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NHI BLUES: EXPENSIVE STUDY "DID NOT YIELD VALUE FOR MONEY"

The review and study of the National Health Insurance (NHI) that has been promised for almost four years has been completed. However, the Director of the Social Security Board (SSB) Jeanette Scatliffe-Boynes told members of the House of Assembly during the 2023 Standing Finance Committee (SFC) Deliberations that the outcome of the study is disappointing.

It was during the 2022 SFC hearings that the Director of SSB disclosed that a request for expression of interest was issued to conduct a comprehensive review of the NHI system. At that time she stated that there were also recommendations for the relevant regulations to be amended to maintain the

scheme's solvency while, at the same time, maintaining and improving the level of benefits currently offered.

Scatliffe-Boynes announced that the SSB contracted Redbridge Solutions on 1 December, 2021, to conduct this operational review of the NHI and to also provide technical assistance. That approximate contract amounted \$423,000.

The update on the review was raised following a question about the status of the study from the Premier and Minister of Finance Dr. the Hon. Natalio Wheatley. The BVI Leader asked if the Social Security Board "determined that the study that was commissioned did not yield value for money or the results for which the study was commissioned."



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In response to the Premier's question, Scatliffe-Boynes stated that the Social Security Board was disappointed in the outcome of the study.

While providing further clarity on the matter of the completed study, the Deputy Director of the

Social Security Board with responsibility for NHI, Roy Barry told legislators that recommendations were submitted but to date, there has been no implementation.

Mr. Barry explained that: "the management team at NHI have prepared and submitted several

recommendations and they await a final decision on such recommendations." However, as it relates to the current state of NHI the Deputy Director noted that: "there would be no change in direction at this time."

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NHI BLUES: EXPENSIVE STUDY “DID NOT YIELD VALUE FOR MONEY”

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Over the years, there have been complaints about how NHI was operating; however, during the SFC some of the blame was laid at the feet of legislators; as it was stated that the HOA did not implement necessary recommendations. In fact, the Social Security Board management indicated that there have been recommendations for changes to the legislation submitted several years ago,

but to date there has not been any implementation.

Nonetheless, it was noted that it is not too late for the HOA to make the necessary changes. In fact, Barry announced that if some of the recommendations are implemented he was certain that NHI could move in the right direction.

ISSUES OF NHI COVERAGE

One of the benefits of the National Health

Insurance (NHI) is that it also provides medical coverage at select regional and international health facilities. One such location is the neighbouring United States Virgin Islands; where for years a number of residents have been known to seek treatment. However, the Leader of the Opposition Hon. Julian Fraser questioned whether the USVI was still a well-utilized medical option.

The Leader of the Opposition and Third District Representative suggested that there might be an issue with some of NHI's USVI service providers. Hon. Fraser told the SFC that “service providers in St. Thomas who were once providers no longer provide service.” He noted these service providers complained that it was too onerous to do business with NHI. Therefore Hon. Fraser

queried why NHI does not have more providers in St. Thomas.

In response, the Deputy Social Security Director stated that to his recollection NHI has not lost any of its providers in the USVI. Barry also indicated that NHI has not added any new providers in St. Thomas because the USVI healthcare costs are way too expensive.

“GREEDY BILL” IS UNPOPULAR WITH ELECTORATE

Minister for Health and Social Development and National Democratic Party Leader Hon. Marlon Penn is already in campaign mode. In fact, he has announced that if his NDP government is elected he will make changes the public has asked for in the Retiring Allowances Act, better known as the Greedy Bill.

at least two years after they leave office. This proposal resulted in the legislation being nicknamed the ‘Greedy Bill’.

The idea that some legislators will still be well taken care of if they were to lose the upcoming election was especially unpopular with Community activists including Kishma Penn and Cindy Rosan; who were instrumental in alerting the public of the content of the Bill. In fact, Penn and Rosan organized a motorcade on 5 June, 2021 to rile up the public concern in the matter.

However, despite their efforts, the Bill was passed in the House of Assembly and later assented to by the Governor.

The matter was never laid to rest, with some activists currently calling on members of the public to only vote for politicians in the upcoming elections who have promised to repeal the Retiring Allowances Act.

Therefore, it is no surprise that Hon. Penn who announced that he was never in favor of all aspects of the Act is promising to

make the recommended changes. Hon. Penn who appeared on Monday's Talking Points radio programme announced: “I would remove the Act. I have said this publicly before it was passed. My concern at the time we were discussing and negotiating the Retirement Act was the way that the pension was being calculated.”

“For instance, you had [House of Assembly] members. The average salary of a member was \$36,000 base — that's the member's salary.

So members were getting pensions based on that \$36,000, not based on all the other allowances and things they were getting [in] their package. But they were being taxed on it,” Hon. Penn explained.

Hon. Penn who at the time the legislation was passed was the Leader of the Opposition, was criticized for his decision to vote for the Bill. Now that he is announcing that he will bring an amendment the Legislator said that he still endorses aspects of the Retirement Act which was the reason he voted.



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INCREASE IN CANCER CASES IS BECOMING A GRAVE CONCERN

Talk show host Edju Enka aka Cromwell Smith is lending his voice to the cancer concern that has been echoed in various sections of the community. The Talk Show host on the 17 January edition of his Umoja radio programme has called for research on what seems to be an increase of cancer cases in the Territory.

Edju Enka who speculated that Territory's environment might be a contributing factor announced, "We need investigation funding to look at the environment to see where in the environment and what environment is causing the increase in cancer patients."

While stating that he is alarmed by what appears to be an increase in cancer cases the Talk Show host said "Over the last several months, we

have had a lot of passings and we continue over the years actually and it seems to be like, let me just say persons are beginning to think that we have an environmental problem that's contributing to the development of cancer," he stated.

This point of view that there has been a dramatic increase in cancer cases in the Territory has been expressed Leader of the Opposition Hon. Julian Fraser. The most recent announcement of this concern was made in November last year.

Hon. Fraser who was at the time speaking on the Morning Braff radio show on Tola Radio on 1 November complained that too many people are discovering cancer in their bodies. He said, "You know how many people are contracting cancer on a

regular basis and dying in this territory? Far too much. It's endemic, and nobody's talking about this thing."

This was not the first time that Hon. Fraser raised this concern. In fact, he mentioned this matter in the House of Assembly last year during the 16 June sitting. At that time Hon. Fraser drew a line connecting the rise in cancer-related deaths in the Territory and problems with running sewerage as well as the open burning incinerator issues.

However, science is of the view that a diet high in whole foods like fruits, vegetables, whole grains, healthy fats and lean protein may prevent cancer. Conversely, processed meats, refined carbs, salt and alcohol may increase your risk. Though no diet has been proven to cure cancer, plant-based and keto diets may lower your risk or benefit treatment.

Diet is extremely important in a country that imports most of its food from foreign countries where Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs) are produced.

According to the World Health Organization (WHO), GMOs, i.e., genetically modified organisms can be defined as organisms (i.e. plants, animals or microorganisms) in which the genetic material (DNA) has been altered in a way that does not occur naturally by mating and/or natural recombination.

Ty Bollinger" writes that "The rapidly growing industry of genetically modified crops are infiltrating our food supply at an alarming rate. More than 90% of our corn and soy are now genetically modified. This fairly new practice is the source of many debates. Experts agree that adequate testing was not

done before GMO foods were added to the ingredient listing of thousands of products. In other words, no one – including the growers and manufacturers of GMO foods – knows the long-term effect they will have on human health. Look for GMO-free labels whenever possible or buy organic (which always means a product is not genetically modified)."

"Most cans are lined with a product called bisphenol-A (BPA), which has been shown to genetically alter the brain cells of rats. Many plastic goods, thermal paper, water lines, and many dental composites also contain BPA. Help protect your DNA by sticking to fresh or frozen vegetables that have no added ingredients for your family's table! These are better for you and available year-round."

KEVON LETTSOME SAYS HE HAS REAL REMEDIES FOR 7TH DISTRICT

With elections constitutionally due in coming months Kevon "Shack" Lettsome the contender for the Seventh District seat is amping up his campaign.

Lettsome launched his candidacy on 25 April last year and has since been constantly sharing his views and vision for the Seventh District which is currently being represented by Premier. Natalio Wheatley.

Although the Premier has announced that he intends to go the unorthodox way in his bid for reelection, Lettsome has maintained his campaign mode by consistently highlighting issues affecting the District. In a recent interview on the Umoja talkshow on 9 January Lettsome pleaded with the people of the District to give him a chance.

The Seventh District Candidate suggested that the issue with the previous

representation of the District stemmed from the fact that the elected Representatives were more concerned with ministerial portfolios. "In the past, we have tried doctors, we have tried the most educated, we have tried the best speakers... persons who can look the part and dress the part and I have viewed those persons before me and even the now premier as persons who have national ambitions and a portfolio person."

In what some have noted to be a jab against the

incumbent representative, Lettsome stated: "I believe that District 7 needs someone who will focus on the district, has time for the district, and who is actually from the district and understand the district's pain."

While noting that he takes his decision to run seriously, Lettsome announced that he joined the race to give the people of the Seventh District an option. "I just want to give my peers, my family, my friends, a valuable option to vote for someone who understands their

problems... because they have gone through and even gone through some of the same issues and problems that are still there presently."

As he mentioned some of the issues plaguing the community the Seventh District candidate called for solutions and remedies. "Those things need to be addressed urgently and they need urgent attention and I personally and strongly believe right now District Seven doesn't need anyone who is portfolio driven," Lettsome announced.

NOTICE REGARDING DORMANT ACCOUNTS



This notice is being given in accordance with Section 6 (3) of the Dormant Accounts Act, 2011.

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Dated: January 10, 2023



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NAME OF ACCOUNT HOLDER	ADDRESS OF NOTICE	CURRENCY	AMOUNT
ALLEN D GEORGE	PO BOX 1103 THE VALLEY VIRGIN GORDA BVI	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$313.19
COLIN GREGORY	PO BOX 3252 RD TOWN TORTOLA BVI	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$4,883.58
ENRICO DONNER	PO BOX 552 CANE GARDEN BAY TORTOLA VG1130	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$7,399.51
DANIELLE A YOUNG	PO BOX 856 GRAND TOWN GRAND CAYMAN KY1-1103	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$2,870.40
KEITH WALTON	GEN DELY RD TOWN TORTOLA BVI	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$6,046.63
MICHAEL B DOYLE C/O HARNEY WESTWOOD & RIEGELS	PO BOX 71 RD TOWN TORTOLA BVI	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$33,072.81
ALLAN G BOYD	PO BOX 3093 RODUS BLDG TORTOLA BVI	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$527.77
JOANNA E LUXTON C/O BARRY GOODMAN	PO BOX 146 RD TOWN TORTOLA BVI	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$2,886.98
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RITZIA TURNBULL	PO BOX 420 RD TOWN TORTOLA BVI	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$928.33
SAMUEL BASCOMBE	PO BOX 1097 VALLEY VIRGIN GORDA BVI	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$7,644.09
SAMUEL BASCOMBE	PO BOX 1097 VALLEY VIRGIN GORDA BVI	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$808.96
GLANVILLE BROWNE	NOT AVAILABLE	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$288.20
DAWN J SMITH	NOT AVAILABLE	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$2,319.24
CHARLES S SIMMONDS	NOT AVAILABLE	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$306.41
CLAUDIUS WHEATLEY	NOT AVAILABLE	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$290.56
CARL M TODMAN	NOT AVAILABLE	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$322.51
JULIE L SWARTZ	NOT AVAILABLE	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$416.09
INEZ V TURNBULL	NOT AVAILABLE	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$221.14
JANET HAJJ	NOT AVAILABLE	UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)	\$1,133.35
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REVISED: 19 Illegal Immigrants Found On Virgin Gorda

Chief Immigration Officer, Mr. Ian Penn has said that 19 illegal immigrants are now in the custody of the Department of Immigration following an exercise by the officers of the Royal Virgin Islands Police Force and Immigration Department carried out on Virgin Gorda on January 16.

According to Mr. Penn, the illegal immigrants who were

found on Virgin Gorda are of Haitian nationality and include 12 males, four females and four children.

The Chief Immigration Officer said all persons will be safely detained following intake interviews and COVID-19 testing administered by the BVI Health Service Authority.

Mr. Penn urged persons residing in the Territory to

remain vigilant and report any suspicious activities at sea. Additionally, anyone with information related to these immigrants should also contact the Immigration Department at 468-4717, 468-4715 or 468-4753 or the Royal Virgin Islands Police Force hotline at 311.

The Joint Task Force, which comprises officers from the

Department of Immigration, Her Majesty's Customs and the Royal Virgin Islands Police Force, will continue to increase their capabilities by ensuring that cohesive plans are executed in a manner that will ensure the safety of residents as the security of the Territory's borders is paramount.



Energy Project Moves Forward On Anegada

Deputy Premier and Minister for Communications and Works, Honourable Kye M. Rymer, has said that the Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) project is long overdue as the Virgin Islands continues to move towards energy resiliency and energy security.

Honourable Rymer while addressing the Ground Breaking Ceremony on Anegada said had it not been for the COVID-19 pandemic which struck in 2020, the renewable energy project



Photograph: Hon. Kye M. Rymer, Deputy Premier and Minister for Communications and Works.

would have been completed about a year ago. He added, "It is overdue in the first sense, that with everything we know about the damaging effects of fossil fuels; the world is playing catch-up with the climate crisis – and some people and some countries have still not yet gotten the message that time is running out to save our planet."

The British Virgin Islands Electricity Cooperation (BVI EC) and Power52 executed the contract for the Anegada Hybrid Renewable Energy & Battery Storage System (BESS) Project in November 2021 in the sum of \$4,687,944.72.

"The long-term goal is for us to get to around 70 to 80 percent renewable energy across the Virgin Islands. This project will reduce diesel-produced electricity on Anegada by 90 to 95 percent," Honourable Rymer said.

The BVI EC subsidises the cost of electricity for residents on Anegada, who are not connected to the main electrical grid. This is significantly higher than the fuel used to produce electricity on the main grid. The completed project is expected to reduce the overall cost and reduce the financial burden on the BVI EC.

The project has a substantial completion and commissioning date of November 2023.



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- (1:00 PM) OMOJA - WITH EDJU EN KA
- (5:00 PM) TALKING POINTS - WITH MRS. VIOLET GAUL
- (7:00 PM) INSPIRATION MONDAYS - WITH MEADE MALONE
- (7:30 PM) TRANSFORMING YOUR TOMORROW TODAY - BY TRANSFORMATION CHURCH INTERNATIONAL
- (8:00 PM) NDP RADIO PROGRAM (1ST & 3RD MONDAYS) - BY THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY
- (8:00 - 9:00 PM) NEW COVENANT PRAYER LINE (EVERY 2ND MONDAY) - NEW COVENANT MINISTRIES

TUESDAYS

- (5:00 PM) HONESTLY SPEAKING PROGRAM - WITH CLAUDE SKELTON CLINE

WEDNESDAYS

- (10:00 AM) THE MORNING SHOW - WITH PAUL HEWLETT
- (1:15 PM) OMOJA - WITH "EDJU EN KA"
- (7:00 - 8:00 PM) DYAS VOICE PROGRAM - (2ND AND 4TH WEDNESDAY) WITH DEPT. OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
- (7:00 - 9:00 PM) THE HOT SEAT REVISED PROG. - (1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAY)
- (8:00 - 10:00 PM) THE HOT SEAT REVISED PROG. - (2ND WEDNESDAY) WITH CARL DAWSON, JULIAN GORDON, AND WALWYN BREWLEY

THURSDAYS

- (5:00 PM) HONESTLY SPEAKING PROGRAM - WITH CLAUDE SKELTON CLINE

FRIDAYS

- (7:00 - 8:00 PM) BODY AND SOUL PROGRAM - WITH REV. DR. PASTOR MELVIN TURNBULL, DR. KEDRICK PICKERING, REV. MICHAEL ANTHONY, PASTOR CALVIN MILLS, AND REV. DR. KEITH LEWIS

SATURDAYS

- (8:00 - 10:00 AM) MORE TALK, LESS MUSIC - WITH ZOE AND JOE JACK
- (10:00 - 11:00 AM) KNOWLEDGE IS POWER HOUR
- (4:30 - 6:00 PM) SPORTS TALK - WITH CLEMENT "BONE CRUSHER" DONOVAN, AND ROY PICKERING (ALTERNATING WEEKS)
- (6:00 - 7:30 PM) A LOOK AT THE COMMUNITY - WITH HOSTS ULRIC SCATLIFFE & DR. HARLAN VANTERPOOL

SUNDAYS

- (7:15 - 7:30 AM) HOPE FOR TODAY B'CAST - BY: CHRISTIAN FAITH ASSEMBLY
- (7:30 - 7:45 AM) VOICE OF THE LAMB B'CAST - BY: TRINITY MORAVIAN CHURCH
- (7:45 - 8:00 AM) ADVENT EYE MINISTRY (2ND & 4TH SUNDAY) - BY: BRO. MICHAEL WILLIAMS
- (7:45 - 8:00 AM) FAITH BELIEVING B'CAST (1ST & 3RD SUNDAY) - BY: UPPER ROOM DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE, BOSTON, MA
- (8:00 - 8:15 AM) VOICE OF HOPE B'CAST - BY: APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH
- (8:30 - 9:00 AM) GOSPEL OF JESUS B'CAST - BY: GOSPEL OF JESUS EVANGELISTIC PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
- (9:00 - 9:30 AM) SHOCKING BIBLE PROPHECIES - BY: SEVENTHDAY ADVENTISTS CHURCHES
- (9:30 - 9:45 AM) AGAPE TOTAL LIFE BROADCAST - BY: AGAPE TOTAL LIFE CENTER
- (9:50 AM) HOLINESS AWAKENING B'CAST - BY: CHURCH OF GOD OF HOLINESS, BAUGHERS BAY
- (10:05 AM) REVEALED TRUTH B'CAST - BY: SHAMMAH DELIVERANCE MINISTRIES
- (10:35 AM) UNSHACKLED RADIO MINISTRY
- (12:30 PM) ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, SEA COWS BAY SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE
- (1:30 PM) ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL ANGLICAN CHURCH (EXCEPT 2ND SUNDAY)
- (4:30 PM) HYMNS & THEIR MEANINGS PROG. (1ST & 3RD SUNDAY) - WITH BRENDA HERBERT STEWART
- (6:00 PM) METHODIST CHURCH MONTHLY SERVICE (1ST SUNDAY)
- (6:00 PM) ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL ANGLICAN CHURCH (2ND SUNDAY)
- (7:00 PM) YOUR GOSPEL MUSIC PROGRAM - WITH VALERIE LETTSOME AND CLAUDE PARILLON (LAST 3 SUNDAYS)
- (7:30 PM) "VICTORIOUS PRAISES" B'CAST - WITH SIS. ESMIE POTTER (2ND SUNDAY)

NOTICE TO OWNERS OF DORMANT ACCOUNTS HELD BY BANCO POPULAR DE PUERTO RICO, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS AS OF DATE 12/31/2022

Please be advised that pursuant to Section 6 of the Dormant Accounts Act 2011, the accounts listed below are held as Dormant Accounts. The account holder is entitled to claim ownership and request repayment of the moneys in the dormant account, less any legally applicable fees. If a transaction is not made on the account by the account holder, within three months of this notice, the money in the account shall be transferred to the Government of the British Virgin Islands without further notice to the account holder. The account holder should immediately visit one of our branches located at Tortola or Virgin Gorda with proper identification to prove ownership of account/instrument. Copy of this report is available at the head office of "Popular" located at: **Tortola Branch**, 1 Administration Road, Road Town, Tortola BVI | **VI Popular Center Main Office**, 196 Altona & Welgunst Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas VI. The copy of the full report will be available for public inspection in Popular branches located at Tortola and Virgin Gorda, you can also verify the copy of the report in our web site www.popular.vi.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS

NAME AND ADDRESS			BALANCE	
ALAIN A COMBARD	HAVERS	TORTOLA	BVI	\$1,627.42
ANITA A OSBORNE	PURCELL ESTATE	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.13
ARIEL W SMITH	CHALWELL	TORTOLA	BVI	\$13.04
AUSTIN PARSONS	394-20A ANNAS RETREAT	ST THOMAS	VI	\$65.93
B.V.I HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1983	RD TOWN	TORTOLA	BVI	\$268.20
CANE GARDEN BAY BAPTIST CHURCH	CANE GARDEN BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$1,058.43
CARRIS A PENN	324 B ESTATE WINTBERG	ST THOMAS VI	VI	\$636.62
CEDRIC MADURO	BAUGHERS BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$8.73
CHARLES ROBERTS	8 MOWBRAY HOUSE THE GRANGE OAKLANE EAST FINCHLEY	LONDON	UK	\$1,140.13
CLEMENT O GUMBS	HANNAHS ESTATE	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.63
CLEMENT SMITH	CARROT BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$642.56
CLIVE O BUTE	PURCELL ESTATE	TORTOLA	BVI	\$532.67
CONSTANCE I HOVIS	21 PORTERS RD	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.06
CRYSTAL J AUTHURTON	HUNTUMS GHUT	TORTOLA	BVI	\$601.98
CYNTHIA E THOMAS	CARROT BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$368.56
DANIA B TAVERAS	PURCELL ESTATE	TORTOLA	BVI	\$423.30
DAVID M DURKIN	MCMAMARA	TORTOLA	BVI	\$32.56
DENNIS CALLWOOD	BREWERS BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$6.68
DEWEY J LANDRY	TOBACCO WHARF	TORTOLA	BVI	\$3.74
DOROTHY FRETT	FAT HOGS BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$100.00
EDRIC E BRATHWAITE	DUFF BOTTOM	TORTOLA	BVI	\$200.57
ELMO GEORGE	NORTH SOUND	VIRGIN GORDA	BVI	\$19,533.86
ESME GEORGE	EAST END	TORTOLA	BVI	\$540.37
ETHLYN DONOVAN	CARROT BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$9.91
FERNANDO R HOOGLUITER MARTINEZ	FAT HOGS BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$48.36
FLORENCE A BREWLEY	HUNTUMS GHUT	TORTOLA	BVI	\$30.57
FRANKLYN M PENN	BAUGHERS BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.43
GEORGE I PICKERING	PURCELL ESTATE	ROADTOWN TORTOLA	BVI	\$3,714.87
GREGORY M ROSS	FAT HOGS BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$1.44
GWENDOLYN LETTSOME	8-64 ESTATE LERKENLUND	ST THOMAS	VI	\$12,291.94
HELEN PERCIVAL	LOWER ESTATE	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.15
ILLUSTRIOUS E MCDOWALL	HUNTUMS GHUT	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.66
ILYAS ELAMIN	C O CLYNE CANE GARDEN BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$4,715.16
INA GORDON	SEA COWS BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$10.21
IRENE L DAWSON	FAHIE HILL	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.01
IVAN V HODGE	TODMAN ESTATE	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.31
JAMES A HARRIS	MAIN STREET	TORTOLA	BVI	\$9.21
JILL M SHORTT	HUNTUMS GHUT	TORTOLA	BVI	\$291.48
JOHN RONAN	WEST END	TORTOLA	BVI	\$48.41
JONATHAN SYLVESTER	EAST END	TORTOLA	BVI	\$6.72
JOYCE WHEATLEY	EAST END	TORTOLA	BVI	\$37.53
JUDITH PARSONS	MEYERS ESTATE	TORTOLA	BVI	\$24.43
JULIA L WAKELING	HAVERS	TORTOLA	BVI	\$600.34
JUNIOR A E WILLIAMS	BELLE VUE	TORTOLA	BVI	\$9,839.04
LEONULDO C RAMIREZ	SEA COWS BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$27.92
LIDIA CORPORAN	GREAT HARBOR	JOST VAN DYKE	BVI	\$0.73
LOLITA O GEORGE	FRENCHMANS CAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$180.21
LORNA V CHARLES	HAVERS	TORTOLA	BVI	\$118.52
LUIS E ARENAS CARDONA	2231 FLAGG DRIVE	RENO	NV	\$103.70
MARINA J SMITH	LOWER ESTATE	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.04
MENAWATIE SEONARAIN	PURCELL ESTATE	TORTOLA	BVI	\$1,076.31
MICHAEL DORSETTE SR	KINGSTON	TORTOLA	BVI	\$71.31
MIGUEL A BRIGNONI-CLAVELL	LITTLE BAY LAMBERT ESTATE	TORTOLA	BVI	\$3.96
MONIQUE ADAMS	CHALSWELL	TORTOLA	BVI	\$1,627.42
NEW LIFE FOUNDATION INC	ROAD TOWN	TORTOLA	BVI	\$22.25
OLIVER CILLS	SEA COWS BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.18
OTIS HARRIGAN	CANE GARDEN BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$7.85
PATRICIA MCRAE	LONG BUSH	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.66
PAUL MADURO	BAUGHERS BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.60
PETER B ASKULV	HAWKS NEST/EAST END	TORTOLA	BVI	\$7.70
PHILIP T CLATWORTHY	SHANNON	TORTOLA	BVI	\$10.80
RECIA N SMITH-ROBIN	RD TOWN	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.01
RECIA N SMITH-ROBIN	RD TOWN	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.01
RITZEL ANTHONY	HOPE ESTATE	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.12
ROBERT LAFORTUNE	15 W HEALEY AVE STITTSVILLE	ONTARIO	CANADA	\$0.10
RONALD C BRANCHE	RD TOWN	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.31
ROSE MARIE-KING	TORTOLA	CHALWELL	BVI	\$17.16
RUAN ROUX	EAST END	TORTOLA	BVI	\$9,895.82
RUBEL F LADDOO	THE VALLEY	VIRGIN GORDA	BVI	\$1.46
RUPERT O PENN	EAST END	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.11
RUTH H GORDON	TORTOLA	TORTOLA	BVI	\$12.32
SAMUEL THOMAS	FAT HOGS BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$10.46
TERRANCE MALONE	LONG LOOK	TORTOLA	BVI	\$68.07
VERDICK L JACK	BAUGHERS BAY	TORTOLA	BVI	\$330.12
VERONICA V BLOICE	EAST END	TORTOLA	BVI	\$17.87
WALTERS GLADSTONE	VALLEY	VIRGIN GORDA	BVI	\$2,788.96
WILFORD E HARRIGAN	ROAD TOWN	TORTOLA	BVI	\$127.56
YVONNE B GOULD	DR D SMITHS APT 2 MAIN STREET	TORTOLA	BVI	\$0.52

OFFICIAL CHECKS

NAME	AMOUNT
ALLAN CORNISH	\$111.84
CLAUDIA THOMAS	\$387.63
COLDWELL BANKER REAL ESTATE	\$39,000.00
DAMION MORGAN	\$108.56
EUNICE INDUSTRIOUS OR JONATHAN INDUSTRIOUS	\$0.03
HERBERT MERRIT	\$0.03
INSTITUTE FOR THERAPEUTIC =MAS	\$50.00
JAMAICAN HIGH COMMISSION	\$10.00
JANINE CUPID-THUESDAY	\$765.13
KELLEEN GLASGOW	\$20.00
MARIA BY THE SEA	\$3,330.00
MARIA SHULTERBRANDT	\$193.74
MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY	\$80.00
ST.GEORGES UNIVERSITY	\$25.00
TEYMAHAL HUGGINS	\$84.81
TRANSAMERICA PREMIER LIFE =INS	\$200.00
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UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES	\$30.00
VERNETTE GLASGOW	\$32.80
YOLANDER ADLIEN	\$539.10

MONEY ORDERS

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103218500009557	\$14.85
103218500009859	\$25.00
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103218500009937	\$50.00

New Stamp Issue Observes VI London Office Anniversary

The BVI Post has released a new \$1.00 stamp issue commemorating the 20th Anniversary of the BVI London Office at BVI House London United Kingdom. The office, in marking this milestone achievement,

collaborated with BVI Post to commission and release a commemorative stamp which depicts an exterior representation of BVI House, home of the BVI London Office in London.

London Office.

Governor John Rankin in his remarks paid tribute to the current and former staff at the BVI London Office for their work in promoting the Virgin Islands as a place to visit, invest in and representing BVI's interests in discussions with UK Government, with the European Union and others on policies which the Territory has an interest.

Acting Postmaster General, Mrs. Iris Romney, while speaking at the launch said the Government of the Virgin Islands, under the leadership of the then Chief Minister, Honourable Ralph T. O'Neal, OBE, approved the acquisition of BVI House in London in June 2002.

Governor Rankin said, "A stamp is indeed a message and whenever I receive a letter, I always look at the stamps. Those who will receive letters from the BVI will see that beautiful building and think about a little bit of how the Territory is represented in the United Kingdom and how the offices of the BVI represent the Territory worldwide."

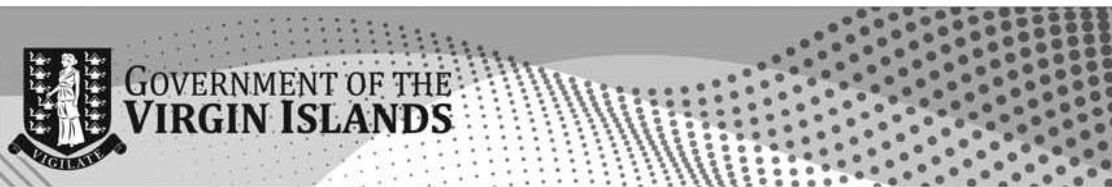
Under the leadership of then Chief Minister Dr. the Honourable D. Orlando Smith, OBE, approval was formally granted for the establishment of the BVI London Office as a diplomatic mission on 7 January 2004. The BVI London Office became fully operational in August 2004 under the new structure with a budget approved by Executive Council.

Premier and Minister of Finance Dr. Honourable Natalio Wheatley's made remarks at the launch and said the stamp captures BVI House in all its glory. He encouraged the public to purchase the stamp which he said is a worthwhile memento.

Mrs. Romney said, "It was a first step in establishing the BVI London Office and raising the Territory's profile in the United Kingdom and Europe. The building, located at 15 Upper Grosvenor Street in Mayfair in the West End of London near Hyde Park, was intended to be used as the representative office through which the BVI Government's EU and UK relationships could be managed on a permanent basis."

Premier Wheatley said, "The 20th Anniversary of the establishment of the BVI London Office at BVI House is a significant milestone in the national development of these Virgin Islands. The office is the outward extension of self-government in the Territory which began in 1950 and continues to develop today. As a representative of office, the BVI London Office reflects our ongoing desire as a people to represent ourselves and our interests in

The Postmaster General said the release of a \$1.00 commemorative stamp for the 20th Anniversary of the BVI London Office at BVI House depicts an exterior representation of BVI House, home of the BVI



GOVERNMENT OF THE
VIRGIN ISLANDS

VACANCY NOTICE TAXI AND LIVERY COMMISSION (TLC)

The Government's Vision to transform the Virgin Islands into a leading economy through entrepreneurship, innovation and local and foreign investment. This means creating a thriving, vibrant, diversified and innovative, knowledge-based economy, with an attractive business environment that ensures full employment and full participation in global trade.

TAXI AND LIVERY COMMISSION

The Taxi and Livery Commission is the regulatory body of the land transportation-for-hire industry of the British Virgin Islands.

The Government of the Virgin Islands is seeking qualified persons to fill the following positions:

- **Chairman**
- **Board Member** representing the Taxi-Cab Operator on the Sister Islands
- **Board Member** representing the Livery Service Operators

Persons applying to serve on the Board should have the professional competencies that exemplify integrity, respect and a balance of skills and experience that match the purpose, mission and values of the Commission.

THE IDEAL CANDIDATES EMBODY THE FOLLOWING QUALITIES:

Since most of the work of the Board will be done during regularly scheduled meetings, the competencies required for an effective Board Member include the ability to:

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- c) Attend meeting and make a substantial active contribution to Board deliberations. Share recommendations on how the Board can enhance the effective performance of its functions and mandate.

- d) Partner with Board Member to ensure that all Board resolutions are carried out and that actions to achieve the Commission's strategic goals are successfully undertaken.
- e) Develop a good working relationship with other Board members and contribute to the Board's working relationship with the senior management of the Commission.
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- g) Think strategically, manage complexity and act decisively.
- h) Demonstrate ability and willingness to work effectively and collaboratively in a group.
- i) Possess an innovative spirit and the ability to think out of the box.

TRAINING/SKILL/EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS:

Board Members must have commercial experience and acumen within a substantial private sector business or past public sector experience ideally from a relevant environment in the field of expertise which may include: leisure and tourism, maritime, finance, law, economics, management, among other related business sector leadership.

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Ministry of Communications and Works
Government of the Virgin Islands
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today's interdependent and interconnected world.”

Premier Wheatley paid tribute to the late Premier and Minister of Finance Honourable Ralph T. O' Neal for his vision in acquiring BVI House and establishing the BVI London Office. “It was one of the best investments the Government of the Virgin Islands has ever made, and it continues to pay dividends,” he said.

The BVI House building is located at 15 Upper Grosvenor Street in Mayfair in the West End of London near Hyde Park. In addition to the office, BVI House is also home to the British Virgin Islands Tourist Board UK Office and private tenants.

The mandate of the office, as approved by the Executive Council, includes:

Strengthening the British Virgin Islands' voice with Her Majesty's Government Enhancing the British Virgin Islands' regional and international impact

Promoting BVI Business including new international investment Supporting British Virgin Islanders in the UK

Speaking for the British Virgin Islands

Responding to inquiries about the British Virgin Islands (Including improving the interface with the EU)

Management of BVI House

The BVI Post aims to become a major stakeholder by providing prompt, reliable and competitive global postal service to the residents of the Virgin Islands through innovative and efficient operation.



GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

VACANCY NOTICE

BVI ELECTRICITY CORPORATION

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BVI Electricity Corporation

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Premier Hosts 20th Anniversary Reception At BVI House

Premier and Minister of Finance, Dr. the Honourable Natalio D. Wheatley, hosted a large gathering of dignitaries at a reception to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the BVI London Office.

While speaking at the event, Premier Wheatley stated that the BVI London Office is the outward extension of self-government in the Territory which began in 1950 and continues to develop today. He recalled the vision of the late former Premier and Minister of Finance, Honourable Ralph T. O'Neal, OBE when his administration successfully acquired BVI House and established the BVI London Office in 2004.

Premier Wheatley stated, "He and his Government understood that the continued political and economic development of the Virgin Islands, and our emergence

as an international finance centre and tourist destination, required the Government to have a permanent political presence in the United Kingdom (UK) and European Union (EU) going forward." The Premier said that the permanent political presence also provides access to other international partners via the Diplomatic Corps in London, Brussels and the Commonwealth.

Going forward, Premier Wheatley said, "The BVI London Office will be more engaged with the CARICOM Caucus of High Commissioners and also our African partners represented in the Diplomatic Corps."

Meanwhile, Acting Director of the BVI London Office, Ms. Tracy Bradshaw, stated that over the past 20 years, the BVI London Office has

played an invaluable role to the Government and people of the Virgin Islands as the Territory continues to advance internationally, politically, and economically.

Ms. Bradshaw acknowledged her predecessors and colleagues for their leadership over the years and expressed gratitude to the many friends, supporters, advisors and partners who have helped the Office to fulfill its mission and realise its vision.

"On this auspicious occasion, we turn eagerly to the years that lie ahead and rededicate ourselves as servants of the people of the Territory to support them in their aspirations," Ms. Bradshaw said. She added, "We look forward to many more progressive and successful years with strong relationships advancing the Territory's various interests even further."

Director of the Overseas Territory Directorate at the Foreign and Commonwealth Development Office, Mr. Paul Candler, in his congratulatory remarks, noted that the London Office provides vital services for the people of the BVI, from supporting students or residents living in the UK, to promoting BVI's financial services, to advocating for the people of the BVI across the UK Government in London.

Mr. Candler said that working for the best interests to the people of the Overseas Territories is the most important job that they do in the Overseas Territories Directorate.

Premier Wheatley and his delegation are in London as part of his Administration's deepening engagement with partners in the United Kingdom including the UK Government, UK Parliament, local council government, universities, firms and businesses.



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VI Benefits From Executive-Level Oil Spill Training



Twenty high level public officers participated in Level 3 Oil Spill Response Training designed to improve the coordination, management and planning of responses to these events.

Acting Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Natural Resources and Labour Joseph Smith Abbott said the training was valuable for leaders in the public service who have the responsibility to ensure that oil spills within the Territory receive a well-balanced response.

Mr. Smith Abbott said, "Oil spills are unique in that they require us to plan

responses that swiftly protect the Territory's natural resources, safeguard our first responders, and investigate the scene in case there is a need for criminal prosecution, all at the same time."

Director of Disaster Management Jasen Penn said the executive-level training is for decision makers who must ensure effective and harmonious responses among responders from other Government agencies, as well as international partners, non-governmental organisations, and the private sector. He

said it also helps the Territory achieve compliance with the International Maritime Organisation's International Convention on Oil Pollution Preparedness, Response and Co-operation (OPRC).

Mr. Penn added that the training complements the 2021 revision of the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan.

"As technology and best practises change, it's imperative for us as a Territory to improve our capacity to respond to incidents as well," the Director said.

Officers from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Labour, Royal Virgin Islands Police, Virgin Islands Shipping Registry, BVI Ports Authority, Virgin Islands Fire and Rescue Service, and the Department of Disaster Management participated in the four-day virtual training.

The session was organised by the Department of Disaster Management (DDM) as part of its annual training programme with financial support from United Kingdom Maritime and Coastguard Agency (UKMCA) through the Conflict, Stability and Security Fund (CSSF). It was provided by Ambipar Response, and conforms to the requirements of the International Maritime Organisation (IMO). Level 1 and Level 2 training sessions for persons who respond directly to oil spill incidents are scheduled to follow in February.

Residents who suspect an oil spill has occurred or is occurring should report it to the Virgin Islands Fire and Rescue Service by calling 911 or 999.

COI Implementation Unit Reports On Progress For December

The Commission of Inquiry Implementation Unit is advising the public that it has reported to the Governor and Premier on the status of work completed up to the end of December 2022.

Based on the timelines agreed in the Framework for Implementation of the Recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry Report and Other Reforms, the Director of the Unit Ms. Hadassah Ward has advised that work on 48 of the 50 Framework recommendations has begun.

Ms. Ward said, "15 of the Recommendations have been completed and 33 Recommendations are in progress. The Recommendations are currently split into 132 Actions. Of these, 52 (39%) are completed, 31 (23%) are in progress and on track, 26 (20%) are in progress but experiencing challenges and 22 (17%) have not been started as yet."

She noted that during the month of December:

Two Independent Reviewers completed and submitted their reports: B25 – The Establishment and Maintenance of Statutory Bodies and B29 - Review of the Membership of Statutory Boards. These will be submitted to Cabinet as Information Papers and laid before the House of Assembly before the relevant Ministries begin public consultation and continuing to change the relevant policies and procedures and requesting legislative amendments.

The Auditor General completed and submitted three Reports: B12 – HOA Assistance Grants, B22 - Claude Skelton-Cline Government contracts since 2019 and B23 EZ Shipping – Government Contracts for radar barges since 2019.

She said that the Dashboard gives a pictorial summary of the status of the fulfilment of the COI recommendations as agreed in the Framework. The Key shares each of the 50 Framework Recommendations, now being worked on as the main focus of Government of the Virgin Islands to raise our standards of governance in our beautiful Territory, so you can track the status of work on each recommendation.

If you have any specific questions on the implementation of any of the COI Framework Recommendations, please email the COI Implementation Unit directly at implementationunit@gov.vg.

The COI Implementation Unit assists in coordinating the overall delivery of the COI recommendations, which includes providing support to ministries in developing work plans for the delivery of recommendations, assist in drafting policy directions, and the development of new programmes and systems. The unit is also responsible for preparing monthly progress reports, reports on specific work programmes, and reports to identify key issues associated with implementation and suggest remedies. The unit reports directly to the Permanent Secretary Mrs. Carolyn Stoutt Igwe in the Premier's Office, who chairs the COI Implementation Steering Committee. The Governor and Premier receive the monthly report on the 15th of each month.



Members of the Oil Spill Response Team carried out a clean-up operation in Road Town in 2013. (Credit: DDM)





GLOBAL NEWS BRIEF

STORIES SELECTED BY GIORGIO MIGLIAVACCA

USA - The United States is about to reach the debt limit that it can have in circulation, as Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen warned this Friday in a letter sent to Congress. There was debate about when that milestone would be reached, but it was not expected to be so imminent. Raising the debt limit is the responsibility of Congress and with the House of Representatives in Republican hands it will not be easy to achieve. In an unlikely extreme case, the federal government's inability to borrow could lead to an unprecedented debt default that would rock markets and send the country into recession.

"I am writing to inform you that beginning on Thursday, January 19, 2023, the outstanding debt of the United States is projected to reach the statutory limit. Once the limit is reached, Treasury will need to start taking certain extraordinary measures to prevent the United States from defaulting on its obligations," Yellen said in her letter.

The debt limit is the total amount of money that the United States government is authorized to borrow to meet its existing legal obligations, including Social Security and Medicare benefits, military salaries, interest on the national debt, tax refunds, and other payments. It is currently set at \$31,381 trillion.

Yellen has announced to Congress the implementation of extraordinary

measures, but warns that they will serve to weather the situation and "enables the government to meet its obligations for only a limited amount of time." "It is therefore critical that Congress act in a timely manner to increase or suspend the debt limit. Failure to meet the government's obligations would cause irreparable harm to the US economy, the livelihoods of all Americans, and global financial stability," says the Treasury Secretary. [El Pais]

GERMANY - It would be premature to talk about Russian military defeat in Ukraine. But Vladimir Putin has lost the gas war against Germany — that much can already be said for certain. Germany has the largest natural gas storage capacities in the whole of the EU. And if these are still more than 90% full in mid-January, at the height of the heating season, it means the loss of Russian gas supplies no longer constitutes a threat.

When Russia invaded Ukraine almost 11 months ago, Germany was importing more than half its natural gas from Russia. Blackmailing Germany was therefore the centerpiece of the economic pressure Moscow piled on the European Union, aiming to undermine European support for the Ukrainian people and their army.

The plan has failed. Germans are not freezing in their homes; they

have not been forced to shut down their factories. Politicians in Berlin are no longer afraid that Moscow could take revenge on Germany and bring the country to a standstill. No — Germany itself renounced coal and crude oil from Russia as part of the EU sanctions, and since the end of August it has not received any natural gas from Gazprom, either. [Deutsche Welle]

ROME - The first real wintry conditions of the season are set to hit Italy on Sunday and last for some time, weathermen said Thursday. "January 15 will be the date of the first meteorological inversion towards a marked change in the weather," said Lorenzo Tedici of the www.iLMeteo.it website.

After the recent balmy spell gave way to rain and high winds, but still far from average high temperatures, Tedici said colder and more unstable air will move in from northern Europe starting Sunday. There will be a bright side to the cold front as it will bring much-needed snow to both northern and central mountains, amid a snow crisis in the central Apennines that is threatening winter tourism along the spine of Italy and has already cost over 50 million euros. "Conditions will be more typical of the time of year," said Tedici, adding that snow will fall on low ground in the Po Valley and the Apennines.

Ahead of the brisk change in the weather, however, "we will still have three days of very mild conditions, with temperatures as high as 15 degrees celsius." (ANSA).

BAHAMAS - AN American cruise visitor was fined in court on Friday after admitting to bringing

recreational marijuana into the country.

Idris Aliyu, 25, of New York, stood before Magistrate Samuel McKinney on a charge of possession of dangerous drugs.

After entering New Providence aboard the Carnival Conquest, Aliyu was arrested after being found with 1 ¼ oz of Indian hemp in four blue packages.

In a subsequent police interview he admitted to buying the drugs in the US for his recreational use and further said that he was unaware that weed was illegal here.

As such he pleaded guilty to the offence in court resulting in him receiving a fine of \$350 or one month in prison.

After requesting to have the fine lowered over concerns of the cost to return home, the magistrate told the defendant that the US Embassy should assist with his repatriation. [The Tribune]

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC - Santo Domingo.- Former Vice President Margarita Cedeño responded this Wednesday to the request of the director of the Supérate (food coupon) program, Gloria Reyes, in the sense that the efforts of that social assistance institution be investigated from when the former president directed it until now.

"Not her, eagle doesn't hunt flies," said Cedeño when asked what she has to say to Gloria Reyes, after the official requested the aforementioned audit from the Accounts Chamber.

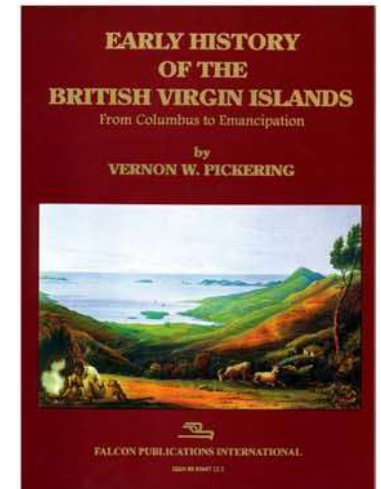
Cedeño stated that President Luis Abinader wants to do a circus with her, arguing that "there is a plot from the National Palace."

"To President Abinader, (who) wants to do a circus with Margarita, that is a plot that they hatch from the (National) Palace, because they have already chosen me as their opponent." [Dominican Today]

GUYANA - Guyana's Home Affairs Minister Robeson Benn saying the spike in the number of fires at schools is concerning as he urged the population to be vigilant.

"Primarily, it requires the communities, the parents, each and every one and the media to put out the message to protect the nation's assets every time and particularly the future and education of children," Benn said as he and Education Minister Priya Manickchand Thursday night toured the burnt out remains of the Christ Church Secondary School in Georgetown, the latest school to be destroyed by fire.

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Benn said while the police are working on information regarding the fire, he hinted that the blaze may have been deliberately set.

"It would appear passing strange and it would test probability that within two or three weeks, we can have a fire at the same building at a prominent location in Georgetown where hundreds of children are working on their SBAs (School-Based Assessments) and other things," he said;

He urged everyone to stand in support of the education system and that the destruction of the Christ Church Secondary School was a "tremendous blow."

Benn said the spike in the number of fires at schools "has to tell us something" with the authorities noting that a large section of the North Ruimveldt Multilateral School was destroyed in June, 2021, the St George's Secondary School was ravaged by a blaze in July, 2022, and arsonists destroyed the Mabaruma Secondary School in September 2021. [CMC News]

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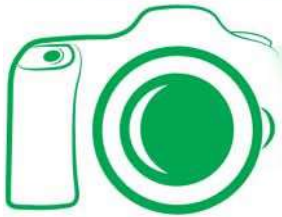
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Through the Lens of The Sunny Side



BDO Schools League Coordinator, Cassandra "Cass" Gregg, left, leading the parade of teams to the A. O. Shirley Grounds

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Ladyburd Talks

Dear Readers: Patience Is a Virtue (1 of 2)

We've analyzed the list of the fruit of the spirit. Patience comes forth in the queue of characteristics of God that Christians strive to emulate. When someone says the phrase, "Patience is a virtue," they often mean that you are displaying signs of impatience. And that, in essence, good things come to those who wait. This doesn't mean that everyone who exercises patience will get every earthly desire they hope for.

How to have patience in life

We have to fight this urge for instant gratification. Depending on the context, some methods will work better than others. A long line at the grocery store, traffic jams, rude family members — all of these daily hassles can send your heart rate through the roof.

But for now, here are some general tips on how to become more patient in life. Keep these in mind next time you feel yourself growing frustrated.

1. Reframe the issue

When you're in an irritating situation, try to think about why it bothers you. Once you identify the reason, you can reframe the issue so it's less cumbersome.

For example, if you find yourself waiting for a co-worker who is 15-minutes late, take it as an opportunity to read or catch up on emails. Turn that negative into a positive.

2. Practice mindfulness

Of course, identifying your feelings requires a certain degree of mindfulness. You can practice this technique by closing your eyes, taking a deep breath, and examining your thoughts and emotions. Naming them will prevent them from overpowering you.

Show gratitude

People who show gratitude cope better with delayed gratification. Next time you're frustrated, think of something you're grateful for. This will help calm you down so you can make better decisions



Sources: <https://www.christianity.com/wiki/bible/patience-is-a-virtue.html> and
Source: <https://www.betterup.com/blog/how-to-be-more-patient>
(more next week)

Ladyburd's Mail Box

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Dear Ladyburd: I am not in a good mood and I just wanted to run something by you. Ladyburd, I went to this event with this new guy that I met, whom I am really getting attach to and someone I believe, I could begin a relationship with. However, I am very frustrated. Imagine, Ladyburd, we just met and he is pushing me to be intimate with him. I am trying to tell him to slow down, it will happen when the time is right, but he is not having it and was very upset. I am not sure what to do, because I can see a future with him...Please help...Just feel like telling him to hit the road. What do you suggest I do.....*Lisa*

Ladyburd: *Dear Lisa:* Happy New Year to you. Lisa, I am going to suggest to you, not to sell yourself short, if you are not ready for intimacy with him, do not let him push you or talk you into it, it must be what you want to do, And not because he took you to an event, to have a good time, he thinks he is entitled to your body, you have not even decided definitively, whether you are going to officially start a relationship with him. Now is the time he should be courting you and catering to you and let things happen effortlessly, but he sounds desperate and thirsty with no patience.

Have a talk with him, and let him know exactly how you feel and that he should let nature take it's course, and if he only wants you for your body, that is not going to work, you also have a brain. Then you will be able to make up your mind as to what to do.



Light Bulb Moments

"Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance, you must keep moving."
— Albert Einstein

"Whether you think you can, or think you can't, you're right."
— Henry Ford

"It's never too late—never too late to start over, never too late to be happy."
— Jane Fonda

<https://www.countryliving.com/life/g4974/new-year-quotes/>

Poetry Corner

Begin the Day

Begin each morning with a talk to God,
And ask for your divine inheritance
Of usefulness, contentment, and success.
Resign all fear, all doubt, and all despair.

The stars doubt not, and they are undismayed,

Though whirled through space for countless centuries,

And told not why or wherefore: and the sea

With everlasting ebb and flow obeys,

And leaves the purpose with the unseen Cause.

The star sheds radiance on a million worlds,

The sea is prodigal with waves, and yet

No Lustre from the star is lost, and not

One drop is missing from the ocean tides.

Oh! brother to the star and sea, know all

God's opulence is held in trust for those

Who wait serenely and who work in faith.

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Tickle My Funny Bones

By Delseita



Funny Short Jokes

"My senior relatives liked to tease me at weddings, saying things like, "You'll be next!" They stopped once I started doing the same to them at funerals."

"Today on a drive, I decided to go visit my childhood home. I asked the people living there (my parents) if I could come inside because I was feeling nostalgic, but they refused and slammed the door in my face saying go away..... My parents are the worst."

"I just came across my wife's Tinder profile and I'm so angry about her lies. Saying she is fun to be around...She is not "fun to be around."

"My husband and I have reached the difficult decision that we do not want children. If anybody does, please just send me your contact details and we can drop them off tomorrow. Thank you."

Source

<https://short-funny.com/good-jokes.php>

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"The guy who invented the door knocker got a no-bell prize."

Source: <https://parade.com/1024249/marynliles/funny-puns/>

Reigning BVI CCT Soca Monarch champion Ramon George represented the Territory on January 4

*when he came second in the regional 2023 Soca Party
Monarch Jumpy competition in St. Croix.*





Celebrate Fortune, Happiness and Health in the Chinese New Year

This year, Chinese New Year begins on Sunday, Jan. 22 and will culminate with the Lantern Festival on Feb. 5 as we welcome the year of the Rabbit.

You know me, if festivities are happening, I'm on board! In the Chinese culture, eggs symbolize birth or a new start, so this week I'm sharing the Chinese American classic Egg Fu Yung. This Chinese restaurant favorite is like an omelet filled with crisp vegetables served with a sweet and savory sauce.

It's surprisingly easy to prepare, very inexpensive, and it's delicious.

The only thing you probably don't have on hand would be mung bean sprouts. They're usually under \$2, commonly found packaged in the produce department near the tofu or canned in the ethnic food aisle of your grocery store. Bean sprouts make this dish fresh and crispy, but if you absolutely can't find them, substitute thinly sliced celery, bok choy or napa cabbage instead. They have the same crunch and a similar taste.



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Celebrate the Chinese New Year with Egg Fu Yung

EGG FU YUNG

- Yield: 4 to 6 servings
- Time: 1 hour

This makes 6 to 8 egg foo yung and is a satisfying dinner served with ramen or rice and stir fry vegetables on the side. The recipe yields enough sauce to serve over rice and veggies, too.

What You'll Need: For the Sauce:

- 1 (14.5 ounces) can chicken broth, divided
- 3 tablespoons soy sauce
- 1 1/2 tablespoons apple cider vinegar
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic, minced
- 1/4 teaspoon fresh ginger, grated
- 3 tablespoons cornstarch

Here's How:

In a small saucepan, combine 1 cup of the chicken broth with the soy sauce, vinegar, sugar, ginger and garlic, and bring this mixture to a boil. Take the remaining cold chicken broth and mix it with the corn starch until completely blended, no lumps! Slowly, add this to the boiling liquid while whisking to combine. Bring to a boil, stirring until thickened. Hold this on very low heat, stirring occasionally, until ready to serve.

For the Egg Fu Yung:

- 12 eggs, well beaten
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon sesame oil
- 12 to 14 ounces (about 3 cups) mung bean sprouts
- 1/2 cup green onions, thinly sliced, plus more for garnish
- Vegetable oil or olive oil for cooking

Here's How:

Preheat the oven to 180 F. Combine the well-beaten eggs with salt, pepper, garlic powder and sesame oil. Add the bean sprouts and green onion, stirring to incorporate. In a preheated 8-inch skillet, heat about a teaspoon of oil adding additional oil as needed. Using a 1/2 cup measure for each, place a scoop of the mixture in the hot pan and fry as you would a pancake, turning once, until cooked through and golden brown. Keep warm on a platter in the oven while cooking the remaining mixture.

Repeat with remaining egg mixture to make 6 to 8 pieces. Stir the egg mixture each time you scoop to be sure each one gets an equal share of the sprouts and onion, or the last few will be just egg. Serve topped with the Egg Fu Yung sauce, garnished with green onion.

This inexpensive recipe is a great addition to your Meatless Monday rotation. However, you could also add cooked chicken, shrimp, pork, beef or tofu. Other optional ingredients would be sauteed mushrooms, peas, julienned carrot, thinly sliced cabbage and/or cilantro.

While not traditionally Chinese, it's fun to have this easy and versatile recipe to help celebrate the "other" New Year. Happy cooking and xin nian kuai le! Happy New Year!

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POLICE NEWS

FOUR DOGS EUTHANISED FOLLOWING VICIOUS ATTACKS

Monday, January 16 – The Royal Virgin Islands Police Force ordered four dogs euthanised over the weekend following incidents of each either injuring persons, or maiming or killing livestock.

The latest in a series of dog attacks was on Saturday in Pleasant Valley where a neighbour's dog entered an adjacent property and bit the foot of a guest of the property owner. The property owner reported that the dog, which is unregistered, had been seen off-leashed in the neighbourhood and had been on his property in the past.

The owner of the dog was subsequently reported for having an unregistered dog and warned of prosecution in relation to injuries sustained to the victim.

The three other dogs owned by a Sea Cows Bay resident were also unregistered and had, on several occasions, attacked and injured tenants residing on his property in addition killing livestock in the area.

The RVIPF is reminding dog owners of this undesirable outcome should dangerous animals be allowed to roam the neighbourhood freely and without restraint.

The Pounds and Livestock Brands Act, 2004 makes provision for any animal found straying in a public place or trespassing on any private land to be captured and impounded. The Dogs (Prevention of Injury to Person, Livestock and Poultry) Act, 2001 further states that officers are in right to destroy, either by shooting or put down in some other manner which will cause as little pain as possible, any dangerous dog.

Dog owners are reminded of their responsibility to secure these animals, so they are not a danger to the public or to livestock. Owners must also register their dogs with the Department of Agriculture and place the ID registration tags on the collar of the dog.

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Actor Alec Baldwin to Be Charged With Manslaughter in Shooting

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Prosecutors announced that actor Alec Baldwin will be charged with involuntary manslaughter in the fatal shooting of a cinematographer who was killed on a New Mexico movie set.

Halyna Hutchins died shortly after being shot during rehearsals at a ranch on the outskirts of Santa Fe on Oct. 21, 2021. Baldwin was pointing a pistol at Hutchins when the gun went off, killing her and wounding the director, Joel Souza.

Santa Fe County Sheriff Adan Mendoza, who led the initial investigation into Hutchins' death, described "a degree of neglect" on the film set. But he left decisions about potential criminal charges to prosecutors after delivering the results of a yearlong investigation in October. That report did not specify how live ammunition wound up on the film set.

Taking control of the investigation, Carmack-Altewies was granted an emergency \$300,000 request for the state to pay for a special prosecutor, special investigator and other experts and personnel.

Baldwin — known for his roles in "30 Rock" and "The Hunt for Red October" and his impression of former President Donald Trump on "Saturday Night Live" — has described the killing as a "tragic accident."

He sought to clear his name by suing people involved in handling and supplying the loaded gun that was handed to him on the set. Baldwin, also a co-producer on "Rust," said he was told the gun was safe.

In his lawsuit, Baldwin said that while working on camera angles with Hutchins during rehearsal for a scene, he pointed

the gun in her direction and pulled back and released the hammer of the weapon, which discharged.

FILE - A musician plays a violin behind a photograph of cinematographer Halyna Hutchins during a vigil in her honor in Albuquerque, New Mexico, Oct. 23, 2021.

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New Mexico's Office of the Medical Investigator determined the shooting was an accident following the completion of an autopsy and a review of law enforcement reports.

New Mexico's Occupational Health and Safety Bureau has levied the maximum fine against Rust Movie Productions, based on a scathing narrative of safety failures, including testimony that production managers took limited or no action to address two misfires of blank ammunition on the set prior to the fatal shooting.

Rust Movie Productions continues to challenge the basis of a \$137,000 fine by regulators who say production managers on the set failed to follow standard industry protocols for firearms safety.

The armorer who oversaw firearms on the set, Hannah Gutierrez Reed, has been the subject of much of the scrutiny in the case, along with an independent ammunition supplier. An attorney for Gutierrez Reed has said she did not put a live round in the gun that killed Hutchins, and she believes she was the victim of sabotage. Authorities said they have found no evidence of that.

Investigators initially found

500 rounds of ammunition at the movie set on the outskirts of Santa Fe — a mix of blanks, dummy rounds and what appeared to be live rounds. Industry experts have said live rounds should never be on set.

In April 2022, the Santa Fe Sheriff's Department released a trove of files, including lapel camera video of the mortally wounded Hutchins slipping in and out of consciousness as a medical helicopter arrived. Witness interrogations, email threads, text conversations, inventories of ammunition and hundreds of photographs rounded out that collection of evidence.

State workplace safety regulators said that immediate gun-safety concerns were addressed when "Rust" ceased filming, and that a return to filming in New Mexico would be accompanied by new safety inspections.

The family of Hutchins — widower Matthew Hutchins and son Andros — settled a lawsuit against producers under an agreement that aims to restart filming with Matthew Hutchins' involvement as executive producer.

"Rust" was beset by disputes from the start in early October 2021. Seven crew members walked off the set just hours before the fatal shooting amid discord over working conditions.

Hutchins' death has influenced negotiations over safety provisions in film crew union contracts with Hollywood producers and spurred other filmmakers to choose computer-generated imagery of gunfire rather than real weapons with blank ammunition to minimize risks.

Pope Francis: Africa 'a continent to be valued, not plundered'

VATICAN NEWS: We publish an excerpt of Pope Francis' interview published online on Friday by Comboni missionaries in Spain in 'Mundo Negro' magazine. The 30-minute interview took place on 15 December at the Vatican with the magazine's director, Fr. Jaime Calvera, Editor-in-Chief, Fr. Javier Fariñas Martín, and Cardinal Miguel Ángel Ayuso Guixot, Prefect of the Dicastery for Interreligious Dialogue.

Q: Holy Father, you became a Jesuit, among other reasons, to go to Japan as a missionary...

Yes, that is true.

Q: What has stayed with you since that time?

I think I have always been interested in the peripheries. I look at the peripheries from the inside, not only because they interest me intellectually. And that is what stays with me, to go beyond the frontiers.

Q: You have said that "Africa never ceases to surprise." How much of this surprise do you think can be attributed to the missionaries you have met?

What surprises me most about missionaries is their ability to put themselves on the ground, respect cultures and contribute to their development. They do not uproot the people, on the contrary. When I see missionaries, and there are always some who do not succeed, I note that Catholic missionary outreach does not proselytise, but proclaims the Gospel according to the culture of each place. This is Catholicism, respect for cultures. There is no Catholic culture as such; yes, there is Catholic thought, but every culture is rooted in what is Catholic, and this is already experienced in the very action of the Holy Spirit on the morning of Pentecost. This is very clear. Catholicism is not uniformity, it is harmony, a harmony of differences. And this harmony is created by the Holy Spirit. A missionary goes forth, respects what is found in each place, and helps to create harmony, but (he or she) does not proselytise ideologically or religiously, much less with a colonialistic mindset. Some aberrations have occurred on other continents, for example the serious problem of the schools in Canada that I visited and spoke about. Missionary work must respect the culture of the people, living within that context and doing this service.

Q: The Second Vatican Council sixty years ago offered extraordinary missionary momentum. Has the understanding of mission changed much since then?

Thank God, yes. Historians say that it takes 100 years for a Council to be fully implemented, so it is only half way through. Many things have changed in the Church, many things for the better ... There are two interesting signs: the initial imprudent enthusiasm of the Council has already disappeared, I am thinking of the liturgical effervescence, which is almost non-existent. And anti-conciliar resistance is emerging that had never been seen before, something that is typical of any process of maturation. But so much has changed... On the missionary side, respect for cultures and inculturation of the Gospel are values that blossomed as an indirect consequence of the Council. Faith is inculturated and the Gospel takes on the culture of its people, allowing for an evangelization of culture.

Q: Are we still very focused on the number of Catholics?

Statistics are useful, but we should not put our hopes in them. I ask myself: in whom do I place my hope? And I ask everyone: in whom do you place your hope, in your organization, in your sociological ability to bring people together, or in the power of the Gospel?



Q: From 31 January to 5 February you will travel to the Democratic Republic of Congo and South Sudan ...

In July (the journey) had to be suspended because of my knee problem ... In South Sudan I will go together, on the same (official) level, with the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Moderator of the Church of Scotland, and we are working very well together. The Democratic Republic of Congo ... it's like a fortress, a bastion of inspiration. You only have to look here in Rome at the Congolese community, which is led by a nun, Sister Rita, a woman who teaches at the university, but who commands as if she were a bishop ... I have celebrated Mass here in the Congolese rite and it is a community that is very close to me. I have been looking forward to this trip, wishing it to be as soon as possible. South Sudan is a suffering community. (Even) Congo is suffering at this time due to armed

conflict, that is why I am not going to Goma, since it is not possible due to the fighting. It's not that I'm not going because I'm afraid, but with this (volatile) atmosphere and seeing what is happening...we have to take care of people.

Q: You mentioning human and existential peripheries brings to mind the African continent. Are these two peripheries inseparable?

Africa is unique... (but) there is something we must denounce: there is a collective unconscious idea...that says Africa is to be exploited. History tells us this, with independence halfway: they give them economic independence from the ground up, but they keep the subsoil to exploit, we see the exploitation of other countries taking their resources.

Q: What are the riches of the continent that we do not see?

We only see material wealth, which is why historically it has only been sought and exploited. Today we see that many world powers are going there for plunder, it is true, and they do not see the intelligence, the greatness, the art of the people.

Q: While insisting on the war in Ukraine, you reiterate that we must not forget other conflicts that remain hidden, some of them in Africa ... This is obvious. I said that we now realize that this is a world war because it is right next door ... One of the biggest problems is the production of weapons. Someone once told me that if we stopped producing weapons for a year, world hunger would end. An industry that kills...

Q: When we talk about the exploitation of the African continent, we are talking about natural resources and people. What are we missing when we build fences and put up obstacles to stop or impede their arrival?

And when we put up barbed wires to prevent them from escaping ... It is a crime. It is a crime. And those countries that have a demographic index at its lowest, that need people, that have empty cities and don't know how to manage the integration of migrants. Migrants must be welcomed, accompanied, promoted and integrated. If they are not integrated, that is bad ... But there's a great European injustice, isn't there? Greece, Cyprus, Italy, Spain, and even Malta are the countries that are receiving most migrants. And what is happening in Italy where despite the current government's migration policy being, let's say in a nice way, restrictive, the country has always opened its doors to save the people that Europe does not welcome. These countries have to deal with everything and are faced with the dilemma of whether to send them back where they risk being killed or dying, or to do what they can... This is a serious problem. The European Union does not accompany them.

celebrity extra

by Dana Jackson

Q. Who is the actor starring in the new detective series "Will Trent"? Also, who plays Angie on the show? She looks so familiar. —E.M.

A. "Will Trent" is a police procedural series on ABC based on a series of novels written by Karin Slaughter. It stars Ramon Rodriguez, who played Renaldo on the critically acclaimed HBO series "The Wire," Bosley on the short-lived "Charlie's Angels" TV series a decade ago, and most recently Benjamin Cruz on the HBO series "The Affair." He's one of those recognizable faces with a solid resume, but never was the headliner until now.

"Will Trent" also stars Erika Christensen as Angie Polaski (who is best known for her role as Julia on the hit series "Parenthood"), Jennifer Morrison ("House"), and Mark-Paul Gosselaar ("Saved by the Bell").

Q. I really enjoyed Paul Reiser in the comedy series "Reboot." It made me wonder whatever happened to Helen Hunt? The last time I saw her was in a Tom Hanks film about 20 years ago. —H.A.

A. The daughter of respected acting coach Gordon Hunt, Helen Hunt was a child actress who guest-starred on numerous television productions in the '70s and '80s, including "The Bionic Woman," "The Mary Tyler Moore Show" and "The Facts of Life." She became a household name because of the hit sitcom "Mad About You," opposite Paul Reiser, which was part of the Thursday night NBC lineup before "Friends" took its spot. Speaking of reboots, "Mad About You" returned for a limited run in 2019 as part of the Spectrum Originals subscription service.

Hunt won four consecutive Emmy Awards for "Mad About You" before moving on to a successful movie career. She starred in blockbuster hits like "Twister" as well as critically acclaimed indie films like "The Sessions," the latter of which earned her an Oscar nomination. The highlight of her career was winning an Academy Award for the film "As Good as It Gets."

She co-starred with Tom Hanks in "Cast Away," in 2000, and while her roles haven't been as high-profile since, she's been acting on camera and



Ramon Rodriguez in "Will Trent" ABC/Art Streiber

doing voiceover work steadily for the past decade. She recently narrated the Lifetime true crime series "Meet, Marry, Murder" and was a regular on the Starz series "Blindspotting."

"Twisters," a sequel to "Twister," is coming to theaters in the summer of 2024, but whether or not Hunt is attached to that project has yet to be confirmed.

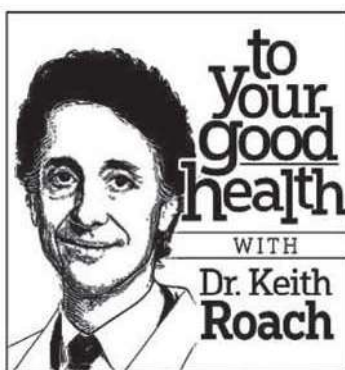
Q. I missed the first episode of "Chicago Fire" when it returned in the beginning of January. What happened to Stella? I'm glad she survived, but I don't know the details. —H.A.

A. When NBC's hit show "Chicago Fire" went on hiatus for the holidays, it did so with a cliffhanger that left fans worried about the fate of characters Stella and Carver as they rushed into a burning building to save Pryma. Fortunately, all three made it to January when new episodes resumed.

However, Carver (Jake Lockett) was left feeling guilty because Stella (Miranda Rae Mayo) was seriously injured after jumping in front of him during an explosion. Pryma (Troy Winbush) also survived, but suffered a broken leg.

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFWS, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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Family History of Breast Cancer Prompts Man to Get Examined

DEAR DR. ROACH: My mother and both of her sisters had breast cancer in their 30s, with my mother eventually passing after her third bout at age 43. They all grew up in the same house that I grew up in. I'm now a 34-year-old father of three small children. I don't want to die early because I need to be around for them, but the generalized advice I'm seeing is that I don't need a cancer screening until my 40s.

Am I overly sensitive, or am I missing something that I should potentially screen for? —M.M.

ANSWER: With your mother and two aunts having breast cancer at such a young age, I would be concerned about an inheritable cancer gene such as BRCA1 and BRCA2. This gene may not have been identifiable at the time they had their cancers, as the first test became available in 1996. It is worth a discussion with a genetic counselor to consider testing for you.

Men with the BRCA1/2 genetic mutations are at risk to develop breast cancer themselves and are recommended to do monthly breast self-examinations starting at age 35, with a clinician exam yearly. A PSA test is also recommended for men who are positive for BRCA2 (and maybe for men with BRCA1), as men with these mutations are more at risk for prostate cancer at a younger age than average-risk men.

Although BRCA increases the risk of colon cancer, all men should get colorectal cancer screenings at age 45, regardless of BRCA status. Those with a strong family history of colon cancer

should speak with an expert about the right time to begin screening.

I honor you for considering your family and expect you are doing as much as you can with your lifestyle to keep yourself healthy. A diet including plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables, with little to no processed meat, has been shown to reduce cancer risk as well as heart disease risk, which is still the major cause of death in industrial societies.

The most likely causes of death in men your age include motor vehicle accidents and suicide. These are not completely preventable, but driving safely, not texting while driving, never driving while intoxicated and seeking help with symptoms of depression go a long way at reducing your immediate risk so that you can continue to be there for your children.

DEAR DR. ROACH: I first tested positive for COVID eight days ago. Should I start Paxlovid now? —P.M.

ANSWER: This medicine has made a huge reduction in the number of people who get so sick from COVID that they need to be hospitalized, but only when used properly. This means it has to be used at the right time — ideally within 24 hours of getting sick and certainly within five days. It's not likely to be of any help to you eight days after symptom onset.

The medicine is of most value to people who are at high risk of severe COVID. This includes people who are unvaccinated, people over 65 and people with high-risk conditions such as advanced HIV, organ transplantation or other severe problems with the immune system (including cancer chemotherapy and similar powerful drugs used for autoimmune diseases). Healthy, younger, vaccinated people with initial mild to moderate symptoms are at low risk for severe COVID (as of the time of this writing, with the omicron strains currently circulating) and do not benefit much from Paxlovid.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu.

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2. MOVIES: Which 1973 movie advertised itself as a place "where nothing can possibly go wrong"?

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5. HISTORY: When was the Warsaw Pact between the Soviet Union and seven Eastern Bloc countries signed?

6. TELEVISION: Which TV game show often uses the phrase "Survey says ..."?

7. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a female peacock called?

8. FOOD & DRINK: How many meals do Hobbits eat in a day, according to the movies?

9. ADVERTISING: Which product used a manicurist named Madge in its advertisements?

10. MEDICAL: What is a common name for the condition called septicemia?

Answers

1. The Mississippi.
2. "Westworld."
3. Twister.
4. Lyndon Johnson.
5. 1955.
6. "Family Feud."
7. A peahen.
8. Seven.
9. Palmolive dishwashing liquid.
10. Blood poisoning.

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COMMENTARY

GOOD CHOICES MAKE A STRONG NATION



Dickson Igwe

January 13, 2023

A country represents the choices of the people who inhabit it

This Old Boy has a perverse delight in reading the lamentations of residents of specific societies. It is not schaden-freude. It is simple acknowledgement that we all reap what we sow individually, socially, and corporately.

It is clearly so with societies and countries. That poor choices lead to misery is cliché. The sum total of poor choices by a country's residents leads to national misery.

His favorite case study is a failed state that is the sum total of the greed, covetousness, and outright maliciousness of a significant percentage of that society's population- especially its

leadership. He has always warned that society that without a change in social behavior of the critical mass of that country's population, it will continue to lament and gnash the proverbial teeth. He is never surprised at the daily rendition of woe and misery that permeates that country: terrorism; banditry; cult murder; the looting of public treasuries; fraud; poverty; and so on and so forth.

The Virgin Islands appears to be following a similar trajectory. In fact, most countries that sing a wolf song of colonialism and imperialism as the raison d'etre for their maladies inhabit a similar world.

These societies labor under the false belief that every wrong has been the fault of some outside power. Paradoxically these societies also covet the might is right, and that wrong is strong fairy tale.

They worship at the feet of the corrupt man of power, the scamp, and detest the honest individual. Ironically, the religious folk are the guiltiest of this malady. The just and honest

man is a fool who deserves his penury.

In the end, the honest man has the last laugh as he is allowed by divinity to witness the fall and fall of these societies.

Paradoxically, most of these societies are highly religious. Religion becomes an excellent camouflage, the place to hide all the rot: the tomb filled with dead men's bones. This has always been the natural place of religion and the pious. History reveals that reality.

Not to let the so called "developed" countries off the hook: all societies suffer

from poor choices. In Britain BREXIT has been a very poor choice. In the USA, the love of Donald Trump has damaged democracy and national institutions; and tyranny has brought Russia to the brink of collapse, and global pariah status.

In a few months, the Virgin Islands will have an election. The voting public will have a choice. Recent history **will reveal a litany of poor** choices made by too many residents. This has resulted in the state of the society today: wasted billions, unsustainable social entitlement, and

international disgrace. This resident admonishes that voters think clearly before deciding whom to place in power.

Voters should study recent history. Yes, voters in every society vote their bottom line. However, do remember that honesty and integrity in governance deliver better long-term outcomes in the end.

Your grandchildren will thank you for your wise choice at the ballot box. So choose wisely.

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Marriott Is Opening Two New US Virgin Islands Resorts

By Alexander Britell

Marriott is set to open its highly-anticipated pair of new resorts in the US Virgin Islands this spring.

The new Westin Beach Resort and Spa at Frenchman's Reef and Morningstar Buoy House Beach Resort, Autograph Collection is now taking reservations for stays beginning May 15.

The dual-resort property is the result of a \$350 million transformation of the former Marriott

Frenchman's Reef and Morningstar Beach Resort, both of which were destroyed by Hurricane Irma back in 2017.

So what will the resorts be like?

The Westin, the second Westin-branded resort in the US Virgin Islands (joining the existing Westin St John villa resort), will have 392 rooms, 28 of which will be suites. Amenities will range from a pool deck with stunning views of the Virgin Islands,

a pool bar and 85,000 square feet combined of indoor and outdoor meeting space.

The newly-rebranded Buoy Haus Beach Resort is actually the third name for the resort, which was initially supposed to be called Noni Beach, then rebranded as the Seaborn.

But it will open its doors this spring as the Morningstar Buoy Haus, with a sleek, crisp design by Kollin Altomare and The Johnson Studio and



several inspired dining concepts, from the Salt Shack

Beach Bar and Grill to the Tide Pool Cabanas and Bar.

THE CTO WELCOMES THE USVI

The United States Virgin Islands (USVI) becomes 25th CTO member country

BRIDGETOWN, Barbados (January 13, 2023) - The Caribbean Tourism Organization (CTO) has started 2023, a year it sees as one of growth for the regional body, by welcoming the United States Virgin Islands (USVI) as its 25th member country.

The USVI, one of the leading destinations in the Caribbean, joins the organization of regional tourism leaders at a time when the CTO seeks to refocus its mandate on shaping the Caribbean tourism sector of the future. The relationship

between the USVI and the CTO is not a new one, and the organisation is confident that the renewed partnership will result in several positive outcomes for both parties, and the wider CTO membership.

In welcoming the new member, Chairman of the CTO, Hon. Kenneth Bryan expressed his belief in the opportunity this relationship presents for regional tourism. "I wholeheartedly welcome the United States Virgin Islands and Commissioner Boschulte to the Membership. Having one of the fastest growing

travel destinations in our fraternity further strengthens the Organization and enhances the spirit of collaboration and cohesion among our jurisdictions. The USVI has joined a community that is committed to working together to sustainably grow and develop Caribbean Tourism and we look forward to working with Commissioner Boshulte in this regard."

Commissioner Boschulte of the USVI, in expressing his thoughts on his destination's status as a CTO member said, "The Caribbean Tourism

Organization (CTO) is a key economic driver in the Caribbean's growth and sustainability, and we are honoured that the USVI is now a member. Sustainability is always top of mind for us as we look to maintain the tranquil and unspoiled landscapes of St Thomas, St Croix and St John. Eco-friendly practices are vital for keeping our islands clean and pristine, and to ensure the preservation of our natural resources and ecosystems. We saw encouraging growth in tourism in the USVI in 2022. We look forward to working with

the CTO in 2023 to create mechanisms to ensure that growth continues for both the USVI and our Caribbean neighbours."

The CTO member countries are representative of the diversity that exists in the Caribbean, which makes the region one of the most unique tourism destinations in the world. The organization has adopted a mandate to support the sustainable tourism and economic development among its members.

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White House Gives Few Details About Additional Classified Documents Found at Biden's Home WHITE HOUSE

The White House faced a new barrage of criticism Tuesday about the weekend announcement that lawyers found a third tranche of classified documents at the president's private home.

Administration officials emphasized they are being cooperative with investigators and transparent with the public and are drawing a contrast between their behavior and that of former President Donald Trump.

However, in a half-hour call with reporters, White House spokesperson Ian Sams declined to offer any details beyond the few the administration already has reported about the unknown number of documents found in private offices and homes used by President Joe Biden.

And while White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre fielded multiple questions on the issue, she stressed repeatedly that the White House would not provide too many details while an investigation was underway. Last week, Attorney General Merrick Garland appointed a special counsel to investigate the potential mishandling of classified documents by Biden.

"While we may be constrained from being able to provide a ton of facts as this investigation is ongoing, we're being very forthright that we're being cooperative with the Justice Department," said Sams, special assistant to the president and senior adviser to the White House counsel's office. "And that's such a stark contrast. I mean, you listen to these House Republicans ... they're faking outrage about disclosure and transparency."

On Saturday, White House lawyer Richard Sauber said in a statement that officials found six pages' worth of



U.S. President Joe Biden speaks in Washington, Jan. 16, 2023.

classified documents in Biden's private library at his home in Wilmington, Delaware. He said those documents were immediately turned over to the Justice Department.

The latest discovery adds to a trove found in December in the garage of Biden's Wilmington home, and another set found in November in an office in Washington that he used.

Biden said after the first discovery was announced last week that he was "surprised to learn that there were any government records that were taken there to that office."

"But I don't know what's in the documents," he added.

Previously, the Justice Department retrieved about 300 documents at various levels of classification from Trump's Florida home.

Unanswered questions

In Tuesday's call with reporters, the White House did not give comprehensive responses to questions about why they delayed by days or weeks in announcing the document discoveries, what the

parameters were for the searches, whether they are done searching, what's in the documents themselves and how many there are, and whether Biden would sit for an interview with the special counsel if he is asked.

Trump, on his social media network, sought to contrast his case with Biden's, saying that he "did NOTHING wrong [and] have the right as President to 'declassify.'"

Trump added that he kept the documents securely and that "Mar-a-Lago is a highly secured facility, with Security Cameras all over the place, and watched over by staff & our great Secret Service. I have INFO on everyone!"

Biden's Republican critics have promised swift action.

"President Biden's three strikes against transparency will be met with swift congressional oversight," James Comer, chairman of the House Committee on Oversight and Accountability, said in a statement on Saturday. "The White House, the National Archives, and the Justice

Department failed to promptly inform Congress and the American people about mishandled classified documents from Joe Biden's time as vice president."

When asked if the White House would cooperate with Congress, Sams said, "We're reviewing those letters. We'll make a determination about our response in due course. But of course, we're going to call it out when we see rampant hypocrisy that shows a total lack of credibility when it comes to these requests."

Walter Shaub, a senior ethics fellow at the Project on Government Oversight, told VOA via email that while the administration was right to promptly inform Justice Department officials after they found the documents, "things might have come out better for the Biden White House if they had done a better job [of] communicating with the public. At a minimum, they should have been forthcoming with all relevant details when the media first asked about President Biden's retention of the records."

"It may be understandable that the administration didn't alert the public immediately" when they first discovered the documents, he said, but "at some point, they owed the public information. It would have been nice if the administration made an announcement before the media learned that President Biden had discovered classified records in his possession. ... That was a breach of trust with the public."

Jean-Pierre questioned whether the public was preoccupied with what is turning out to be a political headache for the Biden administration, which faces stiff opposition in the new Congress.

"That's for the American people to decide, right?" she said.

SPORTS

ATHLETICS

Hodge blasts season opener while Collegians break out

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

Adaejah Hodge opened her season by chopping .24 seconds off her 60m by climbing to No 2 All Time Indoors, while nine collegians saw action, four of whom were debutantes.

Hodge, now at Montverde Academy in Bradenton, Florida, won her 55 meter heat in 6.90 seconds at the Virginia Showcase on Saturday. The soon to be 17 year old then finished 2nd in the 60m dash in 7.24 seconds to teammate Micayah Holland's 7.21. Hodge chopped her personal best from 7.51, and became the territory's No 2 performer behind Tahesia Harrigan-Scott's 7.09 from 2008.

Hodge told Island Sun Sports that her coach wanted her to execute what they had been working on in practice, including being aggressive out the blocks, not rushing the drive phase and making sure they didn't have excessive air time.

"Going into the 55, I was super excited as it was my first 55," she said. "When I saw 6.90, I was super excited because it was a US No 2 (mark) so it really boosted my confidence going into the 60m."

Hodge said since it was the first time she and Holland were running together, her coach told them to focus on their own lane, have tunnel vision and not rush the drive phase.

"Crossing the line to see a 7.24, had to be the most shocking thing I had ever experienced in my life, because my PR was 7.51," she said. "It's really relieving to see that the training is going well and

to open the season rewriting history and in the BVI and the US, I know there's more work to be done. This boosts my confidence for the rest of my season."

Collegiate debutants

South Florida Freshmen Jaleel Croal, won the 60m at the Jimmy Carnes Invitational in 6.74 seconds, after a 6.79 prelim. Croal, who admitted being nervous, said he didn't know what a good indoor time was. "I kinda stumbled (out the blocks) then caught myself and then had to work," Croal noted of his prelim. "For the final, I executed better. All I've been working on since I came to the school was the start of my race."

UCF's Beyonce DeFreitas won the 400m in 56.92 seconds.

New Mexico Jr. College's Khybah Dawson, was among four BVI athletes at the Texas Tech Corky Classic. In his first meet since injuring himself at last year's Carifta Games, Dawson opened his season with a Long Jump leap of 7.44m (24'5") to place second. He won his 200m heat in 21.84 seconds for the meet's 13 best mark, then had a 49 second split on his team's 3 minutes 28.49 seconds 4x4 Relay.

"It was a good debut. I've never run indoors before, never jumped indoors and it was a different feeling," Dawson said. "It feels good to jump at a College level. Returning to the Long Jump was good. It felt different because I didn't

foul the first jump and my second jump is always the greatest jump. It feels good to jump after I got injured the last time I jumped. It feels humbling to jump again."

After injury derailed his 2022 season, UTEP's Josh Hill returned to action with a 47.70 seconds 400m and placed seventh. "I feel like my season opener was good. I'm satisfied with it, due to the circumstances of being out a whole year with injuries," Hill said. "There's always room for improvement—especially in this sport. So it's back to the drawing board and getting ready for the rest of the season."

Northwestern State's Djimon Gumbs won the Shot Put with a heave of 17.44m (57'2¾") while twin brother Diamante was 8th with 16.08m (52'9¼"). "It was a good opener for me," Gumbs said. "I was 31 cms short of my opener last year and to see that I could do that on a fatigued body, it says that I have gotten stronger and I've gotten technically better, so I'm just excited to see how this season is going to play out."

Diamante was 9th in the Weight Throw with a 16.82m (55'2¼") inch heave and thanked God for getting through the meet healthy. "I feel like I had a good start, it's something I can definitely build from," he said of the Shot. "The Weight, it was a bit shaky technically. I have some stuff to fix but that's minor."

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Djimon Gumbs, Josh Hill, Diamante Gumbs and Khybah Dawson, opened their season at Texas Tech

Bruce Huggins ran 7.33 seconds in the 60m and 23.91 in his 200m debut. "For my first indoor meet, I know I could do better in the next meet" he said.

South Dakota State Heptathlete A'Keela McMaster, ran 9.45 seconds in the Bison Cup 60m Hurdles; leapt 5.28m in the Long Jump for eight place and ran 26.13, for fourth in the 200m.

Eastern New Mexico's Alisha Hayde, contributed a second leg carry on her team's 4x4 Relay, that was 3rd in 4:25.66, in the Friday Night Kick Axe Open, in Arizona

FOOTBALL

VG United fends off Sugar Boys, 4-3 in Virgin Gorda Football battle

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

After racing to a 4-1 lead, VG United fended off cross town rivals Sugar Boys, handing them their first loss of the season 4-3 on Sunday, in the battle for bragging rights on Virgin Gorda

Sheldon Harry Jr., gave VG United a 1-0 lead in the 35th minute, before Sugar Boy's new signee Oral Perry, equalized in the 44th. Scoring from the penalty spot, Thomas "Manly" Albert put VG back on top in the 60th minute. Adrian Adams scored in the 77th and Sheldon Tony in the 89th as regulation neared, for the 4-1 advantage. However, two late strikes came from Oswort Holder in the 90th+1 and Derol Redhead in the 90th +7, bringing the Sugar Boys to 4-3, as time ran out.

"It was a very good game and a much-needed victory to boost our confidence for the rest of the season," VG United Manager Jermain Abrams said. "We are still in the hunt for the title with this win. They scared us a bit as we switched off at the end, but overall I'm happy with the way we played."

Redhead said it's a game VG United will remember for a long time. "They came out and showed they wanted the victory more than us," he said. "They did not let us play our game. We could not play like we wanted to and their younger talent put them on top."

Wolues and Panthers draw

The Panthers blew a 2-0 lead, then fought back to tie the Wolues at 4-4 in Greenland, on a late Ezra Alleyne goal in the second minute of added time to end the game. Prevell Asson and Jhon Samuel put Panthers two goals up, before Marcus Robinson pulled one back on the cusp of half time to open the door for the Wolues.

Rush Broderick and Noel Maxwell then put the Wolues ahead 3-2 and Hugo Costa Lizaro made it 4-2, before the Panthers' late game heroics.

"We had a good first half but found ourselves down a couple of goals from some mistakes," noted Wolues' Phil Nelson. "Despite

that we kept calm and knew we would create chances. Our four goals came pretty quickly and maybe we got a little complacent to let them back in and conceding so close to the end is hard to take. Fair play to the Panthers. They kept going and the equalizer was a wonder strike. We are happy to stay unbeaten but we will need wins if we want to apply any pressure to the teams above us."

Panthers Assistant Coach Stany Francis Jr., said the game started cagey with a lot of loose balls and both teams trying to assert their dominance. "However, we prevailed with a goal which in turn allowed us to stomp our authority with possession which led to our second goal," he said. "With five minutes remaining in the first half, we conceded a goal which I blame to a lack of focus where players left opponents unmarked in the penalty area. The second half again because of a lack of focus we conceded three goals. Now 4-2 down we needed fresh legs, so I made changes which led to one of



Wolues Marcus Robinson, right and his Panthers counterpart fighting for a header

those substitutes scoring and when all hope seemed lost, a remarkable moment of brilliance from our star new signing Ezra Alleyne earned us a point."

After successive losses, the Rebels rebounded with an 8-1 romp over Old Madrid.

SPORTS



BDO Schools League Coordinator, Cassandra "Cass" Gregg, left, leading the parade of teams to the A. O. Shirley Grounds



Participants and Coaches in the Girls Football Academy in Greenland



Ciboney and BFEC Primary students in DYAS High Jump camp



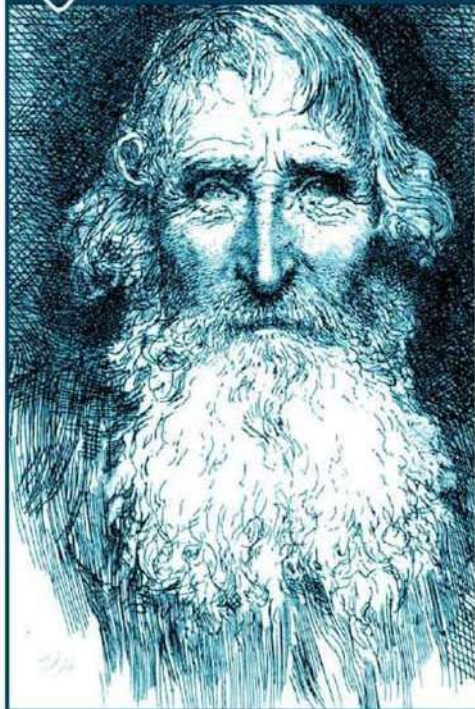
Long Jump participants in the DYAS camp



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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

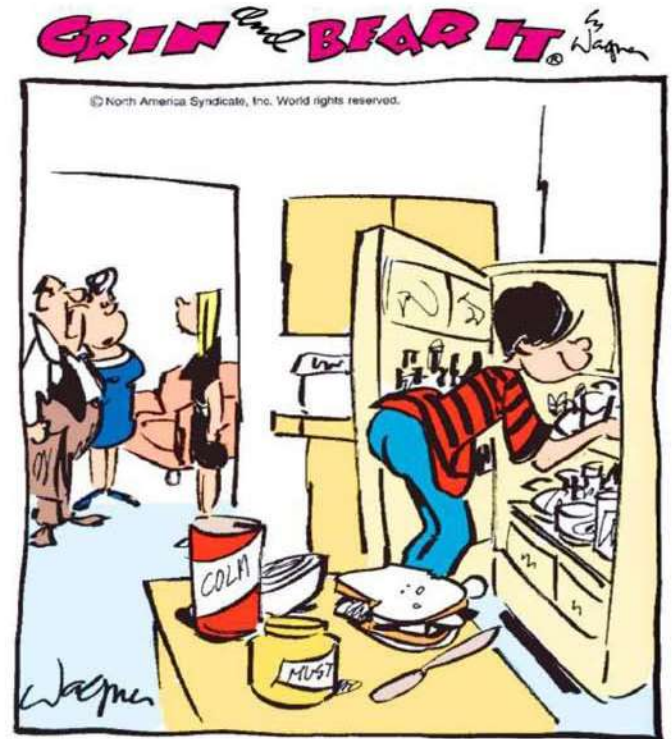


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KATZENJAMMER KIDS

BY HY EISMAN





"Our friend? We thought he was your friend!"

Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Shutting people out to avoid distractions, even under a deadline, can cause hurt feelings. Instead, return calls and emails, and explain why you need a zone of privacy for now.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Although your keen Bull's eyes usually can discern what's fact from what's faux, that upcoming decision will need really solid data before you can risk a commitment.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) As your confidence grows, you should be able to work toward your goals with more enthusiasm. Open your mind to suggestions. Some of them might even work for you.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Reconnecting with someone from your past stirs up that old sense of adventure. But before you do anything else, be sure to get answers to any lingering questions.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Some people might resent the way you plan to resolve a difficult situation. But your commitment to making tough but fair decisions soon wins you their respect and support.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Mixed signals could be causing that vexing workplace problem. Before you choose to leave the project, ask for a meeting so that you can get things out in the open.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your good intentions could backfire if you're not careful with other people's feelings. Try using persuasion, not pressure, to get others to see your side of the situation.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your dedication to finishing the task at hand is laudable. But be careful not to overdo the midnight oil bit. Take time for relaxation with someone very special.

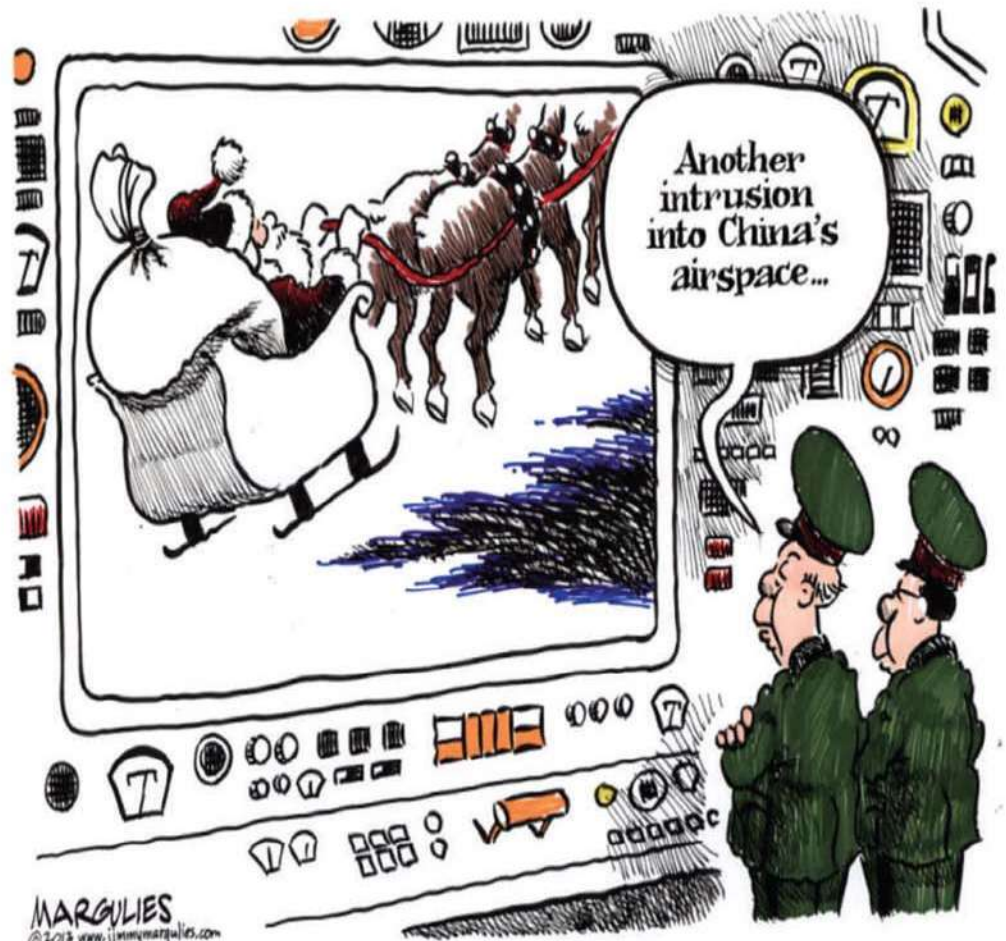
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Although your intuition will help you make some tough choices in the first half of the month, you'll need more facts to back up your actions later on.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) All that hard work and research in the workplace finally pays off as you hoped it would. Ignore comments from jealous types who are out to get the Goat riled up.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) An unfair decision creates unnecessary problems. But avoid anger and move carefully as you work this out. Expect to get support from an unlikely source.

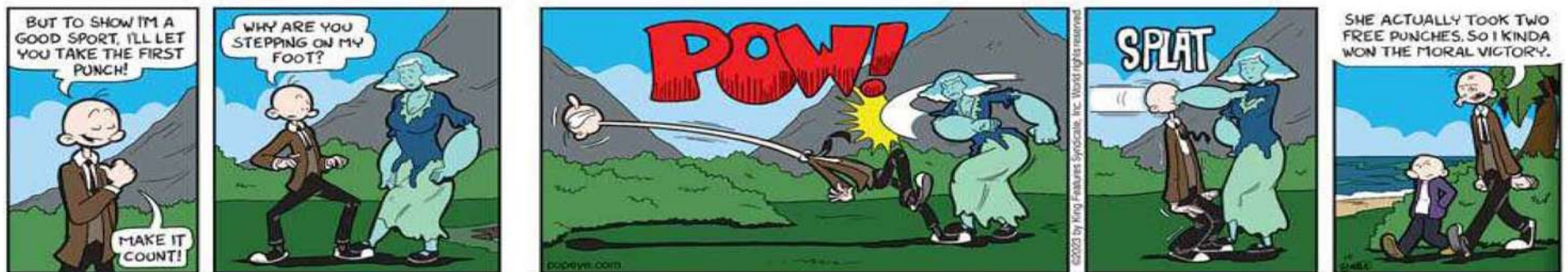
PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A fuzzy financial vista persists until the end of the month, when things begin to clear up. You'll also gain a better perspective on how to handle pesky personal problems.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a wonderful way of being there for those who need your help in difficult times.



It's not the men in my life that count, it's the life in my men.

Mae West



TIGER

by **BUD BLAKE**



The Garden Bug

Feeding birds in winter

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"I told you not to clutter up my speeches with issues!"

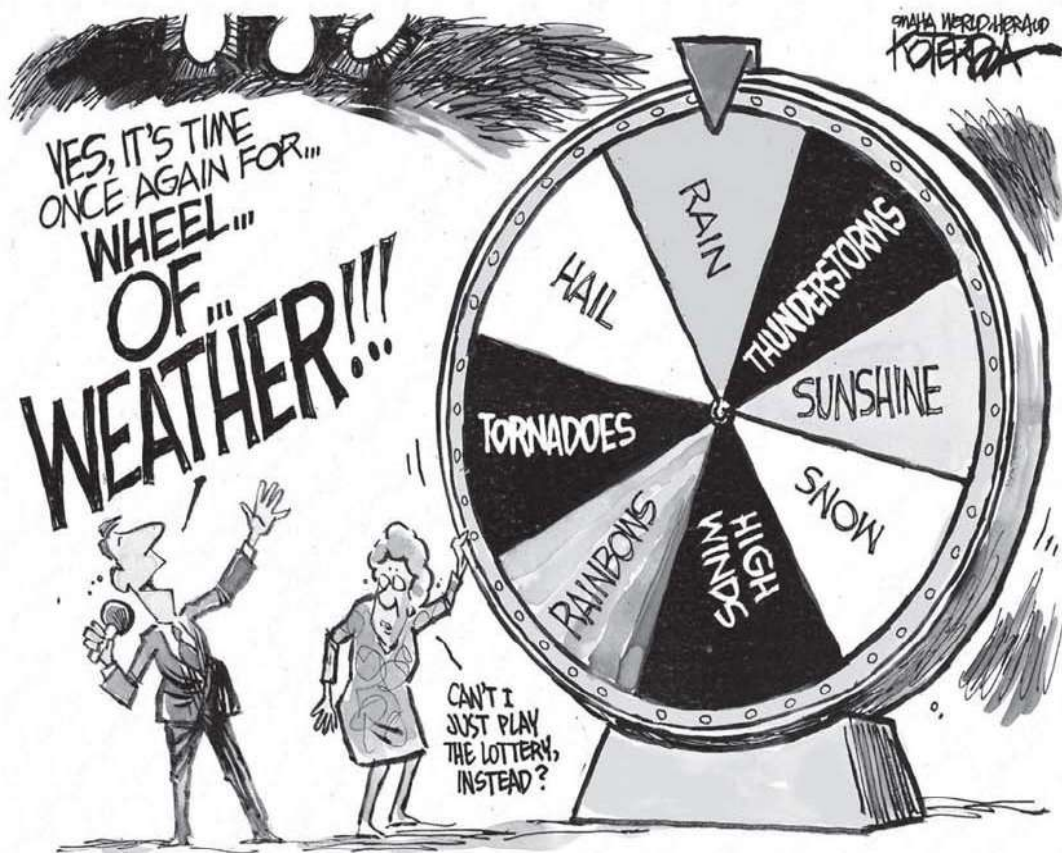
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Most Popular TV Shows: 2022

1. Only Murders in the Building
2. The Bear
3. Black Bird
4. Ms. Marvel
5. The Boys
6. The Old Man
7. The Umbrella Academy
8. Stranger Things
9. Resident Evil
10. The Terminal List



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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



R.F.D.

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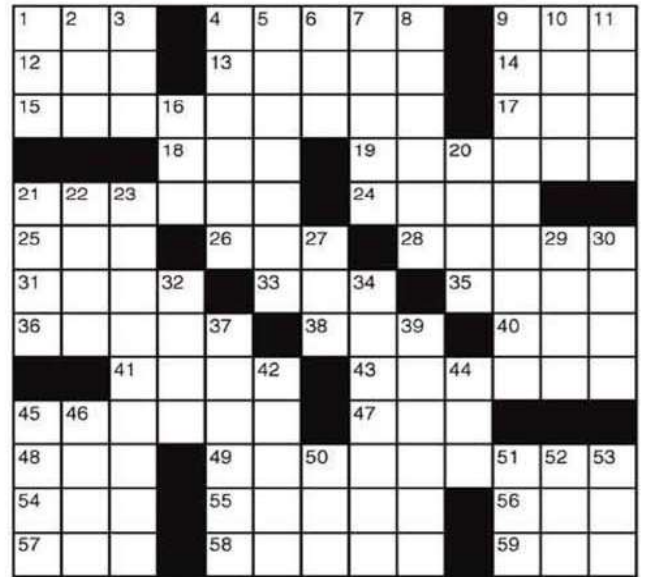
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King Crossword

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- 9 Sushi fish
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- 21 Word game with dice
- 24 Horseshoe site
- 25 Brit. record label



- 26 Not 'neath
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- 33 Observe
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- 52 Jurist Fortas
- 53 Kibosh

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10. MEDICAL: What is a common name for the condition called septicemia?

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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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Answers

King Crossword

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Fence board is moved. 2. Collar is different. 3. Bow string is different. 4. Arrow is moved. 5. Hair is different. 6. Can is missing.

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Trivia Test Answers
1. The Mississippi.; 2. "Westworld"; 3. Twister.; 4. Lyndon Johnson.; 5. 1955.; 6. "Family Feud"; 7. A peahen.; 8. Seven.; 9. Palmolive dishwashing liquid.; 10. Blood poisoning.

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ABOLITION OF WORK PERMITS: AN EXAMPLE FOR REGIONAL INTEGRATION

By Sir Ronald Sanders

(The writer is Antigua and Barbuda's Ambassador to the United States of America and the Organization of American States. He is also a Senior Fellow at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies, University of London and Massey College in the University of Toronto)

It has been interesting to read the responses in Editorials and Opinions in some regional media, concerning the decision by the two main political parties in Antigua and Barbuda to abolish work permits for nationals of Caribbean Community (CARICOM) countries and the Dominican Republic.

The significant thing in the Editorials and Opinions, is that while they have freely expressed opinions on the decision made by the two main political parties in Antigua and Barbuda to deal with this long contentious issue in CARICOM, they have been silent on the attitude of governments and opposition political parties in other CARICOM countries. The exception to this has been the Editorials in the Jamaica Gleaner.

There is no question that the two political parties in Antigua and Barbuda have now put the cat among the pigeons in CARICOM. The decision of the Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party (ABLP) and the United Progressive Party (UPP) to liberalise the system by which CARICOM nationals migrate to, and work in, Antigua and Barbuda, raises questions about how far other members of the Caribbean Community are prepared to go to realise the purposes of the CARICOM Treaty.

The Constitution of Antigua and Barbuda allows its nationals to bestow citizenship on their grandchildren wherever they are born. Many of those grandchildren from the Dominican Republic took advantage of this Constitutional right to migrate to Antigua and Barbuda. This situation - unique to Antigua and Barbuda - is not relevant to CARICOM. Therefore, it is not discussed here.

When the Revised CARICOM Treaty was signed in 2001, it committed all the Governments who were its ultimate signatories "to the goal of free movement of their nationals within the Community". The governments raised the expectation that their people would be able to travel to each country freely; that they would have a single currency; and that there would be no duties and tariffs on goods moving

from one country to the other. That was why the notion of a CARICOM Single Market and Economy (CSME) was born - the nations of CARICOM would become one community and one market. The exception was The Bahamas, which does not participate in the group's single market and economy arrangements.

Throughout the existence of CARICOM, preceding the signing of the Revised Treaty in 2001, its member states have had a chequered history regarding the acceptance of the movement of people between them. The exemplary country, during its previous economic heyday up to 1973, was Guyana, which welcomed Caribbean migrants from the region - a welcome that was taken up by many from Dominica, St. Lucia and St. Vincent who, among other things, became farmers in Guyana's productive agricultural hinterland.

Now with its wealth in oil and gas, Guyana has once again become a magnet for Caribbean migrants and businessmen. This time it is nationals of Jamaica, Barbados and Trinidad and Tobago who are flocking to Guyana - not only ordinary people, looking for work but businessmen seeking to profit from selling goods and services.

But in the lean economic times of Guyana, when imports had to be restricted to preserve scarce foreign exchange, and the value of its currency slumped dramatically, Guyanese had a forbidding experience when they migrated to other CARICOM countries to find work. There were special benches for Guyanese immigrants at the Airports in Barbados and Trinidad and Tobago on which they endured confined circumstances before being deported.

Let it be said that the Prime Minister of St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Ralph Gonsalves, the late Barbados Prime Minister, Owen Arthur and the present Prime Minister, Mia Mottley were the three leaders who constantly stood up for the principles of movement of nationals within the Caribbean community.

However, Antigua and Barbuda was one of the few countries in CARICOM where Caribbean migration, while not without its restrictions, was far more tolerant. The reason was consistent commitment to Caribbean integration by its leadership, particularly Sir Vere Cornwall Bird, Sir Lester Bird and now





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Prime Minister Gaston Browne.

Sir Vere was one of the founders of the West Indian labour movement for independence from Britain, dating back to 1947. He conceived of West Indian independence from Britain in the context of a West Indian Federation with all the freedoms and rights for the people that such a federation offered. He saw the West Indian people as one, and was deeply disappointed at its collapse, triggered by a referendum in Jamaica. In the referendum campaign, ironically, one of the arguments used against the Federation was that "Jamaica would be overrun by the small islanders". Today, it is Jamaicans that are heading to the small islands.

For his part, Sir Lester, while upholding the objectives of CARICOM, was a founder of the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) and was a strong and influential voice for the maintenance by its 6 independent member states of one currency, one central bank, one judiciary, one civil aviation authority and one economic space. The complete freedom of movement of nationals within the OECS today is due, in large part, to the leadership given by Antigua and Barbuda. Sir Lester saw the OECS as a successful model of regional integration that CARICOM should emulate.

For all these reasons, Antigua and Barbuda, opened its doors to migration from CARICOM countries. Today it hosts people in relatively large numbers from Dominica, Guyana, Jamaica, Montserrat, and St. Vincent and the Grenadines. Many of those people have become nationals of Antigua and Barbuda and their children are born Antiguan and Barbudan.

One of the lessons for the rest of CARICOM, is that migrants have brought value to development. Caribbean migrants in Antigua and Barbuda have contributed towards the transfer of skills and knowledge, and they endeavoured alongside native Antiguan and Barbudans to achieve development from which all benefitted. This is reflected in Antigua and Barbuda's steady economic growth which reached 8.3% in 2022, second only to Guyana with its new wealth in oil and gas

The decision by the political parties in Antigua and Barbuda gives testimony to the part that freedom of movement of CARICOM nationals can and does play in attaining regional and national development objectives. It is a big leap forward, and an example to the region.

PUBLIC NOTICES

TERENA INVESTMENT HOLDINGS LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 322120
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, Subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from the 20th day of December, 2022.
Dated this 28th day of December, 2022
Sgd. Brian Jackson

Brian Jackson
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/1]

Oceanspray Holdings Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 1040839
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, Subsection (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 21st day of December, 2022. The Liquidator is **Samuel Barnes-Barrington of PO Box 384, 6 Hilgrove Street, St. Helier, Jersey, Channel Islands.**
Dated this 28th day of December, 2022
Sgd. Samuel Barnes-Barrington

Samuel Barnes-Barrington
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/2]

NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)

Shahad SBT Corporation

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 11th day of January, 2023, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidators is: -
Wayne Francis
Of Nerine Chambers,
Road Town, Tortola,
British Virgin Islands
[84/3]

NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)

Wilber Investment Holdings Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 11th day of January, 2023, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidators is: -
Wayne Francis
Of Nerine Chambers,
Road Town, Tortola,
British Virgin Islands
[84/4]

Notice of Appointment of a Voluntary Liquidator under Section 204 (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004.

Warm Seas Investments Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 485702
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 30th day of December 2022. The Liquidator is **Ray A. George, of Long Trench, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**
Dated this 30th day of December 2022

Ray A. George
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/5]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act, 2004

Bright Sun Industries Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1923016
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 16th January, 2023.
Dated: 16th day of January, 2023
(Sgd.) LAU LING YIM

Voluntary Liquidator
[84/6]

BILLIRICH INVESTMENT LIMITED

Company No. 526189
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **BILLIRICH INVESTMENT LIMITED** is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 15th December, 2022 and **Ms. LIU Yanxi of Room 3612, Southern Garden, No.2 O'Brien Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong** has been appointed as Sole Liquidator.
Dated this 19th day of December, 2022.

Sgd: Ms. LIU Yanxi
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/7]

BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)

RAINBOW FULL HOLDINGS LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 15th day of December 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-
HSHAO, CHIH-WEI
of 6F-1, No. 1, Ln. 100,
Fuguo 2nd Rd.,
Yongkang Dist.,
Tainan City 710016,
Taiwan (R.O.C.)
[84/8]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act, 2004

FAIRFIELDS ASSETS ENTERPRISES INC.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1796050
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 13th day of January 2023.
Dated: 13th day of January, 2023
(Sgd.) Claudia David

Voluntary Liquidator
[84/9]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act, 2004

Fish Tech Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1992107
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 13th day of January 2023
Dated: 13th day of January, 2023
(Sgd.) Claudia David

Voluntary Liquidator
[84/10]

Coldplay Invision Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1736054
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 28th December 2022.
Dated 29th December 2022
Sgd. Liridona Berisha

Voluntary Liquidator
[84/11]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

WURZBURG HOLDINGS LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1039935
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from January 13, 2023.
Dated: January 16, 2023
(Sgd.) Michael Hagen

Voluntary Liquidator
[84/12]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

Norcross Group Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1832705
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from January 13, 2023.
Dated: January 16, 2023
(Sgd.) Sudaporn Noinaem

Voluntary Liquidator
[84/13]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

PRIMELAW DIRECTORS LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1640748
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from January 16, 2023.
Dated: January 16, 2023
(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela

Voluntary Liquidator
[84/14]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

KASTELLO LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1983141
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from January 16, 2023.
Dated: January 16, 2023
(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela

Voluntary Liquidator
[84/15]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

HAROLDO LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 2025269
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from January 16, 2023.
Dated: January 16, 2023
(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela

Voluntary Liquidator
[84/16]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

SHARMEL LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1635023
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from January 16, 2023.
Dated: January 16, 2023
(Sgd.) Georgia Constantinou

Voluntary Liquidator
[84/17]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

PROTEK INTERNATIONAL INC.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1729435
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from January 16, 2023.
Dated: January 17, 2023
(Sgd.) Anna Korelidou

Voluntary Liquidator
[84/18]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

KANZEN ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1784433
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from January 16, 2023.
Dated: January 17, 2023
(Sgd.) Vernon Emmanuel Salazar Zurita

Voluntary Liquidator
[84/19]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

Orbone Investments Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1769192
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from January 16th, 2023.
Dated: January 17th, 2023
(Sgd.) ANASTASIA EVRIPIDOU

Voluntary Liquidator
[84/20]

PUBLIC NOTICES

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004
NEBULA INVESTMENTS CAPITAL INC.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1631464
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 15th day of December, 2022. The liquidator is **Philippa O'Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**
Dated: 17th day of January 2023
(Sgd.) **Philippa O'Sullivan**
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/21]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004
L Management Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

Company No. 2030020
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 13 January 2023.
Dated: 13 January 2023.
(Sgd.) **Yanqing ZHANG**
Liquidator
[84/22]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004
ZhengJia Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1963069
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 9 January 2023.
Dated: 9 January 2023.
(Sgd.) **Jianfang YANG**
Liquidator
[84/23]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004.
RIZZLE ENTERPRISES LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1624362
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 16 January 2023.
Dated: 16 January 2023
(Sgd.) **Charles Cai**
Liquidator
[84/24]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act
Financial Holdings Ltd

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
(BC No. 1988350)
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204(1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 20 December 2022. The Liquidator is **Rachael Pape of Commerce House, Wickhams Cay 1, P.O. Box 3140, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**
Dated: 21 December 2022
Rachael Pape
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/25]

NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)
Red Dots Capital Co., Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 21st day of December 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.
The Liquidator is:-
YU Guanlan
of 3/F. of the Complex Building, Longfu First Village, Dezheng Road, Longgang District, Shenzhen City, Guangdong Province, China.
[84/26]

NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)
WEN.W Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 22nd day of December 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.
The Liquidator is:-
WU Xiaojing
of No. 56, Building 16, Lingbei New Village, Daguang District, Anqing City, Anhui Province, China.
[84/27]

NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)
SHAO.S Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 22nd day of November 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.
The Liquidator is:-
GAO Xiaoxi
of 308, Unit 4, Building 25, Guandiansuo, Jiulonghu Village, Xihanggang, Shuangliu County, Sichuan Province, China.
[84/28]

NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)
Deep Freezing Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 23rd day of December 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.
The Liquidator is:-
CHEN Huan
of No. 010, Building 4, Yard 20, Hanghai East Road, Guancheng Huizu District, Zhengzhou City, Henan Province, China
[84/29]

NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)
Ocean Vitality Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 23rd day of December 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.
The Liquidator is:-
CHEN Huan
of No. 010, Building 4, Yard 20, Hanghai East Road, Guancheng Huizu District, Zhengzhou City, Henan Province, China
[84/30]

NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)
Warm Sunflower Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 23rd day of December 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.
The Liquidator is:-
SUN Liang
of No. 1301, Unit 4, Building 7, Yard A6, Gaobeidian North Road, Chaoyang District,
[84/31]

NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)
Delicious Lemon Tea Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 23rd day of December 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.
The Liquidator is:-
SUN Liang
of No. 1301, Unit 4, Building 7, Yard A6, Gaobeidian North Road, Chaoyang District, Beijing, China
[84/32]

NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)
Sky Alpha Holding Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 23rd day of December 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.
The Liquidator is:-
Ying ZHOU
of No. 15 Xueyuan Road, Chinese Service Center for Scholarly Exchange, Ministry of Education, Haidian District, Beijing, China
[84/33]

NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)
SYSHI Holdings Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 30th day of December 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.
The Liquidator is:-
ZHAO Sibao
of No. 46 Toufa Hutong, Xicheng District, Beijing, China
[84/34]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act. 2004
SMART BASE INVESTMENT HOLDINGS LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1955776
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 17th January, 2023.
Dated: 17th day of January, 2023
(Sgd.) **Sit Chiu Mei**
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/35]

MICATA MANAGEMENT S.A.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1484460
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 17th January 2023.
Dated 18th January 2023
Sgd. Oliver Kouril
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/36]

Queensgarden Investments Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1854421
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 17th January 2023.
Dated 18th January 2023
Sgd. Jacqueline Elsener
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/37]

CTG Evergreen Investment A Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 1940869
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, Subsection (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 16th day of January, 2023. The Liquidator is **Brian Jackson of Mandar House, 3rd Floor, Johnson's Ghut, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**
Dated this 17th day of January, 2023
Sgd. Brian Jackson

Brian Jackson
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/38]

LT GROWTH INVESTMENT VIII LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 1602324
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, Subsection (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 16th day of January, 2023. The Liquidator is **Brian Jackson of Mandar House, 3rd Floor, Johnson's Ghut, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**
Dated this 17th day of January, 2023
Sgd. Brian Jackson

Brian Jackson
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/39]

LT GROWTH INVESTMENT XIV LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 1602324
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, Subsection (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 16th day of January, 2023. The Liquidator is **Brian Jackson of Mandar House, 3rd Floor, Johnson's Ghut, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**
Dated this 17th day of January, 2023
Sgd. Brian Jackson

Brian Jackson
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/40]

PUBLIC NOTICES

**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS**

**IN THE ESTATE OF MARIA HELENA CALLIERA,
DECEASED**

In the estate of MARIA HELENA CALLIERA, late of Rua Camargo Cabral, 55, Apt 171, Itaim Bibi São Paulo – SP, 01453-090, Brazil, deceased.

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by Renata Andrade of Avenida São Luis, 192, Apt 2505, República, São Paulo - SP, 01046-000, Brazil, for a Grant of Probate of the Will of the above named deceased who died on the 20th day of March 2022 without revoking a Will bearing the date of the 1st day of October 2021 wherein the aforesaid Renata Andrade is named the sole executrix.

ANY PERSONS having any objections to the Grant of Probate to the application shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated the 11th day of January, 2023

Filed by Maria Helena Calliera whose address for service is c/o Harney Westwood & Riegels LP, Craigmuir Chambers, PO Box 71, Road Town Tortola VG1110, British Virgin Islands

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**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
VIRGIN ISLANDS**

In the estate of JOU YEN-PONG, late of 8F, No.1313, Zhongzheng Rd, Neighborhood 9, Mingde Village, Taoyuan District, Taoyuan City, Taiwan (R.O.C.), deceased

TAKE NOTICE that CHU SHIH-PEI of 8F., No.1313, Zhongzheng Rd, Taoyuan District, Taoyuan City, Taiwan (R.O.C.), the lawful widow and intended administratrix of the estate of JOU YEN-PONG, who died on the 2nd day of August, 2021, domiciled in Taiwan (R.O.C) (the Deceased), has applied to the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court in the Probate Division for a Grant of Letters of Administration in the estate of the Deceased.

ANY PERSON having an objection to the Grant of Letters of Administration to the said CHU SHIH-PEI, shall within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this Notice lodge with the Registry of the High Court in the Territory of the Virgin Islands a proper document setting out the said objections.



Filed by O'Neal Webster, Attorneys-at-Law for the Administratrix, whose address for service is 2nd Floor Commerce House, 181 Main Street, P.O. Box 961, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands VG 1110.

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Gardesse Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 1016116

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, Subsection (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 17th day of January, 2023. The Liquidator is Brian Jackson of Mandar House, 3rd Floor, Johnson's Ghut, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. Dated this 17th day of January, 2023
Sgd. Brian Jackson

Brian Jackson
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/41]

CENTURY PRIZE LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 1883825

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, Subsection (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 18th day of January, 2023. The Liquidator is Brian Jackson of Mandar House, 3rd Floor, Johnson's Ghut, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. Dated this 18th day of January, 2023
Sgd. Brian Jackson

Brian Jackson
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/42]

CTG Evergreen Investment D Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 1940872

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, Subsection (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 17th day of January, 2023. The Liquidator is Brian Jackson of Mandar House, 3rd Floor, Johnson's Ghut, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. Dated this 18th day of January, 2023
Sgd. Brian Jackson

Brian Jackson
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/43]

Tristem Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 1017254

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, Subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from the 17th day of January, 2023.

Dated this 17th day of January, 2023

Sgd. Brian Jackson

Brian Jackson
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/44]

**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
(PROBATE)**

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

CLAIM NUMBER BVIHPB 2022/

In the Estate of Paul E. Smith also known as Paul Smith late of 1B-5 Estate Wintberg, Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands, deceased

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by Paul Louis Smith, Banker of 17-34 Frenchman's Bay St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands, Patrick Everett Smith, Police Officer of 2-A-2 Bolongo, St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands and Ariel Marie Smith, Assistant Attorney General of 1-W2 Estate Wintberg, St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands, for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the Applicants who are the children of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 6th September, 2018.

Any person having an objection to the Grant of Letters of Administration to the Applicants shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated the 2nd day of December, 2022.

Filed by Maximea & Co. Law Chambers Legal Practitioners for the Applicants 2nd Floor, Glancina George Building Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands Tel: 1 284 494 6623, 494 2366 whose address for service is the same.

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**The Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
Virgin Islands
BVIHPB2023/0001**

In the Estate of Oscar Domingo Palacio, late of Ayacucho 1858 9 A, Buenos Aires, Argentina, deceased

TAKE NOTICE that SILVIA ALEJANDRA PALACIO of Bolivia 3162 9 A, Buenos Aires, Argentina, a lawful child of OSCAR DOMINGO PALACIO, deceased, who died on the 18th day of July, 2021 domiciled in Argentina (the Deceased) and one of the residuary beneficiaries of his estate, has applied to the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court in the Probate Division for a Grant of Letters of Administration with Will Annexed in the estate of the Deceased.

ANY PERSON having any objection to the grant of Letters of Administration with Will Annexed to the said SILVIA ALEJANDRA PALACIO, shall within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this Notice lodge with the Registry of the High Court in the Territory of the Virgin Islands a proper document setting out the said objections.



O'Neal Webster
Solicitors for the Intended Administratrix

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PUBLIC NOTICES

**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
VIRGIN ISLANDS**

In the Estate of HIROSHI SAKATANI late of 2-3, Taiheiji, Higashiosaka-shi, Osaka, Japan, deceased

**FORM P16: ADVERTISEMENT
(RESEALING)**

Notice is given that after the expiration of 8 days application will be made to the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the resealing of the grant of probate of HIROSHI SAKATANI late of 2-3, Taiheiji, Higashiosaka-shi, Osaka, Japan, deceased, dated 7 December 2022 and issued by the High Court of Malaya at Kuala Lumpur on 8 December 2022.

*Filed by: Conyers Dill & Pearman
Attorneys-at-Law for the Executors
Whose address for service is:
Commerce House, Wickhams Cay 1,
PO Box 3140, Road Town, Tortola VG1110,
British Virgin Islands*

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**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
(PROBATE)
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS**

CLAIM NUMBER BVIHPB 2022/0296

In the Estate of Edwin Ersdale Hatchett also known as Edwin Ersdale Hatchette, deceased of St Thomas USVI

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by ANA PATRICA HATCHETTE DIAZ of HC2 Box 78253, Barceloneta, Puerto Rico 00617, for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the Applicant who is the daughter of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 21st day of April 2018.

Any person having an objection to the Grant of Letters of Administration to the Applicant shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated this 15th day of December, 2022.

Filed by Maximea & Co. Law Chambers
Legal Practitioners for the Applicant
2nd Floor, Glancina George Building
Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands Tel: 1 284 494 6623, 494 2366

whose address for service is the same.

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**Argente Holdings
Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 1618259

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, Subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from the 17th day of January, 2023. Dated this 17th day of January, 2023
Sgd. Brian Jackson

Brian Jackson
Voluntary Liquidator [84/45]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under
the BVI Business Company Act
.BALINESS LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1808301
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from January 13, 2023. Dated: January 18, 2023
(Sgd.) Georgia Constantinou
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/46]

Dorage Investments Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 1670147

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, Subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from the 19th day of January, 2023. Dated this 19th day of January, 2023
Sgd. Brian Jackson

Brian Jackson
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/47]

Les Hanois Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 1816842

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, Subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from the 19th day of January, 2023. Dated this 19th day of January, 2023
Sgd. Brian Jackson

Brian Jackson
Voluntary Liquidator [84/48]

**LT GROWTH INVESTMENT
XXII LIMITED**
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 1830881

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, Subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from the 19th day of January, 2023. Dated this 19th day of January, 2023
Sgd. XU Fangying

Fangying XU
Voluntary Liquidator [84/49]

**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
VIRGIN ISLANDS**

In the Estate of HIROSHI SAKATANI late of 2-3, Taiheiji, Higashiosaka-shi, Osaka, Japan, deceased

FORM P16: ADVERTISEMENT (RESEALING)

Notice is given that after the expiration of 8 days application will be made to the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the resealing of the grant of probate of HIROSHI SAKATANI late of 2-3, Taiheiji, Higashiosaka-shi, Osaka, Japan, deceased, dated 7 December 2022 and issued by the High Court of Malaya at Kuala Lumpur on 8 December 2022.

*Filed by: Conyers Dill & Pearman
Attorneys-at-Law for the Executors
Whose address for service is: Commerce House,
Wickhams Cay 1, PO Box 3140, Road Town, Tortola
VG1110, British Virgin Islands*

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**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
(PROBATE)
VIRGIN ISLANDS**

BVIHPB 2022/0290

In the Estate of MAURICIO ABRAHAM ABADY late of Gaitoweg 20 Willemstad Curacao, deceased

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by BELA ABADY of Gaitoweg 20, Willemstad, Curacao for a Grant of Probate of the Will of the above named deceased who died on 7th July, 2021 in Curacao, domiciled in Curacao without revoking a will bearing the date of the 17th September, 2018 wherein the applicant is named the executrix/sole heiress.

Any person having an objection to the grant of Probate to the application shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated this 17th day of January, 2023.

Filed by:
SAMUELS RICHARDSON & CO
Legal Practitioners
whose address for service is
Wattley Building, 2nd Floor
PO Box 3410, Road Town, Tortola
British Virgin Islands

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PUBLIC NOTICES

GRISHAM INVESTMENTS LIMITED
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 202219

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 19th January 2023.

Dated 19th January 2023
Sgd. Querube C. De Nuñez
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/50]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act Atlas Financial Holdings Ltd

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
(BC No. 1988350)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204(1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 20 December 2022. The Liquidator is **Rachael Pape of Commerce House, Wickhams Cay 1, P.O. Box 3140, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**

Dated: 21 December 2022
Rachael Pape
Voluntary Liquidator
[84/51]

FORM P7: ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

[Rule 15]

The Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
VIRGIN ISLANDS

Administration No. 0008 of 2023

The Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court

In the Estate of MR. KEDARNATH GUPTA late of Villa No. J8, Julnar Street, Emirates Hills, Dubai UAE who died on 9th December 2021 domiciled in Dubai deceased

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by ROHIT KEDARNATH GUPTA for a Grant of Letters of Administration, the applicant who is the son of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on 9th December 2021.

Any person having an objection to the grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.
Dated this day of 19th January 2023.

Filed by BGA Law (BVI) Limited whose address for service is Sea Meadow House, Road Town, VG1110, BVI.

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US Starts ‘Extraordinary Measures’ to Avert Debt Ceiling Breach

WASHINGTON —

The U.S. has begun taking “extraordinary measures” to avoid spending that would breach the country’s \$31.4 trillion debt ceiling, Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen told lawmakers Thursday, touching off a Washington debate on how to avoid a default on the government’s financial obligations and calamity for the global economy.

The Treasury chief said she has started to suspend investments in the Civil Service retirement fund for government workers and a retiree health plan for postal workers that weren’t immediately needed to pay beneficiaries but warned those measures were only a stopgap until June 5.

Yellen told key congressional leaders they need to increase the government’s debt ceiling, which has been done 78 times since 1960 — or, less likely — do away with any spending limit, which is the practice in most countries throughout the world.

The U.S. government routinely fails to balance its annual budget, often spending \$1 trillion or more than it collects in taxes, and then reaches its debt ceiling set by Congress and agreed to by sitting presidents.

The U.S. has never defaulted on its worldwide financial commitments, such as to China, Japan and other countries that have bought its debt, or on obligations to some taxpayers, such as pension and health care payments to older Americans.

But the political debate in the U.S. over increasing the debt limit to make payments on spending already approved by Congress and a succession of presidents has often intertwined with heated discussions over future spending, leading to a standoff as spending approaches the debt ceiling.

Once such stalemate occurred in 2011, when Democratic President Barack Obama eventually reached agreement with Republican congressional opponents to increase the debt ceiling while also curbing spending for much of the past decade.

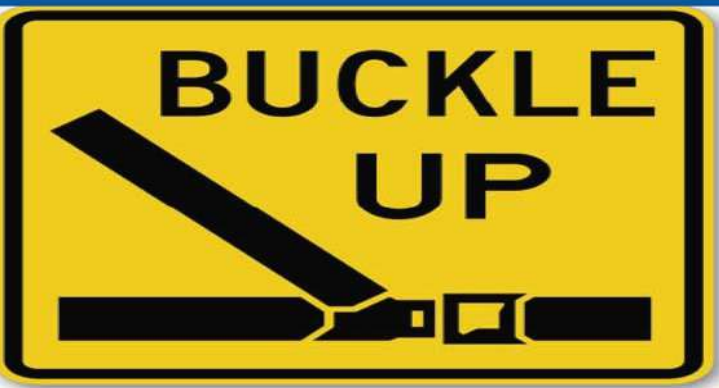
Now, the newly empowered but narrow Republican majority in the House of Representatives is similarly calling for future spending cuts to keep 2024 discretionary federal spending for government agencies at 2022 levels.

House Speaker Kevin McCarthy told reporters this week, “I don’t see why you would continue the past behavior.”

But the White House is balking and instead demanding a “clean vote” on increasing the federal debt ceiling that is not linked to new spending totals. President Joe Biden said he will not curb pension and health care assistance for older Americans.

“Americans have every right to expect that Congress will come together as they have dozens and dozens and dozens of times before in a bipartisan fashion to make sure we keep the American economy on this stable path,” White House spokeswoman Olivia Dalton told reporters aboard Air Force One as they accompanied Biden to California to view storm damage in the state.

No negotiations have been held with congressional leaders.



Tender Notice: Garbage Disposal Services

13 January 2023– The British Virgin Islands Ports Authority (BVIPA) would like to invite sealed tenders from eligible candidates, for garbage disposal services at the Port Purcell Facility.

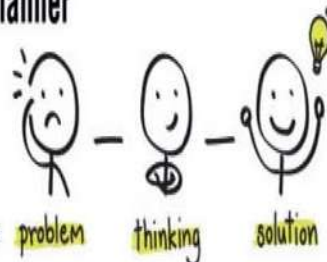
Tenders must be submitted to the British Virgin Islands Ports Authority
Administration Offices, Pasea Place,
on or before 12 noon on Wednesday, 1 March 2023.

The tender notice can be downloaded from the BVIPA's website at
www.bviports.org/forms-publications.

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CARICOM ELECTION OBSERVATION MISSION TO THE ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA GENERAL ELECTIONS

18 JANUARY 2023

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

While the Mission applauds the effort to address this disparity, there is urgent need to ensure that this exercise is not delayed any further, as completion is extremely necessary prior to the next general election.

Stakeholders raised concerns about the lack of accountability and transparency regarding campaign financing regulations. This is indicative of the need for a framework to be put in place to deal with the issue of campaign financing.

The Mission's assessment of the Election Day's activities is that the voters were able to cast their ballots without intimidation and that the

General Election was free and fair, and the outcome reflects the will of the people of Antigua and Barbuda.

The Mission will prepare a detailed report for submission to Her Excellency, Dr. Carla Barnett, Secretary-General of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM). This report will include recommendations and suggestions for strengthening the electoral process in Antigua and Barbuda.

The Mission wishes to congratulate the staff of the Electoral Commission, the Poll Workers, the Candidates and the Security Forces for the mature way in which the elections were conducted.

The level of discipline displayed throughout the entire process is highly commendable.

The CARICOM Election Observation Mission wishes to thank the Leaders of the Political Parties, Independent Candidates, Civil Society Groups, Media and the wonderful people of Antigua and Barbuda for their warm hospitality and cooperation which no doubt contributed to the success of the Mission.

JOSEPHINE TAMAI
CHIEF OF MISSION
CARICOM ELECTION
OBSERVATION MISSION
19 JANUARY 2023

(CARICOM Secretariat, Turkeyen, Greater Georgetown, Guyana - Thursday, 19 January 2023): The seven (7) member CARICOM Election Observation Mission (CEOM) which was mounted by the Caribbean Community, at the invitation of the Government of Antigua and Barbuda, observed the General Election on 18 January 2023. The CEOM visited 184 of 188 polling stations across 16 constituencies in Antigua. Due to logistical challenges polling stations in Barbuda were not visited. The Mission monitored the Election Day activities by observing the opening of the poll, the voting process, the closing of the poll, the transporting of ballot boxes and the counting of ballots.

In all stations observed, indications are that polling stations opened on time and voting started promptly at 6:00 a.m. It was observed that all polling stations were fully staffed, and that the two (2) major political parties each had political agents present at all locations. Most polling stations were conveniently located and generally accessible to the electorate including the disabled.

The CEOM observed that all materials and supplies needed were present in the required quantities. Adequate security was in place at locations observed. The officers displayed professionalism in the maintenance of law and order which contributed to the level of calm that accompanied the day's

activities. The Mission observed that prior to the opening of polls, many voters were eagerly waiting to cast their vote. Throughout the day, the polling staff remained focused as they steadily carried out the required procedures, ensuring that eligible voters who turned out were able to cast their vote.

The CEOM also observed that transportation of ballot boxes from the polling stations to the counting stations was done with adequate security, in the presence of party agents. In all stations observed, the Returning Officers commenced counting of ballots promptly, upon arrival of the ballot boxes. The count of ballots was done transparently and professionally in the presence of party agents.

While the conduct of the election is highly commendable, all stakeholders, including the main opposition party, with whom the Mission met, raised concerns about the delay in the publication of the register of elections, therefore they had no opportunity to put forward claims and objections. The Electoral Commission informed the CEOM that the date for the publication of the register was calculated based on the advice of legal counsel and, in its view, the calculation is correct.

The CEOM was made aware that in 2021, persons were appointed to the Constituencies Boundaries Commission to address the disparity in the number of electors in the constituencies.



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[s85]

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[s85]

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[s85]

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PUBLIC NOTICES

THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
(PROBATE)

VIRGIN ISLANDS

BVIHPB 2023/

In the Estate of WANG JUN late of No. 9, Cuihuawan Hutong, Xicheng District, Beijing, China, deceased

ADVERTISEMENT (RESEALING)

Notice is given that after the expiration of 8 days application will be made to the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the resealing of the Grant of Letters of Administration of the Estate of WANG JUN late of No. 9, Cuihuawan Hutong, Xicheng District, Beijing, China, deceased was granted by The High Court of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Court of First Instance on the 26th day of October, 2022.

Signed:
SAMUELS RICHARDSON & CO
Legal Practitioners for the Personal Representative

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Position Available January 1st, 2023
The position is for our East End/Long swamp Store.
Position: Store Clerk
Responsibilities include Customer service, Cashing, Stock management and all related duties
BVIlander/Belonger Preferred
Call for Interview :545-9611 [s84]

EMC's Caribbean Ltd. is seeking to fill the position of a Painter with at least 5 years of experience in the construction industry. Interested applicants can submit their CV/Resume with cover letter at P.O. Box 386, Road Town, Tortola or call 284-494-1300. [s84]

Opulent Guesthouse is seeking a housekeeper and carer. Must have >10 years of experience and able to work flexible hours. Located at George's Northside, Tortola. Interested persons (locals preferred) contact: 284342-2289/540-1757 [s84]

Second Man's Crane and Trucking requires employees in the capacity of Heavy Equipment Operators, Mechanic and Technician for the company. Please call 340-2962 for more information. [s84]

Handy Man needed urgently for Tom's Fix it All. Please contact me at tom.richardson@hotmail.com for more details". [s84]

PV Vanterpool All In One Store
Position Available January 1st, 2023
The position is for our East End/Long swamp Store.
Position: Store Clerk
Responsibilities include Customer service, Cashing, Stock management and all related duties
BVIlander/Belonger Preferred
Call for Interview :545-9611 [s84]

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EMC's Caribbean Ltd. is seeking to fill the position of a Heavy Equipment Operator with at least 5 years of experience in the construction industry. Interested applicants can submit their CV/Resume with cover letter at P.O. Box 386, Road Town, Tortola or call 284-494-1300. [s84]

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Rosie's Caribbean Cuisine has a need for employees in the capacity of Cook, Kitchen Helper and Waitress. Please call 341-3868 for more information. [s85]

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