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## BVI PARTICIPATION AT MONACO YACHT SHOW ATTRACTS QUESTIONS



**Premier: Dr. the Hon. Natalio D. Wheatley**  
(GIS Photo)

During a recent press conference on 6 October, Premier Dr. the Hon. Natalio Wheatley and Junior Minister for Culture & Tourism Hon. Luce Hodge Smith found themselves on the defensive about their recent trip to the Monaco Yacht Show.

On 28 September Premier Wheatley led a delegation that included Hon. Hodge-Smith and Director of the BVI Shipping Registry John Samuel to the Monaco Yacht Show. In a press release

about the journey it was explained that the delegation traveled to Monaco because the yacht show was the most prestigious in the world and it provided the opportunity for the British Virgin Islands Shipping Registry to remain competitive with other registers within the red ensign group, such as Cayman Islands, Bermuda, Marshall Islands, and Malta. It was also noted that the BVI Shipping Registry returned to the Monaco Yacht Show after a seven-

year absence, due to the 2017 hurricanes and the COVID-19 pandemic.

However, many in the Territory questioned whether the delegation had to include the Premier and not just top-ranking public servants. According to the critics, the Premier seems to travel too frequently to various international events some of which do not require his presence. Concerns have also been raised about the financial implications, especially against claims of insufficient funds for local infrastructure projects. Some also feel that Premier Wheatley's frequent travels might divert his attention from pressing local issues, suggesting that non-elected officials might be better representatives abroad, allowing elected leaders to focus on domestic priorities. Against the backdrop of

all of the concerns and questions about whether the trip yielded value for money the Premier called the press conference to explain that the government deemed the trip to Monaco as necessary. However, two members of the media expressed concern and told the Premier and the Junior Minister that their account of the trip "didn't make sense" and questioned the trip's benefits. One member of the media stated: "They didn't come back with anything, just the usual talk." Further pressing for evidence of the benefits the BVI derived from the event, the journalist remarked: "We can't see the success, we can't feel it. Miss Hodge said it was a huge success. But we're not seeing any outcome. How can you claim success when you're also saying we must wait for the results? By what criteria

are you deeming the trip successful?"

Premier Wheatley responded by emphasizing that the trip's value lay in the negotiations they held with influential figures in the mega yacht sector and the chance to showcase the BVI's tourism offerings. He remarked: "The true success will be seen in our [shipping] registry's growth. If we don't notice substantial growth in a year or so, then its effectiveness will be questioned. However, if we don't actively promote our services, how can we expect growth?"

The journalist, still unconvinced, turned to Junior Minister Hodge-Smith for clarification. She replied: "From my perspective, the trip was highly fruitful. Direct interactions can't be replaced by virtual ones like Zoom." She continued,

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pointing out that they had an unplanned meeting with the IGY Marinas owner during the trip. She emphasized the importance of these serendipitous interactions, stating: "That's the essence of being physically present.

Opportunities arise for the benefit of our Territory. We're part of a global network and can't function in isolation. We have to proactively promote ourselves, even if it necessitates global travel." Junior Minister Hodge-

Smith later mentioned the accountability measures in place for government officials, noting they must justify the expenditures on international trips and reimburse any unaccounted funds.

## UPPER MAIN STREET TWO-WAY TRAFFIC SUSPENDED



*Hon. Luce Hodge-Smith*

On 6 October, amidst growing concerns from local business owners about increased traffic affecting their operations, the government announced a halt to their previously proposed traffic flow improvements. At the press conference, Fourth District Representative Hon. Luce Hodge-Smith noted: "Following discussions with the Premier and Minister Rymer, the decision has been made to suspend the two-way traffic proposal for an indefinite period. Stakeholders had communicated their apprehensions to the Premier, and in response, we are now gearing up to further engage them to fully grasp their concerns."

On 7 September during the continuation of the House of Assembly's sitting Hon. Rymer

had laid out that traffic plan. He had commented: "Our aim for the end of the fourth quarter was to execute an upgrade, envisioned to improve our traffic flow and reduce congestion. The intent was to turn the Main Street section, from Joe's Hill near the Road Town Methodist Cemetery to its intersection with Flemming Street, into two-way traffic. Yet, the rest of Main Street, beginning at the Flemming Street intersection and leading to the Customs Road intersection by the Commercial Court building, was to retain its one-way direction towards the west."

Understanding the concerns about Main Street's limitations, he had said, "Given Main Street's narrower stature relative to other roads, we planned to bar large trucks, redirecting them to alternate routes. Additionally, I had sought designs from the Public Works Department, aiming to integrate sidewalks to the revamp for enhanced pedestrian safety."

Hon. Rymer had also expressed optimism about the then-proposed changes, noting: "We had projected a decrease in traffic congestion by roughly 35%. Having personally experienced the brunt of this congestion, I was keen on the tangible benefits



*Hon. Kye Rymer*

this modification could bring to our commuters."

However, while addressing the recent community feedback during last week's press conference, Hon. Hodge-Smith elaborated: "While I had the chance to meet some stakeholders before my recent international trip, there's a consensus that broader consultations are needed... We held a community meeting attended by both Minister Rymer and me, among other officials. Business owners used the platform to articulate their concerns and brainstorm alternative resolutions."

Hon. Hodge-Smith assured that the government has the best interest of businesses at heart and did not intend any disruptions: "Our underlying intent was never to disrupt the businesses. The primary goal was to find a solution to the prevailing congestion issue. The two-way traffic was one such consideration," she said.



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### Statement by Premier and Minister of Finance Honourable Dr. Natalio D. Wheatley **Condolences on the Passing of Detective Paul France**

7 October, 2023

On behalf of the Government and people of the Virgin Islands, I extend condolences to the family and loved ones of Detective Paul France on his untimely passing today. I also extend sympathies to his colleagues here in the Royal Virgin Islands Police Force and in the UK, where he also served as a police officer.

The family and loved ones of Detective France can be assured of the full support of the Government of the Virgin Islands into the discovery of the tragic circumstances surrounding his passing.

**We pray that his soul rests in peace and solace for those who are affected by this loss.**

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## EDUCATOR JENNIE WHEATLEY DEPARTS LIFE AT AGE 84



*The Late Jennie Wheatley MBE*  
Last Thursday 5 October  
the sad news of the passing of cherished educator, and historian Jennie Wheatley MBE left many feeling sad. She departed this life at the age of 84, having entered the world on 24 June 24 1939.

Often addressed with endearment as Teacher 'Jennie',

she was an eminent luminary in the educational field, representing the Territory's circle of intellectuals. Left to cherish her memory are her three sons: L. Allen Wheatley, the former Financial Secretary, Lloyd, and Leon, as well as her devoted husband, Dr. Charles Wheatley, OBE.

Upon completing high school, Teacher Jennie furthered her education at the Leeward Islands Teachers Training College in Antigua, graduating in 1960. She then returned to Tortola and embarked on her teaching vocation. A pursuit of higher education led her to Canada's Mount Allison University, where she secured bachelor's degrees in English and Education by 1970. A decade later, in 1981, she

sought advanced educational training at the University of Leeds in England.

A stalwart in education and history, Teacher Jennie's tenure spanned primary to secondary levels in the British Virgin Islands. She frequently reminisced about her engagements at schools like Althea Scatliffe, Cane Garden Bay, and Alexandrina Maduro primary institutions. Her contributions at the BVI High School culminated in her elevation to Assistant Principal; a post which she transitioned to lecturing at H. Lavity Stoutt Community College (HLSCC) where she was instrumental in launching the Virgin Islands Studies Programme.

In addition to her direct educational roles, she held

seats on the HLSCC's Board of Governors and the BVI Tourist Board. Recognizing her invaluable contributions to education, she was conferred the honor of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in the 1993 New Year Honours.

On the literary front, Teacher Jennie initiated a project in the 1970s, collaborating with students to research sources and meanings of local proverbs. This effort birthed her first book, 'Bohog Put in Gol' Teet': Proverbs and Pearls of Wisdom', in 1974. Subsequent publications included a series on a Caribbean child, Boysie, culminating in the UNESCO-published 'Boysie and the Genips, and Other Stories' in 1984. Four children-centric books emerged between 2005

and 2006, and by 2009, her poetic expressions took form in 'Along the Road'. Regionally, she collaborated with the Caribbean Examinations Council (CXC) on their English Panel.

Despite her 1997 retirement, Mrs. Wheatley's commitment to nurturing minds continued with her participation in after-school initiatives. Beyond the confines of academia, she relished culinary activities and spending time with her grandchildren.

The publishers, management and staff of The Island Sun newspaper extend their deepest condolences and sympathies to the relatives and friends the late Revered Jennie Wheatley, MBE

## PREMIER DISCUSSES SELF-DETERMINATION OF THE BVI

Premier Dr. the Hon. Natalio Wheatley who has always been a firm advocate for the BVI's self-determination, has definitively stated that he isn't championing for the BVI's total independence.

During a press conference on 6 October Hon. Wheatley shared insights from his visit to the United Nations where, he sought global support to counter the United Kingdom's Order in Council, which, in his view, jeopardizes the autonomy of BVI's elected leaders. However, a member of the media questioned the Premier's recent international appeal and queried: "Is there a public mandate supporting BVI's

independence? Was there a consultative referendum to ascertain the people's desired path?"

Addressing the question, Premier Wheatley responded: "There isn't a specific endorsement for our territory's independence." He highlighted that his endeavors are rooted in the principle of self-determination, not necessarily culminating in independence. "Self-determination signifies a break from colonialism, opening up a spectrum of choices, with independence being just one avenue," he said. "Other avenues include forging a free alliance with an independent nation or merging with another state.

I can't, and won't, enforce independence. That's a decision that requires a referendum."

The BVI Leader also underscored, what he stated was the inevitability of BVI's progression beyond its present alignment with Britain. He contended that being a British Territory was never a perpetual arrangement and urged residents to contemplate the nation's forward momentum: "Continual growth is essential. We need to engage in discussions about our future course. It's imperative for the BVI to evolve. Our bond with the UK can persist, but it must transition into one of mutual respect," Hon. Wheatley

opined.

During the press conference, Hon. Wheatley complained about the current UK order in Council that threatens partial suspension of the Territory's Constitution. He stated: "We continue to call for the lifting of the Order in Council. We do see it as something that is not suitable in a modern democratic environment, nor in a modern partnership based on mutual respect... Notwithstanding the UK's

position on this matter, the government and the public officers pressed forward with diligence. We are resolved to complete this task."

"To be clear, I remain firmly opposed to the UK Order in Council [held] in reserve that can remove democratic governance in the British Virgin Islands. The Order is not necessary, and I believe it should be lifted immediately," he further added.

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## Statement from the Ministry of Education, Youth Affairs and Sports on the Incident at the Elmore Stoutt High School

9th October, 2023

Parents, Students, and Members of the Elmore Stoutt High School Community,

We wish to provide an official statement regarding the incident that transpired on the Elmore Stoutt High School (ESHS) campus on earlier today Monday, October 9.

**Incident Overview:** On the mentioned date, an incident occurred on the campus that involved an alleged retaliation in connection with a stolen bike. During the altercation, one student left the campus premises, prompting our school

officials to initiate an immediate investigation. As a result of our evaluation of the situation, a decision was made to contact local law enforcement for assistance.

The authorities were already on campus when the student who had left the premises returned, accompanied by three other individuals on bikes. Notably, one of these individuals was wearing a mask. We would like to clarify that upon the police's arrival and subsequent detainment of these individuals, no firearms or other weapons were found in their possession. The situation

was swiftly brought under control in less than 15 minutes.

**Parental Communication:** In an effort to keep our parents fully informed, the details of the incident were promptly communicated via email and social media. Additionally, we allowed parents who wished to collect their children from school early to do so, prioritising their peace of mind during this time of concern.

**Misinformation and Disruption:** Regrettably, there has been some misinformation circulating regarding this incident, which has led to unnecessary disruption both on

and off the campus. We urge all members of our community to rely on official updates and information from the school administration to ensure the accuracy of the details they receive.

**Commitment to Safety:** The Ministry of Education reaffirms its unwavering commitment to the safety and security of our students and staff. We maintain a strict zero-tolerance policy when it comes to matters of indiscipline and poor student conduct. The well-being of everyone within our school community remains our highest priority.



*Hon. Sharie de Castro*

We appreciate your understanding, cooperation, and continued support during this time. Together, we will work diligently to uphold the safety and conducive learning environment that our students deserve.

## STATEMENT FROM THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

The paramount concern of the National Security Council is the safety and security of the people of the Virgin Islands.

The National Security Council (NSC) met in an emergency meeting on Monday, 9th October, 2023 to review the attack on an HM

Prison van and the event at the Elmore Stoutt High School (ESHS).

The Commissioner of Police provided the NSC with an update on both incidents. The prison officer, who was injured, is in a stable non-life threatening condition at the D.

Orlando Smith Hospital, and the attack on the prison van remains under investigation.

The Royal Virgin Islands Police Force (RVIPF) responded immediately to the incident at the school. One person has been arrested and the police remained on campus

until the end of the school day. The NSC confirmed with the Ministry of Education that no firearms or other weapons were found in the possession of the individuals or on the campus, although an imitation firearm has subsequently been recovered away from the school premises. The NSC shares the concern over misinformation circulated in relation to what occurred at the school.

The Members of the NSC are keenly aware of the concerns in the community over both events and is determined to support the RVIPF in its work. Following the concerns of the NSC, the Police Commissioner has ordered increased patrols. Additionally, NSC has requested a review of security at the ESHS to be carried out between the RVIPF and the Ministry of Education.

NSC is encouraging the community to assist the Police by calling in with tips at Crime

Stoppers and the confidential and untraceable hotline 800-8477[TIPS], 800-847-8477 and 368-9339.

The NSC reassures the public that the RVIPF is using every available tool to bring criminals to justice and to arrest the current trend of escalating crime. The NSC further reaffirms its commitment to a zero tolerance policy on crime.

The National Security Council considers matters relating to internal security and any significant security developments in the Territory, including the occurrence of significant criminal activity. The NSC comprises the Governor, as Chairman and members, including the Premier, the Minister for Communication and Works, the Attorney General (ex-officio) and the Commissioner of Police (ex-officio).

9th October, 2023

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# The Virgin Gorda Children's Santa Motorcade

## SUNDAY DECEMBER 17, 2023

Greetings to our many friends around the world!

We write to you with this gentle reminder that the holiday season will be here

before you know it. And that means the wonderfully rewarding Children's Santa Motorcade will be visiting Virgin Gorda's children to

spread gifts and joy to each and every little one.

We rely totally on our friends, our families, and our BVI business partners

to continue this remarkable, heart-warming annual tradition.

Santa's Motorcade will distribute Christmas gifts to every child on the island. No child will be forgotten. Smiles, laughter, joy and gratitude will abound.

Please won't you help? The Santa Motorcade is an exciting and rewarding donor-sponsored event. Your contribution makes a huge difference.

Rose and her staff are happy to accept donations dropped off at the Bath and Turtle.

You can also send your check to Inge Judd, PO Box 304039, St Thomas, US Virgin Islands, 00803. Wire transfers are a welcome option as well, please contact Inge for details.

Rose, Inge and the entire Christmas Party Team thank you and wish you happy holidays. If you will be on island, we sure do hope to see you on the 17th.

With gratitude for your generous contributions,

Rose Giacinto  
Inge Judd



### PROGRAM LISTINGS

#### MONDAYS

- (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)
- (8:15 PM) PRAISE & PRAYER SERVICE - BY: TRINITY MORAVIAN CHURCH (4TH SUNDAY)

### Bulletin

## Appointments For Residence And Belonger Status Applicants

The public is advised that effective Wednesday, October 11, persons are required to schedule appointments via [BVIPS.org](http://BVIPS.org) in order to submit applications for Residence and Belonger Status.

For additional information about this application process, contact the Immigration Department at 468-4700.

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## Waste Management Building Capacity To Better Serve Community

The Department of Waste Management has been on a quest to build capacity to better serve the community through effective public and private partnerships.

Director of Waste Management, Mr. Marcus Solomon said that the collaboration between the department and Green VI has been mutually beneficial and he looks forward to their continued support as well as the support and commitment of the community to keep the BVI clean and Green.

“We recently received a Ford F450 Dump Truck and a glass crusher from Green VI. The dump truck will be used to collect recyclables

and house-to-house garbage collection. The glass crusher which was donated on October 3, has the capacity to process one cubic ton of crushed glass per hour. The team received training in its operation and initially the processed glass will be used to cover material at the Pockwood Pond dumpsite,” the Director explained.

The Department has also been on a quest to engage the public through community meetings. “We have been meeting with members of the community to solicit their feedback on waste management issues affecting

them. I know if we want to inspire the community to do their part we have to make ourselves accessible to them so that we can hear what their concerns are,” Mr. Solomon said.

So far, according to Mr. Solomon the meetings have been going great. “The department has been

receiving great feedback and we look forward to creating more synergy between us and the community, because we cannot do it by ourselves. To improve waste management operations locally there must be a solid collaboration with the private sector and the community and we will

do our best to foster these relationships,” he said.

The Department of Waste Management is committed to ensuring that the natural beauty of the Territory is enhanced by utilising state of the art waste management technology to ensure timely collection disposal, and where possible, the recycling of waste.



### BITTER END YACHT CLUB

The Bitter End Yacht Club 2.0 has the following position available. Interested candidates must email resume to [nputman@beyc.com](mailto:nputman@beyc.com) or [kcharles@beyc.com](mailto:kcharles@beyc.com) or call 340-1052 or 346-9763 for appointment.

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##### Main Duties and Responsibilities:

- Actively promote watersports activities to guests in order to increase revenue.
- Responsible for opening and closing accounting books each day, ensuring proper management of cash register and POS system throughout the day.
- Ensure each guest fills out a waiver and understands the terms and conditions regarding use of rental equipment and/or participation in BEYC activities.
- Collect payments in the form of cash, or accepted credit and debit cards.
- Ensure the enjoyment and safety of the guest.

##### Prerequisites:

- The applicant should possess basic Math and English skills.
- High School Diploma or higher education

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## OECS Meeting to Yield Positive Outcomes

Premier and Minister of Finance, Honourable Dr. Natalio Wheatley said that he is expecting that the Pooled Procurement Service (PPS) dialogue will generate stronger mutually beneficial partnerships and positive outcomes.

He made this statement at the opening ceremony for the 36th Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS)/ Pooled Procurement Service Board Meeting and Ninth OECS Council of Health Ministers held on 9th October.

Premier Wheatley stated, "I am confident the deliberations at the PPS

Policy Board Meeting and the Council of Health Ministers Meeting over the coming days will be very fruitful in developing and strengthening ways for closer collaboration among members and more effective representation of regional interests in health and wellness."

The Government of the Virgin Islands is host country of the high-level dialogue meetings, which are scheduled to take place between October 10 and 12.

Significantly, Minister for Health and Social Development, Honourable Vincent Wheatley will be

assuming the role as chair of the OECS/PPS Board for the upcoming year.

Premier Wheatley extended heartfelt gratitude to the outgoing chair for his dedication to the organisation, and by extension, the contributions made through service to the region in his capacity as chair.

He said "We join with the regional community in thanking the outgoing chair, Honourable Sir Molwyn Joseph, for his service and for the support of the Government and people of Antigua and Barbuda."

Premier Wheatley also

acknowledge the PPS's critical role in allowing OECS countries to access quality pharmaceutical supplies at significant savings through strategic negotiation, and reductions in shipping and other logistical costs. This was achieved since the individual countries were categorised as a single large customer rather than multiple customers.

Against this backdrop, Premier Wheatley reiterated that regional multilateral organisations like the OECS continuously demonstrate that our strengths and abilities as a collective are magnified significantly more than the sum of the individual parts.

He further explained that the success derived from the PPS initiative can



*Dr. the Hon. Natalio D. Wheatley*

be operationalised as a blueprint for confronting various challenges, and addressing issues unique to the Caribbean states in navigating the global political economy.

The Government of the Virgin Islands remains committed to advancing the interests of the Territory through maintaining strategic partnerships with regional partners, in a manner that is consistent with the overall National Sustainable Development Plan.

### Theme: Dare to Dream

**Theme:** this year's contest theme is "Dare to Dream". Students are asked to use their artistic talents to create a poster that visually communicates the contest's theme, and their interpretation of peace.

**Eligibility:** The contest is open to children who will be 11, 12 or 13 on November 15, 2023. By entering this contest, students are joining more than 600,000 children from around the world in sharing their vision of world peace.

**Prizes:** Winners at the local, district, and international levels will receive recognition and awards. The international grand prize winner will receive a cash prize along with a trip for themselves and two family members or guardians to the Lions Clubs International Convention. The school with the winning entry will also receive local recognition and an award.

**Submission Deadline for submitting entries is October 27th, 2023.**

Posters will be evaluated on three criteria at each level of judging: originality, artistic merit and expression of the theme "Dare to Dream." The contest winner will be recognized by Lions Club of Tortola and the winning poster will advance to the next level of judging at the District Level. Please contact your school, art group or email [tortolalions@gmail.com](mailto:tortolalions@gmail.com) for official contest rules & conditions.

[lionsclubs.org/peaceposter](https://lionsclubs.org/peaceposter)

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### Afterschool Programme Application Drop Off Locations

The public is notified that the Department of Youth Affairs and Sports' afterschool programme application drop off locations are as follows:

**Tortola**

**Department of Youth Affairs and Sports**

**Virgin Gorda**

**Sister Islands Coordinator's Office at the Flax**

**Administration Building**

**Anegada**

**The Claudia Creque Educational Centre**

**Jost Van Dyke**

**Jost Van Dyke Primary School**

Forms may be collected at all public schools and at the department. The registration deadline is **Thursday, September 21.**



# Applications Invited For One Board Member Of The BVI Tourist Board

The Government of the Virgin Islands is seeking one qualified person to serve as board member of the BVI Tourist Board (BVITB).

The BVITB was established under the Tourist Board Ordinance (CAP 280) under the portfolio of the Premier's Office. The Board's role is to promote, foster and encourage tourist investment within the Virgin Islands utilising measures and strategies as deemed fit.

In contributing to the governance and policy direction of BVITB, prospective candidates must bring special talent, skill, and knowledge. This may include Board experience, understanding of basic Board procedures, business, and an enthusiasm for the work of the organisation, willingness to learn Board skills, technical skills, the ability to listen and maintain confidentiality.

Persons applying to serve on the Board or nominated should have the professional competencies and a balance of skills that match the mandate and responsibilities of the Board of BVITB.

Ideal candidates should embody a willingness to make a professional commitment to the Board in carrying out its vision and mission and actively contribute to the discussion on related topics; clearly understand the industry and the needs of its stakeholders; partner with the Chairperson to ensure that all Board resolutions are carried out and that actions to achieve the Board's strategic goals are successfully executed; and - demonstrate a commitment to confidentiality, integrity, and good corporate governance.

Candidates should also be capable and willing to attend scheduled Board meetings, and actively contribute to the Board deliberations; develop a good working relationship with other Board members and contribute to the Board's working relationship with its senior management; think-strategically, manage-complexity and act decisively and demonstrate-ability

and willingness to work effectively and collaboratively in a group.

Existing Board members include representatives from each of the four main islands and must possess the requisite leadership skills, training, and experience in various tourism industry sectors, including small hotels/villas; large hotels; marine association; taxi and livery services; travel agents; tour operators/cruise; marine activity/entertainment; cultural activity/entertainment; and night life/bars.

Application forms are due by Friday, October 27, 2023 and sent via email and/or hand delivered along with a cover letter, resumé or curriculum vitae and submit to:

**Permanent Secretary  
Ministry of Tourism,  
Culture and Sustainable  
Development  
Cutlass Building  
Second Floor Road  
Town,  
Tortola British Virgin  
Islands  
Tel: (284) 468-2161  
Email: mtcasd@gov.vg**



## POLICE NEWS

### RVIPFF RECORDS AN INCREASE IN BURGLARIES

Thursday, October 12 – The Royal Virgin Islands Police Force has recently observed an increase in burglary incidents occurring throughout the Territory. In the past week, both residential properties and businesses have fallen victim to break-ins and attempted break-ins, many resulting in the theft of cash and valuable items.

Residents are being urged to take proactive steps to enhance the security of their homes and businesses. To this end, here are some valuable tips:

1. Install CCTV cameras in and around your premises to monitor activities and deter potential burglars.
2. Utilize alarm systems and ensure that the exterior of your property is well lit. Adequate lighting can act as a deterrent to would-be intruders.
3. Securely lock your doors and windows, especially when away from your premises. This basic measure can significantly reduce the risk of unauthorized entry.
4. Regularly inspect and maintain the locking mechanisms on all windows, ensuring that they are fully operational. Any faulty locks should be promptly repaired or replaced.
5. Safeguard your valuable possessions by photographing them in their respective locations within your home. Create a detailed inventory list for each item, and record serial numbers or specific identifying marks to make it easier to identify them in case of theft.
6. Establish a neighborhood watch group which can be conveniently organized through a WhatsApp platform. In this setup, residents within a specific neighborhood can serve as the vigilant observers, promptly reporting any suspicious incidents they come across to their fellow community members and the Police.

Head of the Criminal Investigations Department, Acting Detective Chief Inspector Larocque, has recorded three burglaries and four attempted burglaries within the past 48 hours. "Both residential and businesses have reported multiple break-ins within the past few days. While the residential burglaries have predominantly been attempted intrusions rather than successful breaches, the volume of reports remains a cause for concern."

Commissioner of Police Mark Collins aims to reassure the public: "Our Officers are committed to investigating and prosecuting the offenders of these crimes. We need the public's help in identifying and apprehending these criminals, so if you see something, say something."

Persons who can assist police with information into any of those burglaries can confidentially call the Crime Stoppers line 800-8477 (TIPS) or overseas call 1-284-800-8477 with the relevant information or contact the RVIPF Intelligence Unit at 368-9339.

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# Hon. Natalio D. Wheatley Premier and Minister of Finance Media Conference... Update on Various Matters

6 October, 2023

Good afternoon to all the people of the Virgin Islands. I especially welcome those persons present with us and those joining on the airwaves and via the Internet, and members of the media.

Before I get into the substantive topics of today's media conference, I wish to take the opportunity to extend condolences to the relatives of a number of persons whom we lost recently.

On 26 September, 2023, we lost Mr. James Alfred Christopher, former educator, former Acting Chief Education Officer, former President of the BVI Teachers Union, former Assistant Principal of the then BVI High School, hotelier and businessman. Mr. Christopher was well known and all round a very pleasant person.

Registrar of Shipping and Seaman, Mr. Ronald Donovan, passed away on 10 September, 2023; may his soul rest in peace. He was another Virgin Islander who made tremendous contributions to our development.

On 2 October, 2023, USVI political icon and former Senator, Alicia Hansen aka 'Chucky', succumbed in her battle against cancer. Senator Hansen had roots in Long Look, and she did not keep this a secret. Serving 11 terms as a Senator, she actively participated in the Inter Virgin Islands Council, USVI/BVI Friendship Day celebrations and other events in the

BVI.

Former Governor of the Virgin Islands, Peter Alfred Penfold, CMG, OBE passed away on 1 October, 2023. Mr. Penfold served as Governor of the VI from 1991 to 1996, at the age of 48, which made him the youngest serving British Governor at the time.

On behalf of the Government and people of the Virgin Islands, I extend deepest condolences to the families and loved ones of the departed, and we keep them in our prayers.

## Response to Tropical Storm Phillipe

On Tuesday last, 3 October, 2023, we witnessed the passage of Tropical Storm Phillipe near to the Virgin Islands. Over the period of Tuesday night into Wednesday, the BVI sustained a reported eight inches of rain, almost continuously over about 14 hours.

We can all agree that this was a considerable volume of rainfall. It was a lot more than was initially forecast, and we can all appreciate, that such a high volume of sustained rainfall over such a lengthy period of time would no doubt put significant pressure on our infrastructure and our resources – which it did.

Due to the impacts of climate change extreme weather events have become more frequent, which

reminds us of the importance of adapting and mitigating to the ill-effects of Climate Change and building greater resilience into our society. We must remind those who contribute the most to Climate Change that they have a responsibility to support those who are most vulnerable, and that is why we have championed a multi-dimensional vulnerability index that would make climate financing available to small island developing states such as ours who face the brunt of climatic disasters. However, we will do all we can within our resources to respond in the face of extreme weather events.

Beginning in May and continuing into August, all the ghuts and major drains were cleaned, but, according to the technical officers, some of the watercourses were simply overwhelmed by the sheer volume of the water. Our infrastructure held up in most cases though we have seen areas that require our immediate attention.

The full report on the impact of the storm and the scope and cost of the damages, is being completed. But, the preliminary impacts included flooding in the Capital of Road Town, Huntums Ghut, Pasea, Sea Cows Bay and West End. We saw water entering the ground floor of the new Elmore Stoutt High School building due to a tree falling into the nearby ghut and causing the water to spill over. Some homes and businesses were affected by the heavy rainfall and the flooding. Portions of roadway have been undermined in the Windy Hill area, in Carrot Bay, and Brewer's Bay. In some areas, we had rocks and debris falling on the roads. We also saw interruptions in the electricity power supply.

I want to take this opportunity to commend the quick work of our response teams. This includes the teams at DDM and from the Ministry of Communications and Works and the Public Works Department (PWD), as well as other responders such as the Fire Services. PWD was very prompt in clearing the debris from the roads and watercourses. BVI Electricity Corporation was efficient in restoring power. I must also commend the community spirit that we saw where residents came out to lend a hand with the

clean-up in the Capital and other areas. This kind of neighborliness and patriotic spirit is what makes the BVI a special place and what makes our people so special.

We look forward to receiving the report of the technical officers so that we can identify what works are required to repair the damage, and to improve the effectiveness of our infrastructure in coping with heavy rain as we experienced with the passage of TS Phillipe.

## Monaco Yacht Show

During the period 27 - 30 September, 2023, I led a delegation to the 32nd edition of the Monaco Yacht Show, which is the premier world event for the super yacht industry – vessels over 20 meters in length. The BVI delegation included the Junior Minister for Tourism, Honourable Luce Hodge Smith, and the Director of the Virgin Islands Shipping Registry, Mr. John Samuel.

Preliminary impressions are that this was a successful mission. The BVI delegation was able to hold a number of meetings with stakeholders and influencers, to promote our destination in the super-yacht market. We impressed upon them, of course, that the BVI is the sailing capital of the world. We have some of the best sailing waters, with complementary offerings such as our beautiful beaches, wondrous sceneries, our amazing dive sites and our other offerings. We also promoted the benefits of sailing and registering in the BVI, and our world-class services through our Red Ensign Category 1 Shipping Registry. The persons we spoke with were very receptive and I am confident that we will generate some good business for the territory and the shipping registry from these efforts.

The BVI has been a regular participant in the Monaco Yacht Show, however, we have not attended since 2017 due to the Hurricanes and the COVID-19 pandemic. That is a seven-year absence from the most prestigious global forum in the super-yacht industry. There is a saying that, "Out of sight is out of mind."

We have to continue to aggressively market our destination

and our products and offerings, if we want to hold and grow our share in the market; especially since all our competitors are out and about promoting their destinations and offerings, and trying to woo customers. Forums like these are also beneficial for us to see the new and emerging trends in the industry, so that we can adjust our strategy accordingly.

Yes, we do have a strong product and a good reputation, but we cannot sit back and just confidently say that people will come to us. We have to do our marketing and promotion, and we have to appreciate that the market is always changing and becoming more competitive.

## United Nations General Assembly

I would like to provide an update on my recent visit to New York to make a statement to the Fourth Committee at the ongoing 78th Session of the United Nations (UN) General Assembly.

It is important for the public to be aware that every year the UN adopts a resolution specifically on the British Virgin Islands. At the UN the name British Virgin Islands is used to avoid confusion with the United States Virgin Islands. However, I will use Virgin Islands here.

The purpose of the UN resolution is to address the Territory's progress in achieving a full measure of self-government and to recommend any measures needed to support the process of self-determination.

One of the mandates of the UN is the complete decolonization of its list of 17 remaining Non-Self-Governing Territories that remain under its remit, including the Virgin Islands.

The two UN committees that have direct responsibility for decolonization are the Special Committee on Decolonization, also called the C-24, and the UN General Assembly's Fourth Committee (Special Political and Decolonization).

There is an established formulation and approval process for the passage of the UN resolution on the Question of the British

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Virgin Islands.

First, the C-24 holds a regional decolonization seminar in either the Caribbean or the Pacific to gather oral and written input on the situation of the 17 Non-Self-Governing Territories from the Territory Governments themselves and their Administering Powers.

In our case, the United Kingdom (UK) is the Administering Power. However, the UK withdrew from the C-24 in the 1980s and does not provide the committee with input on the Virgin Islands at the regional seminar.

Because my Ministerial colleagues and I take the obligation to update the committee on the Territory's situation very seriously, government continues to annually send a representative to the decolonization seminar.

The C-24 develops a draft UN resolution on the Virgin Islands based on this input and other sources of information, which is considered at the committee's June substantive session at UN Headquarters in New York.

The Government of the Virgin Islands has the opportunity to send a representative to the session to address the committee in relation to the draft resolution.

Once again, my Ministerial colleagues and I take this obligation very seriously and of course I or a government representative attend and deliver a statement. The UK also has the same opportunity, but does not do so because it does not participate in the C-24, as I mentioned earlier.

The Members of the C-24

consider the statement during the committee's debate on the draft resolution. Amendments may be made, after which the draft resolution is passed by the committee.

Its next round of UN approval takes place at the Fourth Committee in October during the annual UN General Assembly. During that committee's meetings, I or a government representative have the opportunity to address the committee in relation to the draft UN resolution.

As everyone is aware, I made a statement to the Fourth Committee earlier this week which is published on the Government's website and was broadcasted live via Facebook. A video recording is also available.

Once the Fourth Committee has passed the draft resolution, it then goes on to the General Assembly for final passage.

Once adoption is completed by the UN, the resolution on the Question of the British Virgin Islands represents the will of the international community.

This process was established by the UN to support the inalienable right of the people of the Virgin Islands and the other Non-Self-Governing Territories, under the UN Charter and international law.

As a Government, my Ministerial colleagues and I cannot ignore the fact that a UN resolution on the Territory is adopted every year. The Government must positively engage the UN process. We must ensure the Virgin Islands has a voice at the UN.

I expressed that voice at the Fourth Committee as the Premier of these Virgin Islands.

I called for two things primarily:

I called for the relevant UN agencies and departments to fulfill their obligations to the people of the Virgin Islands to help them understand the process of self-determination and what the options are for the Virgin Islands to achieve a full measure of self-government. The three options approved by the UN are integration as in the case of Guadeloupe and France, free association as in the case of the Cook Islands and New Zealand, and independence.

I also called for the UN to follow-through on the request for a C-24 visiting mission to the Virgin Islands so the committee can hear directly from the people on the ground and give them an opportunity to engage the committee on the Territory's options.

Importantly, I also thanked the UN for all of their support to the BVI which helped us to complete our National Sustainable Development Plan and Blue Economy Roadmap, among other things. They are our major development partner, especially since Brexit.

My Administration will remain positively engaged with the UN, and we look forward to additional support for our sustainable development and climate resilience that they will be providing going forward.

## The Governor's Quarterly Report

With respect to the 4th Quarterly Report by His Excellency the Governor on the implementation of the Framework for Reforms, I am pleased that His Excellency

has acknowledged the volume of work that has been done by the elected Government and the public officers across the various Ministries.

The workload is indeed very demanding, but our efforts demonstrate our commitment to get the work done and our genuine belief that implementation of the reforms will result in benefits to our people and our country.

We continue to call for the lifting of the Order in Council. We do see it as something that is not suitable in a modern democratic environment nor in a modern partnership based on mutual respect. Notwithstanding the UK's position on this matter, the Government and the public officers press forward with diligence. We are resolved to complete this task.

While strengthening the Governance structures is one important goal to be achieved from this process, it is also critical to us that the struggles and achievements of our fore parents are not allowed to fall in vain, and that we are able to pass on the baton to the next generation of Virgin Islanders. So, a lot is at stake, and hence we are fully focused on completing these reforms.

The Government is working on the reform of the immigration systems, particularly with respect to residence and belonging status. Recently we provided some updates such the increase in resources and our plans for a new immigration policy, a draft of which we will soon be circulating to the public for consultation.

Last month, the Virgin

Islands Crown Land Policy was circulated for public comment. The draft policy addresses topics such as first time home ownership, lease of commercial and agricultural land, and Crown Land application criteria.

We are also finalizing a draft Community Development Policy which will also be presented for public consultation in the near future. This draft policy will propose the establishment of District Councils so that the people in the various Districts can have a say and be involved in community projects. It will also outline mechanisms for ensuring that there is transparency, accountability and value for money where public funds are engaged.

So, there is a lot of work taking place when it comes to reforming the Government systems.

## Conclusion

I hope this brief report has been informative as to the work that your Government has been engaged in on your behalf. Moving forward you can expect regular updates on a variety of matters.

In the next few weeks, I, along with my Ministers and Junior Ministers, will provide the public with a review of progress in our areas of responsibility and as a government as a whole.

I will now ask Minister Kye Rymer to give an update on the response to Tropical Storm Phillipe after which we can open up to questions from the media.

I thank you.





# GLOBAL NEWS BRIEF

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**LONDON** - The British Prime Minister is promising a tough stance on undocumented immigration. He has also proposed a plan to gradually ban smoking and has attacked the trans movement. The British Prime Minister is promising a tough stance on undocumented immigration. He has also proposed a plan to gradually ban smoking and has attacked the trans movement.

With the phrase “false consensus,” Sunak is referring to decisions that have cost the British Treasury the most, which were supported by an understanding between the Conservatives and the Labour Party. The incumbent prime minister blames these decisions for economic inertia in the country. An example is the HS2 infrastructure project, which was launched by Prime Minister Gordon Brown’s Labour government in 2009, to connect London and the north of England with a high speed rail line. Work began in 2017... and so far, it has only reached Birmingham. The initial budget — of 72 billion pounds, or \$88 billion — has nearly doubled. On top of that, the rail line’s final phase — projected to be completed in 2029 — was delayed until 2033. Against the wishes of many of his MPs, Sunak has canceled

the next phases — which were set to extend up to Manchester and Leeds — to instead use the budgeted money for new rail and road plans between the east and the west of the country. [El Pais]

**LONDON** - The Tories can’t win elections with male-centric politics, The Times stresses:

“Sunak has done almost nothing to allay any of [women’s] concerns. Instead, he has appealed to petrolheads, a predominantly male group, as he fumes about speeding restrictions and promises to fight for cars. Only 3 per cent of voters think that the Conservative party is close to women, while 32 per cent believe Labour understands their concerns, which sounds catastrophic for the Tories. ... Sunak has a chance but he needs to stop obsessing about boys’ toys. The idea that the Tories can win with a dad’s army of older male voters is deluded.”

El País sees a star burning out:

“Sunak has decided to reinvent himself as the man who defies the ‘false consensus’ and takes bold decisions. The emerging result is a worrying turn towards populist positions close to those of the most reactionary right. He threatens to override international

legislation and enforce deportations and detention for irregular immigrants; he has gone back on many pledges to fight climate change; he promises a crackdown in the fight against crime and has taken up the culture war against the trans movement and a revision of the colonial past. Not even the Brexit banner can help a candidate who doesn’t seem capable of rekindling the enthusiasm of his fellow party members or Conservative voters.”

**SPAIN** - A London court has thrown out a 145m euros (£126m) legal case brought by a former lover of the ex-king of Spain. Danish businesswoman Corinna zu Sayn-Wittgenstein-Sayn had accused Juan Carlos of directing a campaign of harassment against her after their relationship broke down in 2012.

She alleged the intimidation - including spying and break ins - began after she refused to return millions of pounds worth of gifts from him. Juan Carlos denied the allegations.

A spokesperson for the 85-year-old former monarch described Friday’s ruling as “unsurprisingly” confirming his innocence and said it re-established the “conditions necessary for further public appearances”.

Ms zu Sayn-Wittgenstein-Sayn, who filed the harassment case in 2020, said she was “deeply disappointed” by the decision and that it was “disheartening to see that

victims of harassment often struggle to find justice in our legal system”. [BBC.com]

**NEW YORK** — A New York appeals judge declined Friday to halt Donald Trump’s civil fraud trial, rebuffing the former president’s request to postpone it while he fights a pretrial ruling that could strip him of control of such assets as Trump Tower.

The appellate judge agreed that control over the holdings will remain as-is for now.

Friday’s decision came five days into the closely watched trial, which drew Trump to the courthouse to observe — and fulminate — for days this week.

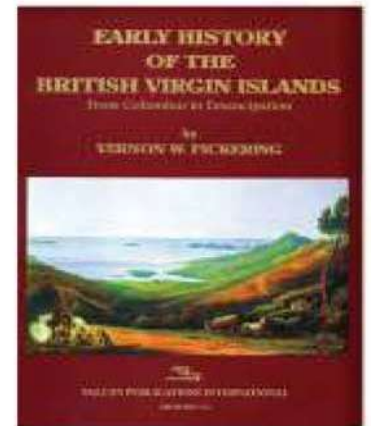
Trump’s lawyers had asked the state’s intermediate appellate court to suspend the trial in New York Atty. Gen. Letitia James’ lawsuit and prevent Judge Arthur Engoron from enforcing his ruling of last week, which revokes the 2024 Republican presidential front-runner’s business licenses and puts a court-appointed receiver in charge of his companies.

“This is a massive error. It is irreparable,” Trump attorney Christopher Kise told an appeals judge Friday afternoon. Kise argued that the ruling will make defendants in other cases fear that their companies and properties will be seized without recourse. [LA Times]



**CARIBBEAN** - In a trailblazing leadership transition, the prestigious Harvard University welcomes Claudine Gay as its first Black, Caribbean, and Haitian American president, marking both a diverse leadership success and a historic milestone in the Ivy League institution’s 381-year existence.

President Gay joined the faculty in 2006 and has a Ph.D. in government from the esteemed institution in 1998. She was formerly the Edgerley Family Dean of Harvard’s Faculty of Arts and Sciences and is regarded as a



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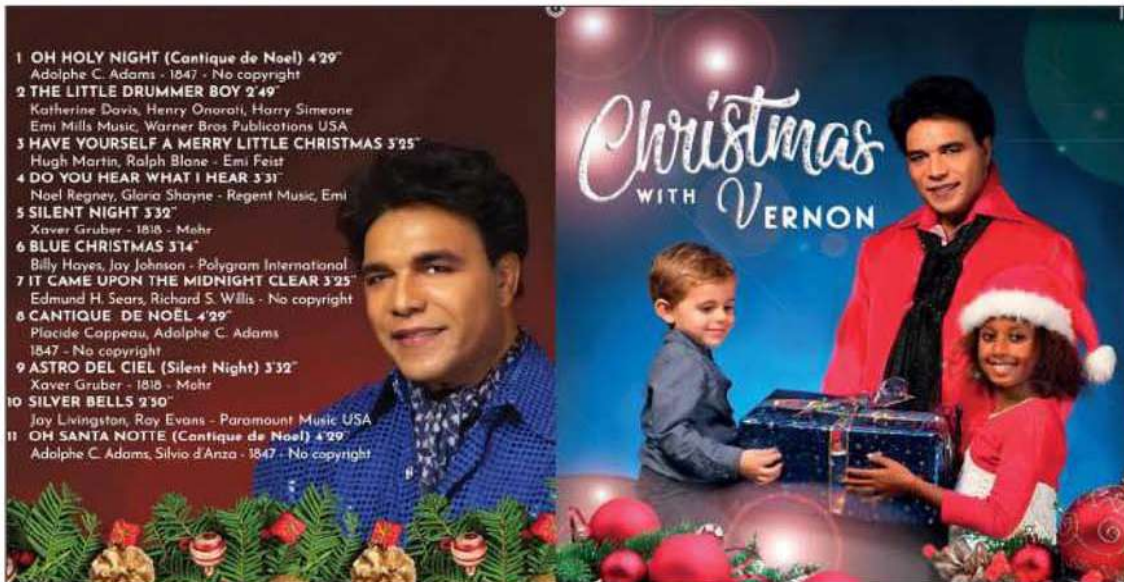
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leading authority on political conduct. She is also founding chair of the Inequality in America Initiative, which was established in 2017 to examine issues associated with social and economic inequality.

In her inaugural address, President Gay, who recently shattered the glass ceiling, outlined her vision for Harvard, saying: “I stand before you today humbled by the prospect of leading Harvard. Emboldened by the trust you have placed in me and energized by your own commitment to this singular institution and to the common cause of higher education. The courage of this University — our resolve, against all odds — to question the world as it is and imagine and make a better one: It is what Harvard was made to do.” [CNW]

**NEW YORK** Jasmine’s Caribbean Cuisine has opened in Times Square. Located in “Restaurant Row” in Midtown Manhattan, the restaurant has become known for its menu, including favorites like jerk chicken and stewed oxtail, complemented by unique signature dishes, cocktails, and desserts. Visitors can also enjoy pan performances on Thursdays and live DJ sets on Saturdays. [CNW]



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# The Sunny Side Up



## Through the Lens of The Sunny Side



Alvera Maduro-Caines looks on as VG United celebrates their Emmett Caines Preseason Knockout Tournament title, a 4-0 win over One Love  
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# TEAM BVI SHINES IN SINGAPORE AT THE GLOBAL ROBOTICS



Singapore plays host to the world's brightest young minds this year, and among them is the delegation from the Virgin Islands. Secondary students from the Virgin Islands have marked their presence in Singapore by participating in the esteemed Global Robotics Challenge for the very first time.

The delegation showcases the talents of students Amani Brown, Denaë Scatliffe-Chalwell, Jayron Gibson, and K'Dyah James. These young enthusiasts have taken center stage at the 'For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology' (FIRST) Robotics Challenge. Captured alongside these budding robotics champions

are their dedicated mentors, who have been instrumental in guiding and mentoring them for this prestigious event.

The historic moment came when Team BVI FIRST Global 2023 took to the stage during the Opening Ceremony of the First Global 2023 Robotics Challenge. This marked a significant milestone as Denaë, Amani, K'Dyah, and Jayron not only represented the Virgin Islands but also etched their names in history. Their participation signified more than just a competition; it was a testament to their commitment to pushing the frontiers of science and technology.

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## Ladyburd Talks...

**Dear Readers:** If you think that a friend or someone you know is in an abusive or unhealthy relationship, it can be difficult to know what to do. You may want to help, but be scared to lose them as a friend or feel as though it is not your place to step in. All of these feelings are normal, but at One Love we believe the most important thing you can do as a friend is start a conversation. Here are a few tips to help you talk to your friend.

### Calmly start a conversation on a positive note:

Find time to talk to your friend one-on-one in a private setting. Start by giving your friend positive affirmations and complimentary statements like, "You're always so fun to be around. I've missed you!" Once your friend feels comfortable, you can begin calmly voicing your concern for your friend. It is likely that they feel as though things are already chaotic enough in their life, so to best help them, you will need to be a steady support with whom they can talk openly and peacefully. If you don't panic and do your best to make them feel safe, then it is pretty likely that they will continue to seek your advice. You don't want to scare your friend by worrying, starting an argument or blaming them.

### Be supportive:

Listen to your friend and let them open up about the situation on their own terms. Don't be forceful with the conversation. It may be very hard for your friend to talk about their relationship, but remind them that they are not alone and that you want to help.

### Focus on the unhealthy behaviors:

The focus of the conversation should be on the unhealthy behaviors in the relationship and to provide your friend with a safe space to talk about it. Sometimes, our instinct is to immediately label the relationship as "abusive" to drive home the severity of the situation. This instinct, however, can cause your friend to retreat and shut down.

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**Dear Ladyburd:** Just writing to let you know how appreciative of your response to my letter to you about my Son. I took your suggestion into account and it seems to be working. B.B.

Ladyburd...Dear B.B. Thanks for the acknowledgement. Appreciate it a lot. Keep sending in your letters.



## Light Bulb Moments

"You are not the darkness you endured. You are the light that refused to surrender."  
— John Mark Green

"Never let someone who contributes so little to a relationship control so much of it." — Unknown

## Poetry Corner

Hope  
The sun will learn to smile again  
The waves will soar and toss  
When we have sifted out the mud  
From hidden pearls in dross

The wind will whisper soothing words  
To all who hear in peace  
the raging storm will clear the deck  
And then the clouds will cease.

The sand itself will laugh and sing  
The trees will up and dance  
As joy and peace and love and truth are given lasting chance.

[http://www.hiddenhurt.co.uk/domestic\\_violence\\_poems\\_1.html](http://www.hiddenhurt.co.uk/domestic_violence_poems_1.html)

## Tickle My Funny Bones



### A CHARITY CASE

A local charity had never received a donation

from the town's banker, so the director made a phone call.

"Our records show you make \$500,000 a year, yet you haven't given a penny to charity,"

the director began.

"Wouldn't you like to help the community?"

The banker replied,

"Did your research show :

that my mother is ill, with extremely expensive medical bills?"

"Um, no," mumbled the director.

"Or that my brother is blind and unemployed?"

Or that my sister's husband died, leaving her broke with four kids?"

"I ... I ... I had no idea."

"So," said the banker,

"if I don't give them any money, why would I give any to you?"

### Just Kidding

Wife: "How would you describe me?"

Husband: "ABCDEFGH IJK."

Wife: "What does that mean?"

Husband: "Adorable, beautiful, cute, delightful, elegant, fashionable, gorgeous, and hot."

Wife: "Aw, thank you, but what about IJK?"

Husband: "I'm just kidding!"

## PUN INTENDED

"Why are bananas so good? They've got appeal..."



# TEAM BVI SHINES IN SINGAPORE AT THE GLOBAL ROBOTICS

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## Butternut Bliss: Mac and Cheese Elevated With Fall's Finest

Today, we're diving into a delicious and nutritious dish that combines the creamy comfort of macaroni and cheese with the natural sweetness of butternut squash.

Butternut squash boasts a sweet and earthy flavor that's at its peak during the fall harvest. This and its great price make it perfect for sneaking in some veggies while elevating your mac and cheese game.

Before we dive into the creamy goodness of mac and cheese, let's talk about how to prepare that star ingredient -- butternut squash. Here are three easy methods:

### MICROWAVE METHOD

Halve the squash vertically and scoop out the seeds.

Place in a microwave safe baking dish. Add a touch of butter or oil, a sprinkle of salt, a dash of pepper or a drizzle of honey or brown sugar into the cavities. Microwave in 5-minute intervals until it's soft and tender, usually around 10 minutes. For that extra caramelized touch, consider finishing it in the oven at 375 F for 5-10 minutes.

### OVEN METHOD

Halve the squash vertically and scoop out the seeds. Place it in a baking dish. Season with salt, pepper, butter or a drizzle of honey or brown sugar. Bake at 400 F for 25 minutes until it's fork tender.

### Roasting Chopped Squash

Peel and dice the squash. Toss the pieces with olive oil, salt and pepper. Place them on a baking sheet lined with parchment

paper for easy clean up. Roast them at 400 F for 25-30 minutes, turning once, until they're tender.

Now that you have your perfectly cooked butternut squash, it's time to create a healthier and tastier mac and cheese that can be enjoyed as a side dish or main dish of your lunch or dinner.

## BUTTERNUT SQUASH MAC AND CHEESE

Yield: 6-8 servings

Total Time: 1 hour

1 (16 ounce) cavatappi or large elbow pasta (3 cups)

1 cup onion, minced

5 tablespoons salted butter, divided

2 tablespoons flour

2 cups whole milk, plus more as needed

1/2 teaspoon kosher salt

1/2 teaspoon dried mustard

1/4 teaspoon black pepper

1/4 teaspoon nutmeg

2 cups butternut squash, cooked and mashed

2 cups sharp cheddar cheese, grated (8 ounces)

1/2 cup panko breadcrumbs

Preheat your oven to 375 F. Butter or spray a 9 by 13 baking dish, set aside.

Cook the pasta as directed for al dente. Drain and set aside.

Meanwhile, in a large skillet on medium heat, melt 4 tablespoons butter. Add the onion and cook until translucent. Next, sprinkle flour over the

### The Sunny Side Up

onion and whisk to create a roux (a paste). Cook for 2 minutes, then gradually whisk in the milk. Continue cooking while whisking until slightly thickened, about 3 minutes. Add the salt, mustard, pepper and nutmeg, and whisk to combine.

Reduce heat to low, and stir in the mashed butternut squash. Once warmed, add the cheese by the handful, whisking constantly. Continue stirring until smooth. If it becomes too thick, add a splash of milk.

Stir in the cooked pasta. Adjust seasonings as needed. Pour the pasta and sauce into your baking dish.

Melt the remaining 1 tablespoon of butter, add the panko, and toss to coat. Sprinkle this over the pasta. Bake for 20 minutes or until golden and bubbly.

Serve this with a green salad and a big mound of buttered steamed broccoli. Carnivores could add crumbled bacon or diced ham to this recipe.

Whether it's a side dish or the star of your dinner table, with a warm bowl of Butternut Squash Mac and Cheese, you'll savor the flavors of fall and elevate your meal without breaking the bank.

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Savor the flavor of fall with butternut squash mac and cheese



# POLICE NEWS

## ARREST BLOTTER

SEPTEMBER 10 TO OCTOBER 7, 2023

### RAPE

1. On 20-09-2023 at about 1226hrs, Police arrested and charged Jeron Romney of Slaney Hill with 2 counts of Rape and Indecent Assault.

2. On 21-09-2023 at about 1009hrs, Police arrested and charged Leston Davis, 44 of Pockwood Pond with Rape.

### CARRYING AN UNLICENSED FIREARM

On 06-10-2023 at about 2115hrs, Police arrested and charged Kyle Baronville, 34 of Carrot Bay with Carrying an Unlicensed Firearm, Possession of a Firearm with the Intent to Endanger Life, and Unlawful Possession of Explosives.

### UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF EXPLOSIVES

1. On 21-09-2023 at about 1610hrs, Police arrested and charged Cordell O'Neal, 38 of Freshwater Pond, Kammi Oneal, 34 of Pockwood Pond and Jelani Christopher, 31 of Cane Garden Bay with Unlawful Possession of Explosives.

2. On 06-10-2023 at about 1512hrs, Police arrested and charged Omari Roberts, 27 of Hannah's Estate with three counts of Unlawful Possession of Explosives and Keeping a Prohibited Firearm without a License.

### UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLE DRUG

On 30-09-2023 at about 1010hrs, Police arrested and charged Daniel O'Connor, 34 of Manchester with Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Drug, Driving an Unlicensed Vehicle and Driving an Uninsured Vehicle. He was granted bail in the sum of \$5,000 to appear at the Magistrate's Court on 16-11-2023.

### UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED DRUG WITH INTENT TO SUPPLY TO ANOTHER

On 07-10-2023 at about 1037hrs, Police arrested and charged Everette Isaac, 32, Pedro Mercedes Soto, 44 and Odai Abdulsalam, 28 of The Valley Virgin Gorda with Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Drug With Intent To Supply To Another.

### THEFT

On 30-09-2023 at about 1100hrs, Police arrested and charged Marvin Gumbs, of no fixed place of abode for Theft. He was granted bail in his own recognizance to appear at the Magistrate's Court on 16-11-2023.

### DESTROYING PROPERTY

On 26-09-2023 at about 1420hrs Police arrested and charged Arlene DeCastro for Destroying Property. She was granted bail in the sum of \$5,000 to appear at the Magistrate's Court on 02-11-2023.

### DRIVING WITHOUT A DRIVER'S LICENSE

1. On 17-09-2023 at about 1650hrs, Police arrested and charged a 15-year-old of Old Plantation for Driving without a Driver's License. He was granted bail in the sum of \$5,000 to appear at the Magistrate's Court on 19-10-2023.

2. On 18-09-2023 at about 1800hrs, Police arrested and charged Jacquelin Guzman Rodriguez, of Baughers Bay for Driving without a Driver's License, Driving when Not Secured by a Seat Belt and Driving When Not Covered by Third Party Risk Insurance. She was granted bail in the sum of \$3,000 to appear at the Magistrate's Court on 26-10-2023.

3. On 18-09-2023 at about 1911hrs, Police arrested and charged a 16-year-old of Purcell Estate for Driving without a Driver's License, Driving without a Crash Helmet and Driving without a Front Identification Plate. He was granted bail in the sum of \$5,000 to appear at the Magistrate's Court.

4. On 20-09-2023 at about 0920hrs, Police arrested and charged Alexandra Parsons, 31 of Manchester for Driving without a Driver's License and Driving an Unlicensed and Uninsured Vehicle.

## SEARCH OPERATIONS YIELD ILLEGAL GUNS AND DRUGS

Saturday, October 7 –

The RVIPF executed a series of search operations yesterday, October 6, during which, police seized two assault rifles, and a significant amount of assorted ammunition, and cocaine. Four men were also arrested and later charged in relation to the recovered items.

Detectives have charged 27-year-old Omari Roberts of Hannah's Estate with two counts of Keeping a Prohibited Firearm without a Licence and three counts of Unlawful Possession of Explosives.

Also charged are 32-year-old Everette Isaac, 44-year-old Pedro Mercedes Soto, and 28-year-old Odai Abdulsalam, of The Valley, Virgin Gorda with Possession of a Controlled Drug with Intent to Supply Another. All four men will remain in police custody until the next available court date.

Commissioner Collins wishes to thank the hardworking and dedicated officers from the various units who participated in these investigations. He also renews his appreciation for the support of law-abiding members of the public in our efforts to break the back of organized criminal activities in the Territory.

The RVIPF continues to do its part to reduce the number of illegal firearms, ammunition, and drugs on the streets and to arrest those persons in whose possession they are found.

Persons can confidentially call the Crime Stoppers line 800-8477 (TIPS) or overseas call 1-284-800-8477 with the relevant information or contact the RVIPF Intelligence Unit at 368-9339. All provided information will be treated with the utmost confidentiality.

Previous Statement: Several units of the RVIPF jointly conducted search operations on Tortola and Virgin Gorda earlier today, October 9th, continuing investigations into organized criminal activities taking place in the Territory. Several arrests have been made in relation to the recovery of drugs, firearms, and ammunition. Investigations are ongoing, and more information will be provided when appropriate.

## MALE CHARGED IN RECENT GUN INCIDENT

Saturday, October 7 – Officers of the Royal Virgin Islands Police Force responded to reports of gunfire in the Crabbe Lot area on October 3 after 9 pm. Preliminary investigations unveiled that a male individual had discharged a firearm with the intent to

harm another. Mr. Kyle Baronville, a 34-year-old resident of Carrot Bay, was promptly apprehended and subsequently charged with multiple offenses related to this incident, which include Carrying an Unlicensed Firearm, Possession of a Firearm with the Intent to Endanger Life, and Unlawful Possession of Explosives. Commissioner Mark Collins reiterated the RVIPF's commitment to solving these types of offenses. "I want to emphasize the seriousness with which we are treating this incident. The safety and security of our community are paramount, and we will not tolerate such dangerous activities within our community.

The public is urged to come forward with any information that can aid us in bringing this case to a swift and just resolution. Anyone with relevant information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact the RVIPF Intelligence Unit on 368-

9339. All provided information will be treated with the utmost confidentiality.

## OFFICER FOUND IN SUBMERGED VEHICLE

Saturday, October 7 – Earlier today, officers of the Royal Virgin Islands Police Force responded to a report of a submerged vehicle in the Waterfront area, close to Queen Elizabeth II Park. Upon their arrival, they discovered a white Kia Soul fully submerged in the water. The public, showing remarkable solidarity, immediately assisted both the police and fire officers at the scene. After a period of effort, they noticed an unresponsive male inside the vehicle. The lone male occupant was later recovered from the vehicle and declared deceased. He has been identified as Police Detective Paul France, a UK National with a cumulative service of almost forty years in police services in the UK and the BVI. Commissioner of Police Mark Collins has conveyed his heartfelt condolences to Detective France's family and expressed his gratitude to the members of the public who lent their support during this devastating incident. "The RVIPF has suffered the loss of one of our own," stated Commissioner Collins. "Detective France was a highly regarded member of our organization, and this tragedy profoundly saddens us. Our deepest sympathies go out to his family." Anyone with relevant information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact the RVIPF Intelligence Unit on 368-9339.



# INTRODUCTION TO THE STAMPS OF THE B.V.I.

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## PART 2

On the 1st August, 1834 the Emancipation Proclamation brought freedom for 5,133 slaves. After this historic development the downward trend of the economy was accelerated by the total neglect by the few remaining planters. Revenue had drastically dropped and the government resorted to oppressive taxation. In 1853 a tax on cattle sparked a peasant insurrection: the riot had a devastating effect and practically all the buildings in Road Town were burnt down. The following year, 1854, the representative system of government was abolished and supplanted by a unicameral legislature as opposed to the previous bicameral system of Council and Assembly. In 1867 the elections were abolished and the Council consisted of nominated members only. Finally, in 1901 the legislature surrendered the last vestiges of its constituent powers.

During the last thirty years of the 19th century the economy had touched bottom, and to save on expenditure and salaries the President also acted as magistrate and treasurer. In 1884, former postmaster and president's clerk, Fredrick Augustus Pickering became the first coloured British Virgin Islander to act as President.

In 1947 the islands expressed their desire to stay out of both the proposed Federation of the Windward and Leeward Islands, and, later, the Federation of the West Indies (1958-1962). During the 1940s the political progress made in the United States Virgin Islands was closely monitored by Tortolians, Anegadians and Virgin Islanders in general. On 24 November, 1949, a demonstration march of over 1,500 persons from all over the islands asked for the removal of then Commissioner J.A.C. Cruickshank and for closer association with the United States Virgin Islands. The leaders of the demonstration, Theodolph Faulkner, Isaac G. Fonseca and Carlton deCastro presented a petition expressing widespread grievances and demanding freedom and democracy. In July 1950, the General Legislative Council of the Federation of the Leeward Islands reconstituted the Legislative Council of the BVI, which consisted of four members elected by a single - territory-wide - constituency. Candidates were required to have income and property qualifications, and a literacy qualification was also required of voters. Two of the elected members served on the newly reorganised Executive Council, which however was solely advisory. In 1960 the Office of Governor of the Leeward Islands (based in Antigua) was abolished, and the Administrator of the Virgin Islands (formerly Commissioner) was vested with the powers of Governor. In 1964 a plebiscite on the question of a merger between the US and British Virgin Islands was suggested but not acted upon.

The tourism industry gained momentum as the exclusive tourist resort of Little Dix Bay, Virgin Gorda, was inaugurated, and Laurance Rockefeller invested a reported US\$8 million in this venture. In April 1967 the New Constitution came into effect, and the Administrator, whose title was changed to Governor in 1971, retained responsibility for external affairs, internal security, the civil service, administration of the Courts, and finance.

The Legislative Council consisting of one Speaker, two "ex-officio" members, one member nominated by the Administrator and seven members elected by single-member constituencies (districts) operated

under the Ministerial System headed by a Chief Minister. H. Lavity Stoutt was appointed as the first Chief Minister of the Colony - a post he was to occupy again in 1979-83, and then for three consecutive terms from 1986 to 1995.

In August 1984 the Legislature approved the International Business Companies Ordinance paving the way for the BVI to become one of the best offshore financial centres in the world and by 2008 the offshore financial sector contributed 55 percent of the government's annual revenue.

On 15 January 1990 the British Virgin Islands Community College (later on named after H. Lavity Stoutt) was officially opened in Road Town. Improvement and expansion of airport facilities, a new hospital and a financial services complex, as well as rebuilding the Queen Elizabeth II Bridge and upgrading the road system are some of the government's projects that materialised during the first decade of the twenty-first century.

## GOVERNMENT & ECONOMY

The BVI is a United Kingdom Overseas Territory with the British Crown represented by a Governor, who is directly responsible for defence, external affairs, internal security, the Courts and public service. The 1967 Constitution introduced a ministerial system of government based on the Westminster model.

The Legislative Council, restored in 1950, presently consists of 13 elected members (one for each of the 9 Districts, and 4 territorial at-large members), the Speaker of the House, and the Attorney General.

Tourism was the main stay of the economy until the mid-1980s, but then with the introduction of special legislation the B.V.I. has become one of the most prominent offshore financial centres in the world. It has attracted 800,000 International Business Companies (IBCs) to the Territory, and in fact the B.V.I Financial Services produce more revenue for the Treasury than the tourism sector. The Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for 2008 was US\$1,089million; the Government revenue having risen from slightly over

\$7million in 1971 to \$40 million in 1989, and to a projected \$287million in 2012. The Territory, though economically stable, continues to strive to diversify its revenue base in areas such as telecommunications and marine development.

During the first decade of the new millennium, tightening of offshore financial centres regulations imposed by Britain and the OECD did not have a negative impact on BVI financial services; however, the lingering USA recession in the aftermath of the 11 September 2001 terrorist attack had negative effects. The per capita average income in the BVI was at the time estimated at about \$38,000.

The legal tender of the B.V.I. is the US Dollar, there are no foreign exchange regulations and the jurisdiction is often described as a tax haven as fiscal pressure is very low and circumscribed. Major government's revenues are obtained from licence fees for incorporations, import and customs duties, stamp duty and payroll tax.

The Law of the Territory is the Common Law of England and locally enacted legislation.



Hamilton Lavity Stoutt (1929-1995) First BVI Chief Minister (served as Chief Minister for five terms)

TO BE CONTINUED



## Pope prays for peace in Israel and Palestine: 'Every war is a defeat!'



*The aftermath of a rocket attack that struck the Israeli city of Ashkelon (ANSA)*

*By Christopher Wells - VATICAN NEWS*

“Please stop the attacks and the weapons,” Pope Francis pleaded on Sunday, “and understand that terrorism and war do not lead to any solution, but only to the death and suffering of so many innocent people.”

“War is always a defeat! Every war is a defeat!” he insisted.

Speaking after the Angelus prayer on Sunday, the Holy Father said he is following “with apprehension and sorrow,” the latest news from Israel, “where violence has erupted even more ferociously, causing hundreds of deaths and injuries.”

He expressed his sympathy to the families of victims, and said he is praying for them and for “all those who are experiencing hours of terror and anguish.” The Pope invited everyone to pray for peace in Israel and Palestine.

### **VIOLENCE IN ISRAEL AND PALESTINE**

Fresh violence erupted unexpectedly in the Holy Land on Saturday, when Palestinian Hamas militants launched a surprise attack on Israel, firing hundreds of rockets and making armed incursions into Israel.

Israel immediately launched retaliatory air strikes, and the nation’s prime minister has said the country is at war.

Unconfirmed reports suggest more than 400 Palestinians have been killed in southern Israel and the Gaza Strip and dozens captured. Some 300 Israelis have been reported killed, and dozens kidnapped, according to some Israeli sources.

### **LATIN PATRIARCHATE CALLS FOR DE-ESCALATION**

In a statement issued on Saturday, the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem lamented, “The too many casualties and tragedies, which both Palestinians and Israeli families have to deal with, will create more hatred and division, and will destroy more and more any perspective of stability.”

The statement called on the international community and religious leaders “to make every effort in helping to de-escalate the situation, restore calm and work to guarantee the fundamental rights of people in the region.”

### **THE NEED FOR A SOLUTION TO THE CONFLICT**

The Patriarchate insisted on the importance of maintaining the so-called “Status Quo” with regard to all the Holy Places in the Holy Land, especially in Jerusalem; and of the “urgent need to find a lasting and comprehensive solution to the Palestinian-Israeli conflict in this land.”

The Patriarchate’s statement concluded with the prayer that God might “inspire world leaders in their intervention for the implementation of peace and concord so that Jerusalem may be a house of prayer for all peoples.”

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# COMMENTARY

## Debt is a transfer of wealth

By Dickson Igwe



Dickson Igwe

September 29, 2023

Debt is like oxygen. It is everywhere in the world of economics. Debt is currency used to pay for what we want and need. It pays for products that are essential to existence such as hospital care, a roof

over the head, or a vehicle in a land with no adequate public transportation. Debt can follow us to the grave if we do not pay off debt at a certain age, leaving our survivors to pay the debt.

On the other side of the scale, debt allows the lender, also known as the investor, the cash for their efforts. It is money put into the pockets of consumers by investors. Consumers who would otherwise be unable to pay for a product without that debt.

Then debt is cash that becomes revenue and profit for the investor who owns the means of production and the financing thereof.

Today, we live in the world of supply side, where the producer aka the investor is king.

Debt enables the consumer to possess a product or service which he or she may or may not be able to pay for at a point in time. Debt is wealth transferred between parties or individuals. It makes one party wealthier: usually the lender. Debt is a factor in growing inequality.

How does debt drive inequality? Debt transfers wealth from the bottom of the social pyramid to the top, using the everyday transactions that drive human experience and existence. The vast majority

of consumers require some form of debt. Investors, increase their wealth through the exchange of goods and services using debt to sell their products to consumers. The wise consumer uses debt to increase the value of their assets: typically mortgage debt that enables the purchase of land that appreciates, or cash flow for business.

Now, the moneylender is the intermediary between producer and consumer. The moneylender has evolved over the centuries into the banking, finance, and investment industry. The moneylender is the capitalist using his cash as capital to increase his wealth. The lender is the investor who lends to consumer, business, and industry, with the aim of greater returns. Lending is a major industry. It is an octopus with tentacles going into every industry.

That octopus is investor's cash not used in the everyday transactions of commerce: cash that sits in its own valuable space. It is money owned by individuals, small and large savers, and investors. This

money migrates into secret spaces, and bank vaults as deposits or savings. It further converts into various securities and speculative tools for investment bankers and speculators to adopt.

This "excess" cash from trade and commerce forms the basis of bank lending. It is capital. It is "silent" money: a magnet that adds value. It drives lending to individuals, businesses and governments. Fund managers invest it into corporations. It is cash flow for businesses from bank lending. Debt capital finds its way on to trading floors, exchanges, and commodity markets, through various devices to increase the wealth of investors and speculators.

Debt sits in homes, cars, businesses, credit cards, loans, and so on and so forth borrowed by billions of consumers. It returns to savers and investors in the form of interest, profits, and capital gains. This is how wealth increases and billionaires created. This is also, why social inequality exists.

Dickson Igwe

### SUMMER READING BOOK LIST 2023 KINDERGARTEN

This list does not replace the required reading list of each school. While students are not required to read all the books on the list, they are encouraged to read at least two. Selected titles will be used during Reading is Fun Week 2023.

1. **Dr. Seuss Collection**  
by Dr. Seuss
2. **ABC-Animals Coloring Book**  
by Carlyn Benjamin (Local author)
3. **First Day, No Way! \***  
By Lori Mortensen
4. **Little Lizard's First Day \***  
by Melinda Melton Crow
5. **When I Grow Up**  
by Rick Grant (Local author)
6. **Where I Live**  
by Rick Grant (Local author)

\*digital book



In an effort to continue to foster the love for reading, students from kindergarten to grade 12 are encouraged to read more.

MORE READERS:

The Island Sun



# Caribbean News / Regional News

## CCRIF Collaborates with UWI Cave Hill Campus to Provide the Barbados Fire Service and Ministry of Health with Equipment to Reduce the Impacts of Wildfires on People and Communities



*In this file photo, UWI Cave Hill Deputy Principal Prof. Winston Moore (centre) presents 4 drones to Barbados Chief Fire Officer Errol Maynard (left), as part of a grant of US\$25,000 provided by CCRIF to The UWI to assist in better understanding the impact of wildfires in Barbados.*

October 9, 2023. Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. CCRIF is collaborating with The University of the West Indies (The UWI) to reduce the impacts of wildfires on the people, communities, and the economy of Barbados.

CCRIF has provided a grant of approximately US\$25,000 to the Centre for Biosecurity Studies at

The UWI, Cave Hill Campus for a project focused on understanding the impact of climate change and wildfires in Barbados. Wildfires are common during the dry season and pose a risk to human health, lives, crops, and property, and can deplete scarce water resources.

To date, project funds have been used to purchase drones to collect data on wildfires (for example

sugarcane, grass, and rubbish fires) to enable the Barbados Fire Service to develop evidence-based strategies to address fire-related risks. On September 28, The UWI handed over four drones to the Barbados Fire Service to aid in their firefighting efforts. Through the project,

Fire Service officers will

participate in training on how to use this drone technology, to better coordinate wildfire monitoring from an aerial view.

CCRIF has also provided funding for the procurement of 10 air pollution sensors, which will be donated to the Ministry of Health to assist in their monitoring of air pollution levels and to determine the impact of wildfires on air pollution. The contribution of wildfires to air pollution is known to exacerbate respiratory illnesses especially in persons with health conditions such as asthma. The sensors will be installed at strategic locations (e.g., wildfire “hotspots”) near to residential communities that are at risk of wildfires.

CCRIF CEO, Mr. Isaac Anthony in commenting on the project, indicated that “At CCRIF we will continue to provide resources for the implementation of projects like these across the Caribbean.

These projects that are part of our Small Grants Programme are key to building the resilience of our people, communities and organizations to natural hazards and climate change. Since 2015,

CCRIF has provided over US\$3 million for projects being implemented by civil society organizations, academic institutions and governments across the region. The focus of our funding includes the rehabilitation of ecosystems; climate-smart agriculture; hazard-resilient construction; nature-based solutions; and climate change adaptation – with all projects including capacity building components. We are desirous of doing more under our small grants programme and scaling up our support and we encourage NGOs from across the region to apply for grants throughout the year via our small grants platform at <https://www.ccrif.org/ccrif-small-grants-programme>.”

An important component of the project with The UWI will be to conduct risk communication training for media and other organisations such as the Barbados Water Authority, The Asthma Association of Barbados, Barbados Cancer Society, Barbados Heart & Stroke Foundation, and the Barbados Diabetes Foundation. This training is being designed to increase public awareness about the relationships among climate, fires, water infrastructure vulnerability, and environmental and human health impacts – and actions that persons can take to safeguard their health.

This current project with The UWI is being implemented as part of a Memorandum of Understanding between The University of the West Indies and CCRIF. This longstanding partnership has been in place since 2010 and the MOU provides a framework for collaboration on disaster risk management and climate change adaptation projects, delivery of courses on disaster risk financing as well as capacity building through provision of scholarships and internships to students. Since 2010, CCRIF has provided The UWI with resources surpassing over US\$1.6 million inclusive of US\$1 million for undergraduate and postgraduate scholarships to 148

Caribbean nationals. Other projects that CCRIF has supported The UWI with include the provision to the Seismic Research Centre (SRC) of 15 strong motion sensors in Grenada, Barbados, Saint Lucia, Dominica, Antigua, St. Kitts, Nevis, St. Vincent, and Jamaica to establish and maintain a new accelerometric network in the Eastern Caribbean and Jamaica.

## CARICOM Statement on the Developments in Israel

9 October 2023

The Caribbean Community (CARICOM) abhors the attacks in Israel and the counterattacks in the Palestinian territory of Gaza. Further, the savage nature of the attacks and counterattacks are the antithesis of civilised life and living. Innocent lives are being lost amidst the fervour and violence of the actual combatants.

CARICOM thus joins the responsible members of the international community in calling for an immediate ceasefire and end of hostilities by all parties.

The recent round of hostilities reflects the pain and suffering of ancient quarrels. The ongoing harsh conditions under which the Palestinians live in veritable colonialism and Israel’s sense of insecurity

will contribute to a cycle of violence until those realities are definitively addressed.

Accordingly, CARICOM continues to support the United Nations Security Council Resolution 242 and the ongoing efforts of the United Nations towards a two-state solution as the best way to achieve comprehensive peace, security and tranquillity between Israel and Palestine.





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# Israel Carries Out Gaza Airstrikes as Death Toll on Both Sides Rises

**The latest:**

At least 1,200 people dead in Israel; 1,055 people dead in Gaza

Gaza's power authority expects to run out of fuel for its only power plant Wednesday

Small group of U.S. special forces working with Israeli military to assist with planning and intelligence

U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken is traveling to Israel

Israel struck roads and buildings in the Gaza Strip with airstrikes Wednesday as it pressed a campaign of retaliation following an attack by Hamas militants that has left at least 1,200 people dead in Israel.

Palestinian health officials said Wednesday the death toll in Gaza rose to 1,055 people, with more than 5,000 others wounded since Israel carried out its first strikes hours after the Hamas attack began on Saturday.

Humanitarian groups have expressed fears about the situation for civilians in Gaza amid an Israeli pledge to cut off the enclave of 2.3 million people from water, food and power.

Gaza's power authority said Wednesday it expected to run out of fuel for its only power plant later in the day. Doctors Without Borders said fuel and medical supplies were running low.

In a video message early Wednesday, Israeli military spokesperson Lt. Col. Jonathan Conricus defended Israeli airstrikes that have destroyed residential buildings, saying those sites are legitimate military targets because Hamas intentionally locates its operations in civilian buildings.

The United Nations says more than 263,000 people have fled their homes in the Gaza Strip since the fighting began, and that the number

is expected to rise.

Conricus said 360,000 Israeli reservists were preparing to carry out the mission of making sure "Hamas at the end of this war won't have any military capabilities by which they can threaten or kill Israeli civilians."

Another spokesperson, Rear Adm. Daniel Hagari told reporters that 169 Israeli soldiers have been killed, and that the military has contacted the families of 60 soldiers who were abducted by Hamas fighters and taken to Gaza.

U.S. Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin told reporters that a small group of U.S. special forces is working with the Israeli military to assist with planning and intelligence in the Israeli counteroperation against Hamas.

"We also have the ability to rapidly deploy other resources into the region," Austin said.

The U.S. also sent a carrier strike group to the eastern Mediterranean, which Conricus said Wednesday brought a message of deterrence to ensure the conflict with Hamas does not expand into a regional war.

U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken is traveling Wednesday to Israel to bring a "message of solidarity and support," the State Department said.

State Department spokesperson Matthew Miller told reporters that Blinken wants to hear from Israeli leaders "about the



*A man reacts outside a burning collapsed building following Israeli bombardment in Gaza City on October 11, 2023.*

situation on the ground and how we can continue to best support them in their fight against the terrorists who launched these horrific attacks."

In addition to the Israelis killed, the dead have also included nationals from other countries. Australia, Brazil and the Philippines were among those that confirmed deaths Tuesday.

Sabri Saidam, deputy secretary of the Fatah Central Committee, told Alhurra, the U.S. government's Arabic language satellite TV channel, that the humanitarian situation in the Gaza Strip is unprecedented with a "lack of health support, suspension of schools, hospitals, and health institutions, cutoff of water, electricity, and communications and

internet." Saidam said with the intensity of Israeli airstrikes, "I don't think there will be anything for the Israeli tanks if they decided to enter in a ground battle."

Alon Liel, former Israeli diplomat and director general of Israel's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, told Alhurra that after the "humiliation and the horrific scenes" from the Hamas attack, the Israeli response will continue.

"There are strong demands and there is a need for the government to explain this defeat and convert it to a victory. No one in the leadership currently thinks about stopping the attacks," Liel said.

Some information for this story came from The Associated Press, Agence France-Presse and Reuters.



*Palestinians rescue a young girl from the rubble of a destroyed residential building following an Israeli airstrike, Oct. 10, 2023.*

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# SPORTS

## VG United blanks One Love for Emmett Caines Knockout Tournament title

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

### FOOTBALL

Virgin Gorda United blanked reigning BVI Football Association league champs One Love, 4-0 on Sunday, in the finals of the Emmett Caines Preseason Knockout Tournament, for their third shutout in four games.

VG United began their attack from the start with Bernard Cumberbatch finding the nets four minutes in for a 1-0 lead. Jaadon Quashie made it 2-0 in the 47th and added a second goal four minutes later, that turned out to become a 4-0 final, after One Love scored an own goal in the 84th and they couldn't convert any of their other chances.

"We knew it was a final and One Love is a formidable opponent. They're not defending league champions because they're scrubs. They can play and they're a very good team, well coached and well managed," noted VG United Manager Jermain Abrams. "We came in there with everyone knowing we're the underdogs but we came in to make a statement.

I let my team know if we're going to win this game, we have to make a statement to let everybody know that VG United is here., and we decided to keep the pressure on from the get go."

Abrams said after they broke the seal, they knew more goals were coming. He said they had very good first half opportunities but didn't put pressure on their players, instead they told them once they kept shooting—even if they missed—keep shooting, something will happen.

"We pulled a second one off, went up 2-nil and just before the half, we snuck another one in, but knew there was another 45 (minutes) to play and games do turn," he pointed out. "In the first 12-15 minutes of the second half, One Love came out blazing and we had to withstand that assault—because it was a real assault—and once we withstood that, we knew it was game over. Their assault was so much that we knew their rounds would run out. They really had some opportunities but I say big up to my keeper, Thomas "Manly" Albert and to the defense—the defense held strong."

Abrams noted that One Love's winger really put some pressure on them but once they neutralized him, they realize that was it. Jhon "Migo" Samuel also played well

for them and they knew One Love could come back but once they withstood the attack on once they got the final goal in, that was the nail in the coffin.

"It was good for us to start the preseason with four straight wins and we were really happy for not having a bye as I wanted the team to play and it showed the more minutes you play, the muscle memory from the last week and the week before, remember what it did," he said. "This is our fourth game in the preseason and our third shut out—that shows a team that's ready to play and win a title. It means a lot for us although it's just a preseason title, the league title is what we want. This is good for our fans, our fan base is rejuvenated, our fan base is excited to know that in the last weekend—in the President's Cup we were there and in this tournament we are here—and we are not a one hit wonder. Small cups are good but it's the league title we want."

One Love's Assistant Coach Javon Carty said it was a competitive game but they lost their composure.

"We lost the game in the first half and we got caught on the back foot. This just let us know that we have to refocus and go back to the drawing board then come



VG United's Romano Nimblett heads the ball against One Love's Jhon Samuel

back again," Carty said of his team that also lost 3-2, to VG United in May's semifinals of the President's Cup. "We need to assess how we can fix things moving forward. We came out to win—not to lose—but it was just one of those days when you came out with everything and it wasn't good enough at the time. Coming second is disappointing. All the players are disappointed about it. It's good that we lost the

game now, we can look at what went wrong and how we can get it better moving forward in the league."

One Love won't have long for a rematch. Both teams will kick off the 2023-24 Men's national league at 6 p.m. on Sunday, in Greenland. That game will be followed by Islanders and Lion Heart at 8:30, while in Virgin Gorda, Sugar Boys and Old Madrid will square off at 6 p.m.

## Mourant College Classic Series kicks off with 57 participants

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

Defending men and women's division champs Jermaine "JJ" Ricketts and Katrina "Kat" Lindsay, picked up where they left off last year, by opening the Mourant College Classic 2 Mile Series with victories on Saturday in Paraquita Bay. The race attracted 57 participants in two divisions.

Ricketts had a winning time of 11 minutes and 34 seconds while Lindsay was timed in 13:27.

"It was a good race. It was quick—I think it was the quickest 2 mile I've ever run. It wasn't much of a challenge, but I did my best," Ricketts told Island Sun Sports. "Some of the youngsters tried to challenge and they did good also, they did

second in 12:00 followed by Jonathan Lynch in 12:02. Mark Stephenson placed third in 13:26 with Malik Mitchell fifth in 14:06.

"My training has been off and on for the last two months, but I tried to keep it at a level so I don't fall behind, otherwise it's fine," Ricketts who will run in the 18th Deloitte Ogier BVI Sunrise Half Marathon on November 18 said. "I'm running the Half Marathon—that's mainly what I'm training for—but the speed run was a bit of a challenge for me, because I've been doing long distance runs for a while now. I'm satisfied with the training but I still need to build it up some more."

the Half, said it was a tough race. "For me, it was more of a training run to see where I am and there's absolutely no record breaking personal best times or anything like that, but I was quite happy and it was nice to get a run in because it has been a while since we had a race," Lindsay noted. "That was nice. Always a fun course though going. There was Mark Stephenson and we were pretty much stride for stride the whole way and that kept me going. It was also nice to see JJ (Ricketts) Jahshani and Jonathan pushing at the top. It was a nice race, quieter than previous years and I hope it picks up over the next couple of races in the series." Lindsay was fol-

lowed by Rosmond Johnson in 15:56 and Kay Reddy in 17:55. Nae'Veya Brue was the top girl and overall winner of the One Mile division in 8:20. Neylan Maduro, second overall, was the top boy in 8:28.

### Ciboney 5K

On Virgin Gorda, the Ciboney 5K race series also kicked off on Saturday, with Curwin Andrews taking the race in 23.44. Lisa Redfern won the women's divi-

sion with a time of 30.12. Ciel Fox led the 1 mile race with a time of 9.23.



Jermaine "JJ" Ricketts, left, is celebrated as the overall



# SPORTS



Alvera Maduro-Caines looks on as VG United celebrates their Emmett Caines Preseason Knockout Tournament title, a 4-0 win over One Love PHOTO: Adrian Peters



Goalkeeper Mekhi Waters, makes a save during Tuesday's practice in Dennery, St. Lucia, ahead of playing Dominica



18 of the 23 players on the BVI Football team, came from nine different schools in the BDO Schools League



Jake Forbes keeps his eyes on the ball before trying to score a goal from a set piece on Tuesday in St. Lucia



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# The Garden Bug

## Purple Honey

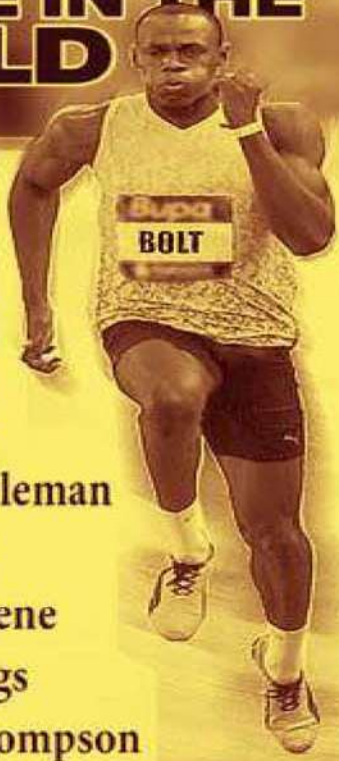
In North Carolina, there are areas where some local honeybees have been known to produce honey that has a purple or bluish hue. No one is sure what makes this happen exactly or how many conditions affect this process. Some researchers theorize that some hives collecting nectar from sourwood tree blossoms in summer are the reason; others say hydrangea flowers, titi plants, kudzu blossoms or elderberry flowers cause the unusual coloration. Beekeepers who find their hives producing this rare honey say it tastes fruity.



Sources: [newsobserver.com](http://newsobserver.com), [honeybeesuite.com](http://honeybeesuite.com) - Brenda Weaver

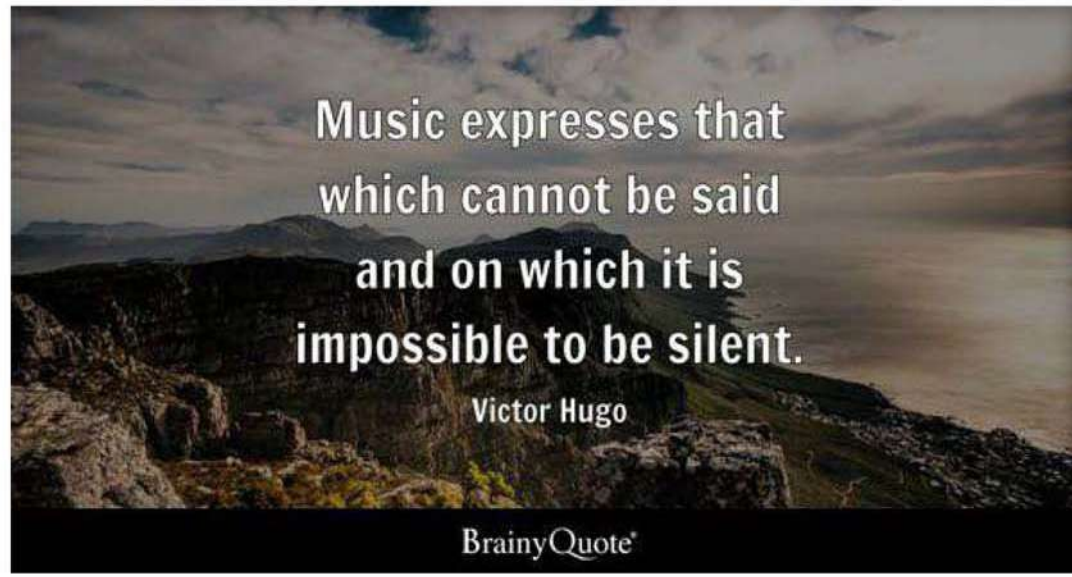
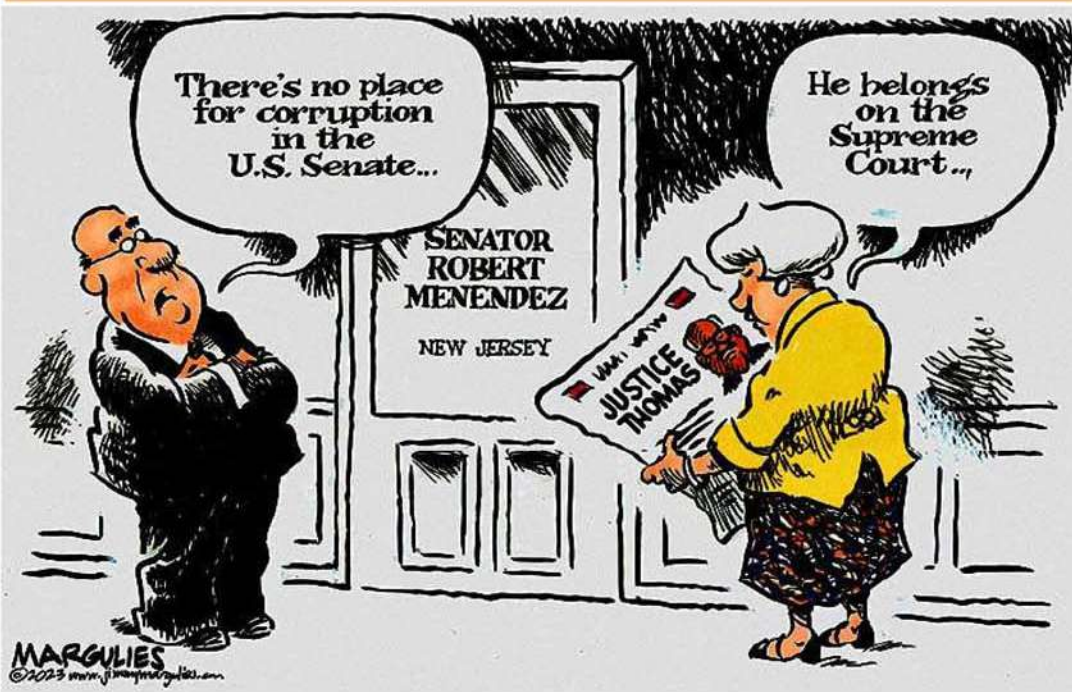
# TOP TEN

## FASTEST PEOPLE IN THE WORLD



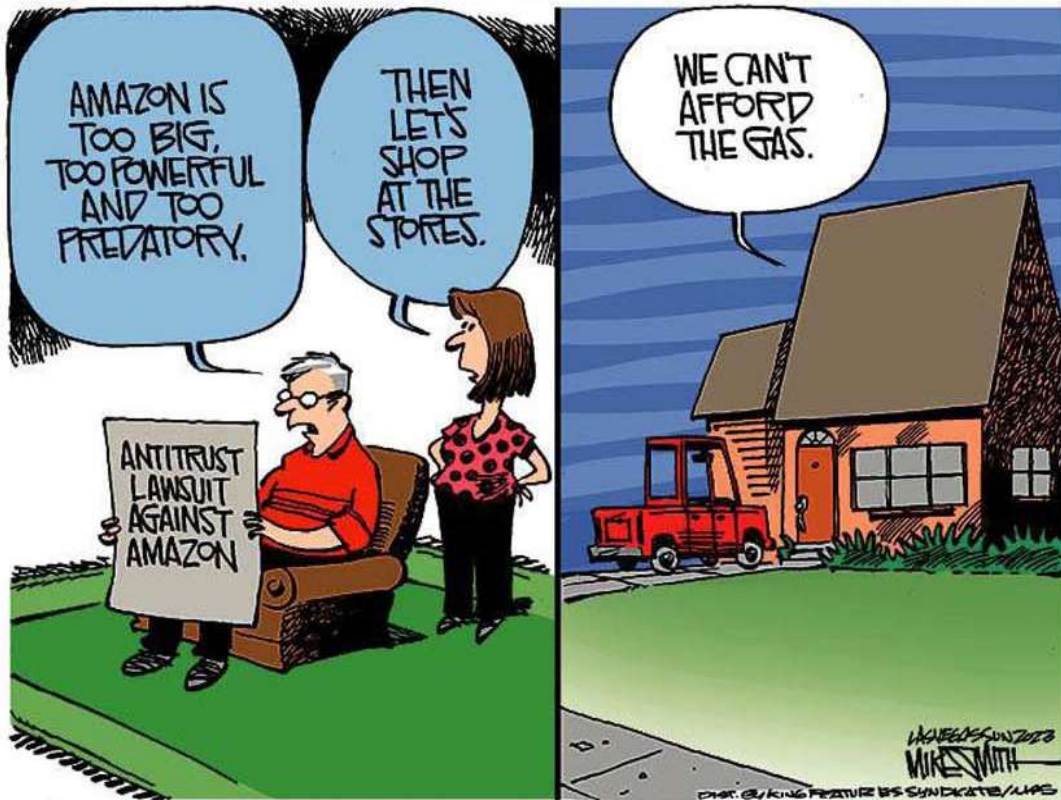
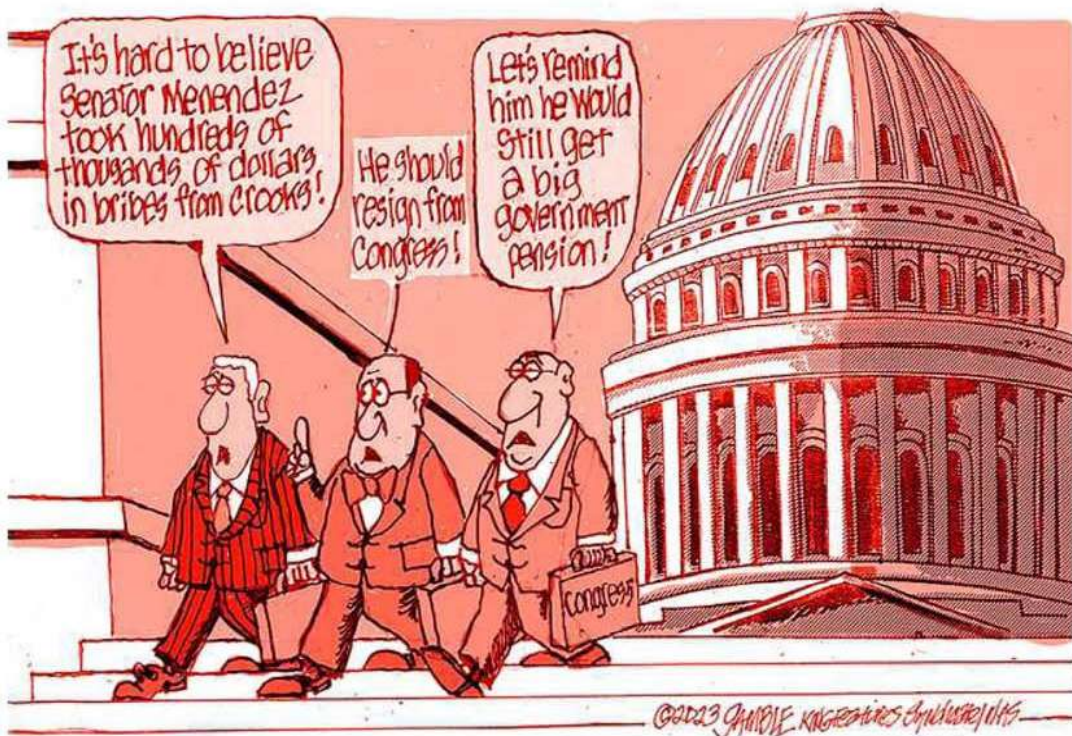
1. Usain Bolt
2. Tyson Gay
3. Yohan Blake
4. Asafa Powell
5. Justin Gatlin
6. Christian Coleman
7. Nesta Carter
8. Maurice Greene
9. Steve Mullings
10. Richard Thompson

Source: [SportsBrief.com](http://SportsBrief.com)



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Out on a Limb



celebrity extra

by Dana Jackson

**Q.** Do soap operas still have those big fan gatherings at Disney World like they did years ago? I went to one once and had a blast. — C.I.

**A.** You're thinking of ABC Super Soap Weekend, which was held annually at Disney's theme parks from 1996 until 2008. Fans of "All My Children" enthusiastically greeted stars like Kelly Ripa (Hayley) and Susan Lucci (Erica), while "One Life to Live" devotees cheered on David Fumero (Christian) and Kamar de los Reyes (Antonio). "General Hospital" remains the lone ABC soap that still exists to this day and hosts its own fan gatherings, but none that are Mickey Mouse adjacent.

Instead, for the past four years, "General Hospital" has had its biggest fan gatherings at none other than Elvis Presley's Graceland estate. This year's three-day event will be held at various locations within the Graceland campus from Oct. 27-29. In addition to six panels and photo/autograph opportunities with "GH" stars, there will be a themed costume party, a casting call where fans can act out scenes with the stars on stage, and a Live Nurses Ball, like the one featured on the soap.

This year's list of stars expected to be in attendance include Maurice Benard (Sonny), Laura Wright (Carly), Cynthia Watros (Nina), Lynn Herring (Lucy) and Walt Willey (Jackson), among others. For more details, visit [www.graceland.com/gh23](http://www.graceland.com/gh23).

**Q.** Does Chrishell Stause act anymore, or does she just sell real estate on the reality show "Selling Sunset"? — L.H.

**A.** Despite achieving the most fame as a reality TV star in Netflix's "Selling Sunset," and for her very public divorce with "This Is Us" star Justin Hartley, Stause is still doing what she first set out to do in Hollywood — act in scripted dramas.

In fact, she can be seen starring in an upcoming Lifetime thriller "You're Not Supposed to Be Here" on Nov. 4. She and Diona Baird ("Cobra Kai") play a vacationing couple who are expecting their first child together. Their planned



Kamar de los Reyes (Antonio in "One Life to Live")

peaceful getaway turns into a nightmare when the townspeople appear to be hostile.

Earlier this year, Stause starred in another Lifetime film based on a true crime tale — "A Rose for Her Grave: The Randy Roth Story." As for "Selling Sunset," look for its seventh season to debut on Netflix either later this year or in early 2024.

**Q.** Is it true that "What Not to Wear" is coming back? Will it have the same two hosts? I thought they had a falling out. — K.T.

**A.** Stacy London and Clinton Kelly were co-hosts of TLC's makeover reality show "What Not to Wear" for nine seasons. Now, 10 years later, there's no confirmation that the inspiring series is returning to airways, but the former feuding co-hosts are going on tour together.

Their tour, aptly named the Stacy & Clinton Show, will touch on their infamous feud and other behind-the-scenes stories of "What Not to Wear." It kicks off in Birmingham, Alabama on Oct. 5.

Send me your questions at [NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com](mailto:NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com), or write me at KFW5, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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by Gary Kopervas



# Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



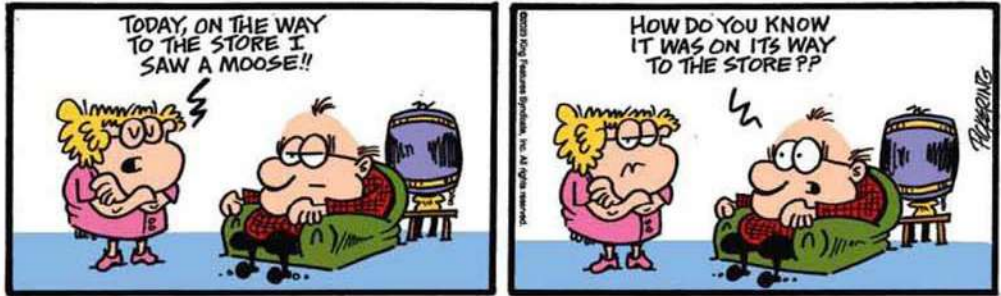
# TIGER

by BUD BLAKE



# The Spats

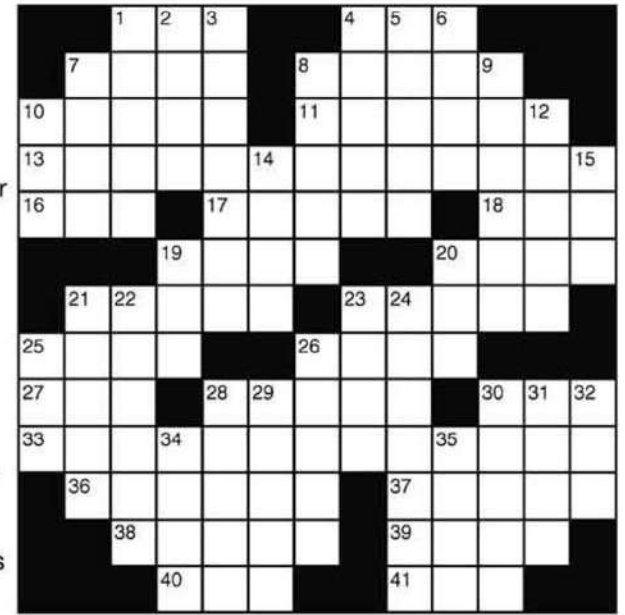
by Jeff Pickering



# King Crossword

## ACROSS

- 1 Big mouth
- 4 Scoundrel
- 7 Actress Rogers
- 8 Underneath
- 10 Choir member
- 11 Loves to pieces
- 13 Woven containers
- 16 Raw mineral
- 17 Levels
- 18 Cistern
- 19 Pet food brand
- 20 Feel sorry for
- 21 Answers an invitation
- 23 Sandbox toys
- 25 Dandies
- 26 Billions of years
- 27 Simile part
- 28 Egypt's Mubarak
- 30 Pallid
- 33 Company codes used at a stock exchange
- 36 Journalist Bly
- 37 Bakery smell
- 38 Japanese wrestlers
- 39 Minnelli of "Arthur"



- 10 Tango team
- 12 Sports figures
- 14 Eyeglass frames
- 15 Pigs' digs
- 19 Hosp. hook-ups
- 20 Math ratios
- 21 Cello bow application
- 22 Parking spots
- 23 Shetland, for one
- 24 Cracker shapes
- 25 Corpulent
- 26 Road curves
- 28 Big wheels at sea
- 29 Hunter in the sky
- 30 Lightheaded
- 31 Mater lead-in
- 32 Code-breaking gp.
- 34 Heidi of "Project Runway"
- 35 Vivacity, in music
- 40 AOL rival
- 41 Tofu source

## DOWN

- 1 Chop finely
- 2 Out of control
- 3 Spy's device
- 4 Fragrant wood
- 5 At — for words
- 6 Dweeb
- 7 Israel's Golda
- 8 Innocents
- 9 Cotton pest

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# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
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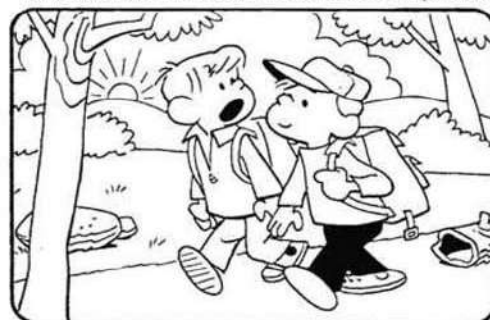
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# HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Sign is missing; 2. Cap is missing; 3. Jacket is open; 4. Cuts are missing; 5. Flashlight is missing; 6. Rabbit is missing.

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Answer

## Weekly SUDOKU


Solution time: 24 mins.

Answers

## King Crossword

# Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: Which body of water lies between Alaska and Russia?
2. TELEVISION: What city is the setting for the dramatic series "The Wire"?
3. U.S. PRESIDENTS: What is President Joe Biden's Secret Service code name?
4. MOVIES: What is the name of the island in "Jurassic Park"?
5. MUSIC: What is the pop band that The Dude dislikes in "The Big Lebowski"?
6. SCIENCE: Which metal conducts electricity best?
7. HISTORY: What is believed to be the oldest system of writing?
8. ANATOMY: What is the longest muscle in the human body?
9. U.S. STATES: Which two states don't observe Daylight Savings Time?
10. ASTRONOMY: In which constellation can you find the Horsehead Nebula?

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- Trivia Test Answers:  
1. Bering Strait; 2. Baltimore, Maryland; 3. Celtic; 4. Isla Nublar; 5. The Eagles; 6. Silver; 7. Cuneiform; 8. Saturnus, which stretches from the pelvis to the knee; 9. Arizona and Hawaii; 10. Orion.



Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



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**BIBBLE TRIVIA**  
by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Mark (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. What phrase did Jesus use three times in resisting the temptations of Satan? *My father above, God is love, It is written, Thou must repent*
3. In II Peter 1, what were holy men moved by in regard to prophecy? *Kindred spirit, Holy Ghost, Sins, Love of God*
4. From Judges 6, which judge threshed wheat by the winepress? *Gideon, Joash, Neco, Hosea*
5. Who was Saul's daughter who married David? *Jephthah, Oholah, Rahab, Michal*
6. Shechem was the son of ...? *James, Hamor, Jacob, Onan*

ANSWERS: 1) New, 2) It is written, 3) Holy Ghost, 4) Gideon, 5) Michal, 8) Hamor

Sharpen your understanding of scripture with Wilson's Casey's latest book, "Test Your Bible Knowledge," now available in bookstores and online.

**Strange BUT TRUE**

By Lucie Winborne

- Like verbal language, sign language has tongue twisters, known as "finger fumlbers."
- In Japan, ramen noodles are a fuel source for more than just humans: The Amaterasu Railway's sightseeing train uses biodiesel made out of leftover ramen oil, which has the added benefits of curbing CO2 emissions and supporting local businesses.
- Physarum polycephalum, a type of slime mold, can solve complex mazes and other spatial problems even though it has neither a brain nor a nervous system.
- There are 293 ways to make change for a dollar.

• A bald eagle, upon catching a fish that may be too heavy for it to lift, will use a movement strikingly similar to the human breaststroke to maneuver its prey to the shore.

• The world's oldest known musical instrument, a flute made from a vulture's wing bone that was discovered in a German cave, dates back nearly 40,000 years.

• Minnie Mouse's first name isn't Minnie, but Minerva.

• Rapper Yung Gravy donated nearly 2,000 bras thrown at him during concerts to a women's charity.

• A candle's flame is blue in zero gravity.

• Janine Sugawara sued the makers of Cap'n Crunch cereal for falsely advertising its contents by not using real berries. Her complaint was quickly dismissed, however, when the judge pointed out that there's no such thing as Crunch Berry.

• And speaking of the good captain, his full name is Horatio Magellan Crunch, after explorer Ferdinand Magellan.

• You are more likely to have a weird or scary dream while sleeping on your stomach.

• During the 1980s, American Airlines found it could save an annual \$40,000 simply by removing a single olive from its first-class meals.

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**Thought for the Day:** "You know you're in love when you can't fall asleep because reality is finally better than your dreams." — *Dr. Seuss*

**THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE**

So the Lord gave to Israel all the land of which He had sworn to give to their fathers... The Lord gave them rest all around, according to all that He had sworn to their fathers... the Lord delivered all their enemies into their hand. Not a word failed of any good thing which the Lord had spoken to the house of Israel. All came to pass.

JOSHUA 21: 43-45

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**Salome's Stars**

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Your moodier side might emerge this week. But the dark period should pass in time for the party-loving Lamb to go on a happy gambol with some very special people this weekend.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Yet again, you show your skills at being able to indulge in your love of the arts this week while still taking care of practical matters, including some still-unfinished business matters.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) A potential change might be what you've been looking for. In any event, consider both the negative as well as the positive possibilities before making any sort of decision.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Relationships continue to dominate your aspect this week on a mostly positive level, with just a few problem areas that you need to smooth over. Also, try to be flexible about travel plans.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) You love being on center stage, and while you absolutely purr at the sound of all that praise, be careful not to take on too many commitments at the expense of time spent with loved ones.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) You might feel that you need to get involved in a matter concerning a friend or a relative. But while the issues appear to be cut and dried, they might not be. Get more facts before you act.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) A suggestion about a policy change could create heated reactions. Keep your mind open and resist joining in with naysayers unless they can show a real basis for their position.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) While potential career changes warrant your interest, don't ignore your current job responsibilities. A personal relationship can also benefit from more of your attention.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Don't guess at what the facts might be if you hope to make the best decision possible. The wisest course is to ask direct questions and act on the answers you receive.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Your efforts involving that pesky problem should soon show positive signs of being resolved. This should allow you to shift some of your focus in another direction.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) While you might enjoy well-deserved praise for getting a difficult job done, there's no time to relax. A new challenge looms. Expect support from a once-strong critic.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) You still might have explaining to do regarding a recent decision, but support grows as you continue to make your case. You might also want to start making plans for the upcoming holidays.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You insist on making decisions based on facts, not on popular opinions. Have you ever considered a career in science?



# HOLLYWOOD

by Tony Rizzo

**HOLLYWOOD** — In 1980, **Byron Allen** was a successful stand-up comic. I used to chat with him between sets at the Improv, a popular comedy club, and he was always friendly and easy to talk to. He soon signed on to host NBC's primetime show "Real People" and eventually became founder and CEO of Allen Media Group. Also known as Entertainment Studios, Inc., the company produced shows such as "Comics Unleashed" and owns the Weather Channel, as well as several regional sports networks and TV stations.

In 2020, Byron tried to buy the Denver Broncos and lost to a higher bidder. But you can't keep a good man down ... he's now offered the Walt Disney Company \$10 billion to buy ABC, FX and National Geographic. Disney's financial problems might make his offer irresistible.

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In case you've wondered why writers and actors are so worried about AI (artificial intelligence), here's a case in point: Highly respected British actor **Stephen Fry** (who scored as **Oscar Wilde** in "Wilde" and also starred in "V for Vendetta," "Gosford Park" and "The Hobbit" trilogy, to name a few of his credits) discovered that an AI system mimicked his very recognizable voice for a narration of a historical documentary.

"I said not one word of that," Fry confessed. "It was a machine. Yes, it shocked me. They used my reading of the seven volumes of the 'Harry Potter' books, and from that dataset, an AI of my voice was created, and it made that new narration. What you heard was not the result of a mash-up. ... The words are modulated to fit the meaning of each sentence ... all without my knowledge and without my permission."

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**Mark Wahlberg** is only 52, but the father of four is already beginning to question how much longer he can stand in front of movie cameras. He



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**Vanna White**  
("Wheel of Fortune")

recently revealed, "Well, I'm certainly working harder now than ever. ... But I don't think I'll be acting that much longer at the pace I am now."

Before the strike, he completed "Arthur the King;" "The Union" for Netflix, with **Halle Berry** and **J.K. Simmons**; and the Apple TV+ comedy "The Family Plan," with **Michelle Monaghan**. He wants to devote more time to his two boys and two girls who are currently 13, 15, 17 and 20, as well as his family business "Wahlburgers," which has grown to 90 sites within the U.S., Canada, Australia and New Zealand.

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It's finally official! **Vanna White** will continue flipping letters on "Wheel of Fortune" when **Ryan Seacrest** becomes the new host starting next season. The producers would only give her a two-year contract, but you know she will be flipping those letters even if she needs to use a walker to get to them!

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## Seizure-Like Reactions Pose the Question of Epilepsy

**DEAR DR. ROACH:** My husband experienced seizure-like episodes without tonic/clonic body movements in high altitude. These episodes occurred while he was traveling, being physically active in Colorado and skiing in France. Both episodes happened at least 12 hours after physical activity. Our general physician back home felt that these were not true seizures, instead a reaction to possibly being dehydrated in high altitudes.

A vast amount of testing resulted in nothing unusual going on with his cardiovascular system or his brain. But just recently, he had another episode two days after being active, hydrating at sea level and banging his head — with more body movement this time.

I have been researching online, and seizure-like reactions seem to occur due to electrolyte imbalances. It is very hard to get to a neurologist without an excessive wait time. Do you think anti-seizure medications are warranted? — S.S.

**ANSWER:** It's important to separate a seizure (which anyone can get if there is enough stress to the brain) from epilepsy, a condition where the person is susceptible to recurring seizures. For it to be considered epilepsy, a person generally needs at least two unprovoked seizures (with no unusual stress to the brain) at least 24 hours apart. Only epilepsy is treated with long-term anti-seizure medicines.

There is indeed a risk of developing seizures while at a high altitude. In addition,

there are many other conditions that can provoke a seizure. You mentioned electrolyte imbalance, but sodium (too much or too little) as well as too little amounts of magnesium and calcium are among the most common. Low blood sugar is a frequent cause.

Some recreational drugs cause seizures, but withdrawal from drugs, especially alcohol, is more common. Metabolic diseases of the kidney and thyroid are also common. Sleep deprivation, brain injury (especially stroke, but also trauma), brain tumors and brain infections are all common triggers that your husband probably received an evaluation for.

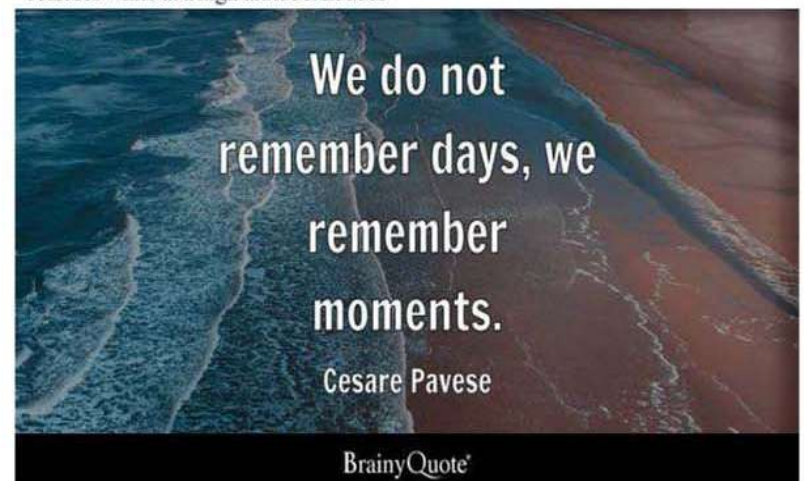
Had it only been the first seizure, my advice likely would have been the same as your physician's, although I probably would have suggested a consultation with an epileptologist (a neurologist with special expertise in seizures). Now that he has had a second — and unprovoked — seizure, my suspicion that he has epilepsy is much higher. (In hindsight, it's clear that the first reaction really was a seizure.)

Most people experiencing their first seizure while at a high altitude were eventually found to have epilepsy after further testing, including an electroencephalogram (EEG). The high altitude doesn't cause the seizure; it just increases the risk of a seizure in a person who has an underlying propensity for it. This may also occur with many medicines, especially those used for depression.

Your husband should see an epileptologist as soon as possible. I strongly feel that it's unwise for nonexperts to prescribe anti-seizure drugs, except as a treatment until a patient can be seen by an expert. I have seen that done many times, and it is done improperly, at least according to the expert a patient eventually sees. Your husband needs a timely and comprehensive reevaluation. Epileptologists recognize that new onset seizures in an adult require a more timely appointment.

*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](mailto:ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu).*

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# THREATS TO DEMOCRACY: THE EROSION OF JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE

By Sir Ronald Sanders

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From Canada in the North to Argentina in the South, including the nations in the Caribbean, the nature of threats to democracy is undergoing a significant transformation.

While traditional overthrow of governments has receded, other more sinister threats have arisen. In Latin America and even now in the United States of America (US), elected opposition parties are manipulating parliamentary procedures to throttle policies and programmes of elected governments, or they are mobilising their hard-core supporters to engage in unlawful activity to prevent elected representatives from assuming office.

## THE CO-OPTING OF THE JUDICIARY

Among these threats, is also the co-opting of the judiciary by governing bodies for partisan objectives. In several instances, there is visible collaboration between government and judicial officers, leading to the sacrifice of judicial independence for political gain.

This alliance not only jeopardizes the constitutional order but also erodes the bedrock principles upon which democracy itself is built.

## GUATEMALA: A CASE STUDY

The present situation in Guatemala serves as a disturbing example. According to the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR), actions initiated by the Public Prosecutor's Office seriously jeopardize the constitutional order and the independence of the government's branches. The Public Prosecutor, with assistance from judges in the lower courts, is making a concerted attempt to suspend the registration of the Semilla Movement. This political group, led by Bernardo Arévalo de León, has successfully secured the presidency with León scheduled to assume office on January 14, 2024.

In response to these actions, large public protests have erupted in Guatemala's streets. This widespread unrest sets the stage for potential conflict and highlights the nation's palpable tension.

This public outcry could escalate further if the Special Prosecutor is

successful in his attempt to overturn the will of the majority of the Guatemalan electorate, who have chosen Arévalo and his Semilla Movement to represent them.

Amidst this turmoil, the judiciary in Guatemala has notably remained distant from the issue. An exception to this detachment is the Constitutional Court and the Supreme Electoral Tribunal. These bodies played crucial roles in ensuring Arévalo's participation in the presidential election's second round held on August 20, where he garnered more than 64 percent of the vote.

## JUDICIAL COLLAPSE IN HAITI

In the Caribbean, Haiti stands out as the country where the judiciary has been systematically weakened by successive governments, leading to a dearth of judicial autonomy and a failure to deliver justice to the Haitian people. In this environment, unconstitutional governmental actions go unchallenged, further eroding the democratic framework.

## THE ESSENTIAL ROLE OF AN INDEPENDENT JUDICIARY

Yet, throughout the Americas, including in the Caribbean, "the role of an independent judiciary in protecting people's right to vote in free and fair elections is essential" as declared in a recent publication by Tamara Taraciuk Broner and Rebecca Chavez of the Inter-American Dialogue.

Thus far, in the Caribbean, apart from Haiti, the judiciary has acted in accordance with their constitutional duties and the law in relation to democracy and elections, and governments have not sought to erode judicial independence and authority. For example, the high standards to which the high court and Court of Appeal in Guyana adhered in that country's 8-month elections impasse, contributed greatly to the peaceful acceptance of the results of the general and presidential elections in 2020.

Similarly, there are nations within the Americas where the judiciary has steadfastly upheld its constitutional duties, acting as a bulwark against attempts to subvert democracy. Countries like Brazil, Mexico, and Ecuador and the countries of CARICOM (Haiti excepted) offer examples of judicial robustness, with their courts playing pivotal roles in ensuring free and fair elections despite political



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pressures and challenges. In these cases, the judiciary serves as the ultimate safeguard of people's rights and freedoms, acting independently of transient political powers or majority pressures.

## PERSISTENT CHALLENGES TO JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE

However, when the judiciary succumbs to political pressure, failing to uphold the constitution and the law, democracy is endangered.

Broner and Chavez regard El Salvador as a place where an extreme case of political interference with the judiciary has taken place. They state that the "Nayib Bukele administration arbitrarily dismissed independent Supreme Court justices and the attorney general in 2021 and packed the court with allies", thus allowing Bukele to run again in February 2024 despite a constitutional prohibition on re-election.

Other blatant cases of the erosion of judicial independence and impartiality exist in Nicaragua and Venezuela according to the UN Commission for Human Rights.

## CONCLUSION: A CALL TO PRESERVE JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE

As democracy delicately balances on the principles of majority rule and the protection of individual and minority rights, an unyielding, independent judiciary stands as its steadfast guardian. It is incumbent upon judicial members, and society at large, to relentlessly uphold and defend the rule of law against encroachment.

The unsettling developments unfolding in the Americas are not merely isolated incidents but are alarm bells, ringing loudly to warn of democracy under siege.

It is an alarm that must not be ignored, for the preservation of judicial independence is not just a legal imperative but a covenant of peace, freedom, and democracy that we hold with each other now and for generations to come.





# PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE**  
**BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT**  
**(NO. 16 OF 2004)**  
**Qiuqiu Inc.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
**NOTICE** is hereby given that on the 5th day of October, 2023, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register  
The Liquidator is:-  
**Wayne S. Francis**  
of c/o Sertus Chambers,  
P.O. Box 905, Quastisky Building,  
Road Town, Tortola, VG 1110,  
British Virgin Islands [21/1]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004**  
**Zeya Investment Holdings Limited**  
(the "Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1796281  
**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 September 13, 2023. The Liquidator is **Dauna George-Mubangizi of Geneva Place, 2nd Floor, #333 Waterfront Drive, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**  
Dated: October 6, 2023  
**Dauna George-Mubangizi**  
Liquidator [21/2]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004**  
**Ganix Investment Holdings Limited**  
(the "Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1942226  
**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 September 13, 2023. The Liquidator is **Dauna George-Mubangizi of Geneva Place, 2nd Floor, #333 Waterfront Drive, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**  
Dated: October 6, 2023  
**Dauna George-Mubangizi**  
Liquidator [21/3]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004**  
**Heddon Investment Holdings Limited**  
(the "Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1853113  
**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 September 13, 2023. The Liquidator is **Dauna George-Mubangizi of Geneva Place, 2nd Floor, #333 Waterfront Drive, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**  
Dated: October 6, 2023  
**Dauna George-Mubangizi**  
Liquidator [21/4]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act**  
**OUTER Infinite Learner Ltd.**  
(IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)  
Company No. 2090073  
**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 11th September 2023. The Liquidator is **Myron Walwyn of 2nd Floor Jayla Place, P.O. Box 216, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110.**  
Dated 11th day of September 2023  
**(Sgd) Myron Walwyn**  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/5]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act**  
**NEW PREDASCO ESTABLISHMENT INC.**  
(IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)  
Company No. 1795082  
**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 11th September 2023. The Liquidator is **Myron Walwyn of Travers Thorp Alberga, 2nd Floor Jayla Place, P.O. Box 216, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110.**  
Dated 11th September 2023  
**(Sgd) Myron Walwyn**  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/6]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act**  
**RIVERCOURSE FINANCE LTD.**  
(IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)  
Company No. 1833888  
**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 19th September 2023. The Liquidator is **Myron Walwyn of Travers Thorp Alberga, 2nd Floor Jayla Place, P.O. Box 216, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110.**  
Dated 19th September 2023  
**(Sgd) Myron Walwyn**  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/7]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act**  
**MENA Healthcare Services Company Ltd.**  
(IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)  
Company No. 1600613  
**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 19th September 2023. The Liquidator is **Myron Walwyn of Travers Thorp Alberga, 2nd Floor Jayla Place, P.O. Box 216, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110.**  
Dated 19th September 2023  
**(Sgd) Myron Walwyn**  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/8]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act**  
**RICA COMMERCIAL CORP.**  
(IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)  
Company No. 459619  
**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 19th September 2023. The Liquidator is **Myron Walwyn of Travers Thorp Alberga, 2nd Floor Jayla Place, P.O. Box 216, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110.**  
Dated 19th September 2023  
**(Sgd) Myron Walwyn**  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/9]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act**  
**OLMSTEAD OVERSEAS LTD.**  
(IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)  
Company No. 1944024  
**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 21st September 2023. The Liquidator is **Myron Walwyn of Travers Thorp Alberga, 2nd Floor Jayla Place, P.O. Box 216, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110.**  
Dated 22nd September 2023  
**(Sgd) Myron Walwyn**  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/10]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act**  
**TEXSYS LIMITED**  
(IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)  
Company No. 2113847  
**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 11th September 2023. The Liquidator is **Myron Walwyn of Travers Thorp Alberga, 2nd Floor Jayla Place, P.O. Box 216, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110.**  
Dated 11th September 2023  
**(Sgd) Myron Walwyn**  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/11]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act**  
**WEIWE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT LIMITED**  
(IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)  
Company No. 2104007  
**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 20th September 2023. The Liquidator is **Myron Walwyn of Travers Thorp Alberga, 2nd Floor Jayla Place, P.O. Box 216, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110.**  
Dated 21st September 2023  
**(Sgd) Myron Walwyn**  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/12]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act**  
**FERLAND HOLDING S.A.**  
(IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)  
Company No. 1945130  
**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 11th September 2023. The Liquidator is **Myron Walwyn of Travers Thorp Alberga, 2nd Floor Jayla Place, P.O. Box 216, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110.**  
Dated 11th September 2023  
**(Sgd) Myron Walwyn**  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/13]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.**  
**Rhino Media Inc**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 2063150  
**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 October 5th, 2023.  
Dated: October 6th, 2023  
**(Sgd.) Nelcia St. Jean**  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/14]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act, 2004**  
**FULL CIRCLE GROUP LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1697001  
**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 6th October, 2023.  
Dated: 6th day of October 2023  
**(Sgd.) Philippa V O'Sullivan**  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/15]

**HENDERHAM INVESTMENTS LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company Number 1028468  
**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 5th day of October, 2023. The Liquidator is **Brian Jackson of Mandar House, 3rd Floor, Johnson's Ghut, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**  
Dated this 6th day of October, 2023  
**Sgd. Brian Jackson**  
  
**Brian Jackson**  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/16]

**DERBY ROAD LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company Number 1559233  
**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 5th day of October, 2023. The Liquidator is **Brian Jackson of Mandar House, 3rd Floor, Johnson's Ghut, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**  
Dated this 6th day of October, 2023  
**Sgd. Brian Jackson**  
  
**Brian Jackson**  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/17]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 203 of the BVI Business Company Act.**  
**ROUNDSTONE PROPERTIES LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 47217  
**NOTICE** is hereby given pursuant to Section 203, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 5 October 2023. The Liquidator is **Harry J. Thompson of Harbour House, P.O. Box 4428, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**  
Dated 6 October 2023  
**(Sgd.) Harry J. Thompson**  
Voluntary Liquidator(s) [21/18]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 203 of the BVI Business Company Act.**  
**ACF Business Company Ltd.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1674309  
**NOTICE** is hereby given pursuant to Section 203, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 5 October 2023. The Liquidator is **Harry J. Thompson of Harbour House, P.O. Box 4428, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**  
Dated 6 October 2023  
**(Sgd.) Harry J. Thompson**  
Voluntary Liquidator(s) [21/19]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.**  
**MERRYVALE INVESTMENTS LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 371185  
**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 4 October 2023.  
Dated 6 October 2023  
**(Sgd.) Harry J. Thompson**  
Voluntary Liquidator(s) [21/20]



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*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act.*  
**LICHFIELD CORPORATION**  
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)  
 Company No. 39699  
**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 September 14th, 2023. The Liquidator is **Nelcia St. Jean** with an address at 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. Dated: September 14th, 2023  
*(Sgd.) Nelcia St. Jean*  
 Voluntary Liquidator [21/21]

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act.*  
**PRESTIGIA LIMITED**  
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)  
 Company No. 1854088  
**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 September 12, 2023. The Liquidator is **Nelcia St. Jean**, with address at 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. Dated: September 12, 2023.  
*(Sgd.) Nelcia St. Jean*  
 Voluntary Liquidator [21/22]

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act.*  
**AL Services (PTC) Ltd.**  
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)  
 Company No. 2076215  
**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 October 9th, 2023. The Liquidator is **Nelcia St. Jean** with an address at 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. Dated: October 9th, 2023  
*(Sgd.) Nelcia St. Jean*  
 Voluntary Liquidator [21/23]

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004*  
**Smart Pet Co., Ltd.**  
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)  
 Company No. 2028221  
**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 9th day of October, 2023. The liquidator is **Philippa V. O'Sullivan** of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. Dated: 9th day of October 2023  
*(Sgd.) Philippa V O'Sullivan*  
 Voluntary Liquidator [21/24]

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004*  
**Winco Capital Co., Ltd.**  
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)  
 Company No. 2028220  
**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 9th day of October, 2023. The liquidator is **Philippa V. O'Sullivan** of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. Dated: 9th day of October 2023  
*(Sgd.) Philippa V O'Sullivan*  
 Voluntary Liquidator [21/25]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004*  
**RUIMI Holding Limited**  
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)  
 Company No. 2036819  
**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 9th October 2023. Dated: 9th October 2023.  
*(Sgd.) Philippa V.O.Sullivan*  
 Voluntary Liquidator [21/26]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004*  
**RUINONG Holding Limited**  
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)  
 Company No. 2035560  
**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 9th October 2023. Dated: 9th October 2023.  
*(Sgd.) Philippa V.O.Sullivan*  
 Voluntary Liquidator [21/27]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004*  
**Online Teaching Group Limited**  
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)  
 Company No. 1995904  
**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 9th October 2023. Dated: 9th October 2023.  
*(Sgd.) Philippa V.O.Sullivan*  
 Voluntary Liquidator [21/28]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004*  
**Yue Kang Limited**  
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)  
 Company No. 2117086  
**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 9th October 2023. Dated: 9th October 2023  
*(Sgd.) Philippa V O'Sullivan*  
 Voluntary Liquidator [21/29]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004*  
**Onti Holding Limited**  
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)  
 Company No. 2103965  
**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 9th October 2023. Dated: 9th October 2023  
*(Sgd.) Philippa V.O.Sullivan*  
 Voluntary Liquidator [21/30]

**STRUCK OFF**  
*Liquidator's Final Notice*  
**PALAZZO INVESTMENT GROUP LIMITED**  
 ("the Company")  
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)  
 Company No. 1044323  
**NOTICE** is hereby given pursuant to section (208) (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 3rd October 2023. Dated 9th October 2023  
*Carmine Bailey*  
 Voluntary Liquidator [21/31]

**STRUCK OFF**  
*Liquidator's Final Notice*  
**CASTLEWAY LIMITED**  
 ("the Company")  
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)  
 Company No. 1029117  
**NOTICE** is hereby given pursuant to section (208) (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 5th October 2023. Dated 9th October 2023  
*Carmine Bailey*  
 Voluntary Liquidator [21/32]

**APPOINTMENT**  
**DARNFORTH HOLDINGS LIMITED**  
 ("the Company")  
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)  
 Company No. 66789  
**NOTICE** is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that: **Darnforth Holdings Limited** is in voluntary liquidation. The date of commencement of liquidation is 5th October 2023. The liquidator is **Carmine Bailey of Kendall Corporate Services Limited, 2nd Floor Abbott Building, 87 Main Street, Waterfront Drive, P.O. Box 3169; PMB425, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.** Dated 9th October 2023  
*Carmine Bailey*  
 Voluntary Liquidator [21/33]

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act.*  
**LINKJOINT HBG Investment Limited**  
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)  
 Company No. 2012879  
**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 the 9th October, 2023. The liquidator is **Philippa O'Sullivan** of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. Dated: 9th October 2023.  
*(Sgd.) Philippa O'Sullivan*  
 Voluntary Liquidator [21/34]

## The Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE Virgin Islands

**BVIHPB2023/0217**

**In the estate of Nadir Lopes Mantovanini, late of Rua Oliveira Dias, 263 4th Floor, Jardim Paulista São Paulo, Brazil, deceased**

**TAKE NOTICE** that **WALTER MANTOVANINI FILHO** of Rua Antônio Gontijo Carvalho, 67 São Paulo, Brazil and **MARIA CECILIA MANTOVANINI AGUIAR** of Rua Recanto 215, São Paulo, Brazil, the lawful children of **NADIR LOPES MANTOVANINI**, deceased who died on the 22nd day of February, 2022, domiciled in Brazil; intestate (the Deceased), have 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 any objection to the grant of Letters of Administration to the said **WALTER MANTOVANINI FILHO** and **MARIA CECILIA MANTOVANINI AGUIAR**, 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.



Solicitors for the Intended Administrators

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

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

**VIRGIN ISLANDS  
BVIHPB 2023/0207**

**In the Estate of CATHERINE McKay-Gray  
Late of 9 Waterfront Apartments, Road Town, Tortola, British  
Virgin Islands, deceased**

**ADVERTISEMENT**

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by MICHAEL GRAY of Johnson Ghut, Tortola British Virgin Islands for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant who is the surviving son of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 7th day of December, 2004.

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

Dated this 2nd day of October 2023

FILED by KENDALL Law, Attorneys at law for the Administrator whose address for service is c/o KENDALL Law 2nd Floor Abbott Building, Waterfront Drive, Road Town Virgin Islands VG 1110

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

**BVIHPB 2023/**

**In the Estate of PROCTOR CARLISLE SCOTT of Purcell  
Estate, Tortola, The Virgin Islands, deceased.**

**ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION  
FOR GRANT**

TAKE NOTICE that KRÉSIA BERNELE MARGUERITE CARLISLE SCOTT FREDERICK, of Purcell Estate, Tortola, The Virgin Islands, the person named as Executrix in the Last Will and Testament of PROCTOR CARLISLE SCOTT, dated the 8th day of December, 2003, who died on the 4th day of November, 2007 at Purcell Estate, Tortola, The Virgin Islands has applied to the Probate Division of the High Court of Justice Virgin Islands in the Territory of The Virgin Islands for a Grant of Probate to the estate of the said deceased.

ANY PERSONS having any objection to the Grant of Probate to the said KRÉSIA BERNELE MARGUERITE CARLISLE SCOTT FREDERICK, 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 British Virgin Islands a document setting out the said objections.

DATED: this 10th day of October, 2023.

Dancia Penn & Co  
Solicitors for the Executrix

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*Notice of Appointment of a  
Liquidator under Section 204 of the  
BVI Business Company Act.*

**Sky City Technology  
Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 2022649

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 the 9th October 2023. The liquidator is **Philippa O'Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**

Dated: 9th October 2023.

(Sgd.) **Philippa O'Sullivan**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[21/35]

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

**Good Fortune Felines  
Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No.2098972

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 October 10, 2023.

Dated: October 10, 2023

(Sgd.) **Nelcia St. Jean**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[21/36]

**NEW CONTINENTAL  
CORPORATION**

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company  
No. 014097

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204(1)-(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **NEW CONTINENTAL CORPORATION** is in voluntary liquidation. - The - voluntary liquidation commenced on the 7th day of October 2023. The Liquidator is **Alfredo Caruci of B.V.I. Limited, Flemming House, Wickhams Cay, P.O. Box 662, Road Town, Tortola, VG1110, British Virgin Islands.**

Dated 9th day of October 2023.

(Sgd.) **Alfredo J Caruci**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[21/37]

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

**PRESTIGIA LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1854088

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 October 9, 2023.

Dated: October 10, 2023

(Sgd.) **Nelcia St. Jean**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[21/38]

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

**(PROBATE)**

**CLAIM NO. BVIHPB2023/**

**IN THE ESTATE OF PANNA DIPAK SHUKLA, LATE OF  
11, KHATAU APARTMENT, 243 WALKESHWAR ROAD,  
MUMBAI 400006, DECEASED**

**ADVERTISEMENT**

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by Nimish Nalin Shukla of 24, DuruMahal, 84 Marine Drive, Mumbai-400003, Amit Arvind Gunderia of G-52, Venus Apartment, R.G. Thadani Marg, Worli Seaface, Worli, Mumbai 400018 and Bhavant Rupam Shukla of B/201 Bhagirathi Niwas, M.V. Road, Andheri (East) Mumbai 400069 for a Grant of Probate of the Will of the above-named deceased who died on the 16 January 2021 at Gr. Mumbai, Greater Mumbai, Mumbai, Maharashtra, 400006, without revoking a Will bearing the date of 25 August 2020 wherein the applicants are named executors.

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 29th day of September 2023

McW. Todman & Co., Attorneys-at Law for the Executor(s) whose address for service is:

McNamara Chambers, 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands; email: nstjean@mctodman.com

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

**(PROBATE)**

**BVIHPB2023/0197**

**IN THE ESTATE OF LILLIAN CHRISTOPHER, DECEASED**

TAKE NOTICE that KENT BERNIER of St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands, the Administrator of the estate of the deceased aforesaid, who died on the 5th day of May, 2014 intends to apply to the High Court of Justice in the Probate Division for a Grant of LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION to the Estate of the said LILLIAN CHRISTOPHER, deceased.

ANY PERSON or persons who has or have any objections to the Grant of LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION to the said KENT BERNIER of St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands, shall within fourteen (14) days from the date of the publication of this Notice lodge with the Registry of the High Court of Justice in the British Virgin Islands the proper documents setting out the proper objections.

Dated this 3rd day of October, 2023

Harbour Chambers BVI  
Legal Practitioners for the Applicant

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

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

BVIHPB 2023/0203

**In the Estate of Iris de Castro, late of Slaney, Road  
Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, (Deceased)**

**ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT**

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by MONIQUE de CASTRO JOSEY of 4581 River Hill Circle, Ellenwood, Georgia 39284, United States of America who is the daughter of Iris de Castro, deceased who died testate on the 19th day of March, 2022, for a Grant of Probate in the Estate of the said deceased.

ANY PERSON 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 this 29th day of September, 2023

Filed by HUNTE & CO. LAW CHAMBERS, Attorneys-at-Law whose address for service is 123 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

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

BVIHPB2023/0210

**IN THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY HODGE, DECEASED**

TAKE NOTICE that BEVERLY ELEANOR HODGE and VARRISSE VANDERVOLT HODGE both of Sea Cows Bay, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, the Administrators of the estate of the deceased aforesaid, who died on the 16th day of July, 2021 intend to apply to the High Court of Justice in the Probate Division for a Grant of LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION to the Estate of the said DOROTHY HODGE, deceased.

ANY PERSON or persons who has or have any objections to the Grant of LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION to the said BEVERLY ELEANOR HODGE and VARRISSE VANDERVOLT HODGE both of Sea Cows Bay, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, shall within fourteen (14) days from the date of the publication of this Notice lodge with the Registry of the High Court of Justice in the British Virgin Islands the proper documents setting out the proper objections.

Dated this 3rd day of October, 2023

Harbour Chambers BVI  
Legal Practitioners for the Applicants

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

**J.P. Aruba Group LTD**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 2106604

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 10th October 2023.

Dated: 10th October 2023.  
(Sgd.) *Philippa O'Sullivan*  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/39]

**HAUSARI (PTC)  
Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company Number 1902026

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 9th day of October, 2023.

Dated this 10th day of October, 2023  
*Sgd. Brian Jackson*

*Brian Jackson*  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/40]

**Good Venture Investment  
Holdings Ltd.**

Company No. 1871589  
(in voluntary liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given, in accordance with the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the above-named company, is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 18th day of September 2023 and Paula Ajarie of Lot 24 de Castro Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands VG1110, is the voluntary liquidator.

(SGD.) *Paula Ajarie*  
*Paula Ajarie*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
Dated: 18th day of September 2023  
[21/41]

**Cascade Global Investment  
Ltd.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company Number 1007254  
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 9th day of October, 2023. The Liquidator is Brian Jackson of Mandar House, 3rd Floor, Johnson's Ghut, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

Dated this 11th day of October, 2023  
*Sgd. Brian Jackson*

*Brian Jackson*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[21/42]

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

BVIHPB2023/0209

**IN THE ESTATE OF IN THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM  
WAMOUTH HENLEY aka WILLIAM WAYMOUTH  
HENLEY, DECEASED**

TAKE NOTICE that MARVIN EGBERT BLYDEN of Tortola, British Virgin Islands, a grandson of the deceased aforesaid, who died on the 26th day of September, 1904 intends to apply to the High Court of Justice in the Probate Division for a Grant of LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION to the Estate of the said WILLIAM WAMOUTH HENLEY aka WILLIAM WAYMOUTH HENLEY, deceased.

ANY PERSON or persons who has or have any objections to the Grant of LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION to the said MARVIN EGBERT BLYDEN of Tortola, British Virgin Islands, shall within fourteen (14) days from the date of the publication of this Notice lodge with the Registry of the High Court of Justice in the British Virgin Islands the proper documents setting out the proper objections.

Dated this 2nd day of October, 2023

Harbour Chambers BVI  
Legal Practitioners for the Applicant  
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**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
(PROBATE)  
VIRGIN ISLANDS**

BVIHPB 2023/

**In the Estate of GRACE CHU LANG late of 1210 Cardinal Ave.,  
Sugar Land, Texas 77478, United States of America, 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 re-sealing of the Grant of Letters of Administration of the Estate of GRACE CHU LANG late of 1210 Cardinal Ave., Sugar Land, Texas 77478, United States of America, deceased was granted by the County Court of Fort Bend in the State of Texas on 11th January, 2016.

Signed: SAMUELS RICHARDSON & CO

Legal Practitioners for the Personal Representative

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

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

BVIHPB2023/0196

IN THE ESTATE OF RUDOLPH ANTONIO SMITH,  
LATE OF FRENCHMAN'S CAY, WEST END, TORTOLA,  
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, DECEASED

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by Lloyd A. Smith of Frenchman's Cay, West End, Tortola, British Virgin for a Grant de bonis non in respect of the Will of the above named deceased who died on the 8th day of July 2005 without revoking a Will bearing the date of the 22nd day of June 2005 wherein the applicant is named as Executor.

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

Dated this 21st day of September 2023.

Sabals Law, Solicitors for the Executor whose address for service is 87 Main Street, 2nd Floor, Abbott Building, Waterfront Drive, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. [20]

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

BVIHPB2023/0309

IN THE ESTATE OF CYRIL ALCEDO CRABBE, DECEASED

TAKE NOTICE that JERONE CRABBE of Missouri, United States of America, the Administrator of the estate of the deceased aforesaid, who died on the 24th day of May, 2021 intends to apply to the High Court of Justice in the Probate Division for a Grant of LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION to the Estate of the said CYRIL ALCEDO CRABBE, deceased

ANY PERSON or persons who has or have any objections to the Grant of LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION to the said JERONE CRABBE of Missouri, United States of America, shall within fourteen (14) days from the date of the publication of this Notice lodge with the Registry of the High Court of Justice in the British Virgin Islands the proper documents setting out the proper objections

Dated this 3rd day of October, 2023

Harbour Chambers BVI  
Legal Practitioners for the Applicant

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

**HUNYA  
INTERNATIONAL  
LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 448250

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 11th October, 2023.

Dated: 11th day of October 2023  
(Sgd.) *Philippa V O'Sullivan*  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/43]

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the  
BVI Business Company Act.*

**ARNANVILLE LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1055354

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 October 11th, 2023. The Liquidator is *Nelcia St. Jean* with an address at 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

Dated: October 11th, 2023  
(Sgd.) *Nelcia St. Jean*  
Voluntary Liquidator [21/44]

**NOTICE**

**BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT  
POINTELLE VENTURES  
INC.**

("the Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 24th August, 2023; under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-  
*Wayne Francis*  
Nerine Chambers  
P.O. Box 905 Quastisky Building  
Road Town, Tortola, VG 1110  
British Virgin Islands [21/45]

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator  
under Section 204 of the BVI Business  
Company Act.*

**Edendale Universal Holdings  
Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

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 October 11th, 2023. The Joint Liquidators are *Michele Hibbert* with address at Sea Cow's Bay, Tortola, British Virgin Islands and *Saajid Jasat Bhana* with address at Obarrio, Calle 59, Casa 5, Apartado 0816-04554 Ciudad de Panamá, República de Panamá.

Dated: October 11th, 2023.  
(Sgd.) *Michele Hibbert and Saajid Jasat Bhana*  
Joint Voluntary Liquidators [21/46]

FORM P16: ADVERTISEMENT (RESEALING)  
Rule 30 (2)

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

In the Estate of TSE KAI KWONG late of  
Flat 4, 21st Floor, Kong Hing Court, Aberdeen Centre, No.13  
Nam Ning Street, Aberdeen, Hong Kong, deceased

Notice is given that after the expiration of 8 days, application will be made by the son of the deceased TSE CHUN YIP of Flat 4, 21st Floor, Kong Hing Court, Aberdeen Centre, No.13 Nam Ning Street, Aberdeen, Hong Kong to the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the resealing of the grant of Probate of the estate of TSE KAI KWONG late of Flat 4, 21st Floor, Kong Hing Court, Aberdeen Centre, No.13 Nam Ning Street, Aberdeen, Hong Kong, deceased, granted by the High Court of Hong Kong at LG1, High Court Building, 38 Queensway, Hong Kong to the Executor, TSE CHUN YIP, dated the 6TH day of May 2022

*Philippa O'Sullivan*  
BGA Law (BVI) Limited  
Attorney-at-Law for the Administrator

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

BVIHPB 2023/0205

In the Estate of LUIGI THOMAS CHICHERIO late of  
Frohburgstrasse 60, 8832 Wollerau, Switzerland, deceased

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by LOUIS REMO CHICHERIO of Weinbergstrasse 10, 8807 Freienbach, Switzerland for a Grant of Probate of the Will of the above named deceased who died on 10th day of December, 2022, at Lachen Switzerland, domiciled in Switzerland without revoking a will bearing the date of the 25th day of October, 2017 wherein the applicant is named the Executor.

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 29th day of September, 2023.

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

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

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

BVIHPB2023/0212

IN THE ESTATE OF HAROLD LEVI THOMAS, DECEASED TAKE NOTICE that JACQUELINE LAVERNE THOMAS, LATOYA ALEA THOMAS and SHAVON THOMAS-FERACHO all of St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands, the Administrators of the estate of the deceased aforesaid, who died on the 28th day of January, 2021 intend to apply to the High Court of Justice in the Probate Division for a Grant of LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION to the Estate of the said HAROLD LEVI THOMAS, deceased.

ANY PERSON or persons who has or have any objections to the Grant of LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION to the said JACQUELINE LAVERNE THOMAS, LATOYA ALEA THOMAS and SHAVON THOMAS-FERACHO all of St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands, shall within fourteen (14) days from the date of the publication of this Notice lodge with the Registry of the High Court of Justice in the British Virgin Islands the proper documents setting out the proper objections.

Dated this 3rd day of October, 2023

Harbour Chambers BVI  
Legal Practitioners for the Applicants

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

VIRGIN ISLANDS  
BVIHPB 2023/0216

In the Estate of JAMES REILLY  
late of 1000 N. Lake Shore Dr. Unit #1105, Chicago, Illinois  
USA 60611, deceased

ADVERTISEMENT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by VERONICA LYNCH of 1000 N. Lake Shore Dr. Unit #1105, Chicago, Illinois USA 60611 for a Grant of Probate of the Will of the above named deceased who died on the 4th day of April 2022 without revoking a Will bearing the date of the 13th day of February 2014 wherein the applicant is named sole executor.

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 11th day of October 2023

FILED by KENDALL Law, Attorneys at law for the Administrator whose address for service is c/o KENDALL Law 2nd Floor Abbott Building, Waterfront Drive, Road Town Virgin Islands VG 1110

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*Notice of Appointment of a  
Liquidator under Section 204 of the  
BVI Business Company Act.*

**HENSLEIGH  
INVESTMENTS  
LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

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 September 28th, 2023. The Joint Liquidators are Michele Hibbert with address at Sea Cow's Bay, Tortola, British Virgin Islands and Saajid Jasat Bhana with address at Obarrio, Calle 59, Casa 5, Apartado 0816-04554 Ciudad de Panamá, República de Panamá.

Dated: September 28th, 2023.

(Sgd.) Michele Hibbert and Saajid Jasat Bhana  
Joint Voluntary Liquidators [21/47]

*Notice of Appointment of a  
Liquidator under Section 204 of the  
BVI Business Company Act.*

**NEHEMIAH HOLDINGS  
LTD.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

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 September 28th, 2023. The Joint Liquidators are Michele Hibbert with address at Sea Cow's Bay, Tortola, British Virgin Islands and Saajid Jasat Bhana with address at Obarrio, Calle 59, Casa 5, Apartado 0816-04554 Ciudad de Panamá, República de Panamá.

Dated: September 28th, 2023.

(Sgd.) Michele Hibbert and Saajid Jasat Bhana  
Joint Voluntary Liquidators  
[21/48]

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator  
under Section 204 of the BVI  
Business Company Act.*

**NODRIAN LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

Company No. 2103324

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 October 11th, 2023. The Liquidator is Nelcia St. Jean with an address at 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

Dated: October 12th, 2023

(Sgd.) Nelcia St. Jean  
Voluntary Liquidator

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

BVIHPB 2023/0211

In the Estate of BEVERLY CHRISTOPHER (nee' Rolle) also known as BEVERLY EVERSLEY CHRISTOPHER (nee' Rolle) late of Sea Cow's Bay, Tortola, Virgin Islands, deceased

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by HANARO OLONZO CHRISTOPHER also known as OLONZO HANARO CHRISTOPHER of Sea Cow's Bay, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, Plumber for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant who is the surviving spouse of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 4th day of April, 2023.

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

Dated this 3rd day of October, 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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**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS  
(PROBATE)**

CLAIM NO. BVIHPB2023/0219

IN THE ESTATE OF CLAUDE HEILMAN, LATE OF  
BIRCHWOOD GRANGE, 177 PRESTON HILL, HARROW,  
UNITED KINGDOM, DECEASED

ADVERTISEMENT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by Pradeep Kotak of 69 Wychwood Avenue, Edgware, Middlesex, HA8 6TQ, UK for a Grant of Letters of Administration with Will Annexed to the applicant who is a beneficiary of the estate of the deceased estate, the deceased having died on 29 November 2012 at Birchwood Grange, 177 Preston Hill, Harrow, United Kingdom without revoking a Will bearing the date of 25 January 1996.

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 10th day of October 2023

McW. Todman & Co., Attorneys-at Law for the Executor(s) whose address for service is: McNamara Chambers, 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands; email: [nstjean@mctodman.com](mailto:nstjean@mctodman.com)

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
VIRGIN ISLANDS  
PROBATE NO. OF 2023**

**In the Estate of Hsu, Chih-Chin late of 19F, No. 216, Xinyi Rd,  
Linkou District, New Taipei City, Taiwan  
(R.O.C.), deceased**

**FORM  
P7: ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT**

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by KAO, CHIU-HUA of 8F-18, No. 121, Sec. 1, Chongqing S. Rd., Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City, Taiwan (R.O.C.) for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant, who is the spouse of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on 21 January 2023.

Any person having an objection to the grant of Letters of Administration to the application shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.  
Dated: 2 October 2023

Filed by Conyers Dill and Pearman, Legal Practitioners for the Applicants, whose address for service is Commerce House, Wickhams Cay I, P.O. Box 3140, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands VG1110. Tel: 1 (284) 852 1000 Fax: 1 (284) 1001

Email: Robert.Lindley@conyers.com

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**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
(PROBATE)  
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS  
CLAIM NUMBER BVIHPB 2023/**

**In the Estate of Liston Crabb also known as Liston Fahie late  
of Belle Vue, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, deceased**

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by EVADNEY CHRISTOPHER of Anderson Hill, Tortola, British Virgin Islands for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the Applicant who is the niece of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 20th May, 2004.

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 9th day of October, 2023.

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

**CENTRAL ALLIED  
INVESTMENTS LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 564411

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 12 th October, 2023.  
Dated: 12 th day of October 2023

(Sgd.) *Philippa V O'Sullivan*

Voluntary Liquidator

[21/50]

*of Appointment of a Liquidator under  
Section 204 of the BVI  
Business Companies Act, 2004*

**AIWOW Ltd.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 2068809

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 12 th day of October, 2023. The liquidator is *Philippa V. O' Sullivan* of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

Dated: 12 th day of October 2023

(Sgd.) *Philippa O'Sullivan*

Voluntary Liquidator

[21/51]

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

**ERAHC Holdings Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1989047

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 12th October 2023.

Dated: 12th October 2023.

(Sgd.) *Philippa O'Sullivan*

Voluntary Liquidator

[21/52]

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

**CENTURY GALAXY  
HOLDINGS LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 654143

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 12th October, 2023.

Dated: 12th day of October 2023

(Sgd.) *Philippa V O'Sullivan*

Voluntary Liquidator

[21/53]

**IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME  
COURT  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
VIRGIN ISLANDS  
COMMERCIAL DIVISION  
CLAIM NO. BVIHC (COM) 180 of 2023  
IN THE MATTER OF DAUPHIN HOLDINGS  
GROUP LIMITED**

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE BVI INSOLVENCY  
ACT, 2003  
NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that an Application for the appointment of Charlotte Caulfield and James Drury, of Interpath Advisory, PO Box 4571, LM Business Centre, 4th Floor, Fish Lock Road, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, each a licensed insolvency practitioner under the Act, as joint liquidators of DAUPHIN HOLDINGS GROUP LIMITED ("the Company"), whose registered office is located at Vistra (BVI) Limited and its registered address is c/o Vistra Corporate Services Centre, Wickhams Cay II, Road Town, Tortola, VG1110, British Virgin Islands, was made to the Commercial Division of the High Court of Justice on 29 September 2023 by CITICC INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT LIMITED, a company incorporated in Hong Kong with registration number 2225142 and an address of Room 1006B, 10/F West Tower, Shun Tak Centre, 168-200 Connaught Road Central, Hong Kong, the legal practitioners of whom are Conyers Dill & Pearman, Commerce House, Wickhams Cay I, P.O. Box 3140, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

Any creditor or member of the Company desirous to support or oppose the making of an order on the said Application may appear at the time of the hearing on Monday 6 November 2023 at 10.00 am (or the time specified in the final Commercial Court list, if different) by himself or his Counsel for that purpose, at the BVI Commercial Court, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. A copy of the Application will be furnished by the undersigned to any creditor or member of the Company requiring the same on payment of the regulated charge.

NOTE: Any person who intends to appear on the hearing of the said Application must serve on, or send by post to, the below named, notice in writing of his intention to do so, so that it reaches the undersigned no later than 16:00 hours on Friday the 3rd of November 2023. The notice must be in compliance with Rule 162 of the Insolvency Rules, 2005 and must state the name and address of the person or firm, and must be signed by the person or firm, or his or their solicitor (if any):

**CONYERS DILL & PEARMAN**  
Legal Practitioners on behalf of the Applicant  
Commerce House, Wickhams Cay I  
PO Box 3140  
Road Town, Tortola  
British Virgin Islands

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# CLASSIFIEDS

FOR BEST RESULTS

**THELMA'S HIDEOUT**, North Valley, Virgin Gorda is seeking to employ 1 PART-TIME GENERAL WORKER:  
The successful applicant should have worked previously in a bar/restaurant and is knowledgeable.

This position requires a strong mature individual who is firm, polite, friendly with an out-going personality, and excellent customer service. Must be a team player and be able to multi-task and work unsupervised. Should be trustworthy, able to do simple math, take customers orders, serve, prepare tabs, physically fit and be able to lift, stretch, stand on feet for long time, work long late hours, and some cleaning/housekeeping as necessary and be willing to cover/work any area as it relates to the business should and when the need arise; must be willing to be flexible and work a split-shift, weekends, and public holidays.

If you are seriously interested email resume/cover letter to: [hi.a.grade.productions@gmail.com](mailto:hi.a.grade.productions@gmail.com) or write to: Hi.a.Grade. Productions, P. O. Box 1093, North Valley, Virgin Gorda VG1150 [s20]

Tropical Rentals Limited is in need of a Rental Agent with the following qualifications:

\*Must have a pleasing personality and good customer service

\*Must be 25 years old and above

\* Must possess exceptional interpersonal skills and be able to work under pressure.

\* Willing to work on weekends and holidays

\* Must have a valid BVI driver's license

Interested applicants may email resume at [roxane@vimotors.net](mailto:roxane@vimotors.net) BVIslanders and/or Belongers preferred. Please call 494-2496.

[s22]

Green Clean has job vacancy for a residential and commercial full time Cleaner. Interested persons should please call 284-340-4993 for further details.

[s22]

Queen Restaurant & Bar needed (1) Full Time Kitchen Assistant/Cleaner. Please contact 543-0482 for more information.

[s22]

**WANTED: One full time Gardener/Handyman** required to work 40 hours per week. Must have at least 2 years experience in gardening and basic maintenance. Must have basic reading skills and be able to work with little supervision. Please contact telephone 545-9474 to arrange for an interview.

[s22]

Richard Corner Restaurant & Bar on Flemming Street, Road Town needs two (2) Full Time Bartender and one (1) Full Time Pizza Man with three (3) years experience. Please call 284-499-7952.

[s22]

Fatima's Fashion Store needs a Full Time Sales Clerk. Please call 494-2711 for further details.

[s22]

KB'S Cleaning Services is in need of a full time/part time Cleaner. Interested person call 284-499-7989 or email: [kbscleaningservices@yahoo.com](mailto:kbscleaningservices@yahoo.com)

[s22]

**VEN'S KITCHEN** located in Gun Greek, North Sound Virgin Gorda, BVI.

**WE'RE-HIRING!** full time: GENERAL ASSISTANTS.

Requirements: -Preferably 2 years Cooking experience

Must be able to start work promptly at 5:00am – Fast Learner –

**Must be Innovative.**

**FOR - S E R I O U S INQUIRIES,** Please call 543-1955/ 345-8128 or

Email: [lydahg17@gmail.com](mailto:lydahg17@gmail.com)

[s22]

**BK C-Store Fashion & Auto Stop** hiring Cashier / Store Attendant - FULL-TIME and Cleaner / Store Attendant - PART-TIME.

Formal inquiries only - Email: [bkcstore@yahoo.com](mailto:bkcstore@yahoo.com) or WhatsApp: 284-442-1842. Absolutely no Telephone nor Walk-in enquiries.

Belongers Preferred.

[s22]

**Countryman - General Maintenance & Services** is seeking three (3) Maintenance Technicians with one (1) year experience.

Telephone 284-543-9651

[s22]

**ODYSSEY CONSULTANCY LTD CORPORATION** NOW HIRING:

ONE full time CLEANER. TELEPHONE 284-541-3051

[s22]

**TMT - CLEANING SERVICES** needs one full time CLEANER. Telephone 545-5620 for more information. [s22]

## PUBLIC NOTICES

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

THE VIRGIN ISLANDS  
BVIHPB 2023/0220

IN THE ESTATE OF JORGE PEREIRA DE CARVALHO  
late of Rua Rita Ludolf, No. 71,  
Apartment 401, Leblon, Rio de Janeiro (RJ), Federative  
Republic of Brazil, deceased

ADVERTISEMENT OF  
APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by CORNELIA STEIN DE CARVALHO, Retiree, of Rua Rita Ludolf, No. 71, Apartment 401, Leblon, Rio de Janeiro (RJ), Federative Republic of Brazil (hereinafter referred to as "the Applicant" or "the Intended Administrator"), for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the Applicant, who is the person entitled to and entrusted with the administration of the estate of the above-named deceased ("the Deceased") by the court having jurisdiction at the place where the Deceased died domiciled and the person beneficially entitled to the estate of the Deceased by the law of the place where the Deceased died domiciled, the Deceased having died intestate on the 29th day of May, 2020, at HOSPITAL COPA D'OR, Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Federative Republic of Brazil, domiciled in the Federative Republic of Brazil.

ANY PERSON having an objection to the Grant of Letters of Administration to the Applicant shall file an objection with the Registrar of the High Court in the Territory of the Virgin Islands within fourteen (14) days of the date of publication of this Notice.

Dated this 10th day of October, 2023.

Filed on behalf of the Applicant/Intended Administrator herein, by VIGILATE LAW, Legal Practitioners for the Applicant/Intended Administrator, whose address for service is at C/o VIGILATE LAW, Chevelle Centre, Middle Floor, Unit #2, Main Street, RoadTown, Tortola, Virgin Islands.

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## FOR SALE

VEHICLE FOR SALE;  
WHITE KIA  
REASONABLY PRICED.

Telephone 342-7982  
to view  
[s23]

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## STAFF WANTED

### VIRGIN GORDA TRANSPORT LIMITED

The following vacancies exist with Speedy's Garage Limited and Virgin Gorda Transport Limited

(2) Ferry Captains: Must be a holder of Grade 1 Masters License 100T Minimum. Individuals must be mature over 25 years old and have good leadership and communication skills. Applicant should possess valid STCW Basic, Crowd Control and Crisis Management Certificate and Security training. Minimum Experience of five years required

(5) Ferry Crew/Deckhands: Seeking able bodied individuals willing to fill these positions. Applicants must have STCW certificate, a strong swimmer, mature, possess

(5) Shuttle Drivers: Looking for individuals over 25 years old with excellent driving skills, must be able to drive standard transmission trucks. Applicants must be able to comfortably and safely transport passengers to designated destinations. Eligible person must have good customer service and communication skills and a friendly personality for this position.

(2) Ticket Agents: Applicants applying for this position must be pleasant with great customer service skills, be computer literate and have good math skills.

Honest, committed and hardworking individuals only.

BVI Islanders or Belongers preferred. Only serious applicants need apply. Application Forms available at Speedy's Headquarters, Valley, Virgin Gorda.

Email: [info@speedysbvi.com](mailto:info@speedysbvi.com)

Telephone: (284) 495-5240

[s21]

JOËLLE FOOD BAR is seeking a sales clerk with cooking experience and extremely good customer service. Must be able to sell and upsell the products. Must be able sandwiches and pastries. Required to be on the job by 5 am. Minimum wage is offered. Call 341-0783.

Serious inquiries only.  
[s21]

Northam Construction Ltd. has a need for the following employees in the capacity of Masons, Carpenters, Steelmen, Labourers,

Electrician, -Plumber, Manager, -Foreman, Tiler, Stone Masons and Sheetrock Workers. Please call 441-7806 for more information.

[s21]

Lust Beauty Bar has a need for the following employees as Hairstylist, Hairdresser, Lash Technician, Barbers and Braiders for the business. Please call 441-7806 for more information.

[s21]

**C A R I B B E A N**  
**TRANSPORT LTD.** needs one full time AUTO BODY REPAIRMAN.

Telephone 441-6232 or 541-5788

[s21]

**HEALTHY SNACK/FOOD**  
**VAN** needs :

one full time CHEF  
one full time FOOD PREP/  
SERVER for food van  
Telephone : 543-3663

[s21]

French Deli:

Position Available January 1st, 2024

The position is for our new location at Moorings.

Position: Store Attendant/ Cashier

Responsibilities-include Customer service, Cashing,

Coffee preparation and food services.

BVI Islander/ Belonger Preferred

Call for Interview 340 4926

[s23]

Parlance Media requires part-time Advertising Sales & Marketing/PR Expert.

Min 10 years of specific sales, marketing & PR experience.

Ideally has professional photography background.

Spanish and Events management skills a bonus.

Must have own car and driver's license. Apply in writing with resume to erin@parlance.media

Belongers/BVI Islanders preferred. [s22]

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## FOR RENT

One Bedroom Apartments Available For Rent.

Nestled in the tranquil hills of Slaney with a breath-taking view of the ocean and just 3 minutes away from Road Town. Both apartments are identical and are fully furnished with a full kitchen.

They are air conditioned, comes with washer & dryer, cold and hot water, fiber internet cable, smart televisions and hurricane shutters. All while enjoying the benefits of a generator, security cameras, private parking and a free tank of gas

Note: Tenant(s) will be responsible for electricity - suitable for a single person or a couple.

Please call Wayne Todman at 440-3494 for viewing. Serious inquiries only.

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## REAL ESTATE

### For Sale of Land

Available for immediate Sale is 0.869 acres of land located in the quiet hillside community of Soldier's Hill, Tortola, the land provides superb views of Brewer's Bay Beach and faces Tortola's North side with an access road off Brewer's Bay Road.

The land is located seventeen minutes from Road Town and only a few minutes from Cane Garden Bay.

The asking price is \$170,000.00, for more information please contact Maximea & Co. Law Chambers at 494-2366 and 494-6623.

[s22]

For sale: Parcel 55 Block 4941B Virgin Gorda South-Reg.-Section, measuring approx. 0.220 of an acre in need of extensive-refurbishment. A 2-bedroom, 1-bathroom dwelling house with an attached-

2-bedroom,-1-bathroom apartment and a 1-bedroom, 1-bathroom-caretaker's apartment.

Sale price is \$400,000 together with an obligation to pay the sellers' legal fees and all costs associated with the sale.

Interested Belongers please contact [ghp@ghpbvi.com](mailto:ghp@ghpbvi.com) for more information.

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