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OPPOSITION LEADER DRAWS ATTENTION TO CIVIL SERVANTS PENSIONS BURDEN

Leader of the Opposition Hon. Ronnie Skelton cautioned the Government about the current public service pension commitment which he noted is ballooning and becoming unsustainable.

Over the years various calls have been made to find an alternative to the current pension expense that is borne by the public purse. In fact, the situation which has been lamented in the House of Assembly

for almost two decades has been referred to as an albatross around central government's neck.

While raising the matter during the budget debate Hon. Skelton told the House of Assembly that firm action is needed to remedy the situation. The Leader of the Opposition announced, - "Madam Speaker the pension liability of the government needs attention."

While further lamenting the current situation Hon. Skelton said: "It cannot continue to the way it is going. We can't sustain it, and those of us who have gone before and benefited from it are at risk, because eventually...! Although the law says that pension has the first call on the Consolidated Fund – that doesn't mean that you must be absent-minded

and not do what needs to be done to correct that situation."

SOLUTION TO PENSION DILEMMA MULLED

In 2022 it was announced that the Government is finally taking action to minimize the cost associated with the current full funded public pension. It was announced that the Ministry of Finance is working on a Comprehensive Pension Plan to reform the pension system. In fact, it was stated that on 14 February, 2022 "an initial meeting was held to discuss a way forward with this initiative."

At that time it was explained that migrating to a contributory scheme was the preferred solution and will ease the current

burden. The public was told that the goal is to make a contributory pension scheme, thereby removing the contingent liability from the Government and allowing for a system that will have greater flexibility for public officers on their retirement options.

One of the main voices in the call for an alternative pension solution was Auditor General, Sonia Webster. In her 2015 report (Audit Issue 10) the Auditor General sounded an alarm on the matter stating that the present funding method is a mammoth-size unsustainable undertaking by government. Webster

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Hon. Ronnie Skelton



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government supports a fully funded pension system for qualifying public servants and legislators. However, she noted that the concerning factor at that time was the realization that over a ten-year period pension and gratuities payments doubled from \$7.6M in 2005 to \$16.5 million in 2015.

She stated: "Currently

the government's pension obligation far exceeds the balance held in its Pension Fund of \$1.05 million."

Nonetheless, the Auditor General explained that an actuarial assessment is required to facilitate the introduction of adequate provisions to support this liability. "This requirement is especially relevant pending the implementation of IPSAS standards, which require pension obligation

to be disclosed as liabilities in public sector financial reporting."

The situation of the exorbitant pension contribution was brought up in the 2018 Standing Finance Committee deliberations as Director, Human Resources, Michelle Donovan-Stevens noted that there continues to be an increase in the cost of pensions and that the number of retirees had gone up as well.

HON. MATHER URGES A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF THE EDUCATION SYSTEM

Deputy Speaker and Territorial-At-Large Representative Hon. Stacy Mather is pleading for a thorough examination of the education system within the Territory, coupled with an appeal to the government to steer clear of political maneuvering in the process. The first-time legislator made this entreaty following what was described as a series of unsatisfactory responses during the Standing Finance Committee's - budget deliberations, particularly in response to crucial questions concerning-educational matters.



Hon. Stacy Mather

the substantial contributions made by these organizations to the nation, whether through tangible goods or financial support. While he respected the donors' desire for anonymity, Mather emphasized that he was not seeking the disclosure of their identities.

"My query was straightforward: what is the worth? However, I am still without a satisfactory answer. I was attempting to convey that the cost of education surpasses the allocated \$65 million in the budget. Yet, I have been unable to obtain a precise figure," he argued.

Moreover, he suggested

that the government should be capable of providing a tangible account of donations to the education sector, whether through the construction of buildings or the provision of school necessities such as chairs and desks.

"As an elected member of this legislative body, I wish to emphasize that when I pose a question, regardless of my junior status, I expect a meaningful response," Mather conveyed to his fellow lawmakers.

Simultaneously, Mather also addressed the government's-STEAM-(Science,-Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) initiative, as well as previous educational policies such as 'No Child Left Behind' and 'From Good to Great' that have been implemented within the sector. He expressed his view that these often served as mere buzzwords that he did not endorse.

-When he inquired about

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the expenditures incurred to date on the STEAM initiative, he was informed that it amounted to \$57,000 in resources.

"If I ask a question, it is because I genuinely seek answers. People out there inquire because they are aware that the government invests in my education, and I am here to give back to my country. Therefore, I beseech us to refrain from politicizing our queries," he urged.

Mather pointed out that the

STEAM initiative failed to address issues such as school altercations — an ongoing concern that has challenged successive administrations. He advocated for a more comprehensive approach to address such challenges within the education system. "I advocate for a comprehensive review of our education system,-encompassing resources,-personnel, curriculum, policies, and all aspects," he argued."

PREMIER DEFENDS TOURISM EFFORTS

Premier and Minister of Finance Dr. the Hon. Natalio Wheatley has clapped back at claims by the Opposition that the Government does not have a plan for the Tourism pillar of the BVI economy.

The criticism was leveled during the recent budget deliberations in the Standing Finance Committee (SFC) by Opposition Member and Sixth District Representative Hon. Myron Walwyn who stated that he came to this conclusion after he posed pressing questions to technocrats but received no satisfactory answers on this subject.

"It appears as though the [tourism] department may be inactive or embroiled in legal disputes... The room fell into a tense silence when I raised this issue, leaving everyone uncertain," the Sixth District Representative disclosed.

He further asserted: "Premier, you were not present; you were engaged in international affairs. However, while you

were away, our competitors relentlessly improved their tourism sectors. Meanwhile, we seem to be dragging our feet and misallocating funds on less essential endeavors, neglecting the economic backbone."

Hon. Walwyn further probed the government's investment in the Territory's tourism sector, inquired about efforts to enhance the status quo, and criticized the glaring deficiencies in the Territory's tourism facilities.

"People frequent our beaches with no assurance of finding restroom facilities. Tourists are often left with no choice but to venture into the wild for basic amenities in what should be a premier tourist destination," he underscored.

The Opposition Member questioned the government's optimism in expecting a whopping \$401 million injection into the economy in 2024 without a well-defined tourism plan. He also expressed dismay at the allocation of a \$10 million grant to the Tourist

Board.

Walwyn recounted his exchange with Tourist Board officials, where he learned that the estimated operational expenses to achieve the ambitious \$400 million target amounted to approximately \$8 million.

Highlighting the stark disparity, Mr. Walwyn pointed out that a mere \$1.5 million had been earmarked for marketing efforts to reach the government's tourism goals, and he posed a rhetorical question: "How can a meager \$1.5 million investment generate a massive \$401 million boost to the economy? Such financial arithmetic defies logic in the world of numbers and business."

While firing back at the criticism the BVI Leader said that there was movement in the tourism space. "We talk about having a plan – and we will develop one. But I want to make it clear that this isn't rocket science," the Premier stated. "It's not rocket science. The British Virgin Islands is a

naturally attractive destination that draws people in."

He continued, saying, "We don't need to make a strenuous effort to convince people to visit here. Everyone who comes here speaks about the natural beauty of our islands; they are enchanted by the Virgin Islands. There are just a few straightforward things we need to do, such as ensuring access. It's not a complex issue. We need to provide access to the Virgin Islands."

Premier Wheatley argued that his government is making progress in this direction and commended Communications and Works Minister Kye Rymer for his contributions to the sector, particularly in introducing flights between the BVI and Miami.

According to Hon. Wheatley, the Territory faced airlift challenges after American Airlines terminated operations in Puerto Rico. However, he pointed out that the introduction of direct flights to Miami was a significant milestone



Dr. the Hon. Natalio D. Wheatley

in the Territory, although political considerations might lead some to overlook such accomplishments.

"We' are not stopping here. We are delighted to announce that we have increased our daily flights from one to three," Premier Wheatley noted: "That's truly remarkable."

He concluded by stating, "One issue I have with my government is that we often accomplish things and downplay them. We tend to be modest about our achievements and allow others to criticize our performance."

USA PROSECUTORS ASSERT THAT FORMER PREMIER VIOLATED US AND BVI LAWS

Miami prosecutors have asserted that former British Virgin Islands Premier Andrew Fahie not only violated U.S. law in an alleged cocaine smuggling and money laundering scheme but should also be held accountable for his violations of BVI laws. In court filings published on 27 December, prosecutors argued that Fahie, who has entered a plea of not guilty, transgressed BVI laws related to the importation and distribution of controlled substances. Furthermore, they contended that he ran afoul of laws specifically designed to prevent bribery and embezzlement schemes

involving both the United States and the British Virgin Islands.

Fahie's legal team objected, citing a lack of adequate prior notice regarding the inclusion of foreign laws, particularly with the trial set to commence on 10 January. Nonetheless, prosecutors informed the court that a thorough examination of charging documents dating back to at least May 2022 unmistakably demonstrate an intention to hold Fahie accountable for violating BVI laws as well.

On 28 April, Fahie and former Ports Authority Director-Oleanvine Pickering Maynard were

arrested after disembarking from a private plane where they allegedly inspected a \$700,000 down payment related to their involvement in a significant cocaine smuggling conspiracy.

An individual identified only as R.S., who remains uncharged, - was - also apprehended - alongside Pickering Maynard. In recent court filings, Fahie's attorney used female pronouns when referring to R.S. While Pickering Maynard and her son Kadeem Maynard pleaded guilty in June to single counts of conspiracy to import cocaine, Fahie has steadfastly maintained his innocence.

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Government Launches Website To Track COI Recommendations Implementation

The Government of the Virgin Islands is forging ahead with efforts to enhance the delivery of services to the people of the Virgin Islands, with the launch of a dedicated website to track the implementation of the Commission of Inquiry (COI) recommendations.

This is in line with the Virgin Islands Modern Governance Approach, "Government Business at its

Best", launched at the end of July last year, to further the implementation of the recommendations of the COI Report.

On January 19, 2021, the United Kingdom appointed a Commissioner to inquire into possible corruption, abuse of office or other serious dishonesty by public officials in recent years. The inquiry considered the conditions which may have

allowed such conduct to take place and whether they still existed. Commissioner, The Rt. Hon. Sir Gary Hickinbottom, made 50 recommendations to improve the standards of governance and the operations of law enforcement agencies in the Territory.

In presenting his latest report to the House of Assembly in September 2023, Premier of the Virgin

Islands, Honourable Dr. Natatio D. Wheatley, announced that work had begun on all the recommendations. He reported that several reviews and audits have been completed, covering Social Assistance Grants, Education Grants, the Disposal of Crown Lands, the Policy for Granting Residence and Belonger Status, and the reappointment of Statutory Boards.

Regarding the Modern Governance Approach, the Premier said, "The purpose of this initiative is to inform and educate the public and stakeholders on Government's continued reform initiatives going beyond the Framework recommendations. It is aimed at correcting inaccurate, misinformed, or misleading perceptions about the work that the Government and public officers do. This is also in line with the Government's commitment to transparency and accountability."

Another significant initiative, -as-efforts continue to show how the reform work will effect change, is the launch of the COI Recommendations Implementation Tracker website last Wednesday January 3, 2024. The website was introduced during the Government programme 'Table Talk', to be aired live at 11:00 a.m. on

the Government's Facebook Page, ZBVI Radio 780AM and CBN Radio.

Permanent Secretary in the Premier's Office, Mrs. Carolyn Stoutt-Igwe, said, "It is very important for the public to be informed about the new policies being implemented to transform the way we do business. This website will be a one stop shop for all COI related information and for the public to follow along as public officers' work towards greater accountability and transparency."

The website provides information on the Framework for Implementation of the Recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry Report and other Reforms; an overview of the recommendations; and will include all press releases, statements and other information about the process relating to this Modern Governance Approach.

Mrs. Stoutt-Igwe thanked all public officers for their dedication and commitment to providing 'Government Business at its Best'. She encouraged the public to log on to the website once launched to browse the features, become more informed on the work of Government, and contact the COI Implementation Unit with any questions or comments.

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Kyron McMaster To Receive OBE for His Services to Sports in the British Virgin Islands

Mr. Kyron McMaster is the Territory's newest recipient of an OBE from His Majesty The King for his contributions to sport in the British Virgin Islands.

years old, won the British Virgin Islands' first ever Commonwealth Games medal after placing 1st in the 400m hurdles at the Gold Coast 2018 Games in Australia. This was in

the aftermath of the 2017 devastating hurricane, which destroyed homes, livelihoods and all training facilities. The hurricane also sadly claimed the life of McMaster's coach and

mentor, Coach Xavier "Dag" Samuels.

McMaster has since gone on to win the Diamond League twice, achieve another Commonwealth gold at the Birmingham 2022 Games, and win a silver at the World Track and Field Championships in Budapest 2023 - the first ever medal for the British Virgin Islands at this championship event. He also finished 4th place finalist at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, where despite the COVID-19 restrictions that had hampered training, he achieved a National Record time of 47.08.

On visits home, McMaster dedicates his time to supporting young people, using his own experiences growing up on Tortola to share lessons learned. He also champions grass roots sports, working with the Ministry of Education, Culture, Youth Affairs and Sports to ensure it gets the investment needed.

His Excellency Governor John Rankin CMG said:

"I am delighted that this award has been made in recognition of Kyron's



outstanding achievements and unparalleled service to the Virgin Islands.

With his two Commonwealth Golds Medals and World Champion Silver medal, Kyron has placed BVI on the sporting map across the world and given cause for national celebration even in some of the most challenging times in the aftermath of the 2017 hurricane.

Off the track, Kyron continues to inspire, using his own experience to motivate young students and athletes.

I offer my warmest congratulations to Kyron".



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)



BVI Ports Authority Celebrates Local Vendor's Role with Wind Surf of Windstar Cruises

03 January 2024 – The British Virgin Islands Ports Authority (BVIPA) is delighted to share the successful collaboration with local confectioner Ms. Jehree D. Clarke of JD's Candies and Windstar Cruises. Ms. Clarke has recently been welcomed as a vendor for Windstar Cruises' Wind Surf to deliver her signature coconut fudge when the ship calls to the British Virgin Islands. The coconut fudge will be added to the ship's Turndown service when it departs the BVI.

Encouraging fellow entrepreneurs, Ms. Clarke said, "I want to take this opportunity to encourage entrepreneurs of any age to always ensure that your best work is presented to your clients. This opportunity arose from the BVI Ports Authority taking

JD's Candies' peppermint candies to Seatrade Cruise Global 2023 as a treat for people visiting their booth. I never expected a cruise line representative to be interested, but that just goes to show that you never know whose hands your product might reach. Following up on potential opportunities is also very important, that is the real work, and this opportunity wouldn't have been realised without efficient follow-up."

Natasha Chalwell, the Marketing Director of the BVIPA, played a pivotal role in connecting JD's Candies with Windstar Cruises during last year's exhibition. Mrs. Chalwell remarked, "This collaboration exemplifies the power of seizing opportunities at industry events. Connecting local businesses like JD's Candies with global

partners such as Windstar Cruises is a testament to the vibrant potential within our community. We are proud to celebrate the success of JD's Candies and reaffirm our commitment at the BVIPA to provide platforms for

local businesses to showcase the cultural and culinary richness of the British Virgin Islands within the global cruise industry."

The BVI Ports Authority is pleased to announce the success of JD's Candies,

reinforcing our commitment to bolstering local businesses. This accomplishment underscores our dedication to spotlighting the unique charm and warm hospitality of the BVI within the cruise tourism community.



*Jehree D. Clarke of JD's Candies delivering an order to Luis Cahyaningsih, Wind Surf
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Derelict Vehicles Cleared From Throughout The Territory

The Department of Waste Management has stepped up its effort to rid the Virgin Islands of derelict vehicles as the year draws to a close.

Director of the Department of Waste Management Mr. Marcus Solomon said the department managed to tag and successfully move over seven hundred derelict vehicles from the Virgin Islands. The derelicts were taken from both Tortola and Virgin Gorda.

Mr. Solomon said, "We have also removed scrap metals as well as bulk waste such as refrigerators, stoves, washing machines and BVI Electricity Corporation scrap metals. So,

those are the materials we are currently processing to export out of the country. We just want to thank members of the public for helping us identify the scrap metals and derelict vehicles that needed to be removed so that we can keep the Territory clean."

The clearance project is being undertaken by local company KNJ General Maintenance. Operations began on December 11 in Virgin Gorda before moving to Tortola on December 13.

Earlier this year, KNJ General Maintenance processed and removed over two thousand tons of derelict vehicles and

other scrap metals from the Virgin Islands. The scrap metal was exported to Colombia where it was used for recycling purposes.

Mr. Solomon said he hopes the project will be completed in the coming days.

"We want to finish the operation and bring back the storage area to a pristine state again. So, all the derelict vehicles will be on the barge and those items that are not for the barge will be moved to our Pockwood Pond site," the Director of the Department of Waste Management said.

The Ministry of Health and Social Development through the Department of Waste Management is committed to transforming and implementing innovative ideas and strategies to manage waste in the Virgin Islands.



Virgin Gorda Resident Receives New Home For Christmas

Virgin Gorda resident Mr. Sydney Wheatley has received the keys to his brand new home just in time for the holiday season.

This latest handover is part of the Ministry of Health and Social Development's Housing Recovery Assistance Programme. Mr. Wheatley is one of three sister island residents who have received their new home in the past three months under the programme.

Minister for Health and Social Development Honourable Vincent O. Wheatley stated that the handover on Virgin Gorda highlights the Ministry's dedicated work in ensuring residents on the Sister Islands get the help they

need.

Honourable Wheatley said, "I must thank the contractor, my team at the Ministry. For us, this is another project that has been well-executed in a timely fashion. We've been doing these social homes all over the Territory and we intend to continue doing them. So, I am pleased we can handover yet another house for 2023."

Meanwhile, Mr. Sydney Wheatley said he was grateful for the home and the assistance provided to him by the Ministry of Health and Social Development.

In addition, the contractors selected to build the house, K&C Construction, noted that their firm was grateful for the opportunity to construct the house and give the beneficiary a new place to rest just in time for the festive season.

Since the inception of the Housing Recovery Assistance programme after the 2017 hurricanes, more than 25 homes have been built and over 200 repaired.

The Ministry of Health and Social Development is committed to improving the health and well-being of the people of the Virgin Islands.

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The UWI Mourns the Loss of a Titan of Leadership in Basdeo Panday

The UWI Regional Headquarters, Jamaica W.I. Wednesday, January 3, 2024— The University of the West Indies (The UWI) expresses its heartfelt condolences on the passing of the Honourable Basdeo Panday. An indomitable spirit, whose legacy as a former Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago echoes with grandeur and reverence, Mr. Panday's tenure as Prime Minister and as the visionary founder and leader of the United National Congress (UNC) was marked by an unyielding commitment to the upliftment of his nation and its people.

In response to the news, and speaking on behalf of the regional institution, the Vice-Chancellor of The UWI, Professor Sir Hilary Beckles extends condolences to Mr. Panday's family and noted, "We remember Mr. Panday's support to our regional university during his term

as Prime Minister, and his notable initiatives such as the School-Building and Dollar-for-Dollar Programmes, aimed at enhancing education in Trinidad and Tobago."

At The University's 2012 Conversations with Prime Ministers series, held in honour of Trinidad and Tobago's 50th Independence anniversary, Mr. Panday's contribution was noteworthy for its depth and insight. Mr. Panday shared his views on the independence experience, his stewardship as Prime Minister, and his vision for the future where he indicated then, that he was 'hopeful, emotionally and psychologically, that Trinidad and Tobago would truly become a nation.' In that same conversation, he imparted wisdom that resonates with enduring significance: Education is the pathway to a better life. Mr. Panday saw education as his personal

escape from the clutches of poverty. This belief wasn't just personal; it became a cornerstone of his governance and a guiding principle that shaped his policies.

Raised in modest circumstances, Mr. Panday understood the life-changing power of education. His own eclectic career path, which spanned diverse roles including that of a primary school teacher and a civil servant among others, set the stage for his pursuit of higher education in Law, Economics and Drama. His zeal for transformative change was deeply rooted, stemming from a lifetime dedicated to battling against the odds - from the courtrooms to the heart of the labour movement, all the way to the halls of Parliament.

In reflecting on the monumental

loss of such a venerable figure, Professor Indar Ramnarine Acting Principal of the St. Augustine Campus expressed that "Mr. Panday was a titan in the political arena, and his multifaceted life was a testament to his profound devotion to his country and family. He was not just a politician, but a man of many talents who inspired many. His legacy is outlined in his own words when he stated, 'If you see me and a lion fighting, don't feel sorry for me, feel sorry for the lion,' encapsulating the formidable tenacity and relentless courage that defined his remarkable journey."

In a powerful statement during the 2012 "Conversations with Prime Ministers" event, Mr. Panday addressed the concept

of legacy by declaring that shaping one's legacy isn't a personal choice, as "history writes your legacy." Reflecting on his tenure as Prime Minister at that time, he confidently asserted that he "wouldn't change a thing" since his objectives remained the same - create a society to make people happy - the purpose of life is to be happy." The entire article from the event can be read here.

We extend our deepest sympathies to Mr. Panday's family and hope that they find comfort in their memories. May the lessons of his life's work be embraced with reverence and inspire all to embody the same fearless spirit in our own endeavours. May he now find eternal peace.

Cabinet Approves 2024 Public Holidays

Acting in accordance with Section 5 of the Public Holidays Act (Cap 199), as amended, Cabinet has approved the following public holidays for 2024:

Monday, 1st January - New Year's Day

Monday, 4th March - The Anniversary of the Birth of Hamilton

Lavity Stouff

(In lieu of Thursday, 7th March)

Friday, 29th March - Good Friday

Monday, 1st April - Easter Monday

Monday, 20th May - Whit Monday

Friday, 14th June - Sovereign's Birthday
(to be confirmed)

Monday, 1st July - Virgin Islands Day

Monday, 5th August - Emancipation Monday

Tuesday, 6th August - Emancipation Tuesday

Wednesday, 7th August - Emancipation Wednesday

Monday, 21st October - Heroes and Foreparents Day

Monday, 25th November - The Commemoration of the Great March

of 1949 and the Restoration of the Legislative Council

Wednesday, 25th December - Christmas Day

Thursday, 26th December - Boxing Day



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Department Of Human Resources To Launch Talent Management System

The Department of Human Resources is preparing to launch a new talent management system, dubbed TALEO. The system aims at streamlining the Government's on-boarding and employee management services.

In the coming weeks, individuals aspiring to become public officers will be able to access the new system through the Government's website, view current openings, apply for a position, and receive status updates on their application through their created account and emails.

The introduction of the system will facilitate a more transparent, accountable and efficient hiring process for individuals desirous of entering the public service.

Human Resources personnel across the Public Service are currently undergoing training in preparation for the full launch of the system, which promises to transform the Government's human resources programme.

TALEO also promises to increase and simplify communication between recruiters and applicants. This, in turn, will reduce the time it takes for a new hire to be fully oriented as a public officer.

Permanent Secretary in the Office of the Deputy Governor, Mrs. Sharleen DaBreo-Lettsome, MBE said, "There is a need to completely reimagine the way we manage human resources in the Public Service. This transformation is a major step as we forge forward with our vision for a more lean, efficient and technologically advanced human resources programme."

A key feature of the system is its ability to keep job seekers informed through every step of their application process. Applicants will be automatically made aware of any missing portions of their application, schedule interviews, and also be able to track their application's progress in the system.

As the Department of Human Resources continues to work toward the service-wide adaptation of a 'New H.R. Vision for the Public Service', focus has been placed on ensuring the department is equipped to meet the needs of various demographics.

Additionally, the new system will also aid in employee management. Human resources professionals will be better



Ms. Sharleen S. DaBreo, MBE

equipped to manage the movement of current public officers, as persons choose to utilise the existing programmes to experience other fields and departments within the Government.

Once trainings are completed, a full launch of TALEO will begin, ensuring the public is well educated on its functions, and are able to navigate and use the system effectively.

The Government of the Virgin Islands remains committed to the transformation of the Public Service through an advanced human resources programme.

11 Registered As British Citizens

Eleven (11) individuals are now registered as British Citizens after being previously naturalised as British Overseas Territories Citizens.

During a ceremony held at the Government House on Tuesday, December 19, the individuals recited the Oath of Allegiance to His Majesty the King, as well as the Pledge of Loyalty to the United Kingdom.

The new citizens also received congratulatory remarks from His Excellency the Governor, John J. Rankin CMG and Registrar General, Mrs. Tashi O'Flaherty-Maduro.

Governor Rankin said, "I hope you enjoy your new nationality, and as you travel outside these shores, remember that you are now ambassadors both for the British Virgin Islands and the United Kingdom. May you represent us well."

Mrs. O'Flaherty-Maduro said, "As you officially join the British



family, remember that you contribute to the rich tapestry of the UK's culture, history and values. This ceremony symbolises not just the acquisition of legal status but the embrace of a shared identity. A British identity that is inclusive, respectful and celebrates the strength found in our differences."

According to the British Nationality Act, individuals who are naturalised as British Overseas Territory Citizens after May 21, 2002, can apply to the United Kingdom Government to be

registered as British Citizens.

The 11 new British Citizens are:

Rosalind Veronica Adams
 Ronald Clifford Ambrose
 Kendolph Adolphus Bobb
 Lesroy Sylvanus Connor
 Shevon Sera-Lee Joanna Gumbs
 Kamala Hawke
 Tagore Hawke
 Francis Hiliarius Maximin
 Patricia Leavene Prince Pierre
 Magdaline Shillingford
 Marlon Dixon Thomas

65 Become British Overseas Territories Citizens



Sixty Five (65) persons are now British Overseas Territories Citizens (BOTC) of the Virgin Islands, having taken the Oath of Allegiance and Pledge of Loyalty.

The new citizens were processed during a ceremony held at Government House on December 14. Congratulatory remarks were made by His Excellency the Governor John J. Rankin CMG, Premier and Minister of Finance, Honourable Dr. Natalio D. Wheatley and Registrar General, Mrs. Tashi O'Flaherty-Maduro.

Mrs. Tashi O'Flaherty-Maduro congratulated the new citizens on their accomplishment and reminded them of the value of unity that their new citizenship brings.

The Registrar General said, "Becoming a citizen is a significant milestone, a testament to your dedication, hard work, and the pursuit of a better life. It is a celebration of diversity, unity, and the shared values that bind us together as a community."

Mrs. O'Flaherty-Maduro continued, "In this diverse community, let us cherish our differences and find strength in our unity. As you embrace the rights and privileges of citizenship, remember that you are now an integral part of the ongoing story of the Virgin Islands."

The 65 new BOTCs are:

Dawson Dudley Agrilla
 Carlos Manuel Arias Abreu
 Wendell Carlton Ballantyne
 Winston Samuel Anthony Barrett
 Ziad A.R. Bazzar
 Evadnie Bell
 Dellon Shane Bernard
 Serienauth Bhagwandas
 Mitchie Livingston Browne
 Jessica Vern Cadette-Zurich
 Christmas Falley
 Dion Marcellar Clarke
 Andrew Ricardo Cooper
 Luis Cordero-Guerrero
 Stephen John Davis
 Verner Iona Eddy
 Mark Julian Carmino Forte
 Cleon Reynold Griffith
 Oscar Andres Guzman-Newlon
 Carrol Maudina Hanley
 Binta Jallow
 Earl Glenworth James
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 Tarek Kosmass
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 Nicolas Crenele Laurac
 Harris Alphanso Legair
 Janette Hermina Legair
 Rolanda Cassandra Ione Maduro
 Nesta Florence Maloney
 Lilchand Mangal
 Kenley Emanuel Matthew
 Trevor Orvin McLearie
 Valerie Judith Negron-London
 Dexter Noel

Erica Adella Ollivierre-Simmons
 Nosa Everest Omo-Igbinomwanhia
 Andrea Del Carmen Pacheco-Vanterpool
 Kavirajh Pertabsingh
 Tamara Michelle Dinel
 Pertabsingh
 Alban Cecil Prescott
 Paul Anthony Rameshar
 Ramona Hemwani Ramlall
 Sophia Yvonne Richards
 Wycliffe Cuthbert Richardson
 Zelta Ricardo Robinson
 Lohanny Santana-Pacheco
 Gail Aloma Scotland
 Carolyn Marilyn Shallow-Wheatley
 Marilyn Leunda Smith
 Natalie Nicole Spencer-Crosdale
 Nelia St. Jean
 Susan Anne Tucker
 Guy Valade
 Sherin Roshell Walker
 Marcia Elizabeth Watson
 Christine Loraine Wells-Greene
 Claudius Mathias Welsh
 Christiana Joan Williams
 Patrick Windel Williams
 Sabeana Tannea Williams

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS HOME-ON THE ISLAND OF TORTOLA-TO BE SOLD AT ONLINE AUCTION -JANUARY 29TH

Atop Nora Hazel Point on the Island of Tortola, this estate in the British Virgin Islands will be sold via Interluxe Auctions with a starting bid of \$1.5 M.

Interluxe Auctions, the leading online luxury real estate auction marketplace, is excited to announce the upcoming online auction for Rhumb House in the British Virgin Islands. The property was previously listed for \$4,950,000 and is now headed to auction with a starting bid of

\$1,500,000 on Monday, January 29th at 9:00 am A.S.T.

Overlooking the Sir Francis Drake Channel, this gorgeous BVI property boasts 8 bedrooms, 8 full bathrooms, and 2 half baths. Built by Perry Stout, under the guidance of architect Tim Peck, the estate features a gourmet kitchen, multiple living and dining spaces, 5 open

air interior gardens, an expansive terrace with a pool and fountain and a guest house.

Coined as the "Sailing Capital of the Caribbean," the BVI offers an array of unparalleled amenities. On the Island of Tortola, enjoy sailing on the south side, surfing at Apple Bay, fishing along the southern coast, yachting, and hiking. Foodies will be delighted by the range of culinary experiences on and off the island, including Brandywine Estate Restaurant, The Dove, and Cocomaya.

"As someone raised in the British Virgin Islands, I understand the unique charm and allure of the area," stated Akeem Wheatley of Emerald Properties BVI. "Interluxe aligns with our commitment to delivering unparalleled service, ensuring that this stunning

property receives the attention it deserves."

"Rhumb House is a rare gem that combines luxurious living with breathtaking surroundings," stated Stacy Kirk, VP of Client Development at Interluxe Auctions. "The breathtaking views coupled with its distinctive architecture and amenities make this a truly special opportunity for discerning buyers to secure a piece of

paradise."

Rhumb House is being offered in cooperation with Akeem Wheatley of Emerald Properties BVI. Bidding will take place online exclusively at www.interluxe.com when the auction begins

Monday, January 29th, 2024. Previews are Friday and Saturday, January 26 - 27, from 11:00 am

- 3:00 pm, and Sunday, January 28th, from 1:00

pm - 4:00 pm. Agents are fully protected, and a buyer's agent commission is being offered.

More information about the property, including due diligence and procedures for registering to bid, can be found at www.interluxe.com/12557

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GLOBAL NEWS BRIEF

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USA - Among the dozens of greetings with which celebrities, sports entities, governments, or institutions sent us Christmas best wishes from their social networks, the one that stood out for me was that of Barack Obama. Perhaps you will be disappointed, because you will not find anything particularly striking in it. The former U.S. president appears standing in an austere room decorated with a pair of poinsettias. Wearing a gray sweater and a Santa Claus hat, Obama reminds us, in a 45-second video, of the importance of participating in the lives of those around us and collaborating with those communities closest to us, the strongest support networks in difficult times. A simple piano melody accompanies Obama's words, which end when he holds up a pink banner bearing two words: "Merry Christmas." From a staging point of view, the video is rudimentary, with no editing, an innocuous backdrop and a sequence shot of a man speaking into the camera lens. However, it gives off a powerful message of vindication of the simple, of communication with a human dimension, of a return to the essential.

This year has tested us in many ways, but Christmas is a reminder of the power of community to keep us together

even in difficult times. Wishing you all a peaceful holiday. [El Pais]

POPE FRANCIS - This year has tested us in many ways, but Christmas is a reminder of the power of community to keep us together even in difficult times. Wishing you all a peaceful holiday. "Today, as in Herod's time, the plots of evil, which oppose the divine light, move in the shadow of hypocrisy and concealment: how many armed massacres take place in a deafening silence, unbeknownst to so many!" said Francis on X, formerly Twitter, on the Catholic Feast of the Holy Innocents commemorating the slaughter in Bethlehem of male children aged 2 years or under on the order of King Herod in the attempt to kill the newborn Jesus. [ANSA]

PARIS — Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu became entangled in yet another Hitler quarrel on Wednesday after the former said that the Israeli leader was no different from him.

"They used to speak ill of [German Nazi leader Adolf] Hitler. What difference do you have from Hitler? They are going to make us miss Hitler. Is what this Netanyahu is doing any less than what Hitler did?"

It is not," Erdogan said.

"He is richer than Hitler, he gets the support from the West. All sorts of support comes from the United States. And what did they do with all this support? They killed more than 20,000 Gazans," Erdogan continued.

The comments drew sharp rebuke not just from Netanyahu but also other Israeli leaders.

In exchange, Netanyahu accused Erdogan of carrying out "genocide against the Kurds."

Erdogan "holds [the] world record of imprisoning journalists who object [to] his regime" and "is the last one to give us a lesson in morals," he wrote on social media platform X, formerly known as Twitter.

Netanyahu added that the Israeli army is fighting "against the most despicable and cruel terrorist organization in the world, Hamas-Daesh, which perpetrated crimes against humanity, an organization Erdogan is praising and is hosting its senior officials." [Al Monitor]

UK-SPAIN - On January 31, obligatory sanitary and phytosanitary controls on agricultural and livestock products crossing the English Channel will finally come into force. The EU immediately applied them to all products coming from the island. The United Kingdom has already delayed applying these controls as many as five times. The government is aware of the chaos that could be caused

to its importers, and above all is fearful that prices of grocery items that are already more expensive this year due to runaway inflation will skyrocket.

Sources from the Spanish Economic and Commercial Office in London say that what happens in just over a month will be very important when it comes to verifying, once again, whether or not the obstacles created by Brexit can be overcome.

At the end of August, the British government presented its new Border Target Operating Model. The apparently more simplified method for carrying out security and health controls on imports and exports includes smart seals and GPS locators on many of the products.

The new controls will be rolled out in phases over the next year. From January 31, health certificates for medium-risk animal and plant products from the EU will be introduced. It will not be until April 30 — if the announced deadlines are finally met — that British customs officials will carry out physical and identity checks on many of these products and demand the mandatory documents from the importer.

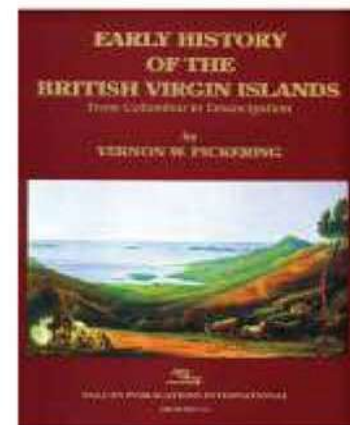
Finally, it will not be until October 31 that all the security declarations imposed by the Brexit Trade Agreement will finally be demanded at customs [EL PAIS]

ANGUILLA - Two persons were shot dead, and several others were injured while attending a funeral ceremony in Anguilla. The Royal Anguilla Police Force says the double fatal shooting occurred this afternoon at the Sandy Ground Cemetery. The police force states the victims of this horrific incident include an 18-year-old man and a 74-year-old man, whose lives were tragically cut short.

"In response to this incident, our law enforcement agencies have launched an active investigation to bring those responsible to justice. We are committed to ensuring the safety and security of our community, and we need your assistance in this matter."

The Royal Anguilla Police Force is appealing to anyone who may have witnessed the incident or has any related information to come forward.

It is also urging all residents



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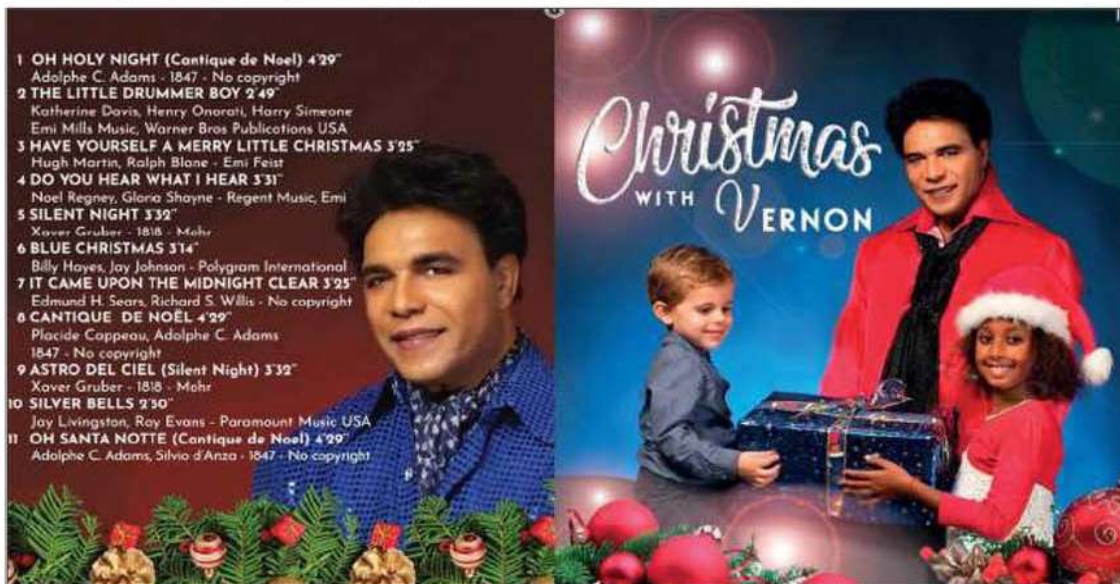
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to remain vigilant and look out for one another during these troubling times. [Loop News]

SANTO DOMINGO - Tourism entrepreneur Frank Rainieri, the founder of the Puntacana Group, expressed approval of the Supreme Court of Justice's decision to uphold the suspension of the Bavaro International Airport (AIB) construction. Speaking at a ceremony celebrating the arrival of the 10 millionth tourist at the Punta Cana terminal, Rainieri emphasized the need for such infrastructure projects to be part of a national planning strategy and adhere to local regulations.

The Supreme Court's ruling rejected an appeal from the Bavaro International Airport, which sought to overturn a decision by the Civil Aviation Institute (IDAC) that deemed the airport project detrimental to the national interest. Consequently, the original concept and approval of the AIB project were dismissed.

Rainieri applauded the independence demonstrated by the Supreme Court and its judges, who faced significant pressure but ultimately delivered a unanimous decision. He raised concerns about the rapid authorization process for the AIB, [Dominican Today]



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The Sunny Side Up



Through the Lens of The Sunny Side



*Triple Jack heads north and another boat sails west during the 50th BVI Spring Regatta
(Photo Credit Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway)*

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Epic New Year's Eve celebrations at the legendary Foxy's



As the sun dipped below the horizon on the last day of the year 2023 in the British Virgin Islands, anticipation reached a fever pitch for the most epic New Year's Eve celebrations at the legendary Foxy's Tamarind Bar on the enchanting Jost van Dyke.

Foxy's Tamarind Bar, known far and wide for its extraordinary New Year's parties was the place to be. This year's event featured Jamaican reggae and dancehall sensation, Kranium.

Kranium, born Kemar Donaldson, had been a force to be reckoned with in the music world. His 2013 hit single, "Nobody Has To Know," had catapulted him to international stardom and had secured him a coveted spot on the Atlantic Records roster. Taking the stage at Foxy's, Kranium unleashed his mesmerizing beats and infectious rhythms upon the excited revelers.

Foxy's, already famous for attracting a star-studded crowd, became the hottest ticket in the Caribbean. Celebrities from near and far flocked to the island to join in the festivities and welcomed the new year with a bang. The air was charged with excitement, and the atmosphere was electric, as the countdown to midnight approached.

Under the theme 'Foxy's Game of Thrones,' guests paid tribute to the epic HBO show with their outfits and costumes inspired by the realm of kings and queens, dragons and knights.

As the clock struck midnight, fireworks illuminated the night sky, and Kranium took the stage, setting the crowd into a frenzy.





Ladyburd Talks...

Dear Readers: Five Things You Should Do Differently in the New Year

As we approach a New Year, most of us have goals and resolutions on our minds. I don't have to give you the stats, but most resolutions won't make it past the first few months of the year. This year can be one of the greatest of your life or the same as every other year.

Stop wasting time:

Time is the only thing we'll never get back, which is why it's one of our most valuable resources. Life goes by in the blink of an eye and too often we spend a bulk of our time on things that we don't want to do, or that aren't beneficial to what we want for our lives.

Spend time working on your dreams.

Spend time with those you love because we won't have those people forever.

Learn to live each moment fully present so you don't miss the little moments. Those moments are what you'll remember

Live a healthy lifestyle:

Most of us struggled with our weight for years, but after a year of focusing on living a healthy lifestyle, we will feel much better physically and mentally.

Living a healthy lifestyle goes beyond dieting and exercising. It means making choices that are beneficial to our bodies and lifestyle. It's too easy to cheat on a diet, but if a healthy lifestyle is a part of your life, making the right choices will be second nature.

(Continue next week)

Source: <https://addicted2success.com/life/5-things-you-should-do-differently-in-the-new-year/>



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LIGHT BULB MOMENTS

"Isn't it nice to think that tomorrow is a new day with no mistakes in it yet?"

L.M. Montgomery

"never feel guilty for starting again"

Rupi Kaur

Poetry Corner

"Begin the Day"

*Begin each morning with a talk to God,
And ask for your divine inheritance
Of usefulness, contentment,
and success.*

*Resign all fear, all doubt,
and all despair.*

*The stars doubt not, and they are undismayed,
Though whirled through space for countless centuries,*

*And told not why or wherefore: and the sea
With everlasting ebb and flow obeys,*

And leaves the purpose with the unseen Cause.

*The star sheds radiance on a million worlds,
The sea is prodigal with waves, and yet*

*No lustre from the star is lost, and not
One drop is missing from the ocean tides.*

Oh! brother to the star and sea, know all

God's opulence is held in trust for those

Who wait serenely and who work in faith.

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Tickle My Funny Bones



Short New Year Jokes

I'm going to stay up late this New Year's Eve—
not to ring in the New Year,
but to make sure this one leaves

A phone and a firework were arrested
on New Year's. Day

One was charged, the other was let off.

Why does the person who runs Times Square
feel like a failure?

He always drops the ball.

Not to brag, but I already have a date for
New Year's Eve.....**It's December 31**

New year's Eve Lecture

A man who had too much to drink decides to
walk home on New Year's Eve.

A policeman stopped the man and asked him
where he was going.

"I'm on my way to a lecture," the man replied. The
cop scoffed, "Who gives lectures on **New Year's
Eve?**" The man answered: "**My wife.**"

Trouble Shared

Husband approaches his wife, "Jenny, I
think I have a problem." Jenny smiles at him
kindly, "**Darling, your problems are my**

problem also.

Trouble shared is trouble halved.

Tell me." "OK," says the husband,

"in that case,

we got the neighbor pregnant."

PUN INTENDED

"Did you hear about the guy
who started fixing breakfast
at midnight on Dec. 31?

**He wanted to make
a New Year's toast!"**

Happy New Year 2024

I hope the New Year brings
you everything you've been
wishing for and more.

Flow Customers Win New Kitchen Appliances In “Bring the Joy” Christmas Promotions



Existing customer Diane Percell Gumbs, is pictured with her new Samsung Refrigerator which she won after paying her bill in full and on time, during Flow’s Bring the Joy holiday promotions. (Photo Credit: Flow)

ROADTOWN, Tortola , Friday December 29, 2023: Diane Percell Gumbs is the new owner and prize winner of a Samsung Refrigerator in Flow’s Bring the Joy Christmas promotions.

An elated Percell Gumbs, who is an existing Flow customer, won after paying her bill in full and on time. She joins the ranks of the previous winners and existing bill payment customers - Robert Philip who won a Samsung 30” Gas Range Stove; along with George and Sharon James who won a Samsung Top Load Washer.

Additional customers, Shyril Smith, Rhonani Hypolite, Shaquana Vanterpool, Tameika Campbell, Candice Nichol, Jamal Herbert and Cameron Creigh were also thrilled to have won Apple iPads following sign up for prepaid, postpaid, bundle or internet services.

The Bring the Joy promotion was launched on November 10 and ended on December 22, 2023. It gave customers automatic entry to win weekly prizes of Apple iPads, car raffle tickets to win a 2024 Changan UNI-T vehicle, along with a Samsung Stove and Samsung Refrigerator once they activated a new prepaid plan; paid their bill in full and on time; or signed up for a new postpaid, internet or bundle service.

Furthermore, in its continued efforts to bring the joy to families across communities in the British Virgin Islands throughout the holidays, the



Members of the Lions Club of Tortola’s Hunger Committee were presented with \$500 worth of grocery shopping vouchers as a donation towards the Club’s annual Christmas Food Drive initiative, in Flow’s efforts to bring joy to families across communities in the British Virgin Islands during the holidays. (Photo Credit: Flow)

telecommunications provider also partnered with the Lions Club of Tortola and the Rotary Club of Central Tortola and donated toys and grocery vouchers to the organisations’ respective annual Christmas Food and Toy Drives.

Speaking on the donation of \$500 worth of grocery vouchers received, Chairperson for the Lions Hunger Committee, Lion Kisha Frett expressed appreciation for the contribution and explained that they were used to compliment Christmas Hampers for families with special dietary needs and restrictions. Marketing and Communications Coordinator, Nadia A. James said, “Flow is pleased to have collaborated with these organisations during the Christmas season to give back to our communities in a tangible way and help to bring joy to families across the Territory.”

The donations were used in the Clubs’ respective distribution drives over the holiday season throughout the community.



DIVAS ON A DIME

By Patti Diamond

Spice Up Your Winter With Easy Pumpkin Chili

Every year, the week before Halloween, we host a little pumpkin carving party. Since I'm an enthusiast of inexpensive, nearly effortless entertaining, I'll be making pumpkin chili for our pumpkin party. I just get it in the pot in the morning to have a super simple supper ready in the afternoon. This scrumptious recipe feeds a crowd, smells divine and always gets raves.

It's the perfect chili to serve on Halloween because it's family-friendly comfort food with lots of protein to counter all the trick-or-treat goodies. And just look at all these veggies! There are tomatoes, peppers, onion, beans, chilies and, of course, pumpkin. It's practically

virtuous!

One thing you'll love about this pumpkin chili is that it's exceptionally thick, more like a stew really. If you want to serve the chili as soup rather than stew, just add a can of beef, chicken or vegetable broth.

Ordinarily you'd serve cornbread or corn muffins with chili, but to give this a little va-va-voom, let's serve it over cornbread waffles. Doesn't that sound ridiculously good? Yes, indeed!

EASY PUMPKIN CHILI

Yield: 8 servings Prep: 20 minutes Cook: 4 to 8 hours

This chili can be made in a crock pot or on the stovetop. It comes together really

quickly; other than browning the sausage and onion, most of your time will be spent opening cans.

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 16 ounces sweet Italian sausage
- 1 sweet onion, chopped
- 1 (6 ounce) can tomato paste
- 2 bell peppers, any color, chopped
- 1 (14.5 ounce) can tomato sauce
- 1 (14.5 ounce) can diced tomatoes
- 1 (28 ounce) can pure pumpkin puree
- 2 (14 ounce) cans beans of your choice, rinsed and drained
- 1 (4 ounce) can of green chilies
- 2 tablespoons chili powder
- 1 tablespoon cumin
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon



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Pumpkin chili on cornbread waffles

1. In a stockpot, or a medium skillet if using slow cooker, heat the olive oil and brown the sausage with the chopped onions until sausage is nearly cooked through. Add the tomato paste, mix it all together and continue to cook until the tomato paste is lightly browned and caramelized in spots.

2. If you're using a slow cooker, place in the meat, onions and tomato. Add remaining ingredients to the slow cooker and give it a good stir. Set on HIGH for 4-5 hours or LOW for 8 hours.

If you're cooking on the stovetop, add the rest of the ingredients and simmer on lowest heat, stirring often, for 4 hours.

The Sunny Side Up

3. Serve chili spooned over cornbread waffles garnished with sour cream and shredded cheese.

Substitutions: If you'd like, you can substitute turkey Italian sausage or make this vegetarian by using an Italian seasoned meat alternative. This recipe calls for fresh bell peppers, but feel free to substitute one (14 ounce) bag frozen bell peppers, or use frozen pepper and onion blend, and omit the sweet onion.

CORNBREAD WAFFLES

Yield: 6 waffles Time: 15 minutes

There is a time and place for baking from scratch. This isn't one of them.

1 (8.5 ounce) package corn muffin mix

1 egg

3/4 cup milk

2 tablespoons butter, melted

Preheat your waffle iron. Blend all ingredients together (batter might be lumpy, but that's OK). Proceed to make waffles according to your waffle iron's directions. It's incredibly easy, but take credit for being a culinary genius anyway.

Whether you're carving pumpkins, craving pumpkin or just watching leaves fall, there's nothing better to spice up your autumn than this pumpkin chili.

Lifestyle expert Patti Diamond is the penny-pinching, party-planning, recipe developer and content creator of the website *Divas On A Dime -- Where Frugal, Meets Fabulous!* Visit Patti at www.divasonadime.com and join the conversation on Facebook at *DivasOnADimeDotCom*. Email Patti at divapatti@divasonadime.com Visit Patti at www.DotCom.com. Email Patti at divapatti@divasonadime.com

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Commissioner of Police's New Year Greeting

Residents of the British Virgin Islands,

As we bid farewell to 2023 and welcome a new year, I extend my warmest greetings and best wishes to every resident of this territory. It is an honor to address you as the Commissioner of Police, and I am grateful for the privilege to serve this extraordinary community.

The past year has been one of both challenges and triumphs, and I want to express my appreciation for the resilience and cooperation shown by the people of the Virgin Islands. In the face of various obstacles, your commitment to community and unity has been a beacon of strength.

As we embark on the journey that is 2024, I want to reaffirm the RVIPF's unwavering commitment to

your safety and well-being. Our dedicated officers are fully devoted to upholding the highest standards of professionalism, integrity, and service. Together, we will continue to work tirelessly to create an environment where every resident feels secure and protected.

In the pursuit of public safety, we recognize the importance of collaboration between law enforcement and the community. Your vigilance, cooperation, and trust are invaluable assets that enhance our ability to address challenges effectively. We encourage you to engage with your local law enforcement officers, participate in community programs, and share information that can contribute to a safer and more secure Virgin Islands.

2024 holds the promise of new opportunities and challenges, and the RVIPF is prepared to face them head-on. We will continue to evolve our strategies and foster partnerships that strengthen the fabric of our community. Our commitment to accountability remains steadfast, and we will keep you informed about our initiatives and progress throughout the year.

In closing, I want to express my sincere gratitude for the continued trust and support of this territory. Together, we can make 2024 a year of prosperity, security, and unity.

Wishing you a Happy New Year filled with peace, joy, and safety.

*Mark Collins, QPM
Commissioner of Police*

RVIPF MARINE UNIT SHARES DINGHY SAFETY TIPS

Saturday, December 30 – The Royal Virgin Islands Police Force has recorded an upsurge in the number of dinghy thefts, especially during the festive season. The RVIPF Marine Unit has shared crucial tips to help prevent such incidents ahead of the upcoming celebrations:

1. Take proactive measures by recording dinghy serial numbers to aid in case of theft.

2. Remove the kill cord when

the dinghy is not in use.
3. Hoist the dinghy when it is not in use, particularly during nighttime.

4. Secure the outboard motor to the dinghy with a lock.

5. Engrave distinctive markings on the dinghy for easy identification.

6. Regularly check on the dinghy to ensure it remains in its place.

7. Install a tracker on your dinghy, if possible.

8. In the event of theft, promptly notify the RVIPF's Marine Unit at 368-9642 or 311.

Sergeant Padmore of the Marine Unit emphasizes, "Frequently when a dinghy is reported stolen, we find that these incidents could have been prevented with proper preventative measures and checks. Hence, we are issuing these specific reminders to boaters to reduce such occurrences."

The police remain committed to ensuring the safety and security of the community.



ROYAL VIRGIN ISLANDS POLICE FORCE

WANTED

Wanted for:
Escaping Custody



Name: Jamal Freeman
Age: 29
Alias: Uncle
Hair: Dread Locks
Sex: Male
Race: Black
Height: 5.11ft
Complexion: Dark skinned
Built: Slim Built
Address: East End

Wanted since: 1st January 2024

INFORMATION DETAILS

Jamal Freeman of East End has escaped police custody, in handcuffs on 1st January 2024, while at Nurse Iris Oneal Clinic in Virgin Gorda seeking medical attention.

Persons with any information regarding the whereabouts of Jamal Freeman are kindly asked to contact the RVIPF Intelligence Unit at 368-9339 or 368-9593.

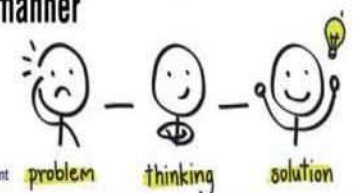
Before you discipline a child

S - stop! Calm yourself and your child

T - take a few deep breaths

O - observe the needs of your child

P - proceed in a kind but firm manner



problem

thinking

solution

This message was produced by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Youth Affairs, Fisheries and Agriculture in collaboration with UNICEF and funded by the UK Government.

Skin Care - Acne Cosmetics Can Cause Further Problems

We all know if we have acne right? Well actually, acne is often misdiagnosed. People who suffer from Rosacea often think they have acne but they are two distinct conditions which require different treatments. Using the wrong skin care, acne cosmetics in particular on Rosacea will often cause your condition to worsen.

So when are your pimples acne and not Rosacea? Acne is a series of spots, whiteheads, blackheads and in severe cases cysts and pustules. It is caused by hormonal changes in your body leading to an overproduction of oils.

Rosacea appears like acne and is very common, affecting people between the ages of 25 and 60. It is incurable but treatable and characterised by redness on the nose, cheeks and forehead. Rosacea can look like pimples hence why some people confuse the two conditions.

There appears to be a strong genetic link involved as almost 40% of Rosacea sufferers have a close family relation with a similar condition.

A lot of skin care and acne cosmetics have an exfoliant effect. With acne, you are trying to reduce the oil production and get rid of the dead skin



cells blocking your pores. Most acne skin care products will contain at least a mild abrasive material to help get rid of the blackheads and whiteheads.

This is the worst treatment for Rosacea as your blood vessels are already compromised i.e. weakened. Abrasive materials will cause an increase in redness, the opposite effect of what you are trying to achieve.

Using cosmetics when you have acne can be a minefield. On the one hand you are trying to cover up your pimples and blemishes. But the very materials used to do that may lead to an increase in your skin problems. YOU NEED TO AVOID ALL OIL BASED COSMETICS. Alcohol based products may be the short term answer but long term these may irritate your skin.

The process of applying makeup can also spread infection as can touching your face too often. **When we are**

self conscious of our pimples, we often subconsciously put our hands up to our face. We need to break this habit as this is one way of easily spreading infection.

You must always cleanse your face thoroughly after using any make up products as blocked pores will cause more pimples. Try and avoid wearing cosmetics every day - let your skin breathe once and a while.

Treat yourself to a deep cleansing mask or facial once a week. Increase your consumption of fruit and vegetables and drink more water. Try and reduce alcohol consumption and leave the colas, coffee and other caffeine products alone as well.

When looking to buy skin care, acne cosmetics etc ALWAYS SEEK THE ADVICE OF A QUALIFIED BEAUTICIAN AND/OR DERMATOLOGIST. They will examine your skin and give you some tips on how best to manage your condition. If they are good at their jobs, they will know their products inside and out and should be best placed to provide you with solid information on the best skin care acne cosmetics for you.

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COMMENTARY

Social Capital

By Dickson Igwe



Dickson Igwe

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If capital drives wealth, power, and inequality, any attempt to create greater equality will involve capital too, and its management and ownership.

That capitalism rules the 21st century is not in dispute. In fact, the history of the world post the Industrial Revolution of the 1700s is the story of capitalism and its ascendance as the undisputed ideology of the modern world.

Capitalism, the thinking behind capital and its ownership has triumphed over socialism and communism, two ideas at the other end of the social and economic spectrum.

Capital governs politics, society, and power in all cultures. The failure to recognize the fact of capital is a limitation for any aspiring politician, thinker, or entrepreneur. The relationship between power and capital is symbiotic: the

two chained together.

A number of economists argue that the triumph of capital and the resulting social inequality it creates is not a good thing. Wealth concentrated in the hands of the tiniest number of people will concentrate power to such a degree that it will eventually affect humanity in ways that may well be unsustainable.

Today, 100 families control the world economy. Populism and a right wing backlash in the west is the result of that concentration of wealth and resulting inequality. Then social anger was the catalyst for fascism, volatility, and war for decades.

However, there is no evidence capitalists—the owners of capital—are threatened. The concentration of wealth and power in their hands continues unrelentingly. The capitalist culture grows without limit, even in former communist states such as China, Russia, and Vietnam.

The struggle between capital and those who demand greater equality has been an ongoing tale. Civil wars in Europe, the two world wars, the Cold war, and conflicts in Asia, Africa and the Middle East are a continuation of the story of

the thrust of capital to the top of the world's power pyramid.

Behind every war is capital. The struggle between capital and communism resulted in civil war in Spain in the 1930s and offered European fascists a rallying point: Hitler, Mussolini and Franco.

The prevailing power of capital is a reality of history where nations with the optimum capital mix tend to prevail in war and peace. That was the story of the USA in the Pacific between 1941- and 1945, against the Empire of Japan. The influences of capital and the control of capital starts and ends wars.

In World War 2, Germany lost when it overstretched its own capital mix – enterprise, machinery, raw materials, technology, labor—attempting to fight wars on multiple fronts in the north, south, east, and west. Japan too, simply did not possess the vast capital mix its US enemy brought to bear in the Pacific War after the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941. US capital won the Second World War. Russia relied on American capital to march into Berlin in 1945 just as US capital drove the allies to victory.

History has revealed

that greater equality will not come about through violence, the barrel of the gun, as the owners of capital have the upper hand in the game of power. Greater equality can come about only through the democratic process and a recognition by the powerful capitalist that it is in his interest that there be a fairer distribution of wealth and power.

One way in which greater equality is established is through the idea of social capital.

Social capital is another term for public investment. Social capital is capital that drives the highest quality of life for the poor and the most vulnerable: public healthcare, free education, public transportation, social welfare, agricultural cooperatives, public housing, community police, and so on and so forth.

The quality of a country's social capital depends primarily on the tax regime: taxing the rich to invest in the underprivileged. Nevertheless, social capital

benefits the high-income earner and the rich too, by ensuring a safer community with essential public services available to all, rich and poor.

Social capital decides the standard of living of a country, arguably as much as a country's private capital: private industry and business. Private capital adopts GDP as a measure of economic output. Social capital also adopts GDP as measure, but quality of life is crucial to outcomes in the social capital mix.

The quality and management of a country's social capital has far-reaching effects on the standard of living, quite apart from GDP. Countries, such as those in Northern Europe, with the highest standards of living in the world possess a mix of social capital that has ensured very high levels of wellbeing for their populations. Those countries also tax at a very high rate, which is anathema to Jack the Capitalist.

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NEW YEAR STATEMENT BY THE INCOMING CHAIRMAN OF THE CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY (CARICOM) HIS EXCELLENCY MOHAMED IRFAAN ALI PRESIDENT OF THE COOPERATIVE REPUBLIC OF GUYANA



HIS EXCELLENCY MOHAMED IRFAAN ALI

As the in-coming Chairman of CARICOM, I extend warm New Year's greetings to all citizens across our beloved Caribbean Community. May 2024 be for all of us a year of good remembrance.

The last six months of 2023 saw CARICOM under the Chairmanship of the Honourable Roosevelt Skerit, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Dominica. My first words must be of thanks on behalf of CARICOM, for his outstanding leadership during that time – qualities that will remain with us as I invite his continued participation as a Member of the Bureau – and of course, his active involvement as a Member of Conference as CARICOM implements critical initiatives to the benefit of all our people.

This New Year brings renewed possibilities to continue targeted programmes to advance CARICOM's strategic priorities with the objective of pursuing the Region's development goals, and striving for peace and prosperity across our Caribbean Community.

Regional security is an increasingly critical matter. We live in a world where peace is challenged from one corner of the universe to the next. We ended 2023, however, with CARICOM's robust role in assuring the rule of international peace and security in our corner on the world and ensuring that Latin America and the Caribbean as a whole remained a Zone of Peace. We shall continue 2024 with this respect for international law. We all remain committed to peacefully and by legal means resolving border controversies.

We are resolved to

effectively address crime and violence in our Region, including combatting the illegal weapons trade through our "War on Guns" campaign. We will leave no stone unturned in our efforts to return our Member State, Haiti, to peace and stability. Our Region must remain a Zone of Peace.

Ensuring our Region's food and nutrition security continues to be at the forefront of our endeavours. Despite adverse challenges, including climate change, CARICOM Member States have made steady progress towards achieving our '25% by 2025' target to reduce the Region's food import bill. We will build on these achievements, including advancing our regional agenda for energy services that are available, reliable, affordable and sustainable - to support expected innovations in the agricultural sector. Crucial to this initiative is the need to improve regional transportation and this will remain as one of our top priorities.

We will continue our

advocacy for early and fair operationalisation of the Loss and Damage Fund, agreed at COP28, and we shall continue our insistence on fulfilment of the commitments made by major emitters to be converted to actions to reduce emissions that lead to climate change with its deleterious impact on vulnerable Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and Low-lying Coastal Developing States, such as CARICOM Member States. We all know that SIDS do not contribute in any meaningful way to climate change, but we carry the heaviest burden of the impact: from more and stronger tropical cyclones to increasingly scarce and saline ground water, to disappearing coastal lands, to degrading marine eco-systems, to stress on agriculture and other sectors. This is why our call for fair access to affordable financing to address the impact of climate change must and will continue.

2023 was a period of reflection as we marked the 50th Anniversary of our

integration movement. We will continue to advance these ideals with the requisite undertakings which will allow CARICOM nationals to exercise their right to free movement within the Community and to bring the regional capital market into being. We will also work on ensuring greater participation of all sectors of our Community, including the private sector, labour organisations and civil society, in building our CARICOM Single Market and Economy.

We will identify new avenues for targeted partnerships, especially with our young people, to encourage innovative approaches and renewed energy for sustained economic development and convergence.

Our objective is to improve the lives of our citizens, through purposeful and sustained cooperation, by delivering high-quality health services, a more relevant system of education for young people, secure and amenable living environments, new jobs and a financial climate that is

conducive to investments.

I am heartened by the tangible evidence of what our collective action and determination have already achieved. I remain confident that the ongoing and new initiatives being implemented will help to ensure that CARICOM is truly "A Community for All".

Guyana is honoured to Chair the Conference of Heads of Government for the period 1 January to 30 June. I look forward to welcoming all CARICOM Heads of State and Government to Georgetown in February 2024, where we will host the 46th Regular Meeting of the Conference and continue our Community's activities to mark CARICOM's 50th Anniversary.

Let us approach this New Year with optimism, and a strengthened desire to pursue our shared objectives of unity and prosperity.

I wish you all a peaceful and prosperous 2024!

May God bless you all.

Condolence Message on passing of former Prime Minister Basdeo Panday

The Caribbean Community is deeply saddened at the passing of The Hon. Basdeo Panday, Former Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago, on 1 January 2024.

The Hon Basdeo Panday held a multi-faceted career in service of his country, as politician, trade unionist and civil servant. He used his exceptional skill as a barrister to advocate passionately for workers' rights. His belief in the value of education, and his ideologies and initiatives, have made a lasting impact on the twin-island republic.

As Chairman of CARICOM,

at the close of the last century he hosted a two-day Summit of CARICOM Leaders with deliberations focussed on "Concluding the 20th Century and Commencing the 21st", with outcomes aimed at preparing the Community to face the first decade of the new century.

He was also active in media and culture, as an actor, multi-linguist and proponent of religious pluralism.

The Community extends heartfelt condolences to his family members and friends, and the Government and people of Trinidad and Tobago. We join with all



The late Basdeo Panday

who mourn the passing of this son of our soil, who served with determination and passion, and made an

enduring contribution to our progress and development.

May his soul rest in peace.

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Huge Number of Migrants Highlights Border Crisis



Migrants take part in a caravan towards the border with the United States in Tapachula, Chiapas State, Mexico, on Dec. 24, 2023.

U.S. officials processed an estimated 300,000 people at the U.S. border with Mexico in December, which would be the highest number ever recorded, according to multiple news organizations.

While the Department of Homeland Security will release the December numbers later this month, Reuters and other news organizations estimate that 300,000 people attempted to cross the border in the final month of 2023, with about 50,000 of them coming through designated points of entry.

Those estimates suggest that the first three months of fiscal 2024, which began in October, will set a record. Experts said multiple factors are causing migrants — many from as far away as Asia, Africa and the Middle East — to come to the U.S. border, either legally, as asylum-seekers, or illegally.

The record-level border encounters come as the U.S. enters a presidential election year in which the topic of immigration is expected to play a major role.

President Joe Biden, expected to receive the Democratic nomination, has repeatedly said that immigrants are one of the country's strengths, even as he has taken steps to curb the current influx. Former President Donald Trump, the prohibitive favorite to win the Republican nomination, has long advocated for tighter control on immigration and has frequently used incendiary

language to describe immigrants to the U.S.

'Push' and 'pull' factors

Michelle Mittelstadt, director of communications and public affairs for the Migration Policy Institute, told VOA that multiple factors have contributed to the elevated number of migrants at the southern border.

Mittelstadt said that many migrants arriving at the border have been "pushed" out of their own countries by economic and political upheaval, natural disasters, and other crises. For example, the collapse of the Venezuelan economy over the past decade has driven about 8 million people from that country. While many have found refuge in other South American countries, such as Colombia, hundreds of thousands have made the long and dangerous trek to the U.S.

Other factors contribute to "pull" migrants to the U.S., including the strength of the country's economy, which currently has two open jobs for every American seeking work. Mittelstadt said that what she called the growing professionalization of human smuggling organizations has also made the gamble of migration seem more appealing, and that the possibility that Trump might be reelected in 2024 has encouraged many migrants to attempt to cross the border before stricter immigration measures can be put in place.

Hovering above all these factors is the glaring evidence that the American system for processing asylum-seekers is deeply broken:

Individuals admitted to the country while their claims are assessed frequently wait several years before they receive a hearing in an immigration court. More than 3 million cases are pending, more than 1 million of which were added in the past 12 months.

"It's hard to see that any of these factors are going to lessen anytime soon, even were there to be very sharp policy changes by the U.S. government," Mittelstadt said.

Spreading crisis

States along the southern border have long complained about the increased number of migrants crossing into the U.S. On multiple occasions, small border towns have faced sudden influxes of thousands of migrants in the space of a few days.

Leaders of border states, such as Texas Governor Greg Abbott, have complained that the federal government's response to the crisis has been insufficient, both in terms of policy responses that would reduce the flow of migrants and in terms of providing assistance in managing the care of the vast numbers who do cross the border.

In the past year Abbott, in particular, has accelerated a program under which Texas transports large groups of migrants, by bus or by plane, to major U.S. cities, typically run by Democratic mayors, such as New York and Chicago.

In recent months, the leaders of cities that have received tens of thousands of immigrants in this fashion have begun trying to stem the flow. In New York, Mayor Eric Adams issued an executive order restricting the entry of migrant buses to certain times and drop-off points. In response, many of the buses have simply stopped near mass transit stations in neighboring New Jersey and directing passengers to use public transportation into New York.

Dialogue with Mexico

The Biden administration has taken steps to address the crisis, including disrupting human smuggling organizations, accelerating certain kinds of deportations, deploying military assets to support Border Patrol and immigration officers, and expanding facilities to hold and process asylum-seekers and other migrants.

Last week, Secretary of State

Antony Blinken led a U.S. delegation to Mexico for talks with the administration of President Andrés Manuel López Obrador on reducing the flow of migrants.

In a statement, López Obrador said the discussions had led to "important agreements," though no details were released.

Biden criticized

Biden, as a presidential candidate, signaled an openness to asylum-seekers and immigrants.

During a presidential debate in 2020, then-candidate Biden defended the practice of allowing individuals seeking asylum to remain in the U.S. indefinitely while their cases were processed, saying, "You come to the United States and you make your case that, 'I seek asylum based on the following premise, why I deserve it under American law.'"

Conservative organizations in favor of stricter immigration enforcement say the results of the president's policies have been clear and predictable.

"Before even taking office, Biden sent a clear message to would-be illegal immigrants worldwide that they had a high chance of being released into the U.S."

said Simon Hankinson, a senior research fellow with the Heritage Foundation's Center for Border Security and Immigration.

In recent weeks, Republicans in Congress have refused to consider major foreign aid packages to Ukraine and Israel unless they are tied to significant immigration reforms.

In an appearance on CBS on Sunday, Senator Lindsey Graham put his position on the matter succinctly: "When you come to our border, we say, 'I'm sorry, we're full.'"

On the same program, Denver Mayor Mike Johnston pushed back against the idea that the country is full, saying cities like his are only asking for orderly arrivals of migrants.

"What we don't want is people arriving at two in the morning at a city and county building with women and children outside in 10-degree weather and no support," he said. "And so, we want buses here to do what every other bus does, which is land at a bus station and a bus stop at hours when we can have staff there to receive them and to direct them toward services."

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SPORTS

Sugar Boys, VG United penalized, points deducted after mass confrontation

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

FOOTBALL

Sugar Boys and VG United lost their respective appeals, in a judgement handed down by the BVIFA Disciplinary Committee today, as several players will receive sanctions of up to seven games and three points deducted from both Sugar Boys and VG United respectively, following a December 3 mass confrontation that prematurely ended the game played on Virgin Gorda.

In its statement, the Disciplinary Committee stated that according to the referee's report, the incident involved 30 to 40 people and involved a number of individuals fighting and was in fact "a mass confrontation."

"The Sugar Boys disputed the referee's report. They stated that Keron Daniel was not an instigator contrary to the report and that the punishments were too harsh," the Disciplinary Committee noted. "The Disciplinary Committee has no power to interfere with the factual findings of the Referee's

Report, except where there is a bad faith, malicious intent, fraud or a grave error, in accordance with the Doctrine of the Field of Play."

Furthermore, it said, the only grave error that the Disciplinary Committee found in the Referee's Report was that it was noted that Romaine Henry entered the field of play, when in fact Romaine Henry was always on the field of play.

"The Disciplinary Committee states in the strongest possible terms that participation in a mass confrontation is one of the gravest offenses in football. It not only brings the BVIFA into disrepute, but puts members of the public, match officials and team members in danger of being injured, as evidenced by the example of Keron Daniel leaving the field of play to search for "something" in order to return to the field of play to "defend" himself in the mass confrontation," the statement said. "That something happened to be a rock and had he hit someone with that rock, he could have caused severe injury and would have caused the authorities in the Virgin Islands to be wary of events held by the BVIFA and may very well have exposed the BVIFA to civil liability."

Furthermore, the Disciplinary Committee, finds that it is immaterial as to whether it was Keron Daniel that instigated the mass confrontation or whether it was someone else, participation in a mass confrontation is unacceptable.

"As a consequence, the Disciplinary Committee orders the deduction of 3 points from Sugar Boys and 3 points from VG United," the statement said. "The individual punishments pursuant Rule 6.5.1 of are broken down as follows:"

- a. Keron Daniels shall be banned for 7 matches for participating in a mass confrontation and picking up a weapon.
- b. Joshua Ramprashad shall be banned 7 matches for participating in a mass confrontation and charging onto a field of play.
- c. T'Khoy Morton shall be banned from 6 matches. He may still perform national duties and attend practices unless the Executive Committee decides otherwise.
- d. Quelahni Nickie shall be banned for 6 matches and shall be banned from attending BVIFA sponsored matches/games for the duration of his suspension, due to the fact that he ran on to field of play despite serving



Virgin Gorda United players greet their Sugar Boys Counterparts

PHOTO: Javierto Mar

- e. Oral Perry shall be banned for 6 matches for participating in a mass confrontation.
 - f. Andres Bailey shall be banned for 7 matches for participating in a mass confrontation and entering the field of play.
 - g. Bernard-Cumberbatch shall be banned or 6 matches for participating in a mass confrontation.
2. Romaine Henry's ban is overturned by virtue of the fact that he prevented

Keron Daniel's from re-entering the field of play with a rock pursuant to Rule 6.5.2.

The points deductions result in Wolues FC taking over top spot in the standings on 15 points, VG Utd drop to second on 13, Islanders FC are up to third on 10 points and Sugar Boys fall to fourth on goal difference ahead of Panthers FC, with both teams on 9 points.

400m Hurdler Kyron McMaster honored with OBE

TRACK & FIELD

400m Hurdler Kyron McMaster, is the territory's newest recipient of an Order of the British Empire (OBE) from His Majesty The King for his contributions to sport in the territory and will become the first athlete to receive the honor which are traditionally announced during King Charles III New Year's honors.

"I am delighted that this award has been made in recognition of Kyron's outstanding achievements and unparalleled service to the Virgin Islands," Gov John Rankin said in a statement. "With his two Commonwealth gold Medals and World Champion Silver medal, Kyron has placed the BVI on the sporting map across the world and given cause for national celebration even in some

of the most challenging times in the aftermath of the 2017 hurricane. Off the track, Kyron continues to inspire, using his own experience to motivate young students and athletes. I offer my warmest congratulations to Kyron."

During the World Athletics Championships in Budapest, Hungary in August, he won the BVI's first senior outdoor championships medal in the 400m Hurdles. In 2016, he won 400m Hurdles bronze in the World Jr. Championships, the first and only athlete to do so, so far.

At 21, Kyron won the BVI's first ever Commonwealth Games medal when he won the 400m hurdles at the Gold Coast 2018 Games in Australia. This was in the aftermath of the 2017 devastating hurricane, which destroyed homes, livelihoods and all training facilities. The hurricane also sadly claimed the life of his coach and mentor, Coach Xavier "Dag" Samuels.

He has since gone on to win the Diamond League trophy twice, achieve another Commonwealth gold at the

Birmingham 2022 Games, before winning silver at the World Track and Field Championships in Budapest 2023. He was fourth in the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, where despite the COVID-19 restrictions that had hampered training, he established a National Record time of 47.08 seconds.

Kyron has also won the NACAC Championships twice and the CAC Games 400m Hurdles. An injury kept him out of the 2019 Pan Am Games and he skipped the 2023 version which was held in November.

On visits home, McMaster dedicates his time to supporting young people, using his own experiences growing up on Tortola to share lessons learned. He also champions grassroots sports, working with the Ministry of Education, Culture, Youth Affairs and Sports to ensure it gets the investment needed.

Thus far, he's the only BVI athlete to have qualified for the Paris Olympic Games this summer, which will be his second Olympic Games.

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway



PHOTO: Kermit Taylor, Bahamas Athletics

Bahamas Athletics' Kermit Taylor, caught Kyron McMaster over the final hurdle at the Budapest 2023 World Championships

SPORTS



BVI's Tyler Forbes prepares to kick ahead of Turks and Caicos Islands charging goal keeper



Long Jump Khybah Dawson cuts the sand in his pet event



Dream Team's Canis Marquis, serves up a ball in the Volleyball Championships game



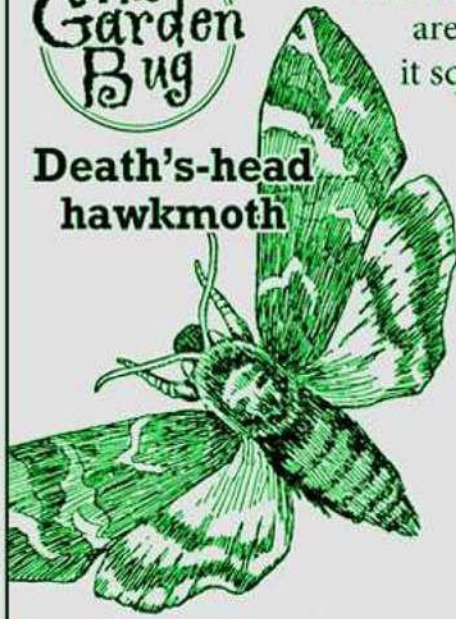
Triple Jack heads north and another boat sails west during the 50th BVI Spring Regatta



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The Garden Bug

Death's-head hawkmoth



This insect's skull-like markings on its back are unsettling, and when it is disturbed, it squeaks loudly, hops about and shrugs its wings up and down. It has long been superstitiously regarded as a harbinger of war, pestilence, hunger and death. Entomologists drew from mythology to name it: *acherontia*, from the river of pain in the underworld, and *atropos*, the Fate who cuts the thread of life.

- Brenda Weaver

Source: www.nhm.ac.uk

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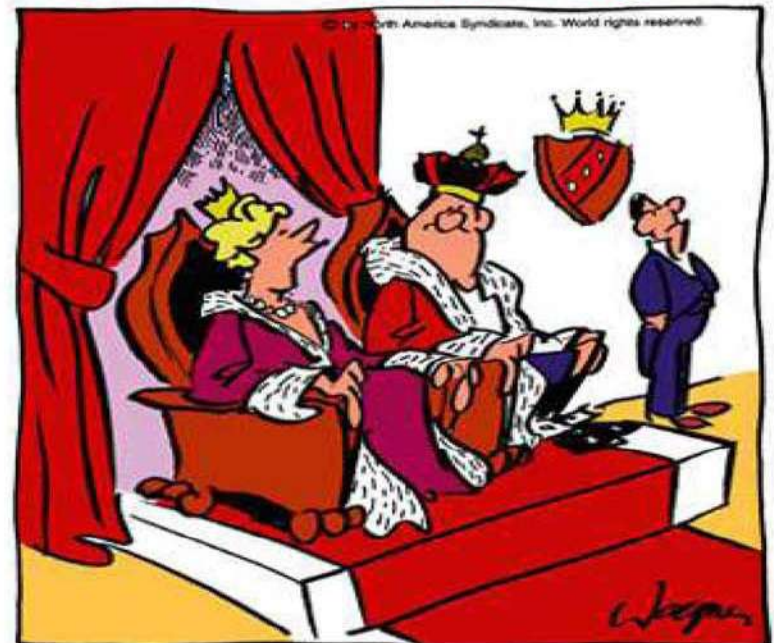
MOST POPULAR HALLOWEEN CANDIES

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2. Reese's Peanut Butter Cups
3. M&Ms
4. Snickers
5. Starburst
6. Candy Corn
7. Hot Tamales
8. Tootsie Pops
9. Sour Patch Kids
10. Hershey Bar

Source: CandyStore.com

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GRIN and BEAR IT



"Do you think you could convert the dungeon to a mother-in-law suite?"



WAGS PETERS

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Year's end is neither an end nor a beginning but a going on, with all the wisdom that experience can instill in us.

Hal Borland

BrainyQuote

celebrity extra

by Dana Jackson



Christopher Patey/CBS

Vanessa Lachey

Q. How is "NCIS: Hawai'i" doing in the ratings so far? I hope it doesn't get canceled, but it seems like these network spinoff shows do well. — *K.K.*

A. You can rest assured that "NCIS: Hawai'i" won't be canceled. In fact, star Vanessa Lachey said the show has just been picked up for a full season of 20-24 episodes, up from 13 plus the pilot in its debut season. According to TVLine.com, "NCIS: Hawai'i" is the fall's "most watched series launch, having debuted to 6.6 million total viewers." Lachey stars as Jane Tennant, the first female special agent in charge of NCIS Pearl Harbor. "NCIS: Hawai'i" airs Mondays on CBS at 10 p.m. ET.

Q. We have watched "Gunsmoke" for years. Can you tell me about the actors who played Miss Kitty, Doc and Festus? Also, was there a character named Chester? — *M.N.*

A. "Gunsmoke" made its TV debut in 1955. It was set in Dodge City, Kansas, in the 1890s and centered on U.S. Marshal Matt Dillon, played by James Arness. Miss Kitty (Amanda Blake) was the red-haired proprietress of the Long Branch Saloon, while Doc Adams (Milburn Stone) was the town doctor. There was indeed a Chester: Deputy Marshal Chester Goode, played by Dennis Weaver, who left the series in 1964.

Blake started out on the stage before MGM studios discovered her, viewing her as "the next Greer Garson." After 19 seasons on "Gunsmoke," she left to devote time to breeding cheetahs in captivity. She passed away in 1989 at age 60. Milburn Stone grew up in a tiny Kansas town much like Dodge City. He was briefly replaced by actor Pat Hingle while he underwent heart surgery, but returned for the final four seasons.

Dennis Weaver chose to leave "Gunsmoke" because, as he told The Toronto Star, he didn't want to be the "second banana" anymore. He eventually played the titular role in "McCloud," a TV series that ran seven years. Weaver was replaced on "Gunsmoke" by Ken Curtis as Festus Haggen. Curtis, a singer and the son-in-law of director John Ford, has

appeared in numerous films, including "Mister Roberts" and "The Searchers." "Gunsmoke" ran until 1975 on CBS and was the longest running scripted series in history before "The Simpsons" broke that record in 2018.

Q. What happened to the Native American characters in "FBI: Most Wanted"? One played the right-hand man to Agent LaCroix. They all simply disappeared. — *M.H.*

A. Actor Nathaniel Arcand confirmed in July that he would not be returning to "FBI: Most Wanted" as Agent Clinton Skye, who is also Special Agent LaCroix's (Julian McMahon) brother-in-law. No reason was given for his exit, but he can be seen in the upcoming Martin Scorsese film "Killers of the Flower Moon," starring Leonardo DiCaprio. As for LaCroix's mother- and father-in-law, Marilou and Nelson Skye (played by Irene Bedard and Lorne Cardinal), their future remains uncertain as they haven't appeared on the new season and are not listed in the upcoming credits.

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

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by Gary Kopervas



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There is no fear in love;
but perfect love casts out fear,
because fear involves torment.

But he who fears has not been
made perfect in love.

1 JOHN 4:18

Detail from "The Scream" by Edvard Munch (1895)



Out on a Limb



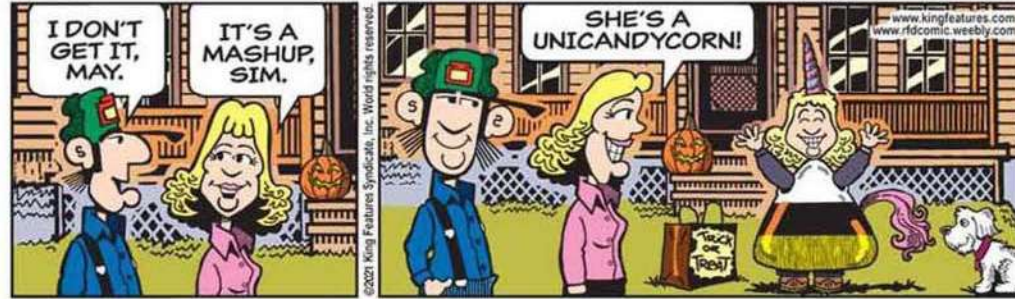
Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



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.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

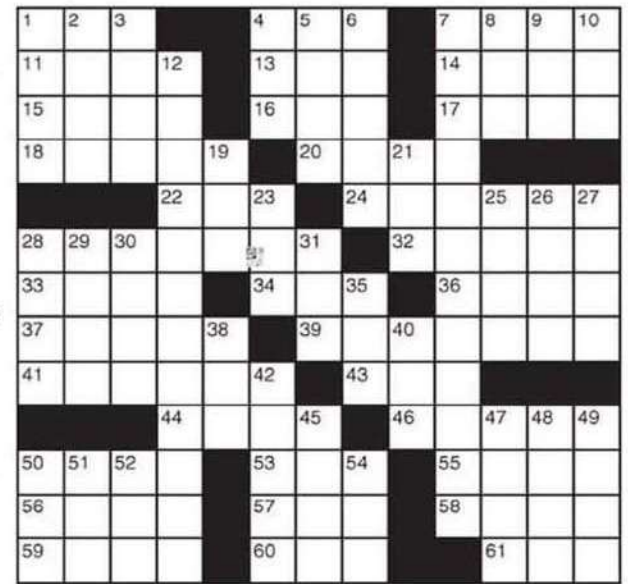
Differences: 1. Fewer leaves on tree. 2. Bag is smaller. 3. Cap is reversed. 4. Sleeve is longer. 5. Shoe is different. 6. Branch is missing.

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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Request
- 4 Lawyers' org.
- 7 Jab
- 11 Grub
- 13 Sinbad's bird
- 14 Way out
- 15 Spanish greeting
- 16 Somewhat (Suff.)
- 17 Memorandum
- 18 You'll get a rise out of it
- 20 Iowa crop
- 22 Owned
- 24 Beginnings
- 28 Pudding variety
- 32 Lebanon's neighbor
- 33 Press
- 34 Rage
- 36 Joyful tune
- 37 Plaintive poem
- 39 Sees the world
- 41 Country singer West
- 43 "Caught ya!"
- 44 Frank
- 46 Gold mold
- 50 Writer Didion
- 53 Flushed
- 55 Fascinated by
- 56 Byron or Tennyson
- 57 Nest-egg acronym



- 58 Car
- 59 Oil cartel
- 60 Many millenia
- 61 Drunkard
- House's "Avenue"
- 8 Kitchen gadget brand
- 9 Tool set
- 10 Tours season
- 12 U.S. capital on the Potomac
- 19 Eastern "way"
- 21 ER workers
- 23 601, to Nero
- 25 Canal of song
- 26 Cash drawer
- 27 Pre-college exams
- 28 Even
- 29 Woody's son
- 30 Bard
- 31 Illustrations
- 35 Historic time
- 38 Shriek bark
- 40 Sushi fish
- 42 Haunting
- 45 Sleuth Wolfe
- 47 Wildebeests
- 48 "Beetle Bailey" dog
- 49 Horn sound
- 50 "The Wedding Planner" actress, to fans
- 51 "Alley —"
- 52 Exist
- 54 Dapper fellow

DOWN

- 1 Needing liniment
- 2 Oxford, for one
- 3 Caffeine source
- 4 "Entourage" character
- 5 Pear type
- 6 Sneeze sound
- 7 The White

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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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Solution time: 22 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

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- GEOGRAPHY:** What is the only country that ends with the letter Q?
- LITERATURE:** Which Truman Capote nonfiction book begins with the line, "The village of Holcomb stands on the high wheat plains of western Kansas, a lonesome area that other Kansans call 'out there'"?
- MOVIES:** What were the words on the hot-air balloon in which the wizard leaves Emerald City in "The Wizard of Oz"?
- HISTORY:** Which amendment to the U.S. Constitution guaranteed the right to vote regardless of race?
- MEDICAL:** What condition is the result of a decrease in red blood cells?
- MEASUREMENTS:** How many tablespoons are in a 1/4 cup?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What do deltiologists study and collect?
- TELEVISION:** What is Netflix's highest rated original series in 2021?
- SCIENCE:** What is a person who specializes in plant studies called?
- FOOD & DRINK:** Is eggplant considered a fruit or a vegetable?

1. Iraq; 2. "In Cold Blood"; 3. State Fair Omaha; 4. Fifteenth; 5. Anemia; 6. Four; 7. Postcards; 8. "Bridgerton"; 9. A botanist; 10. Fruit

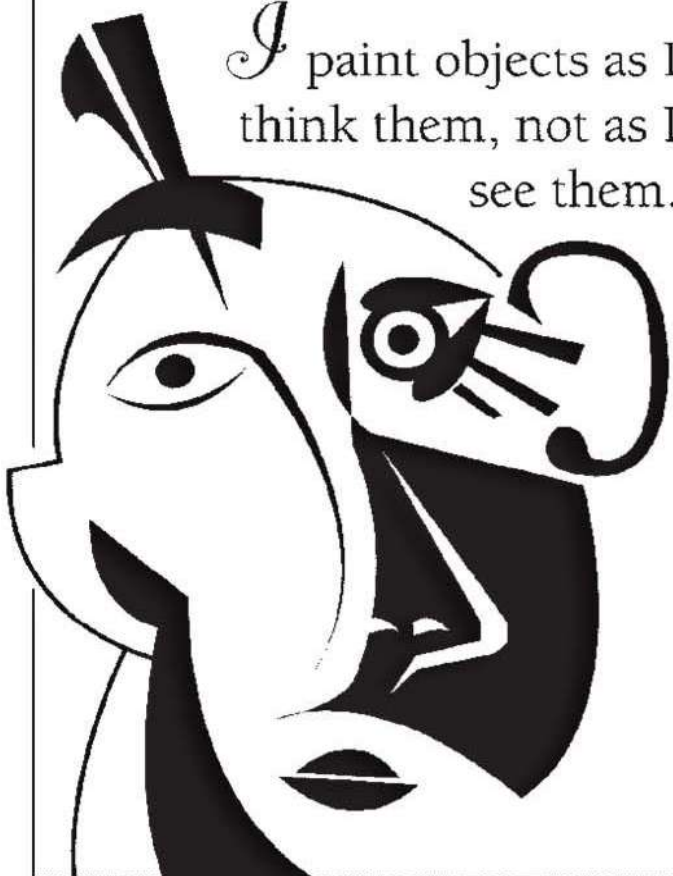
Trivia Test Answers

Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



THE OBSERVATION DECK

I paint objects as I think them, not as I see them.



PABLO PICASSO

Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

- Those having received at least one shot of the COVID-19 vaccine were eligible for a free marijuana joint in New York City and Washington, D.C., thanks to "Joints for Jobs." The organization behind the 4/20 event hoped to help counter vaccine hesitancy.

- The first lawnmower was an adapted carpet-cutting machine.

- Theodore Seuss Geisel dropped out of Oxford before getting his Ph.D. and called himself Dr. Seuss as a nod to his father.

- The four-penny coffin was one of the first homeless shelters created for the people of central London by the Salvation Army during the late 19th and early 20th centuries. For that amount, they received food and shelter, and could sleep in a coffin-shaped wooden box with a tarp.

- When you snap a whip, that sound you hear is the whip breaking the sound barrier.

- In 2015, a fan of the Australian band Peking Duk got backstage at their concert by adding himself as a family member on their Wiki page and showing it to security. The duo wasn't upset, however, noting that they "ended up having a bunch of beers with him and he was an absolute legend."

- Swedish wasn't the official language of Sweden until 2009.

- The phrase "take something with a grain of salt" refers to an ancient Roman recipe for an antidote that protects against poisons.

- Phobophobia is the fear of phobias, or the fear of fear.

- Lee Hadwin "sleepdraws" gorgeous works of art, of which he has no recollection afterward. He has been drawing in his sleep since he was 4 years old.

- The ancient Aztecs believed that Techichis, forerunners of today's Chihuahua, would absorb their owners' sins while escorting them to the afterlife.



LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) This is a good week to get advice on your plans. But don't act on them until you feel sure that you've been told everything you need to know to support your move.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Be careful. You might be probing just a little too deeply into a situation that you find singularly suspicious. The facts you seek will begin to emerge at a later time.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) This is a good week to make new friends and to look for new career challenges. But first, get all those unfinished tasks wrapped up and out of the way.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Relationships need a fresh infusion of tender, loving care. Avoid potential problems down the line. Stay close to loved ones as the month draws to a close.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Aspects favor relationships, whether platonic, professional or personal. On another note: Be a mite more thrifty. You might need some extra money very soon.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) This is the absolute right time to let those often-hidden talents shine their brightest. You'll impress some very important people with what you can do.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are impelled by a need to find truth, no matter how elusive. You would make a wonderful research scientist or an intrepid detective.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Mars, your ruling planet, begins a journey that will open up a growing number of possibilities. Put that surging Arian energy to good use and explore it to your heart's content.

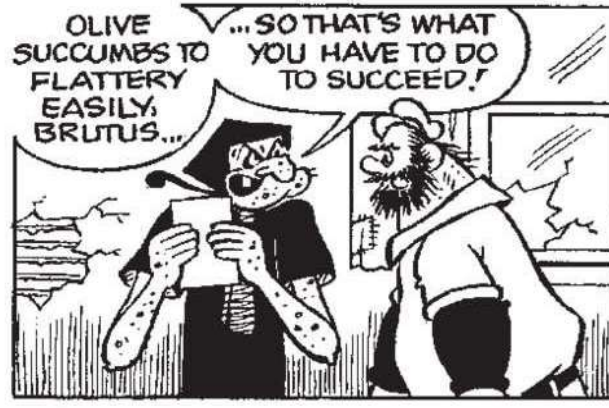
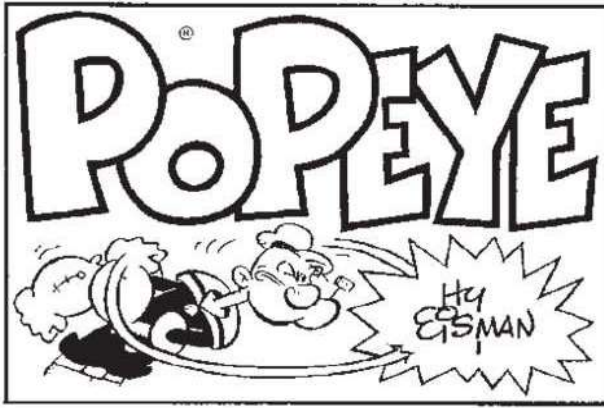
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) This is the time to prepare for a career move coming up next month. Update your resume. Get those proposals in shape. And don't forget to buff up that Bovine self-confidence.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your Gemini instincts will guide you to the right people who might be able to help you get over that career impasse that has been holding you back. Expect to make changes.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You're getting closer, but you still have a ways to go before reaching your goals. Continue to stay focused, no matter how difficult it can be for the easily distracted Moon Child.

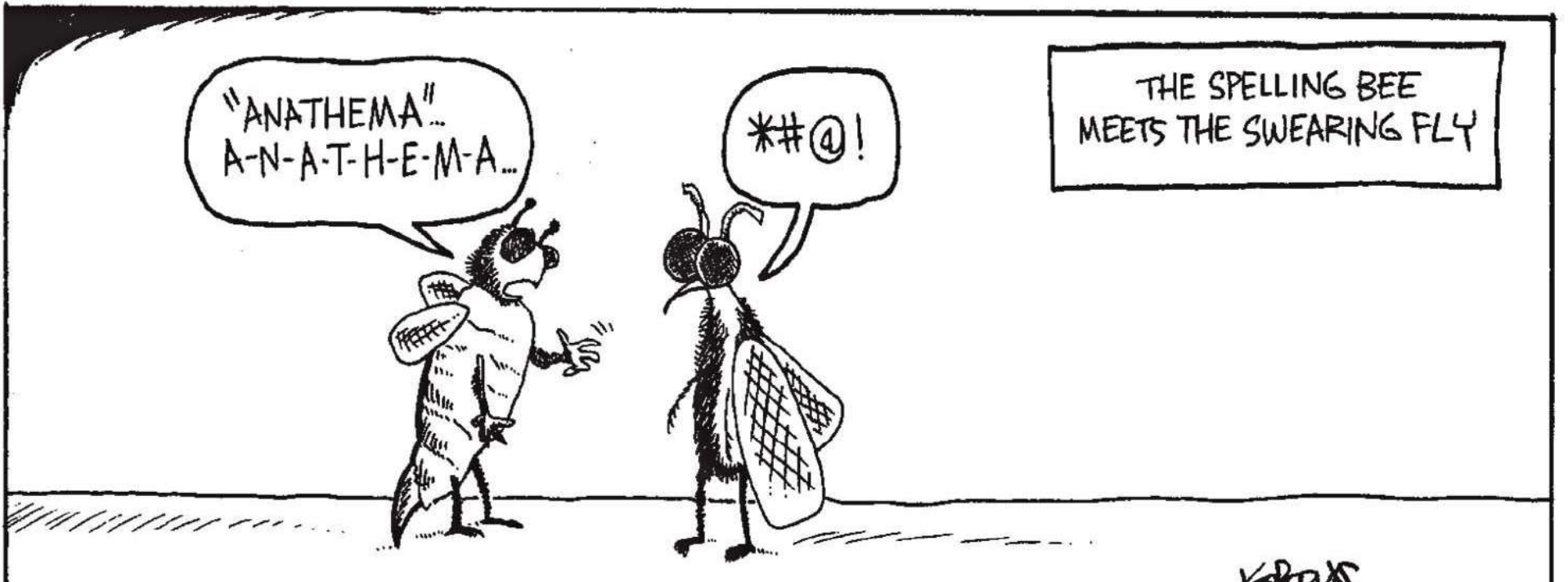
LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your Leonine pride might be keeping you from getting to the source of a disturbing situation. Don't be shy about asking questions. Remember: Information is power.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) It's a good time to shake up your tidy little world by doing something spontaneous, like taking an unplanned



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



POPE'S JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION: FOR GIFT OF DIVERSITY IN THE CHURCH



Pope Francis releases his prayer intention for the month of January, and invites Christians to embrace the diversity of charisms in the Church as a richness.

By Devin Watkins

(Vatican News)

“Let us pray that the Spirit help us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian communities, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions within the Catholic Church.”

As the new year got underway, Pope Francis released a video to accompany his prayer intention for the month of January 2024, during which Christians celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, on 18-25 January.

In the video, the Pope urged Christians to unite our prayers to his “for the gift of diversity

in the Church,” since diversity is an opportunity to “rejoice”.

He noted that diversity and unity were already present in the early Christian communities, adding that the tension brought about by diversity “had to be resolved on a higher level.”

Gift of God for the Church

However, said the Pope, diversity in the Church includes our brothers and sisters of different Christian confessions.

“To move forward on the journey of faith, we also need ecumenical dialogue with our brothers and sisters of other confessions and Christian communities,” he said. “This is not something confusing or disturbing, but is a gift God gives to the Christian community so it might grow as one body, the Body of Christ.”

Pope Francis offered the example of the diversity of rites within the Eastern Churches that are in communion with Rome.



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“They have their own traditions, their own characteristic liturgical rites, yet they maintain the unity of the faith,” he said. “They strengthen it, not divide it.”

United by the Holy Spirit

In conclusion, the Holy Father recalled that all Christian unity comes to us as a gift of the Holy Spirit.

“If we are guided by the Holy Spirit, abundance, variety, and diversity never cause conflict,” he said. “The Holy Spirit reminds us first and foremost that we are children loved by God - everyone equal in God's love, and everyone different.”

“Let us pray that the Spirit help us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian communities, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions within the Catholic Church.”

Cross as symbol of Christian unity in diversity

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network, which produces each month's The Pope Video, released a press statement to accompany the Holy Father's intention.

It noted that the Cross represents the common thread of this month's video, describing it as a symbol of unity and diversity.

“It is much more than an object of devotion,” read the communique. “In short, it is the mystery of love under which all Christians stand, regardless of their confession, tradition, and rite.”



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Company Number: 1998762

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Dated: 27 December 2023
Rachael Pape
For and on behalf of Anton Goldstein and Rachael Pape
As Joint Liquidators
[32/8]

BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004) LANDSLIDE SERVICES INC.
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 21st day of December, 2023, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidators is: - **Wayne Francis Of Nerine Chambers, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands**
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(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1607463

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Dated: December 28, 2023
(Sgd.) **Nelcia St. Jean**
Voluntary Liquidator
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(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 225263

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Voluntary Liquidator
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(In Voluntary Liquidation)
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Dated: 28th day of December 2023
(Sgd.) **Philippa V O'Sullivan**
Voluntary Liquidator
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Company No. 1850931

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Voluntary Liquidator [32/13]

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(In Voluntary Liquidation)
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Voluntary Liquidator [32/14]

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Voluntary Liquidator
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Voluntary Liquidator
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Voluntary Liquidator
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Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act. 2004 Solution Finder Ltd.
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1920227

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 27th day of December, 2023. The liquidator is **Philippa V. O' Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**
Dated: 28th day of December 2023
(Sgd.) **Philippa V. O'Sullivan**
Voluntary Liquidator
[32/18]

CTG Evergreen Investment XIX Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 1879390

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 28th day of December, 2023.
Dated this 28th day of December, 2023
Sgd. Brian Jackson

Brian Jackson
Voluntary Liquidator [32/19]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act. Solace Labs Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 2094462

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 December 28th, 2023. The Liquidator is **Nelcia St. Jean** with an address at 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.
Dated: December 28th, 2023
(Sgd.) **Nelcia St. Jean**
Voluntary Liquidator
[32/20]

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Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.
DIGITAL FAITH INTERNATIONAL LIMITED
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 476728
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. Voluntary liquidation commenced on December 28th, 2023. The Liquidator is **Nelcia St. Jean** with an address at 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.
 Dated: December 28th, 2023
(Sgd.) Nelcia St. Jean
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/21]

STRUCK OFF
Liquidator's Final Notice
COULSON HOLDINGS MANAGEMENT LIMITED
 ("the Company")
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 369524
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 21st December 2023.
 Dated 27th December 2023
Carmine Bailey
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/22]

STRUCK OFF
Liquidator's Final Notice
SCANBYTE HOLDINGS LIMITED
 ("the Company")
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 1678310
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 21st December 2023.
 Dated 27th December 2023
Carmine Bailey
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/23]

APPOINTMENT
LAKESPUR MANAGEMENT LIMITED
 ("the Company")
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 580015
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that: **Lakespur Management Limited** is in voluntary liquidation. The date of commencement of liquidation is 22nd December 2023. The liquidator is **Carmine Bailey of Kendall Corporate Services Limited, 2nd Floor Abbott Building, 87 Main Street, Waterfront Drive, P.O. Box 3169; PMB198, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**
 Dated 27th December 2023
Carmine Bailey
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/24]

APPOINTMENT
ABBOTTSVALE LIMITED
 ("the Company")
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 654747
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that: **Abbotsvale Limited** is in voluntary liquidation. The date of commencement of liquidation is 21st December 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 27th December 2023
Carmine Bailey
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/25]

APPOINTMENT
TADDEO HOLDINGS LIMITED
 ("the Company")
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 1052239
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **Taddeo Holdings Limited** is in voluntary liquidation. The date of commencement of liquidation is 21st December 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 27th December 2023
Carmine Bailey
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/26]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004
CHANSON PRIVATE EQUITY INC.
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 1880949
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 29th day of December, 2023. The liquidator is **Philippa V O' Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**
 Dated: 29th day of December 2023
(Sgd.) Philippa V O'Sullivan
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/27]

INFOLOGIX (BVI) LIMITED
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company Number 363435
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 29th day of December, 2023.
 Dated this 29th day of December, 2023
Sgd. Brian Jackson

Brian Jackson
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/28]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.
HOBY INTERNATIONAL LIMITED
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 530298
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 December 28th, 2023. The Liquidator is **Nelcia St. Jean with an address at 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**
 Dated: December 29th, 2023
(Sgd.) Nelcia St. Jean
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/29]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.
UK Hotel Holdings (BVI) Limited
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 524640
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 December 28th, 2023. The Liquidator is **Nelcia St. Jean with an address at 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**
 Dated: December 29th, 2023
(Sgd.) Nelcia St. Jean
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/30]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act
Makira SP6 Limited
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company Number: 1774770
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204(1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 29 December 2023. The Joint Liquidators are **Anton Goldstein and Rachael Pape of Conyers Dill & Pearman, Commerce House, Wickhams Cay 1, P.O. Box 3140, Road Town, Tortola, VG1110, British Virgin Islands.**
 Dated: 29 December 2023
Rachael Pape
 For and on behalf of Anton Goldstein and Rachael Pape
 As Joint Liquidators
 [32/31]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.
DPEX LTD
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 2121695
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 December 29th, 2023. The Liquidator is **Nelcia St. Jean with an address at 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**
 Dated: January 2nd, 2024
(Sgd.) Nelcia St. Jean
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/32]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.
SANDY HOLLOW GROUP 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 29th December, 2023. The Liquidator is **Mr. Meade Malone, with address at Geneva Place, 2nd Floor, #333 Waterfront Drive, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**
 Dated: 29th December, 2023.
(Sgd.) Meade Malone
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/33]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004
Yong Feng Holding Limited
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 1907154
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 2nd day of January 2024.
 Dated: 2nd January 2024
(Sgd.) Philippa O'Sullivan
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/34]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004
China Xinhui Holding Limited
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 2032546
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 27th day of December, 2023.
 Dated: 27th December 2023
(Sgd.) Philippa O'Sullivan
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/35]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004
ANHUA GROUP HOLDINGS COMPANY LIMITED
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 1684408
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 29th day of December, 2023.
 Dated: 29th day of December, 2023
(Sgd.) Philippa O'Sullivan
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/36]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004
Everest Investment No.8 Limited
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 2067268
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 22nd day of December, 2023.
 Dated: 22nd December 2023
(Sgd.) Philippa O'Sullivan
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/37]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004
TAO HAO Investment Company Limited
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 2089354
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 22nd day of December, 2023.
 Dated: 22nd December 2023
(Sgd.) Philippa O'Sullivan
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/38]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004
IBL Development Limited
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 2091269
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 22nd day of December, 2023.
 Dated: 22nd December 2023
(Sgd.) Philippa O'Sullivan
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/39]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004
IMC Apex Holding Limited
 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
 Company No. 2089361
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 22nd day of December, 2023.
 Dated: 22nd December 2023
(Sgd.) Philippa O'Sullivan
 Voluntary Liquidator
 [32/40]

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

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 2033011
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 28th day of December, 2023.
Dated: 28th December 2023
(Sgd.) *Philippa O'Sullivan*
Voluntary Liquidator [32/41]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.
Eternal Light Holding Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 2051652
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 28th day of December, 2023. The liquidator is *Philippa O'Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.*
Dated: 28th December, 2023
(Sgd.) *Philippa O'Sullivan*
Voluntary Liquidator [32/42]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.
Glorious Regality Holding Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 2052942
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 28th day of December, 2023. The liquidator is *Philippa O'Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.*
Dated: 28th December, 2023
(Sgd.) *Philippa O'Sullivan*
Voluntary Liquidator [32/43]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.
Snowball Wealth Management Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 2078592
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 28th day of December, 2023. The liquidator is *Philippa O'Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.*
Dated: 28th December, 2023
(Sgd.) *Philippa O'Sullivan*
Voluntary Liquidator [32/44]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.
ATech (BVI) Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 2118441
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 27th day of December, 2023. The liquidator is *Philippa O'Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.*
Dated: 27th December, 2023
(Sgd.) *Philippa O'Sullivan*
Voluntary Liquidator [32/45]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.
CPS Holding Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 2061277
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 27th day of December, 2023. The liquidator is *Philippa O'Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.*
Dated: 27th December, 2023
(Sgd.) *Philippa O'Sullivan*
Voluntary Liquidator [32/46]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.
UNIWISE Chemical Group Co., Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1707550
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 22nd day of December, 2023. The liquidator is *Philippa O'Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.*
Dated: 22nd December, 2023
(Sgd.) *Philippa O'Sullivan*
Voluntary Liquidator [32/47]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.
Martinon Services Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1712226
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 December 2, 2024
Dated: December 2, 2024
(Sgd.) *Nelcia St. Jean*
Voluntary Liquidator [32/48]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act. 2004
Batten Global International Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1975366
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 29th December, 2023. The liquidator is *Philippa V. O'Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola VG1110, British Virgin Islands.*
Dated: 29th December, 2023
Sgd. Philippa V. O'Sullivan
Voluntary Liquidator [32/49]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
WEB CAPITAL INC.

("the Company")
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 2nd January, 2024; under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-
Joan Johnson
Nerine Chambers
P.O. Box 905 Quastisky Building
Road Town, Tortola, VG 1110
British Virgin Islands
[32/50]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 203 of the BVI Business Company Act.
TALENT ZONE MANAGEMENT LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 2060367
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 2 January 2024. The Liquidator is *Harry J. Thompson of Captiva Global Ltd., Harbour House, P.O. Box 4428, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.*
Dated 3 January 2024
(Sgd.) *Harry J. Thompson*
Voluntary Liquidator(s) [32/51]

Birdaggio Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1855503

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 28 December 2023.
Dated 3 January 2024
(Sgd.) *Harry J. Thompson*
Voluntary Liquidator(s) [32/52]

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

Forthright International Holdings Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1923352
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 3rd January, 2024.
Dated: 3rd day of January 2024
(Sgd.) *Philippa V O'Sullivan*
Voluntary Liquidator [32/53]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act. 2004
PB Holding Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 2082904
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 3rd January, 2024.
Dated: 3rd day of January 2024
(Sgd.) *Philippa V O'Sullivan*
Voluntary Liquidator [32/54]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act
Elitestek Holdings Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number: 2112433
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204(1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 2 January 2024. The Joint Liquidators are *Anton Goldstein and Rachael Pape of Conyers Dill & Pearman, Commerce House, Wickhams Cay 1, P.O. Box 3140, Road Town, Tortola, VG1110, British Virgin Islands.*
Dated: 2 January 2024
Rachael Pape
For and on behalf of Anton Goldstein and Rachael Pape
As Joint Liquidators [32/55]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act. 2004
BROKWOOD FINANCE LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1393522
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 3rd day of January, 2024. The liquidator is *Philippa O' Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.*
Dated: 3rd day of January 2024
(Sgd.) *Philippa O'Sullivan*
Voluntary Liquidator [32/56]

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

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 12th day of December, 2023, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidators is:-
Joan Johnson
Nerine Chambers,
Quastisky Building
P.O. Box 905
Road Town, Tortola,
British Virgin Islands
VG 1110
[32/57]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)
SKY JET GLOBAL LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 29th day of December 2023; under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck from the Register. The Liquidators is:-
Joan Johnson
Nerine Chambers,
Quastisky Building
P.O. Box 905
Road Town, Tortola,
British Virgin Islands
VG1110
[32/58]

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

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 29th day of December 2023; under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck from the Register. The Liquidators is:-
Joan Johnson
Nerine Chambers,
Quastisky Building
P.O. Box 905
Road Town, Tortola,
British Virgin Islands
VG1110
[32/59]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.
FRAYTON GLOBAL LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 2091421
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 January 3rd, 2024. The Liquidator is *Nelcia St. Jean with an address at 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.*
Dated: January 3rd, 2024
(Sgd.) *Nelcia St. Jean*
Voluntary Liquidator [32/60]

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NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)
Peleideum Inc.
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 14th day of December 2023, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:- **Joan Johnson** of c/o Sertus Chambers, P.O. Box 905, Quastisky Building, Road Town, Tortola VG 1110, British Virgin Islands [32/61]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)
Joy Stride Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 14th day of December 2023, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:- **Joan Johnson** of c/o Sertus Chambers, P.O. Box 905, Quastisky Building, Road Town, Tortola VG 1110, British Virgin Islands [32/62]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)
Beautiful Angel Holdings Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 19th day of December 2023, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:- **Joan Johnson** of c/o Sertus Chambers, P.O. Box 905, Quastisky Building, Road Town, Tortola VG 1110, British Virgin Islands [32/63]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)
T Garden Holdings Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 20th day of December 2023, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:- **Joan Johnson** of c/o Sertus Chambers, P.O. Box 905, Quastisky Building, Road Town, Tortola VG 1110, British Virgin Islands [32/64]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)
Invech Holdings Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 28th day of December 2023, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:- **Joan Johnson** of c/o Sertus Chambers, P.O. Box 905, Quastisky Building, Road Town, Tortola VG 1110, British Virgin Islands [32/65]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)
Nowdayee LDJ Holdings Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 28th day of December 2023, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:- **Joan Johnson** of c/o Sertus Chambers, P.O. Box 905, Quastisky Building, Road Town, Tortola VG 1110, British Virgin Islands [32/66]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)
Nowdayee ZHH Holdings Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 28th day of December 2023, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:- **Joan Johnson** of c/o Sertus Chambers, P.O. Box 905, Quastisky Building, Road Town, Tortola VG 1110, British Virgin Islands [32/67]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)
ASIA ALLY HOLDINGS LIMITED
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 02nd day of January 2024, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:- **Joan Johnson** of c/o Sertus Chambers, P.O. Box 905, Quastisky Building, Road Town, Tortola VG 1110, British Virgin Islands [32/68]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act
Agroland Investments Chiriqui Ltd.
(IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)
Company No. 1921198
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 4th July 2023. The Liquidator is **Myron Walwyn** of 2nd Floor Jayla Place, P.O. Box 216, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110. Dated 5th day of July 2023 (Sgd) **Myron Walwyn** Voluntary Liquidator [32/69]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act
Fourbac 2 International Ltd.
(IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)
Company No. 2110776
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 2nd January 2024. The Liquidator is **Myron Walwyn** of 2nd Floor Jayla Place, P.O. Box 216, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110. Dated 2nd day of January 2024 (Sgd) **Myron Walwyn** Voluntary Liquidator [32/70]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act
GSM INVESTMENTS LTD.
(IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)
Company No. 2107824
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 2nd January 2024. The Liquidator is **Myron Walwyn** of 2nd Floor Jayla Place, P.O. Box 216, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110. Dated 2nd day of January 2024 (Sgd) **Myron Walwyn** Voluntary Liquidator [43/71]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.
CREYVORD BUSINESS INC.
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 2091426
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. Voluntary liquidation commenced on January 3rd, 2024. The Liquidator is **Nelcia St. Jean** with an address at 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. Dated: January 3rd, 2024 (Sgd.) **Nelcia St. Jean** Voluntary Liquidator [32/72]

**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
(PROBATE)
VIRGIN ISLANDS**
BVIHPB 2023/
**In the Estate of KWAI, KUI MAN late of No. 30 Cedar Drive,
The Redhill Peninsula, 18 Pak Pat Shan Road, Tai Tam,
Hong Kong, deceased**
ADVERTISEMENT (RESEALING)
Notice is given that after the expiration of 8 days application will be made to the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the resealing of the Grant of Letters of Administration of the Estate of KWAI, KUI MAN late of No. 30 Cedar Drive, The Redhill Peninsula, 18 Pak Pat Shan Road, Tai Tam, Hong Kong, deceased was granted by the High Court of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Court of First Instance on 11th July, 2023.
Signed: **SAMUELS RICHARDSON & CO**
Legal Practitioners for the Personal Representatives
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**IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
VIRGIN ISLANDS
(PROBATE)**
BVIHPB2024/0003
**IN THE ESTATE OF LYDIA HODGE-PICKERING ALSO
KNOWN AS LYDIA PICKERING, LATE OF FORT HILL,
TORTOLA, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS,
DECEASED**
TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by Francois Felesque Smith of Tortola, British Virgin Islands and Atlanta, Georgia in the United States of America for a Grant of Probate of the Will of the above named deceased who died on the 25th day of November 2023 without revoking a Will bearing the date of the 3rd day of April 2023 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 2nd day of January 2024.
**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. is:-
ZHENG Jie of Room 405, Building 7, No. 13, Nonglin Road, Shenzhen, Guangdong, China**
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PUBLIC NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS (PROBATE)

IN THE ESTATE OF BORIS PESKO, DECEASED

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to section 28 of the Trustee Ordinance of the Laws of the Virgin Islands Revised Edition 1991 (Cap 303) that any person having a claim against or an interest in the estate of BORIS PESKO, deceased, late of 6 Mome Kapora Str., Belgrade, Serbia, domiciled in Switzerland who died on the 23rd day of October 2021 (the Deceased), is hereby required to send particulars in writing of his or her claim or interest to Harney Westwood & Riegels of Craigmuir Chambers, P. O. Box 71 Road Town, Tortola British Virgin Islands (Attention: Myles Chingara), the Solicitors acting for FAROUK ABDULLA, the Administrator and Trustee of the Deceased's estate, and to send such particulars not later than 28th day of February 2024 after which date the said Administrator will distribute the estate among the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and interests of which he has had notice and will not, in respect to the property so distributed, be liable to any person of whose claim he shall not then have notice.

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

In the Estate of WOO, KING WAI DAVID late of 5A & Penthouse, Guildford Garden, 1 – 3 Mansfield Road, Hong Kong, deceased

Notice is given that after the expiration of 8 days application will be made to the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the resealing of the grant of probate of the estate of WOO, KING WAI DAVID late of 5A & Penthouse, Guildford Garden, 1 – 3 Mansfield Road, Hong Kong granted by the High Court of Hong Kong, Probate Jurisdiction, on the 21st day of September 2023.

Signed: Walkers
Attorney-at-Law for Administrator
171 Main Street
Road Town, Tortola
British Virgin Islands
VG 1110

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Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act. FREYKORD LIMITED (In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2091507

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 January 3, 2024. The Liquidator is **Nelcia St. Jean**, with address at 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

Dated: January 4, 2024.
(Sgd.) Nelcia St. Jean
Voluntary Liquidator
[32/73]

Liquor Licence Renewal Fees To Be Paid At Inland Revenue

Persons and businesses who have made an application to the Magistrate's Court to renew liquor licences during the December 1, 2023 sitting are hereby notified that they can now make the respective payments at the Inland Revenue Department.

Persons are advised that this notice is only applicable to businesses and persons that applied for renewal during the December 1 sitting.

Multi-Hazard Alert System Test Calendar For 2024 Available

Virgin Islands residents are encouraged to download and become familiar with the schedule of tests of the National Early Warning Multi-hazard Alert System for 2024.

Early warning sirens and other elements of the system are generally tested on the fourth Friday of each month. Public action is not required during testing, but residents are encouraged to test family or business contingency plans.

THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE VIRGIN ISLANDS COMMERCIAL DIVISION

Claim No. BVIHC (COM) 2023/0233

In the matter of CELLVERA LIMITED AND IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 2003

BETWEEN

G RESPONSE AID FZCO

Applicant

CELLVERA LIMITED

Respondent

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application for the appointment of a liquidator has been made in respect of CELLVERA LIMITED whose registered office is at c/o Ocorian Corporate Services (BVI) Limited, Jayla Place, Wickhams Cay 1, Road Town, Tortola, VG1110, British Virgin Islands.

The Applicant is G RESPONSE AID FZCO.

The application was filed on 5 December 2023. It will be heard by the Judge of the Commercial Court, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, sitting in the Commercial Courtroom Upstairs, Main Street, Tortola, British Virgin Islands on Monday, 15 January 2024 (at a time to be confirmed in the Final Commercial Court List).

Any person intending to appear at the hearing of the application, whether to support or oppose the application, must give notice to the Applicant or their legal practitioners in accordance with Rule 162 by 4.00 pm on Friday, 12 January 2024.

Travers Thorp Alberga
Legal Practitioners
for the Applicant
2nd Floor, Jayla Place,
P.O. Box 216,
Road Town,
Tortola, British Virgin Islands

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PUBLIC NOTICES

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

In the Estate SÔNIA THEREZINHA DE SOUSA RAMOS VETTORAZZO late of AV Selma Parada 201 CD Office an 5 andar SA 451 JD Madalena, 13091-904 Campinas, SP, Brazil, deceased

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by ROBERTA DE SOUS RAMOS VETTORAZZO also known as ROBERTA SOUSA RAMOS VETTORAZZO MARCONDES of R Cambui 401 LT 8 QD 01 CDO Alphaville, 13098-311, Campinas SP, Brazil, for a Grant of Letters of Administration of the above named deceased who died intestate on the 20th day of April 2023.

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

Dated this 18th day of December 2023.

Filed by Walkers Attorneys-at Law whose address for service is

171 Main Street
Road Town, Tortola
British Virgin Islands
VG 1110
[32]

STRUCK OFF

KK Holdings Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1674620

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 December 28, 2023.

Dated 3 January 2024
(Sgd.) Christopher Simpson
O'Neal Webster
Voluntary Liquidator(s)
[32/74]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004
Dan Thai Real Estate Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1007774

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 4 th day of January, 2024. The liquidator is

Philippa O' Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town,
Tortola, British Virgin Islands.
Dated: 4 th day of January 2024
(Sgd.) Philippa O'Sullivan
Voluntary Liquidator
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THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
VIRGIN ISLANDS

In the Estate of Ng, Ka Ying (吳家英) late of No. 9 Braga Circuit, Homantin, Kowloon, Hong Kong, Deceased

FORM 16: ADVERTISEMENT (RESEALING)

Notice is given that after the expiration of 8 days application will be made to the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the resealing of the probate of Ng, Ka Ying (吳家英) late of No. 9 Braga Circuit, Homantin, Kowloon, Hong Kong, deceased, granted by the High Court of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Court of First Instance on the 8th day of December 2023.

Filed by Conyers Dill and Pearman, Solicitors for the Applicant, Commerce House, Wickhams Cay 1, P.O. Box 3140, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands VG1110. Tel: 1 (284) 852 1000 Fax: 1 (284) 1001 Email: Anna.Lin@conyers.com, Allana-Joseph@conyers.com

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POLICE NEWS

ARREST BLOTTER

NOVEMBER 27 to DECEMBER 30, 2023

BURGLARY

On 20-12-2023 at 2200hrs, Police arrested and charged Keanus Smart, 18 of The Valley, Virgin Gorda with Burglary.

THEFT

1. On 28-11-2023 at 1640hrs, Police arrested and charged David George, 56, of Manchester with Theft. He was granted bail in the sum of \$5,000 to appear at the Magistrate's Court on 07/12- 2023.

2. On 28-11-2023 at 1723hrs, Police arrested and charged Keven Wallace, 37, of Manchester with Theft. He was granted bail in the sum of \$5,000 to appear at the Magistrate's Court on 07/12- 2023.

3. On 12-12-2023 at 1738hrs, Police arrested and charged Luz Sanchez, 45, of Nottingham Estate with sixteen counts of Theft. She was granted bail in the sum of \$150,000 to appear at the Magistrate's Court on 15-12-2023.

ASSAULT OCCASIONING ACTUAL BODILY HARM

1. On 27-11-23 at 1750hrs, Police arrested and charged Devender Chitnarine, 30, of East End for Assault Occasioning Actual Bodily Harm. He was granted bail in the sum of \$5,000 to appear at the Magistrate's Court on 25-01-2024.

2. On 16-12-2023 at 1655hrs, Police arrested and charged Shakira Flax, 21, of Purcell Estate for Assault Occasioning Actual Bodily Harm and two counts of Criminal Damage. She was granted bail in the sum of \$5,000.

INFLICTING GREVIOUS BODILY HARM


On 11-12-2023 at 2149hrs, Police arrested and charged Peter Rege, 55 of Paraquita Bay with two counts of Inflicting Grievous Bodily Harm. He was granted bail in the sum of \$10,000 to appear at the Magistrate's Court on 01-02-2024.

POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED DRUG


On 14-12-2023 at 1604hrs, Police arrested and charged Odai Abdulsalam, 28, of The Valley, Virgin Gorda with four counts of Possession of a Controlled Drug and two counts of Possession of a Controlled Drug with Intent to Supply. He was granted bail in the sum of \$5,000 to appear at the Magistrate's Court on 24-01-2024.

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- Before using your LPG cylinder, check the valve and other joints to make sure there is no leakage
 - Keep your cylinder in a vertical position with the valve on top
 - Install cylinder at ground level on flat surface
 - Replace rusty cylinders
 - Keep cylinder away from electrical sources, air conditioners and switch boxes
 - Ensure regulators to be used on cylinder are the same diameter as the cylinder valve
 - Check your lines once a year, many leaks are due to corrosion

DON'TS

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- DO NOT ever install your cylinder near any heat source or exposed to sun, rain, dust and heat.
 - DO NOT place cylinder inside a closed compartment.
 - DO NOT fill up above the 85% fill mark. You must leave 'dead space' to allow for the expansion of LPG from liquid state to gaseous.

IMPORTANT NOTE IN CASE OF LEAKAGE

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- Open all doors and windows.
 - Turn OFF the regulator.
 - Call a qualified inspector.
 - DO NOT switch ON/OFF any electrical equipment inside the house.
 - DO NOT light matches, lighter or stove.



A message from the Department of Disaster Management and Sol

Are hair loss treatments just one big scam?

The hair loss industry is not one that inspires great confidence in most people. I have to admit this is perfectly understandable given the damage caused by the many rogues and charlatans who have abused the trust of far too many vulnerable people - people who have received worthless and even dangerous products or advice in exchange for their hard earned cash. The end result is the prevalence of a stigma that the industry is hard pressed to shake off.

But is this perception really justified nowadays? Are there no genuine treatments that sufferers can turn to in a bid to treat the ravages of premature hair loss? The simple answer is YES, there are several safe, affordable, acces-

sible and effective hair loss treatments currently available. Some have even been approved by FDA for the treatment of hair loss conditions while others draw on natural remedies as the basis for commercially available products. Whether or not any of them are suitable for a given individual depends on a number of important factors.

First and foremost, every individual must determine the exact cause or causes of his or her hair loss. This may appear to be an over-simplistic

statement but the truth is, most people undergoing a course of treatment for hair loss have proceeded on the basis of self-diagnosis. Given the fact that premature or excessive hair loss is often associated with underlying

position to choose a suitable form of treatment. This may range from the prescription of drugs aimed at balancing disrupted hormone levels to the topical application of minoxidil to reduce the symptoms of male pattern baldness.

Hair loss may be caused by many factors including changing hormone levels, illness, stress, overuse of strong chemicals, excessive traction, poor grooming practices, side effects of medical treatment, poor nutrition, weak immune system and the effects of aging. The good news is, all of these can be tackled with reasonable hope of success but only if you choose the right treatment.

The next article in this series will look closely at the various causes of excessive hair loss and outline suggested treatments that are

both affordable and accessible. If you take only two things from this article, please take these suggestions on board:

1. **Always seek the advice of your physician before undergoing a hair loss treatment regime.**

2. Don't despair, there's often a simple explanation for excessive hair loss and even hereditary loss or male pattern-type baldness can be treated successfully for most people nowadays.



Before

After

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medical conditions, this is perhaps not the most sensible course of action.

My advice in all cases is to seek the guidance of a qualified medical practitioner because the consequences of not doing so may be serious in a small number of cases. Even where all the evidence points to the onset of hereditary male pattern baldness it would probably be best to seek advice, if only to rule out other factors.

Once the cause of hair loss has been properly diagnosed you will be in a



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