids individually," she said. "Interact certainly achieves some of these goals."

Simon joined Rotary Club of St. John with the specific mission of launching the group's first teen outreach program called Ineract.

"Interact is an international organization for junior high and high school students which is molded after Rotary," said Simon. "The kids form their own group and elect their own officers. They decide what their goals are going to be each year to help people in their

part of the world and in their own communities."

"The kids decide the goals and decide how to fundraise to achieve those goals," Simon said. "The kids get involved and become leaders in their communities."

As soon as Simon approached schools, students jumped at the opportunity to join Interact. With many high school students returning to St. John so late in the day following classes on St. Thomas, however, the group decided to launch with junior high school students only, Simon explained.

"We talked to a bunch of the schools and there was a lot of interest," she said. "But geography played into it and it was just impossible to work out times for the students who go to school on St. Thomas to get back in time for meetings. So what we're doing is starting with sixth grade through eighth grade."

The groups will meet individually in their respective schools bimonthly and join together as a whole on a quarterly basis, explained Simon.

While the groups do have mentors, Ineract is designed for the students themselves to drive their own agenda, Simon added.

"The students set their own agenda and the projects are their responsibility," she said. "Their teachers are also mentoring and will give them guidance on their



St. John Tradewinds News Photo Courtesy of Helen Simon

*Rotary Club of St. John Interact members from across the island gathered at Guy Benjamin School for the group's first meeting.*

fundraising and their goals. But it is the students making the decisions."

The first St. John Rotary Ineract meeting was hosted in late October at Guy Benjamin School, where each of the 37 participants addressed the group and shared their goals and told why they want to help their community, Simon explained.

"It was incredible," she said. "All of the island participants at-

tended and they elected their officers and did a Power Point presentation about their goals for the year. For an entire hour every student in the room was paying attention; they were so intrigued."

"Every student had to get up and talk about why they wanted to help the community," said Simon. "It was really incredible."

Interact members' goals included cleaning up beach areas around the island, making gift bags for

children who otherwise wouldn't receive holiday gifts and improving how visitors are greeted when arriving on St. John, according to Simon.

"They are thinking of putting up a visitors spot at the ferry dock during the holidays," Simon said. "The students thought it was bad how we greet tourists when they come on the island. They want to make sure the guests are treated nicely when they arrive."

The GBS and GHS Interact members have already convened their meetings while JESS students are expected to meet and elect officers this week, Simon explained.

The students will next meet as a whole in February, she added.

One of the greatest aspects of Interact is how wide-spread the organization is, according to Simon.

"Interact is all over the world," she said. "There are a couple of hundred thousands Interact kids who are helping their communities and connecting with each other as well. You see the program give the students a sense of self-worth and accomplishment."

Rotary Club of St. John members are pitching in to help mentor Interact groups, Simon explained.

The next island-wide Interact meeting will be in February. Simon also hopes to eventually sponsor a retreat for the students and expand to include a high school chapter, she added.

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*Auction items in the Friends of VINP Online Auction include a stunning emerald and diamond set crafted by renowned St. John jewelers R&I Patton Goldsmithing, at right.*



*St. John Tradewinds News Photo*

## Friends of VINP's Online Auction Opens This Week—November 16

### *St. John Tradewinds*

The 5th Annual Friends of V.I. National Park's Online Auction opens for bidding this Saturday, November 16, at 9 a.m. EST and will run until December 8, 2013 at 9 p.m. EST (10 p.m. local time).

The signature event raises funds to support programs and projects in V.I. National Park, and is hosted just in time for holiday shopping and winter vacation planning.

This much-anticipated auction offers great deals on retail goods and services such as jewelry, dining, art, hotel and villa stays and excursions. There are already about 40 items published for viewing, and the number will grow right up until the auction opening time. Savvy auction shoppers watch the

item list ahead of opening and prepare their bidding list.

Highlights include numerous luxury villa stays, one being seven-night stay at "On a Clear Day...", a brand new, four-bedroom villa overlooking Francis Bay. There is also an emerald and diamond suite from R&I Patton, a Trunk Bay pendant from Freebird Creations, original artwork by Kimberly Boulon, Janet Rutnik and others, dining, excursions, boat trips and much more.

Retail values range from \$100 to \$12,000 and bidding starts at about one third of the cost on most items.

Friends online auction is a great place to shop for a St. John vacation or holiday gifts while

benefitting VINP. Locals can find bargains on villa or hotel stays for visiting family.

This year's goal is to raise \$35,000 to support Friends' mission of the protection and preservation of the natural and cultural resources of VINP and to promote the responsible enjoyment of this unique national treasure.

Anyone who has a business or villa they would like to be promoted through this event, should contact Karen Vahling at 779-4940 or kvahling@friendsvinp.org. Donations will be accepted through Wednesday, November 16.

Preview the growing list of items and register to bid by visiting [www.biddingforgood.com/friendsvinp](http://www.biddingforgood.com/friendsvinp).

## GHS Gives Back Day Is November 22

### *St. John Tradewinds*

Giffit Hill School is proud to announce the 4th Annual "Giffit Hill School Gives Back" community service day on Friday, November 22. All students and faculty from preschool through 12th grade will take part in this event and give back to the community with service projects throughout the day, all over the island. For more information, to volunteer, or looking for help with a project at an organization, contact Meghan Duffy or Molly Murrill at 776-1730.

## Get Ready for Turkey Day 5K Nov. 28

### *St. John Tradewinds*

The St. John Landsharks will be hosting their annual Turkey Day 5K on Thanksgiving morning, November 28.

What better way to work up an appetite before a big than by participating in a fun and challenging 5K run that very morning?

The run is as challenging as it is beautiful. The course is a mix of road and trail running and spans from Annaberg out toward the Francis Bay walking trail, then back through the Annaberg Ruins and Leinster Bay Trail before finishing at the parking lot.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. at the Annaberg parking lot and the race begins at 8 a.m. Although not required, donations would be greatly appreciated in the form of a canned or non-perishable food item. These will be collected and donated to a local charity.

For more details go to [www.stjohnlandsharks.com](http://www.stjohnlandsharks.com) or email [louise@surfbvi.com](mailto:louise@surfbvi.com).

## Annual Fortsberg Hike Set for Nov. 29

### *St. John Tradewinds*

The St. John Historical Society will join the Fortsberg Committee of St. John-St. Thomas on Friday, November 29, for the annual walk to Fortsberg.

Participants are asked to park near the V.I. National Park visitors' center and meet at the entrance to the Cruz Bay Battery at 9:10 a.m. An orientation will then take place at the VINP visitors' center.

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Mixologist Mark Wilson mans the newly installed circular bar, above, at ZoZo's at the Sugar Mill, which boasts beautiful water views, top left. New appetizers include an oyster and clam bake, far left, and confit octopus, left.



## Food Matches the View at ZoZo's New Location

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

ZoZo's at the Sugar Mill has already been thrilling diners' palates since opening its new doors at the newly independent Caneel Bay Resort.

The popular St. John modern Italian restaurant closed up shop at its former location at Gallows Point Resort in late July when owner John Ferrigno announced plans for the eatery to relocate to the luxury resort Caneel Bay.

The restaurant, now called ZoZo's at the Sugar Mill, took over the former location of the Equator Restaurant on Caneel's property. The resort, which recently parted ways with long-time management company Rosewood Hotels and Resorts, was shuttered for its annual closure during the months of September and October.

Ferrigno and staff spent those months renovating the beautiful circular stone mill structure at Caneel Bay Resort. Gone is the former sunken area in the middle of the restaurant as well as the theater-style open kitchen.

Diners who were invited to ZoZo's friends and family soft opening dinner on Wednesday evening, October 30, found a charming circular bar where the wasted sunken space was formerly found. The inviting bar area set a whole new tone for the former Equator space, with guests feeling right at home.

Chefs toil away now behind

closed doors in the brand new, air conditioned kitchen, while the former open cooking area is now home to an impressive glass and stainless steel walk-in wine closet.

Just on the other side of the wine closet is a chef's tasting table capable of hosting up to 13 guests, a number which was requested by hotel management, Ferrigno explained.

A separate lounge area is found to the left of the entrance where deep, comfortable chairs invite one to sit back and relax with a cocktail while gazing at the impressive view.

Although ZoZo's former location offered spectacular views over Pillsbury Sound, the restaurant hasn't compromised anything. The new vista at ZoZo's incorporates a bit more of the island's north shore as well as Caneel's lush landscaping and the romantically lit ruins on the property.

The majority of tables at ZoZo's at the Sugar Mill, save for the chef's table, line the outer circle of the stone restaurant and boast stunning views and cooling breezes.

While obviously working hard to redesign its new space at Caneel, ZoZo's staff didn't neglect the menu. Executive Chef Michael Fortino's most popular dishes, including the house-made pappardelle with wild mushroom sauce and silky osso buco with saffron risotto and grilled aspara-

gus, are back and joined by what are sure to become new favorites for ZoZo's fans.

Among the enticing new appetizer items on the menu, the Cambozola wrapped in smoked prosciutto, pan fried and served with lightly dressed greens, spiced nuts and fresh berries, was a clear standout. Other new appetizer highlights include a clam and oyster bake, which features both a play on Rockefeller style oysters (an appropriate nod to Caneel's Rockefeller history) and spicy baked clams.

An impressively tender and flavorful confit octopus tossed with cherry tomatoes, capers and a lemon rosemary stew, is also a surprising delight. An antipasta for two, with cured meats, smoked sausage, olives and more, rounds out the appetizer additions to ZoZo's offerings.

New house-made pastas, a lobster manicotti and a nuanced wild boar bolognese with fettucine, join the beloved mushroom pappardelle and beet and goat cheese ravioli. On the lighter side, a new salad on the menu reflects Caribbean flavors with lump crab meat and fresh mango.

Fortino is offering three different cuts of meat — a 20 ounce porter house, a 16 ounce ribeye and a 14 ounce t-bone — all wet-aged in-house for more than three weeks. Other entrees include lobster with an eggplant and mint ca-

ponata, pan seared jumbo shrimp with sweet corn and aged Parmesan risotto with truffle cream, a pistachio crusted, oven roasted mahi mahi and, thankfully, the popular osso buco dish.

A new highlight of Fortino's menu, however, might be the wow-inducing pork three ways. The dish features three different

preparations of porcine, a pork loin stuffed with fennel, kale and rosemary stuffing wrapped in crispy pork belly, accompanied by a hot Italian sausage white bean ragout.

A different take on the traditional veal scallopini is another show-stopper on Fortino's menu. Instead of medallions, the veal chop is

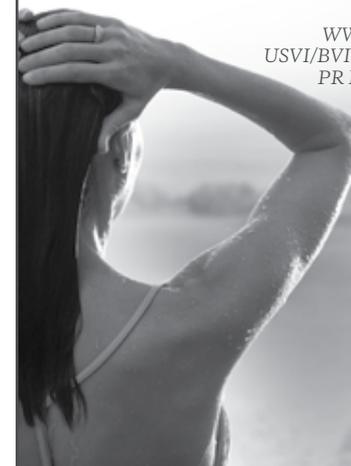
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Denise Hotze, above, is serving up some seriously good gelato and coffee drinks at Caneel Bay's new Canella Cafe.

## Canella Cafe at Caneel Serves Up Creamy Gelato and Intelligentsia Coffee

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

Anyone who pines for the creamy taste of authentic-tasting Italian-style gelato — or artesian coffee — should make a beeline for the new Canella Cafe which recently opened at Caneel Bay Resort.

Denise Hotze has transformed a corner of the luxury hotel's gift shop into a welcoming coffee shop and gelateria serving up a variety of sweet and fruit-based gelato as well as Intelligentsia coffee, paninis, gluten-free treats and more.

As her husband, Caneel's managing director Nikolay Hotze, has overseen the resort's addition of ZoZo's at the Sugar Mill and the exit of long-time management company Rosewood Resorts, Hotze has been sourcing the very best gelato bases she can find. She makes the Italian-style ice cream in-house with bases imported from Italy.

While Hotze plans to rotate flavors, hopefully the salted caramel, the perfect combination of sweet and salty notes, will be a perennial offering. Other must tries include a traditional pistachio and a New York style cheesecake gelato.

Calorie counters will enjoy Hotze's light chocolate and hazelnut gelatos, made with low fat milk and Splenda. Or try a refreshing sorbetto like pink grapefruit on a hot afternoon.

Coffee lovers will not want to miss Hotze's freshly ground Intelligentsia lattes, cappuccinos and americanos. Sourced from the cult-status, small-batch roasters Intelligentsia Coffee, originally based in Chicago and now found in New York and Los Angeles as well, Canella's coffee rivals the best java available anywhere.

Be sure to grab one of Canella's paninis, try a Cuban, turkey or vegetarian, to take to the beach as well. Hotze roasts her own turkey breast and pork for the paninis and never forgets about the non-meat eaters.

Hotze also offers loose leaf Kilogram teas, nut-free cookies, gluten-free brownies, milk shakes and more.

A mom of two, Hotze decided to open Canella because "it was needed," she said.

"This is an alcohol-free corner where teens and families can come and enjoy themselves," said Hotze. "It was important for me to do this."

Canella Coffee Shop and Gelateria is open from 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. The \$20 Caneel Bay Resort parking fee is validated at the cafe with a purchase of \$20, as it is elsewhere on the resort.



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# DeJongh Okays Capital Improvement Funds for Route 10 Road Repairs

## Governor Also Approves Coral World Dolphin Exhibit

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

Governor John deJongh took action on Friday, November 8, on measures recently passed by the 30th Legislature including the appropriation of \$500,000 from the St. John Capital Improvement Fund to the Department of Public Works for road repairs on Route 10.

Despite repeated assertions from DPW that much needed repairs to Route 10 in Coral Bay were being covered by already approved Federal Highway Administration funds, Bill. no. 30-0275 now calls those funds "anticipated."

DeJongh signed Bill no. 30-0275, appropriating \$500,000 from the St. John Capital Improvement Fund to DPW for "capital improvements, road maintenance, on the island of St. John, particularly the repair of storm-damaged roads on Route 10 in Coral Bay in anticipation of federal funding, or the development of alternative methods to ingress and egress Coral Bay."

The act also appropriates \$1 million from the St. John Capital Improvement Fund to V.I. Waste Management Authority for the construction of a waste collection and trash recycling center and sewage system maintenance on Love City.

While deJongh signed the bills, he cautioned that the St. John Capital Improvement Fund is already overextended by \$3.9 million and warned that the depletion of the fund could affect the transportation of raw sewage on St. John.

DeJongh's transmittal letter to Senate



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*The recently signed law provides \$500,000 to DPW "in anticipation of federal funding" to repair Route 10 in Coral Bay, above.*

President Shawn Michael Malone cited the urgent need for road repairs on Route 10 in Coral Bay for forcing his pen last week.

"Finally, I have approved Bill number 30-0275 because of the urgency of the repairs needed to Route 10 on the island of St. John," deJongh wrote. "Although I am approving this measure, we must be prepared for the adverse impact of this appropriation. Historically, the St. John Capital Improvement Fund supplemented the ongoing operations of the Department of Public Works and the V.I. Waste Management Authority

in areas such as maintenance, supplies, machinery, and other related purposes."

"Without additional resources, diverting these funds to repair Route 10 and to construct a trash-recycling center will compromise the existing sanitation disposal operations of the V.I. Waste Management Authority, which is necessary until a long-term solution for such disposal is in place," wrote deJongh. "Furthermore, the St. John Capital Improvement Fund is currently over-appropriated by \$3.9 million and cannot further support any appropriations. For

these reasons, the allocation of funds process through the Office of Management and Budget will have to be monitored closely in order to ensure that continued ongoing operation of Department of Public Works and the V.I. Waste Management Authority on the island of St. John are not compromised.

DeJongh also approved Coral World Ocean Park's controversial request for Coastal Zone Management permits and a change of their lease in order to build a dolphin exhibit in Water Bay. The request drew strong opposition from environmentalists worried about the quality of the water and animal activists outraged by the captivity of dolphins.

DeJongh cited the creation of 25 jobs and Coral World's \$5.2 investment as reasons he was "pleased to sign" the bill into law.

"I do acknowledge the concern of many of the potential adverse environmental impact from this type of activity, however, the owners truly understand and appreciate these concerns and are committed to maintaining the highest standards of water quality and to providing the proper outlet for educating the public about marine and animal conservation and protection," deJongh wrote.

Other measures signed by deJongh last week were bill no. 30-0273, which enables the administration to pursue plans to sell the HOVENSA refinery on St. Croix and bill no. 30-0272, which brings the territory's election statutes into compliance with the Consent Decree. DeJongh also signed resolution 1803 honoring Judge Julio Brady.



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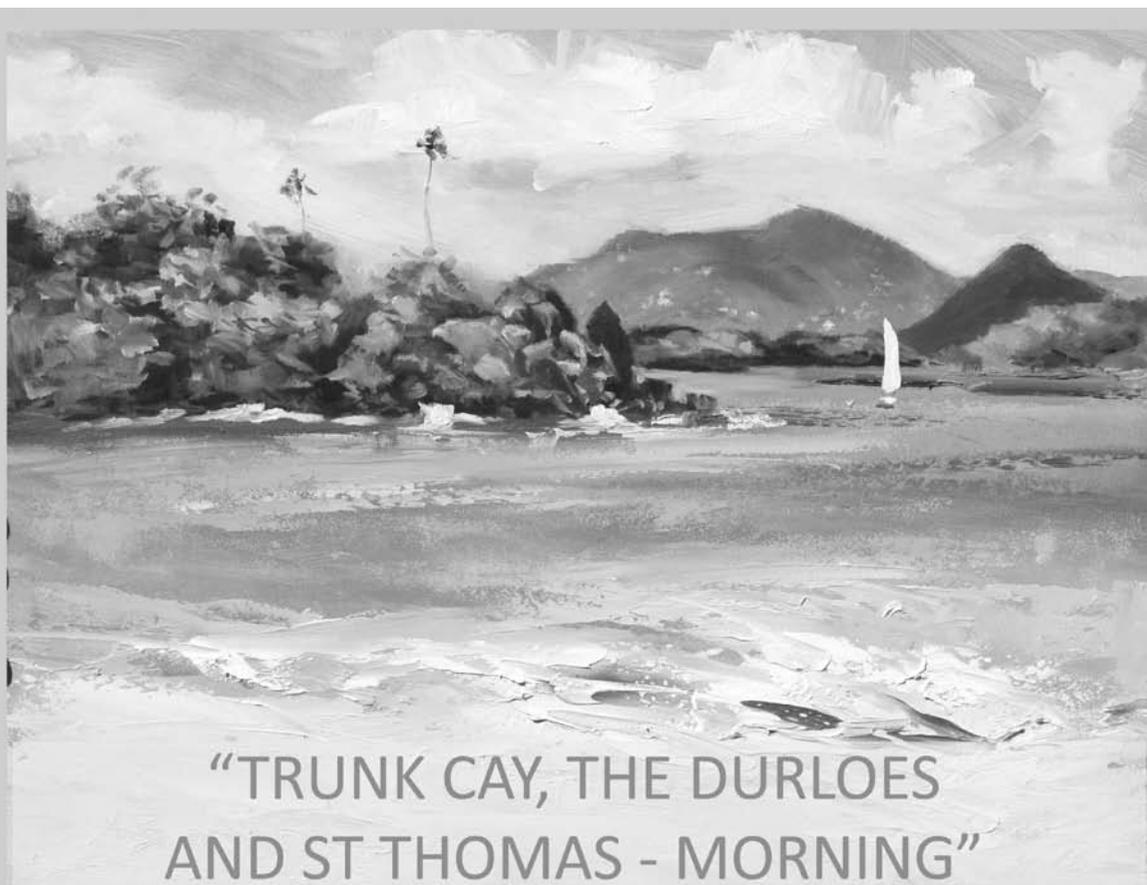
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## Young Families Gather at Hawksnest Beach

A group of young mothers and fathers, with their little ones in tow, gathered at Hawksnest Beach recently. While there were quite a few people in attendance, the threat of rain was blamed for keeping even more of the recent crop of young families from taking part in the photograph opportunity.

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## Maho Bay Clay Works at Pickles Kicks Off Classes This Month

*St. John Tradewinds*

Maho Bay Clay Works at Pickles in Coral Bay is kicking off pottery classes for kids and adults this month, co-owners Casey Giakas and Gail Van de Bogurt announced recently.

The studio will host an evening Potter’s Wheel class with Giakas from either 4 to 7 p.m. or 5 to 8 p.m. As soon as four to six students are registered, and agreed upon times and dates, the class will begin. The four week class will run three hours each week and will also include four open studio sessions. The cost is \$250 which includes a 25-pound bag of clay, glazes and firing fees.

Maho Bay Clay Works is also launching a Kid’s Pottery Class for ages 10 and up. The class will meet on November 13 and 20 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. The cost is \$60, which includes clay glazes and firing fees.

A Beginners Potter’s Wheel workshop will take place over two days in January. Students will meet on January 15 and 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to learn to center and throw a mug, bowl and plate form. The cost is \$250 and includes clay, firing fees and four open studio sessions.

Maho Clay Works also offers private Potter’s Wheel classes by appointment only. Classes are \$50 each, run for one hour and include one hour of open studio time.

Van de Bogurt is offering Watercolor Beach Painting classes on Fridays December 13 through January 17, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A minimum of two students is required for the classes, which cost \$75 each. Van de Bogurt will guide students, ages 15 and up, through the steps of landscape painting. All materials will be provided. Students should bring a sandwich, drinking water and a bathing suit.

Open studio sessions, with no instructor or monitor, have already begun at Maho Bay Clay Works. Studio hours are currently 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

To register for classes or open studio sessions at Maho Bay Clay Works call Van de Bogurt at (340) 514-6594 or Giakas at (732) 997-9049.



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Views of Coral Bay harbor, Hurricane Hole and more, from one of the decks, above. A stand-alone cottage, at right, offers private guest quarters or income potential.



of living arrangement possibilities, Courlas added.

“There are several possibilities at You Can See Forever,” said Courlas. “An ideal arrangement could be for a couple to live in Mt. Haven, the main unit, and rent out

the other cottage, Mt. Eyrie. Both are privately situated on the hillside.”

For more information on You Can See Forever, call Courlas at Holiday Homes at 776-6776 or on her cell at (340) 643-5102.



## On *the* Market

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

### Enjoy Sweeping Views from “You Can See Forever” Cottages on Bordeaux Mountain

By Jaime Elliott  
St. John Tradewinds

Perched on a hillside on Bordeaux Mountain, the views from You Can See Forever, spanning from the lush Carolina Valley to the peaks of Virgin Gorda, are sure to impress.

You Can See Forever is a two bedroom, two bathroom home for sale for \$615,000, explained Holiday Homes broker associate Jan Courlas.

“The home is on Bordeaux Mountain and offers huge views across all of Coral Bay and stretching all the way to Virgin Gorda,” said Courlas.

You Can See Forever is actually two quaint Caribbean cottages owned by St. John author and renowned sailor Peter Muilenburg and his wife Dorothy, Courlas added.

“Local author Peter Muilenburg and his wife Dorothy are the owners and so there is a lot of character to the home,” Courlas said. “There are beautiful shipbuilder features, fruit trees, orchids and more.”

From the cheerful Caribbean colors of the cottages to the turquoise waters of Coral Bay spied from the decks, you won’t easily forget You Can See Forever. Soak up those views from one of the expansive decks, where there is plenty of space to enjoy a meal al fresco while counting the stars twinkling overhead in the night sky.

You Can See Forever is comprised of two separate cottages, offering a buyer plenty of potential. Both cottages boast beautiful custom hardwood details and stunning views as well airy decks and open plan great rooms.

Mt. Haven is the larger of the two units and offers a full bedroom, as well as an additional loft sleeping area for guests. A custom hardwood, handcrafted stairway leads to the loft, which is perched above a comfortable seating area.

This cottage also includes a full kitchen, with stunning views, a full bath and an inviting outdoor shower.

Mt. Eyrie is a comfortable and very airy efficiency cottage. The unit is full of Caribbean charm and boasts a full kitchen and bath as well as plenty of deck space and jaw-dropping views.

“The buyer of this property will love the huge views that sweep across Coral Bay, Tortola out to Virgin Gorda and around to Norman Island,” said Courlas.

With two separate units, You Can See Forever offers a variety

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## Letters To *St. John Tradewinds*

### What About an Arawak Caribbean Theme Water Park?

While the VI Government is having their water park feasibility studies done, how about considering this proposal — The Arawak Caribbean Theme Water Park Proposal.

The Arawak Theme Park would be an amusement park with water rides, nature trails, entertainment, food and educational pavilions, all with an Arawak Caribbean design.

I did my research and contacted and joined the World Water Park Association for their insight to the feasibility of developing a water park here on St. Croix. Their feedback was positive and encouraging.

My first step was to introduce this proposal to the powers that be: Senate, Environmental Association

and Department of Planning and Natural Resources, because only with their confidence and support for this project it could be executed.

I never received one response from any of them, not the Senators, the St. Croix Environmental Association, nor the St. Croix Department of Planning and Natural Resource.

Now this, to me, is not feasible to put a water park of any value there at Estate St. George. Look at how congested that area gets just for Mango Melee. It is too close to the main road and to the residential area.

**Ivan Butcher II**  
Concerned Resident  
St. Croix

### It's Important To Love One Another

Does anyone believe that God created us out of nothing? Does anyone believe that Adam and Eve were forced to leave the Garden of Eden?

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When we stopped being hunter-gathers and began to be farmers and herdsman, we began to become conscious. With it, we discovered our selves and lost our understanding of our connection with God and everything else.

If you believe that God created us out of nothing, or that Adam and Eve were kicked out of the Garden of Eden, why don't you believe that it is important to love each other, and do it?

**Greg Miller**

### Friday Night TV

I was trying to watch something other than PBS, because the cable signal was so bad it was impossible to watch. So I watched American Greed about a Ponzi scheme.

Pretty soon the guys in the black T-shirts with "Police" written on the back and bullet proof vests, guns and huge arms and shoulders, showed up to take the guy in the suit away.

Does the NRA keep this stuff on TV so they can

sell more guns? No question they got the Feds to buy all that stuff and give it to the police in all the cities and towns in America; so they can sell more guns.

I think it is time that the people living in America considered the value of limiting guns to people who can use them without hurting themselves or any of the rest of us.

**Greg Miller**

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# Committee of the Whole Discusses Plans for Private Park on St. John

## St. John Tradewinds

The Committee of the Whole convened on St. John Thursday, November 7, at the Legislative Conference Room in Cruz Bay where senators discussed several zoning measures allowing property owners to develop commercial and residential interests.

Department of Planning and Natural Resources; Director of Comprehensive and Coastal Zone Planning Stuart Smith presented an analysis of each case explaining size or acreage, current use, proposed use, surrounding use and public response. Smith also made recommendations based on the collected data.

St. John resident Ivy Moses shared plans to develop a Historical Park and Water Distribution site she has named Neptune's Landing, after her great grandfather, Neptune "Cap" Richards.

"Picture a nice breezy day walking through rows upon rows of lush juicy pineapples, throwing back on laughs as you sit by a local food salon, eating tasty island treats while drinking a frozen island flavored colada drink," said Moses, as she described her vision.

Supporters spoke highly of Moses and Neptune's Landing noting that it would be an experience for tourists as well as locals.

All present senators spoke in support of the measure.

"Ms. Moses, I commend you," said Senator Terrence Nelson. "Green space is so essential to the quality of life."

Senate President Shawn-Michael Malone was curious about the economic impact of Neptune's Landing on the territory.

"How many jobs do you plan to create as a result of this project?" he asked.

About 10 to 15 positions will be required to maintain the project, Moses explained.

That number did not include vendors who would be able to "set up shop" once they acquired the appropriate licenses, she added.

Allison and Beverly Petrus applied for the rezoning of a piece of land from R-1 (Residential - Low

***"Picture a nice breezy day walking through rows upon rows of lush juicy pineapples, throwing back on laughs as you sit by a local food salon, eating tasty island treats while drinking a frozen island flavored colada drink."***

— St. John resident Ivy Moses

Density) to R-2 Residential - Low Density - One and Two Family). Their request for rezoning stemmed from the desire to divide a piece of their undeveloped property into two separate lots for their two daughters, explained the Petruses.

While DPNR understood the Petrus' desire to turn over the land to their daughters, the rezoning was not necessary to do so, explained Smith.

"The R-1 zone already allows for two attached or detached dwelling units," said Smith. "Retaining the R-1 zoning does not prevent the dream of home ownership in this particular case and helps protect the interest of those adjacent property owners who once shared the same dream."

The Legislature's Legal Counsel concurred with Smith, and added that by changing the zone, the Petrus' property would then be treated differently than their surrounding neighbors.

This is one of the reasons DPNR was against the measure, according to Smith.

"It sets a bad precedent," he said, and added that others would likely want to follow suit.

"I don't want to be responsible for opening Pandora's box," said Senator Janette Millin Young.

Some senators expressed that zoning decisions should not be made by the Legislature. Senator at Large Craig Barshinger, who shared this sentiment, said he would fully support the Petrus' plan once they had the support of their neighbors. Until this happens though, Barshinger would not vote in favor of the measure, he ex-

plained.

Senator Kenneth Gittens, who fully supported the Petrus' request, expressed disappointment in the lack of planning regarding property development that caused DPNR to vote against the rezoning.

The Petrus' later changed their request. They accepted remaining in the R-1 zone, as long as they were able to divide the property into two lots, the sisters explained.

While the variance was more amenable there would still be the issue of spot zoning, according to Smith.

Following the receipt of last week's testimonies, any senator may now submit a draft request regarding any of the measures to Legal Counsel, who will create a bill that will be acted on during the next Senate sessions, scheduled for November 19 and 20 in St. Thomas. Testifiers, although welcome, are not required to attend.

Other zoning measures considered included:

- Harthman Leasing III, LLP (authorized agent- Mr. Brian Turnbull) - To amend the Official Zoning Map No. STZ-10 from A-1 (Agricultural Zone) to B-2 (Business-Secondary/Neighborhood) for Parcel No. 17 F Estate Smith Bay and A-1 (Agricultural Zone) to R-3 (Residential- Medium Density) for Parcel No.17 - Remainder Estate Smith Bay, Nos.1, 2, and 3 East End Quarter, St. Thomas.

Purpose: The applicant intends to allow mixed-use development of the site, ranging from general commercial, retail, residential, recreational, hotel, and resort accommodations

- Waste Management Authority Petition of the Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority - Requesting that a use variance be granted to the R-3 (Residential-Medium Density) zoned Parcel No. D-33 Estate Lovenlund, No. 2 Great Northside Quarter, St. Thomas to allow for Refuse Disposal (Solid Waste).

Purpose: The Authority is purchasing the property for the purpose of constructing a Solid Waste Convenience Center.

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A lounge area, above, offers views of the nearby stone ruins, and a perch from which to enjoy dessert, like the hazelnut mousse with crumbled hazelnuts and hazelnut cream, left.

## Food Matches the View at ZoZo's New Location

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served bone-in and is accompanied by a mushroom marsala sauce, fried sage and creamy lemon polenta.

Ferrigno's wine selections continue to impress with outstanding choices at every price point. Or allow talented mixologist Mark Wilson behind the new bar to whip up a classic cocktail or one of his exciting new creations.

The Sicilian spritz, a blend of orange simple syrup and bitters with prosecco and served on the rocks, sounds like the perfect sundowner. A dark mojito, fresh mint and ginger simple syrup with Gosslings rum, and the Caribbean Derby — Wilson's take on

the classic Kentucky mint julep with fresh basil, simple syrup and bourbon muddled and finished off with iced tea — sound equally enticing.

After dinner treats include a variety of dessert wines, rotating house-made ice creams and sorbets, a non-traditional tiramisu and more.

ZoZo's at the Sugar Mill is open nightly beginning at 5 p.m. for cocktails. Seating for sunset begins at 5:30 p.m. The restaurant offers complimentary valet parking for St. John guests. Reservations are highly recommended and can be made either by phone at (340) 693-9200 or by email at john@zozos.net.

Buon appetito!

11-10

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## Wine Talk



by Paul Tsakares

### The Restaurant Experience

#### St. John Tradewinds

At heart, I am a Restaurateur or an Hotelier.

If you like the restaurant business, it is one of the best businesses to be in. A life immersed in the Food Arts has many rewards. I've worked "the front of the House" for many years and was part of some great teams and events. I've been tutored by a Master Chef, an Austrian Chef and some great cooks too.

A true Chef has the capability and duty to put themselves in the position of the guest and to be guided by their enjoyment. There is a satisfaction that comes from service that is at the same time humbling and enriching.

It is a fine loop that is created as customers come repeatedly to their favorite places and are guided in an experience designed by the Chef that seems to bring the best of life together. Good friends and loved ones, good food and, oh yes, good wine!

We are fortunate on this island of St. John to have a handful of true Chefs who find enjoyment in thrilling their guests with their menus and creations from the simple to the sublime.

Chefs often travel to an area for inspiration and, whether exploring their roots or a cuisine and country less familiar to them, they layer their experience from the farming and local fare to the expressions from top tier cuisine. All of it, happily, with the backdrop of wine ever present.

Wine factors into life daily in Europe and its influence is inextricable from the cuisine no matter if you are at the Bistro or a Michelin Star Resort. When Chefs travel, they are making connections and developing relationships that get translated and worked into their menus and restaurants.

Right here on St. John these Chefs and Restaurateurs are extremely fortunate to have an incredible allocation of world class wine to enhance their menus.

The Prestige component of Bellows International, for example, has selections only because of those same types of relationships the Chefs build. Many, like the Cinsault by Turley Wines, are rarely seen in a retail store and Island Cork rivals even some stateside stores which aren't privy to some of these special distribution relationships.

That means you, as a customer, will have a chance to enjoy many select wines by the glass and bottle that will certainly add to your memo-

orable evening's dinner and vacation.

Interestingly, it has been my experience in many dining rooms that one aspect of the conversation at the table is often a story of the guest's dinner at some intriguing, memorable spot. The Restaurant Experience can be a very memorable one.

Incidentally, the Cinsault mentioned is a great example of a wine capable of expanding our range.

"This wine is seriously off the beaten track; lovely, fresh, gorgeous and persistent," wrote British wine writer Jancis Roberts.

Cinsault is a brilliant value; only \$25 at Island Cork.

Another gastronomic dream is from Trimbach, a 2007 Pinot Gris. Located in Alcase, the winery has been in operation since 1626. The 2007 was a superb vintage and only released this year. A Chef might pair this with black truffles or a fish in some broth.

Creating a masterful pairing of food and wine, or capturing the essence of a classic dish with one's own influence and style, comes from deep experience. Chefs are like the poet who, once she masters the language, can then go about manipulating it artistically.

Once a Chef has accumulated the tremendous experience necessary, she can go forward with great creativity, which paradoxically often means getting out of the way of simplicity. Sometimes attention to time and temperature is the main focus, not complicating a dish. To use a musical metaphor, a good Chef doesn't waste notes.

I always liked a take from Wolfgang Puck many years ago on a Food Network.

"The first thing you do is buy the best, and then what you do is...you don't screw it up," he said.

Our Chefs are buying the best and creating their menus so as the season opens, you can get plenty excited about the world class pairings coming your way — let yourself go!

The wine selections at Island Cork reflect what a good wine list would be; that is, one with good depth and breadth which is capable of accommodating almost any occasion.

Sometimes I miss the experience of being in a bustling top restaurant in full swing. I think of the tempo as we get closer to service — all the finishing touches and checking every detail, the curtain about to go up. It's show time!

## Ocean 362 Opens Wednesday



St. John Tradewinds News Photo

*Ocean 362, the new restaurant at Gallows Point Resort, helmed by Chef Ramesh Pillai will host its grand opening on Wednesday, November 13. See next week's St. John Tradewinds for a full story on the new island restaurant.*

## Tourism Looking for NYC Spring Internship Applicants

#### St. John Tradewinds

The V.I. Department of Tourism is seeking applicants for its spring 2014 internship in New York City.

Co-sponsored with DOT's U.S.-based public relations agency of record, Development Counsellors International, the program provides one vibrant young Virgin Islander with the opportunity to develop skills and obtain the experience necessary to pursue a career in marketing communications.

The intern will also play an important role in promoting the USVI, in order to increase visitor arrivals and expenditures.

Candidates must be Virgin Islands residents who are recent graduates or in their final year of study at an accredited undergraduate or graduate university with a major in marketing, mass communications, public relations and/or tourism studies.

Desired applicant qualities include sound writing and verbal communication abilities, exceptional organization skills and an eye for detail. A proven ability to adapt to new conditions, adhere to deadlines for assigned tasks and exude a positive, "go-getter" attitude will also ensure success in

this role. It is recommended that applicants also be able to illustrate their deep knowledge of the territory's unique culture and heritage.

The chosen candidate will receive round-trip airfare to New York City with a monthly stipend of up to \$2,500 to cover housing, transportation and other living expenses. The spring intern will support the USVI account team at DCI's New York office from January to May 2014, on a full-time or, if necessary, part-time basis to accommodate the candidate's university class schedule.

Daily tasks will include, but will not be limited to, media pitching, assisting with event planning, drafting and editing client documents, liaising with DOT's on-island tourism partners, conducting travel industry and/or consumer behavior research and developing content for DOT's social media channels.

Interested candidates may email their resume and cover letter by November 12, to Development Counsellors International's Malcolm Griffiths at [malcolm.griffiths@aboutdci.com](mailto:malcolm.griffiths@aboutdci.com).

For more details about the internship contact Luana Wheatley at [lawheatley@usvitourism.vi](mailto:lawheatley@usvitourism.vi).

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*St. John youth teams played exhibition basketball games on Thursday, November 7, on the new Pine Peace courts after the rededication ceremony.*

*St. John Tradewinds News  
Photos by Bill Stelzer*

## Pine Peace Basketball Court Officially Open for Play

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"I like to say this project was blessed," said Krall. "Just when we needed the funds for something, someone would be there to write the check. The St. John Community Foundation received and distributed the funds as needed at no charge."

The once flooded, muddy area has now been completely transformed, Krall added.

"This venue has been transformed into a bright, welcoming recreation area," she said. "This is a great example of how this collaboration [between private and public] can work."

With governments across the country being forced to slash spending, the private sector will play an important role in helping to fill funding gaps, St. John Administrator Leona Smith explained.

"As the government is forced to tighten its budget, it is important to partner with businesses and individuals to ensure opportunities for our community," said Smith. "These fiscal pressures induce government and private sector companies' alliance, which will be critical for continued progress. One example is this collective harnesses of our resources for the betterment of the community."

Smith also thanked community members for their patience.

"Thanks for your patience and congratulations on this milestone of our long-awaited court," she said. "Keep it a clean and safe haven for our young people."

Governor John deJongh also thanked the private individuals and businesses, whose funds ensured the completion of the partially-funded government project.

"Thank you to everyone for making today possible," deJongh said. "We wanted to make sure that we did this right and we knew that it needed to get done. We knew that Scotiabank would come up with the scoreboard."

"We knew that Innovative and the Westin would help here as needed," said the governor. "Commissioner Smalls of Public Works, Property and Procurement and Sports, Parks and Recreation all had their

eyes focused on the young people of St. John."

Before cutting a red ribbon to officially rededicate the Pine Peace basketball court, Department of Sports, Parks and Recreation officials honored several community members who have made big impacts on recreation sites recently and over about two decades.

Mistress of ceremonies, Sports, Parks and Recreation project coordinator Shikima Jones, presented Charlie Palminteri and his mother Laura Palminteri with a plaque for their outstanding success in creating a plan to reseed Winston Wells ball field, which boasts an expanse of grass for the first time in years.

Jones also presented a plaque to Mrs. Daisy Callwood, who has lived next door to Pine Peace basketball court for more than 20 years.

"For two decades this facility didn't have a bathroom," said Jones. "You would go to Mrs. Daisy's house and use the bathroom and get a drink of water. She would give you water and ask if you wanted a tart or something to eat."

"She would always be sure to ask the last time you were in church too," Jones said. "Mrs. Daisy opened her home to this community for years."

In her remarks to the crowd, Daisy Callwood expressed gratitude for the renovated court, but reminded officials of one thing still missing.

"There is no water fountain here," said Callwood. "Don't get me wrong this is a great thing and I'm not going to stop sharing."

With island youngsters clad in Sports, Parks and Recreation basketball team T-shirts patiently waiting to get back to their games, officials gathered at the facility's main entrance and Callwood cut the ceremonial red ribbon.

Before any other basketballs flew through the air, however, deJongh stepped up to the free throw line facing E&C Service Station. DeJongh's first shot deflected off the rim hard, while his second shot flirted with sinking, but eventually bounced out.

The governor's third shot missed rim and backboard entirely, that but didn't sour the jubilant mood as the community celebrated the reopening and rededication of the renovated Pine Peace basketball court.

### Answer to Nov. 10 Cryptoquip:

I THINK HOLLYWOOD STARS CLARK AND BETTY SHOULD'VE CO-FOUNDED A LAW FIRM AND GIVEN IT THE NAME GABLE AND GRABLE.



The guardsmen were rescued in six to nine foot waves off shore from the Carib Hilton Hotel in San Juan.

## Three U.S. Coast Guardsmen Injured When Vessel Capsizes Off Puerto Rico

### St. John Tradewinds

Three U.S. Coast Guardsmen suffered non-life threatening injuries Friday, November 8, after their rescue boat capsized in the surf off Puerto Rico.

The search-and-rescue crew was responding with other local agencies to a report of two people in the water two nautical miles northeast of San Juan Harbor when the incident occurred.

The three-man crew of a Coast Guard 33-foot Special Purpose Craft/Law Enforcement was rescued by the crew of a Puerto Rico Police marine unit immediately after the incident north of the Caribe Hilton Hotel in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

The crew was transported to the Coast Guard Base San Juan

to awaiting emergency medical services and is being treated for non-life threatening injuries.

“Our priority at this time is to ensure that our Coast Guard crew is properly evaluated, looked after and provided with any needed medical care,” said Capt. Drew Pearson, commander of Coast Guard Sector San Juan.

The search for the two reported people in the water was suspended after local authorities completed their search of the area.

Sea conditions at the time of the incident were reported to be six to nine feet. The Coast Guard is working to recover the capsized vessel.

The cause of the incident is under investigation.

## Police Log

### Friday, November 1

6:34 p.m. - An Estate Enighed resident c/requesting police assistance with a female on his property. Police assistance.

### Saturday, November 2

3:33 p.m. - A citizen p/r that his vehicle was damaged by a rock in the area of the Estate Contant dumpsters. Damage to vehicle.

7:29 p.m. - A VINP Ranger c/r a possible death aboard a boat in the area of Johnson Reef. D.O.A.

8:14 p.m. - A citizen c/r a disturbance in the area of Cruz Bay. Simple assault.

### Sunday, November 3

11:30 a.m. - An Estate Fish Bay resident p/r that someone stole his dinghy in the area of Great Cruz Bay on October 30 at around 9 p.m. Stolen vessel.

10:54 p.m. - An employee of The Beach Bar c/requesting police assistance with a drunk male. Police assistance.

### Monday, November 4

6:45 a.m. - A citizen p/r that he was involved in an auto accident on 11/3 at 9 a.m. Auto accident.

9:05 a.m. - An Estate Bethany resident p/requesting police

assistance to retrieve his work tools. Police assistance.

5:41 p.m. - A citizen c/r that his phone was lost. Police assistance.

### Tuesday, November 5

9:10 a.m. - An Estate Grunwald resident p/requesting police assistance to obtain money owed to him for work he did. Police assistance.

6:28 p.m. - A visitor from Massachusetts p/r that she lost her driver's license in downtown Cruz Bay. Lost document.

No time given - An Estate Power Boyd resident c/requesting police assistance with heavy machinery on her property without her permission. Police assistance.

7:28 p.m. - A citizen c/r animal abuse in the area of Estate Grunwald. Cruelty to animals.

### Wednesday, November 6

9:08 a.m. - A citizen p/r an auto collision in the area of Trunk Bay beach parking lot. Auto collision.

11:45 a.m. - An employee of C&C Car Rental p/r that someone damaged one of the company's vehicles. Police assistance.

1:38 p.m. - A citizen p/r that

two pit bulls attacked his dog while he was walking same. Allowing vicious animals to stray.

4:00 p.m. - A citizen p/r that his vehicle had been stripped of parts. Grand larceny.

4:34 p.m. - A citizen p/r that a male had broken a court order. Trespassing.

4:45 p.m. - A citizen r/ that a male tried to run him over with a vehicle. Assault in the third.

5:05 p.m. - A citizen p/r that a male assaulted him in Cruz Bay. Simple assault and battery.

### Thursday, November 7

11:10 a.m. - An Estate Contant resident c/requesting police assistance with her minor daughter. Police assistance.

3:34 p.m. - Management of The Beach Bar c/requesting police assistance to remove someone from the establishment. Police assistance.

No time given - An Estate Pastory resident p/r that he was robbed at knife point in Frank Powell Park. Robbery in the first.

### Friday, November 8

12:03 a.m. - Government of the Virgin Islands r/ a female on the ground in the area of Grande Bay Resort. Police assistance.

## VIPD Safety TIPS

### PERSONAL SAFETY TIPS

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

At night, always walk in well lit areas

Take a minimum amount of cash with you. Don't carry all your credit cards and personal information with you. Keep those items at home in a safe place

Don't give rides in your car to anyone you don't know

Making our Community a Safer Place to Live, Work and Play  
These safety tips are brought to you by the VIPD and the St. John CIT



## Crime Stoppers U.S. Virgin Islands

### St. John Tradewinds

Crime Stoppers empowers you, the law abiding citizens, to make your neighborhoods, schools, and businesses safer by reporting information while remaining anonymous. If you know something, say something as law enforcement needs to know what you know. Even the smallest bit of information may be just what is needed to identify and arrest the criminals involved in the following crimes.

### St. John

Sometime between Sunday, October 20, at 4 p.m. and the following Monday morning, someone broke into the gym at Giff Hill School. The gym was

locked and secured Sunday afternoon. Nothing was taken, but this matter is of great concern since several schools have been vandalized in the territory. Please help police identify the burglar(s).

### St. Thomas

On Monday, October 28, sometime after 5 p.m., a 14-year-old girl on Beltjen Road between the stoplight and the stairs leading down to the Federal Building parking lot, accepted a ride to Hospital Ground from a black male in a two-door black Acura with tan interior. Instead of taking her to Hospital Ground he drove her to a dead end road in Agnes Fancy where he raped her

by force with a knife in his hand. Help police identify this rapist.

Please continue to work for the good of all by telling us what you know about these, or any other crimes, at www.CrimeStoppersUSVI.org or by calling 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). You can also text "USVI" plus your message to CRIMES (274637).

If your tip leads to an arrest or the recovery of stolen property, illegal drugs, or weapons, you will receive a cash reward to be paid according to your instructions. Please note: our technology makes it impossible for anyone to find out who submitted a tip.

## 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](mailto:editor@tradewinds.vi) or fax 693-8885.

### Tuesday, November 12

— The St. John Historical Society will host its first meeting of the 2013-2014 season on Tuesday, November 12, at 7 p.m. at the Bethany Moravian Church.

### Wednesday, November 13

— Giff Hill School will be hosting a college Financial Aid night on Wednesday, November 13, at 5:30 p.m. at the Upper Campus. Contact Meghan Duffy at 776-1730 or [meghan-duffy@giffhillschool.org](mailto:meghan-duffy@giffhillschool.org) for more information.

### Friday, November 15

— The Charlotte Amalie High School Class of 1984 will meet on Friday, November 15, at 5:30 p.m. at the Kimmelman Cancer Institute near the Roy Lester Schneider Hospital on St. Thomas. For more information contact Dwayne Benjamin, Class President at 513-2952.

### Saturday, November 16

— Giff Hill School will be hosting a Strategic Planning workshop on Saturday, November 16, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Westin St. John. Anyone interested in participating, should contact Molly Murrill or Beth Jones at 776-1735.

### Monday, November 18

— The Coral Bay Commu-

nity Council's Annual Meeting and potluck is rescheduled for Monday, November 18, at Miss Lucy's from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Dinner will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the business meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m., during which time the group will elect board members.

### Friday, November 22

— Giff Hill School is proud to announce the 4th Annual "Giff Hill School Gives Back" community service day on Friday, November 22.

### Thursday, November 28

— The St. John Landsharks will be hosting their annual Turkey Day 5K on Thanksgiving morning, November 28.

### Friday, November 29

— The St. John Historical Society will join the Forstberg Committee on Friday, November 29, for the annual walk to Fortsberg. Participants are asked to park near the V.I. National Park visitors' center and meet at the entrance to the Cruz Bay Battery at 9:10 a.m. An orientation will then take place at the VINP visitors' center. Those going by bus are asked to make a \$25 cash contribution for adults, and \$12 for children. Those going in their own vehicles, \$15 contribution.

### ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

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

### NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

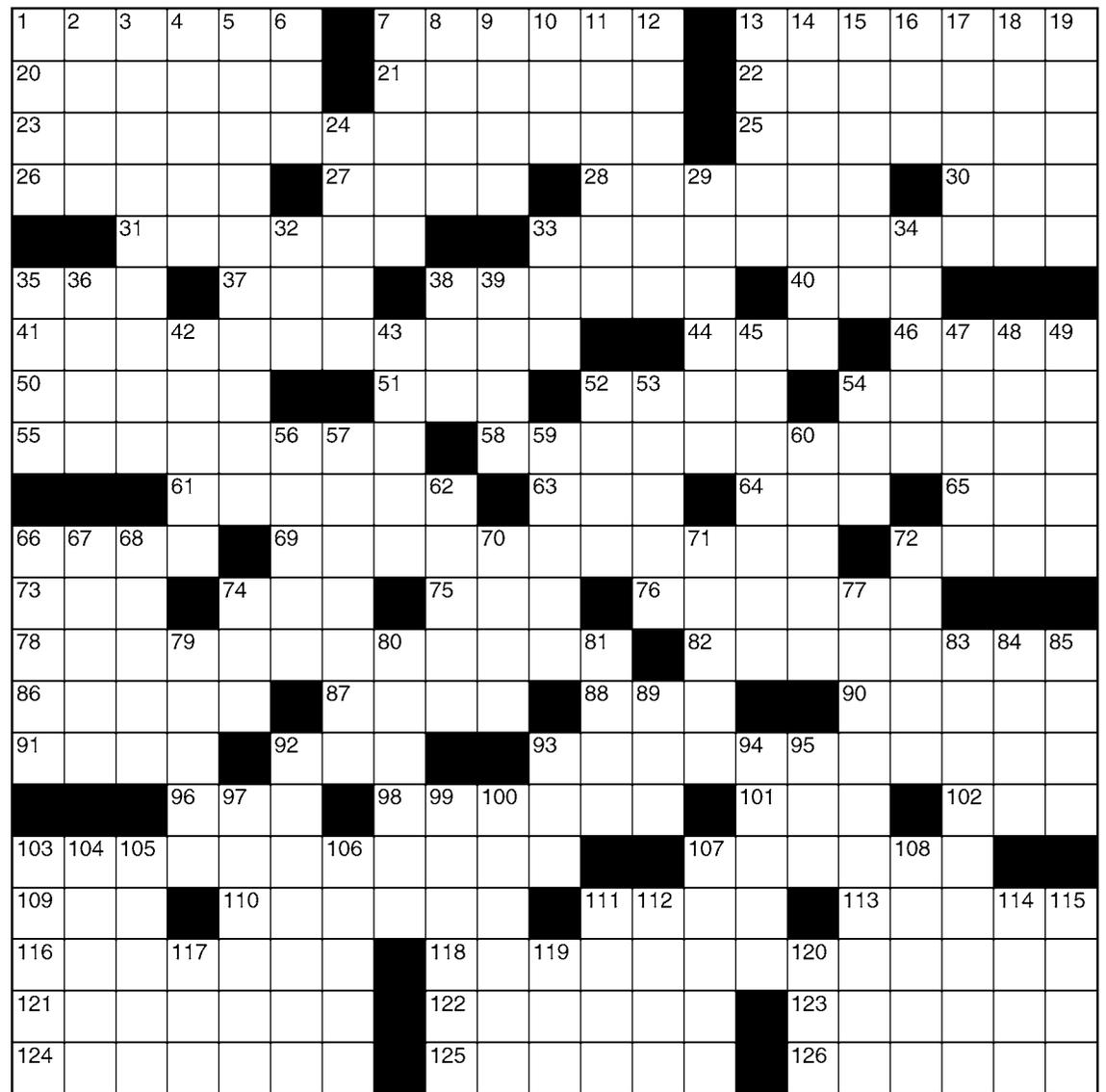
Narcotics Anonymous has open meetings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. every Saturday at St. Ursula's Church.

### AL-ANON MEETINGS

For Al-Anon meeting location and times, please call (340) 642-3263

## Crossword

By Frank A. Longo



### NOT NOTEWORTHY

#### ACROSS

- 1 Film stars, e.g.  
7 Snake-haired Gorgon  
13 General who advised Augustus  
20 Golfer Mark  
21 Rabid fan  
22 More gutsy  
23 Really get into making electronic scans?  
25 Embraced  
26 Straitlaced  
27 Grand party  
28 With the result being  
30 Abbas' gp.  
31 Gazed wantonly  
33 Conrad Hilton with a fever?  
35 Part of NCAA or AAU: Abbr.  
37 Animals: Suffix  
38 Like a rough, harsh voice  
40 Oath reply  
41 Cobbler cutter's job?  
44 — and yang  
46 Raise crops  
50 "Two Guys and —"  
51 GI uplifter  
52 Make at work  
54 Wheel spokes, e.g.  
55 Disoriented driver's remark to a passenger, maybe  
58 Decrease in sunburn severity?  
61 Last of a tetralogy  
63 Boeing plane  
64 Stranded stuff in cells

65 "Too many to list" abbr.

- 66 Tentacles  
69 Gorilla's pre-dinner drink?  
72 Bit of deceit  
73 —'wester (storm type)  
74 Songwriter DiFranco  
75 Reactor safety org.  
76 Put a backup copy on  
78 Embrace old French Protestants?  
82 Purebred's genealogy  
86 Vintage auto  
87 Ginger treat  
88 Suffx with Milan or Bern  
90 Faces  
91 Mythical river  
92 By means of  
93 Bid a Tokyo resident farewell?  
96 Blood-typing letters  
98 Flowers  
101 —'wester (storm type)  
102 Waikiki wear  
103 Meekness of medics?  
107 Hillocks  
109 That, in León  
110 Backyard pavilion  
111 Raines of "The Web"  
113 Vex greatly  
116 Suspended ski lift cabin  
118 How senior citizens address teens?  
121 Old French region  
122 Tijuana Brass' Herb  
123 She's a deity of wisdom  
124 Progress delayer  
125 Sea serpent nickname  
126 Paring tool

#### DOWN

- 1 Cousins of haddock  
2 Throw off

- 3 To whom property lawfully passes on  
4 "— Was a Lady" (1933 hit song)  
5 Fiancée who's a control freak  
6 Get less firm  
7 Paired up to breed  
8 Blue-pencil  
9 Sleep briefly  
10 Mentalist Geller  
11 Burglar alarm component  
12 Local lingoes  
13 — chili (kind of pepper)  
14 Aspic ingredient  
15 Like many violent films  
16 ICU drips  
17 Longstocking of kid lit  
18 "Edward I" playwright George  
19 Passion  
24 Start to a bit of bad news  
29 "And — off!"  
32 — v. Wade  
33 Ugly witch  
34 Lite, in a way  
35 "Lend —" (Oscar-winning Disney short)  
36 Buster Brown's bulldog  
38 That boy's  
39 — about  
42 Gets ready  
43 Little darling  
45 Ready to roll, as a car  
47 "Farewell"  
48 Prison brawls  
49 Chop to bits  
52 German river  
53 "— a jealous mistress"  
54 Elvis' label  
56 Chimp's kin  
57 Second-cen. pope  
59 Throw off

- 60 In need of a meal  
62 White with Pat Sajak  
66 Fire leftovers  
67 Shake to wake  
68 Rocky's gangster partner in cartoons  
70 Stage piece  
71 Sticky rolls  
72 Actor Seth  
74 "La Cage — Folles"  
77 Asian nation since 2002  
79 Group of six  
80 Equip  
81 Stitching line  
83 2011 film about boxing robots  
84 Raison d'—  
85 Actor Morales  
89 Pt. of GPS  
92 Like A, E, I, O and U  
93 Tamari, e.g.  
94 Kofi of the U.N.  
95 "— -hoo!"  
97 Colombian capital  
99 Like Qaddafi  
100 Actor Peter  
103 Painter Edgar  
104 "— Mio"  
105 Art able to  
106 "The Compleat Angler" writer Walton  
107 1971 Jane Fonda film  
108 Shop shaper  
111 Peepers  
112 Singer of film  
114 Duncan of Obama's cabinet  
115 Ivan or Peter  
117 Artistic touch  
119 Good times  
120 Hiatus

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**"Lumineria"** boasts one of the best locations on St. John with spectacular 270 degree water views over the Sir Francis Drake Channel to the British Virgins on the north side and around to the boats anchored in Coral Bay on the south side. Features include designer pool with waterfall, spa, chef's kitchen with dining deck, 3 bedrooms with interior access & a very large garage with lots of room for autos, boats & storage.. **\$2.195M**



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



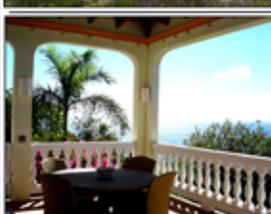
**"Coral Rays"** is a newer luxury Villa on cool Bordeaux Mt with great water views over Coral bay to Tortola and the British Virgins. The main level is a large great room & gourmet kitchen with granite counters & stainless appliances. The lower level has two bedrooms, a large pool & a spa. The separate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



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



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**"Rendezvous Development property"** Group Dwelling permit for 6 apartments and a driveway permit have been issued. Colorful sunset and water views to St Thomas. Just **\$499,000**

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## SUP-ers Complete Challenging Course in First Annual Paddle Race

Nat Ford of St. John won the men's elite course at the First Annual Paddle in the Park stand up paddle board race on Saturday morning, November 9, at Maho Bay beach. Todd Clements of St. Thomas, center bottom, took first in the men's open course. A total of 48 paddlers took part in the event, which was hosted by Friends of V.I. National Park. See next week's Tradewinds for additional photos and full story.

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MLS 13-454  
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**"GALLOW'S POINT SEAVIEW"** great location for development, walk to beach and town! Masonry 2x2 home on .58 ac. Combination of R-4 & W-1 zoning allows for condos or commercial uses.



MLS 11-59  
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**"STONE COURT"** is a 3 bedroom haven. 1 acre of privacy with sweeping views from Rams Head to St. Thomas. Island inspired architecture of stone and wood.



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**"SAGO COTTAGE"** adorable Caribbean style masonry cottage with wonderful island views and great rental history.



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



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MLS 12-358  
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**"PETIT TRE'SOR"** (a small treasure) at Cruz Bay Villas is a charming one-bdrm condo w/ a romantic view over the pool & across Pillsbury Sound to St. Thomas. Pool with wrap around deck and great sunset views!



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*Above left: The first Giff Hill School building; above right: the great room expansion.*

## Reflections on 35 Years of Giff Hill School

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Mothers were happy to have a place for their children to be cared for and educated, leaving them some free time to pursue their careers. Fathers were glad to help out with repairs and additions, knowing that their child would be part of the little schoolhouse.

Dorothy and Joanne continued to grow the school and involved more people in the community with its operation and success. It was years later when the school finally found a permanent home on Giff Hill that I became involved again when asked to be a board member.

The move to Giff Hill was a sea change for Pine Peace School. Starting with the small building that now handles the pre-school it grew into the spacious two campus facility that proudly is now called the "Giff Hill School."

But there was no such grand vision when I joined the board; our priorities were keeping the tuition low (by necessity) and the enrollment up. As our community grew, so did the school. Our parents and students were varied in their income and culture, but all were committed to keeping the school open and growing.

Each new generation of students came with parents. Each year we raised the grade level to keep our students and added more volunteer parents to the work crew. This cycle of new parents and children is what made the school what it is today.

As my children grew and moved on after sixth grade, a new set of parents would take the reign, improving the school, raising the funds, and making their mark. During these years, 13 to be exact, I sat as chairman of the board.

The job consisted of monthly meetings to discuss policy and finances. With the head of school being our only administrative employee, we let her guide us through the issues.

By board standards we were casual. We sat in pre school chairs, our meetings were short, and at the end Board member Albert "Pappy" Sewer would open up his cardboard box, and offer exotic liquor drinks to the members.

Not all was peace and harmony, however. It seemed like every few years a group of parents were agitating for some teacher to be fired; saying there was not enough discipline or too much; their child was not being tested properly or tests were discriminatory; and the biggest battle was over whether to go into debt to expand the school.

These parking lot revolts, as they were called, got their feet when parents would drop their children at school and the chat would start. The momentum would gather support throughout the week, until it ended up on the board's desk, begging for resolution.

Most issues dissolved with the troubled parent or parents losing steam as the weeks went by or they simply left the school. However the issue of building a new Great Room and classrooms was a turning point for the school.

There was no doubt that the school was at a crossroads when the idea was first put forth to construct a new building. We had strong support for the project from some very talented parents that were in the construction trades.

There were new fundraising plans that moved beyond bake sales, spaghetti dinners, and chicken leg sales. A committee was formed to do a major dinner/auction and history was made at that first event at the Fern House in Cruz Bay.

Our goal was thousands, not hundreds, our guests were dressed to the nines, the wine and cocktails flowed like water, a new day was born for the school. It would have been hard for me to imagine the success of this event and its impact on the future of the school, but in retrospect that fundraiser changed our destiny.

With the thousands raised, it was time to look towards the future, and plans moved forward for the new building. But this was not without a struggle, as some parents were up in arms about whether it was a good decision to in debt the school and raise tuition.

It took some very heated open board meetings, filled with drama and tension, to keep the project moving forward. While as Chairman I was cast as "Satan" himself and those who supported me as disciples of Judas, it was really just growing pains.

The Great Room was built and dedicated as a community center, the classrooms underneath were concrete and modern, and the school moved forward.

It was about that time that my children had moved on to high school at Antilles School and my days as a board member were over. A new cycle of parents had taken the reigns, the dinner auctions only got bigger and better, the student body grew as St. John transformed from a good place to live, to the best place to live. Pine Peace School became Giff Hill School and now graduates seniors.

There is a lot more to this story and over the coming months, you will see pictures, hear others stories, and hopefully it will inspire those that follow to carry us another 35 years and build on the foundation we laid.