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participant #1

Age: 17
Horoscope: Libra
Hobby: Swimming,
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Carolin Coffie
participant #2

Age: 17
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Marionelis Serberie
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Voting Is Open on Facebook for Miss Tourism Internet Bonaire 2018

Last month Tourism Corporation Bonaire (TCB) launched a Facebook page, “**Miss Tourism Bonaire**,” to allow everyone with a Facebook account to vote for one of the four candidates for Miss Tourism Internet Bonaire 2018 as part of the Miss Tourism Bonaire pageant. It’s a lot more than a beauty pageant. Every candidate is getting an education about Bonaire and its relationship with tourism. Additionally they have received tutoring in government, public speaking, recreational activities and island sports.

You can “Facebook like” the picture of the participant whom you would want to win **Miss Internet Bonaire 2018**. Each picture has some information of the participants.

You have to put your “like” on the official picture of the participant, not on a picture that was shared.

Voting ends on Friday June 1st, 2018, and Saturday June 2nd, 2018, the winner of Miss Internet Bonaire 2018 will be announced during the Miss Tourism Bonaire 2018 pageant which will take place at Courtyard by Marriott starting at 8:30pm sharp.

Tickets for the gala event are available for \$25 and can be purchased at TCB or from the participants. If tickets are still available they will be sold at the door for \$30. Remember, tickets are limited.

The show theme is: “**Bonaire Blue Destination Fantasy.**”



Bonaire is the punching bag being pummeled in the fight between ConocoPhillips and PdVSA. The island may jobs as well as having its fuel supply cut off because of a decades-old financial dispute between the two giant oil companies. **ConocoPhillips** has attached the contents, and perhaps even the BOPEC facility itself, to collect a \$2 billion debt the courts awarded it. **PdVSA** said that it will not allow delivery of additional heavy power plant oil (HFO) to supply Bonaire's **generators.** But Courts in Curacao and Bonaire have partially lifted the attachments in the interests of the islands' people according to a copy of the documents.

Bonaire's power provider **Contour Global** burns about 10,000 barrels of oil a month to provide electricity to **WEB.** On May 7, ConocoPhillips lifted the attachment on Bopec tank 1912, which Contour Global leases and is delivered by pipe to its facility.

PdVSA's assets are also being seized elsewhere in the world, reports Reuters news agency; in Hong Kong, England and in America

[Background: Venezuelan state oil company PdVSA has halted Caribbean tanker and storage operations following an attempt by ConocoPhillips to seize its assets there. The company is diverting ships to its main crude terminal, Jose, on the eastern coast, while recalling vessels to its own waters to avoid arrests, Reuters reported.

"We are no longer storing or shipping oil from the Caribbean islands. We are now mostly depending on Jose," a PdVSA source said.

Five owned and leased storage facilities on Aruba, Bonaire, Curacao and St Eustatius handled around 24% of Venezuela's total exports last year.

ConocoPhillips moved against assets on Bonaire, Curacao and St Eustatius in order to enforce a \$2bn arbitration ruling related to the nationalization of its joint ventures in Venezuela.]

► As a socially responsible consumer association, UNKOBON, Bonaire's Consumer's Union does not just want to act as a watchdog in response to what is always going wrong. UNKOBON wants to contribute to possible solutions. **A starting point might be to focus on the production of electricity.**

They contend that electricity can be produced much less expensively than is done today. Bonaire is lagging behind the other BES islands in terms of a solar electricity supply. On Saba and Statia, solar panels are employed on a large scale along with back-up batteries. During the daylight hours the solar cells and the back-up batteries supply the energy to the islands. As the solar and battery power wanes diesel generators are started, which provide electricity at night. The diesel engines are then turned off again the next morning.

According to UNKOBON experience shows that designing, planning, installing and operating a solar panel park takes less than a year. The reverse osmosis systems that extract fresh water from sea water can be operated exclusively on solar power and store the water for nighttime, making the production of water much cheaper.

Bonaire already has 13 windmills, which can provide energy day and night at a cost of around \$0.10 per kWh, including the costs of the back-up batteries. As of 1 January 2018, electricity on Bonaire cost \$0.23 per kWh using a combination of wind and diesel (almost \$0.21 for the combination of diesel and wind from Contour Global and \$0.37 for the production by WEB), plus distribution costs.

-Consumer costs can rise with little warning. The current subsidy from the Netherlands is only temporary.

-Because The Netherlands does not meet the climate change carbon targets, solar/wind production on Bonaire can help to meet the country's objectives.

-The production contract with Contour Global (CG) expires in a few years. Experts have said CG's maintenance procedures are poor and little improvement in efficiency is expected. The back-up batteries, to smooth the varying output of the wind/diesel combination, are said to have been defunct for years.



► **Winair, the other Dutch Caribbean money-making airline,** will add Bonaire and Aruba (through Curacao) to their Sint Maarten schedule **beginning July 1.** There's a connection to the Dominican Republic and Haiti available from St. Maarten. Winair will use a wet-leased Air Antilles ATR 42 turboprop with up to 50 seats

► **Get ready to observe coral spawning on Bonaire.** Based on last year's surveys, a prediction schedule is now available of expected times and dates that some of the more abundant Caribbean coral species will release the next generation of corals during their annual coral spawning. Be aware that the coral spawning remains difficult to predict and that this schedule of estimated spawning times provides no guarantees. To see the 2018 spawning prediction for the Southern Caribbean, go to <http://www.researchstationcarmabi.org/predictions-coral-spawning-2018/> source: Research Station Carmabi. (You can also download this prediction as a pdf.)

► **The grisly discovery of a flipper belonging to a juvenile green sea turtle**

(*Chelonia mydas*), in the area of the Fisherman's Hut, next to Atlantis Beach prompted a reminder by Sea Turtle Conservation Bonaire that it is against the law to kill turtles, punishable by a hefty fine. A passerby found the first flipper on the beach and reported it to the STCB Hotline. STCB informed Marine Park Management.



► **The Caribbean Coast Guard admitted it was considerably less successful with drug interdiction last year.** It seems that the smugglers are following a different strategy and eluding detection.

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Last year, 11 drug transports were intercepted, containing more than 1,502 kilos of drugs - especially cocaine - seized while the average annual catch over the past seven years was 2,682 kilos. "There is no clear reason for this from analysis. However, radar analyzes have shown that in some places near the islands the vessels use a different method that makes it even more difficult for the Coast Guard to detect the smugglers. The vessels cannot be distinguished from waves using the current radar," according to the Coast Guard annual report.

Hurricanes Irma, José and Maria also negatively impacted the organization. The support center on Sint Maarten was largely destroyed and two Super-RHIB vessels were lost. In addition, employees' homes suffered great damage and family members had to be evacuated. Nevertheless, the Coast Guard made an important contribution to the emergency aid to the Windward Islands and the interception of Venezuelan refugees.

► **The Hato traffic circle is getting landscaped prior to resumption of the sculpture construction.** The original sculpture was heavily damaged by vandals driving over the incomplete work. The project, suggested by the Fundashon Boneiru Bunita, plans for the construction of several sculptures of divers and underwater scenes using recycled metal by American welder/artist Mark Ansier. Mark will return to Bonaire next month according to Debby Rauwers, spokes-



woman for **Fundashon Boneiru Bunita**, to continue his work.

► **James Finies, leader of the Foundation Nos Ke Boneiru Bek (NKBB), is continuing his quest to change the way Bonaire is**



governed by The Netherlands. Recently he was in Nassau, Bahamas, where Cofcor Caricom meeting was held as well as in Granada. He is seeking the support of Caricom countries to relist Bonaire and Sint Eustatius as Non-Self-Governing-territories of the UN so they fall under the protection of the C24UN Special Committee. NKBB plans to continue lobbying Caribbean countries to promote awareness and solicit support and solidarity on the NKBB's view of the undemocratic situation and abuse of power from the Netherlands towards the islands of Bonaire and Sint Eustatius.

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Strike Closes Park For Day



Visitors were surprised to find Bonaire's Washington Slagbaai National Park closed without warning on Friday, May 11. What happened?. STINAPA cryptically stated on their website and Facebook page that this was due to "unforeseen circumstances beyond their control." The Park reopened on Sunday.

The "unforeseen circumstances" were that the Park Rangers were on strike. The Rangers struck to draw attention to their collective labor agreement (CLA). The Rangers have been talking about the CLA for about two and a half years. However, because there were interim and revolving Directors at STINAPA, it was not possible to implement changes. They said they couldn't think of another way to draw attention to their cause than by starting a strike, as one of the Rangers told me

Their opinion is that the current CLA for Rangers is outdated. While there is not one specific point that has to change, there are points that need revision. On Friday, during the strike, the Rangers talked about the

changes they'd like to see implemented. They completed their discussion on Friday and there was email contact with STINAPA Director Arjen de Wolff about the agreement and additional CLA discussions. The plan was that on Monday, the May 14, there would be a meeting among the Rangers, the ABVO (the government workers' labor union that was to negotiate the collective labor agreement) and the Director of STINAPA to iron out the details and to find out where there's room for changes. The Rangers were happy about this outcome and looking forward to the meeting. One of the Rangers expressed his trust in a positive outcome. According to a STINAPA press release, the Director was in the same mindset.

Surprisingly, the planned meeting was canceled because the ABVO representative, Charley Anthony, did not show up. Director de Wolff, had sent ABVO a letter in which he agreed with its proposal, but that the agreement still needed to be ratified by

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IN SUPPORT OF CRUISE SHIPS

Dear Reporter,
I don't agree with the opinion and conclusions of previous letter writers concerning cruise ship economics.



First, we on Bonaire are cruising all the time. Ask how many people from Bonaire are every year on cruise ships to other countries. So how can we enjoy cruising and visit other places and at the same time stop others visiting Bonaire? Cruise tourism is cruise tourism, no matter where you are from. So we are the same cruise tourism as those who are visiting Bonaire.

Second, tourism is our main industry here on Bonaire. That is not something we should stop. If the people at the cruise markets were not selling that well, I would not see them year after year at the market. In fact that market has become bigger with more sellers. Of course, they don't make the same money every year, but I know that the market and some bars down town, certain shops and tour operators are doing very well with cruise tourism. It depends where the business is located.

Of course we get more litter on Bonaire. But what kind of facilities are there to bring the amount of litter down? Where are trash containers on the streets in the centre to put waste in, like plastic bottles, bags and so on. At a few spots there are those little containers which are not big enough for all that waste in town, not only from cruise tourism.

And what I notice is that a lot of litter on Bonaire is not from cruise tourism or any tourism but just from people living right here on Bonaire. Go look in the *barríos*. How many plastic, cans, food containers and bottles, paper, household stuff are around in the tree branches, in the *mondi*, in yards? Are these from cruise tourism?

It's not nice for organizations like TCB, who are doing their utmost to make Bonaire become a beautiful, well known, well organized tourist island, to hear all these complaints. We are in a process of growing to a better living standard, in which we all have a task to make Bonaire a better place. When people see things where they find it should be better, start with a campaign to change this. You see litter all around. Don't complain; organize in your neighborhood a cleaning day and fix the problem. Don't blame cruise tourism for all that litter on Bonaire.

Don't blame TCB for low economic taxes. In time they will fix and repair those points which are necessary.

Step by step we will have more of a grip on the situation. But give Bonaire the chance to become an island on the world map instead of being a place behind God's back. It's a challenge to grow global wise, to bring technique, science and the world closer and at the same time to conserve the culture, the values and the beauty of Bonaire's nature. We cannot stop the world from coming to Bonaire (and we need it too) but we can focus on keeping it all in balance where each and every one is responsible.

— *A piece of my mind.*

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Adult Education Matters!

Fundashon FORMA's departing director Inge Berben says: "People want to belong and contribute to society."

For about 25 years Fundashon FORMA has been the only non-commercial educational institution for adults over 18 on Bonaire.

And for the last 12 years Inge Berben has been the director of the foundation. Twelve years ago she started with a team of five people and about 50 to 100 students/participants. Nowadays Fundashon Forma has a team of 43 people that meets the need for literacy and education for around 600 adults from ages 18 to 80 each year. Berben will retire as director on July 6. Her successor will be installed on the 1st of August.

Before she goes, Berben feels it's important to give Fundashon Forma some extra attention, mainly because budget cuts and other kinds of developments are taking place on the island.

Inge Berben explains, "At Forma we are explicitly working on the basics. A large group of people is balancing on the edge of society and actually do not recognize what is being asked of them in society. After 10-10-10 society on Bonaire changed very quickly from a community strong in social contacts to a society where an employment contract is the only thing that counts. And thus the distance to the labor market has been greatly increased for a large group of people in our community.

What Forma actually does and what we find very important are the four pillars on which we are based: Social Education, Developmental Education, Education and Care

With **Social Education** we teach people skills one needs in this society, like personal development or aggression regulation training or a dollarization project, or for instance how to work WhatsApp. **Developmental Education** stands for the elimination of illiteracy but also for preparing people how to work a job and everything that comes with it. The **Education** pillar is about getting certified and obtaining diplomas. Our fourth pillar, **Care**, pays attention to people and their needs. What do people need at the basic level? Should the food bank become involved or do some need help with trauma processing or is someone for instance dyslexic and does he or she need appropriate education?

I am really worried because many foundations suffered subsidy cuts and Forma is one of them. The means are getting less and less while the need is increasing. Those involved should realize that by putting people in a stable way in society you avoid a lot of higher costs which occur when people drop out of the community and become sick or get involved in crime.

As well, there is a group of about 40% of the adult population which is low-skilled and it considerably limits their chances. To let that group grow above the poverty line, education is of the essence. What I notice is that people are really very eager; everybody wants to make a contribution to their community and everybody wants to belong. We should not forget the adult population and certainly never label them as 'They don't want to' because the hunger for growth is enormous.

If you look at the fact that we – on a yearly basis – reach 600 people by either eliminating illiteracy or improving their reading and writing skills or by a social opportunity trajectory, or by job guidance, a short course or an intermediate vocational education (MBO 1) training – that means something. It says a lot about the need but also that continuity must be guaranteed. Especially the elimination of illiteracy, because that's the basis of independence and the larger your vocabulary is, the greater your thinking ability. This is not only important for the person involved but also for democracy! I think to be able to read and write in a proper way is the basic condition to be able to maintain within a society. If you can't read or write or you find it



Flotsam and Jetsam (Continued from page 3)

► Recent information says that the Aviramp, which will provide an easier way for handicapped persons to get on and off commercial airplanes, may be operational at the end of May.

► **BESTCare**, the island's health care foundation offering products and services for sale and rent, will open in a new location, Kaya Industria Pariba.

{Kaya Watt 4, near BFG} on 1 June. □ G./L.D.



Rangers Strike (Continued from page 3)

STINAPA's board and employees. **However, deWolff declared that the agreement was invalidated because no meeting was held.**

Upon examination of a press release containing some details of the CLA proposed by ABVO, it appeared to be a step backwards for employees. Some specifics include a reduction to the end-of-year bonus of \$400 to \$500 instead of a full 13-month salary, an indexation of 1% to 2% instead of the 3% and a reduced holiday allowance of 6% instead of the 8% paid now. Comments on social media by Park employees who were not on the Ranger team were critical of the proposed CLA. If a CLA is negotiated by the ABVO on behalf of the Park Rangers it will apply to all STINAPA employees, who so far, have not been part of the negotiations. At press time, the Park is open but there is not yet a resolution to the dispute. □ Roos van Rijen



difficult to do so, you have to trust others which makes you very dependent on other people. And if for instance, someone who has trouble reading or writing needs medical assistance we will see to that the right information will reach that person. In that Forma is unique.

I think Forma has proven its right to exist, and I am very proud of the four departments and the team – a fantastic team that works hard to see a whole group of people rise above the poverty line. **I am absolutely sure that Fundashon Forma makes a difference for those people.**

My picture for the future for Forma is that all of the adult population of Bonaire will be able to read and write and will live in the center of society above the poverty line and also that there will be appropriate work available for a small group of people who don't fit, due to circumstances, in a full-time fixed position. And I hope that there will be schooling and upgrading available for the large group of low-skilled adults so they can rise above the minimum wage. And most importantly, I hope the means to provide for this all will be available and sufficient.

I have a lot of mixed feelings about leaving Forma, like I have to let go of my baby, cutting the umbilical cord. It's hard and after 12 years there is such a strong bond with the team... very painful. However, I think for the organization it's the right moment to get some new blood into it. I just hope the team will continue to work with the same love and passion they've always put into their work, because they are the means; they can make it or break it.

Personally I find it was something very beautiful to do, because I believe that every person deserves a first, a second, a third and a fourth chance and then a fifth. It has been a work of love and I've done it with heart and soul." □ Story & photo by Greta Kooistra



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Lots of people on Bonaire are hoping for a big turnout for the island's second Soap Box Derby (*Garoshi* in Papiamentu) to be held in the fall. It will be held on the big hill between Karpata and Rincon so the road has to be closed. On September 23, according to race organizer Ruel Alberto, there will be a training race and September 30 is the date for the official race.

Ruel Alberto sent us some photos of people coming together with their families at home to build their soapboxes and revealing some of the details of their construction. The construction and promotion of soapbox racing on the island is **Farid Ayubi**. He is the man in the photo below.

Also included are some photos of some testing and from the official race last year.

Ruel said, "I am currently concentrating on organizing the race. Maybe next year I'm going to participate." **Press release**



Garoshi builder and promoter Farid Ayubi (also see story on page 8)



A few minions help out the Ro/RO team



Waiting for their start in last year's race

DID YOU KNOW?

Hawksbill turtles, common residents of Bonaire, migrate for thousands and thousands of miles just to find food. From April to December, females visit the coastline of Bonaire where they deposit many nests, each containing around 100-180 eggs! The great number of eggs per nest offsets the lack of parental care and low survivorship of this species. During these first life stages, sea turtles have many predators on land and sea including ghost crabs, gulls and predatory fish. After 60 days, the hatchlings emerge and instinctively begin crawling towards the sea. Although the nests are close to the water, these tiny reptiles use light and shape patterns as orientating cues to locate the sea and begin their long and perilous journey to adulthood.

If travelling for over 8,000 miles across oceans is not amazing enough, wait until you hear how they are able to come back to their birthplace. Without a map or GPS, scientists believe, hawksbills, just like other turtles, use their head as a magnetic signal receiver. You see, our planet is like a magnet. Magnetic fields are basically forces that determine where the two poles are. They also tell us where North is when you're holding a compass. Every nesting location has a distinct magnetic inclination angle that varies with latitude. Therefore, even in open waters, a hawksbill turtle can locate its natal beach thanks to its unique magnetic inclination and intensity. But how does a turtle 'sense' all this? Well, science and technology have come a long way since Darwin's time (late 1800s), and what scientists have discovered in turtle heads helps explain this 'sixth sense'. Magnetite, as the name suggests, is a magnetic mineral in the head of sea turtles that reacts to the Earth's magnetic field, hence acting as a tracker.



If you know a lot about science, you may be asking yourself... what happens if there's a pole reversal (where the Earth's magnetic poles switch or get weaker)? This has happened many times throughout Earth's history and will happen again. Roughly, every 200-300,000 years the magnetic fields at the poles reverse. When this happens, will sea turtles still be able to find their way? Scientists researching past pole reversals have seen no evidence of this phenomenon causing problems with sea turtles. Perhaps this is because it happens gradually and sea turtles are able to use many factors to help them navigate, including the stars, their well-developed sense of smell and wave direction. Currently, hawksbill turtles' greatest threat is humans. Littering (plastics in our oceans and on our beaches), by-catch as a result of fishing gear, and nest destruction threatens the future of these beautiful animals.

Nevertheless, their future on Bonaire looks bright. The coexistence of Man and Nature may be difficult but it's not impossible. All we have to do is accept and respect that these beaches and oceans are shared by all, from the smallest baby turtles to seabirds and humans. After all, what would we do without Nature? **Q**

Story by Alessandro Corubolo, STINAPA intern. Connecting People With Nature. Turtle photo by Caroline S. Rogers

Correction: Last edition's bait ball photo was by Sipke Staepert



EVENT CALENDAR BONAIRE CULINARY TEAM

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Today's Bon Bida Staff
Robert Smaal in Green shirt



10 years ago: Photo of the staff: Physiotherapists: Robert Smaal (lower right), Antje Gunther, Marjolein Rijkesma, Paul Goudriaan; Office staff: Jacqueline Paulussen and Jeanine Bout

In 1997 Robert Smaal started working as a Physical Therapist at BonFysio which was located in the Kaya Grandi at that time. He just graduated and it was his first job as a physical therapist. Bonaire proved to be a perfect place to work: a nice practice, good work-atmosphere and a huge variety of patients. It was a pleasure to work and live on Bonaire, mostly due to the pleasant characteristics of the Bonairean people. In 2003 he got the chance to buy a private practice close to Amsterdam, which seemed to be a good option at that moment which made

him decide to move back to the Netherlands. But after three years a wedding of a good friend here on Bonaire made him realize what he was missing. He was able to sell his practice and moved to Aruba first. After two years working at the rehabilitation department of the hospital, he got his chance: BonFysio was for sale!

At the end of 2007 he was able to buy the practice together with a business partner. This business partner left quite quickly, which gave him the possibility to change a business partner for a life partner! Marjolein, who is now his wife,

came to Bonaire as well! BonFysio grew steadily after that, and in 2010 they were able to buy the Bon Bida Building. And now, after 10 years, **BonFysio is part of the Bon Bida Bonaire Health Center.** Bon Bida is proud to provide many disciplines such as a social worker, dietician, lifestyle coach, mental coach, psychologist, speech therapist, physical therapists and many more specialists. Also they offer luxury spa services. They have a modern and professional gym that offers classes, personal training and air conditioned training facilities. In the Bon Bida

Health Center they offer services varying from "simple" complaints to severe and complex problems that need many specialists working together on the same goal: get the best result for the patient. Bon Bida Bonaire is very grateful for the trust that the Bonairean people have given them during the last 10 years.

You don't trust your problems to just anybody. It has been an honor to get this trust and they hope to keep getting it for many more years. **Robert Smaal, Bon Bida and Reporter photos**

Support Waterpolo



Support our Bonaire Barracuda team (above) in its effort to win the gold medal at the First ABC Island Waterpolo Competition in Aruba June 1-3. Island youngsters are led by swim coach and physiotherapist Simone Sweers (at right).

Team members practice in the sea on the waterfront multiple times a week. Previously the team has been participating in events for practice and experience, but this one is different. **The winning team will be the Dutch Antilles Champion and our team is going for it!**

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On the Island Since 1984 – Farid Ayubi and from the age of two - Susan Angela



Farid and Suzy with two of their cats, at the back their trophy display Greta Kooistra photos

“I was born in Landhuis Botelier on Curacao,” **Farid says**. “When I was one year old I was adopted by a famous family of tennis players, the Pimentel family. Ramon and Olga were my adoptive parents who had three sons of their own. With them life was good; I had everything I wanted and more. All the toys, very good education and we travelled the whole world, except for Asia.

My parents were always concerned for us children and they were very strict. At 8pm I had to go to bed. I had to participate in sports and I wasn’t allowed to play the drums, but instead I got piano lessons. Our house was a place where all the children from the neighborhood gathered and I organized lots of activities like kiting competitions, the most beautiful bike competition and also soapbox races in which I’m still involved to this day (see page 6).

After I graduated Mavo-B, I went to technical school where I studied mechanical engineering. At night I studied to become a welder with NIL, a highly recommended and well respected education. I came to Bonaire when I was 21 to get my PADI dive license because it was a requirement for my study of underwater welding. Captain Don Stewart became one of my teachers when I moved to Bonaire. One month later he got me certified.

On Bonaire I felt free and independent; it was a beautiful feeling! At first I stayed with **Grada Martijn**, who was the mother of **Mena Ayubi-Martijn**, the wife of my biological father, **Eddy Ayubi**. Then **Captain Don** asked me to stay on Bonaire and work at Habitat, so I became a dive guide. In the meantime I met a beautiful family from Nort di Salinja, the **Thode family: Naro, Wicho, Kansia, Jacoba, Lienchi and Remilio**. They accepted me like I was their brother and son.

One day I went to visit **Sylvia**

Abraham of Zeezicht Restaurant. She told me, ‘Farid, you’re just on time, because we need a groom for our fashion show!’ And... that’s how I met Susy because in the show she was the bride! The show took place in July 1985 upstairs at Zeezicht in the Pirate House. **Hecky van Romondt** was the organizer together with **Nico Statie**, and **Annemarie Braafheid** was our *madrina*. And right there and then a miracle happened, because since that day we’ve never been apart.”

Susy says, “I was born on Curacao, but my parents are from Bonaire. When I was two we came to live here. My father died young, when we were little, but he always used to tell us ‘life goes on’ and that’s what happened. When I met

Angela, Kansia and Jacoba Thode and Susy. When I stopped working at Habitat I was introduced to Mr. **Hugo Gerharts** and right away I started working for him as a tour guide. Just like Captain Don, Hugo Gerharts was like a father to me and both of them have been my teachers.”

Susy: ‘After 10 years at the doctor’s office I wanted to do something for myself. In 1993 Farid got his taxi license and we decided to start our own tour company, ‘Sunrise Tours and Taxi Services.’ Both of us quit working for other people. From day one we were busy. We had the first taxi van on the island: a Toyota limo van with telephone, TV, a fridge and a small oven for the snacks.”

“It was **John Akkerman**,

“... Bonaire is such a small place where everyone knows each other or is related and the government wants to stay friends with everyone so as not to lose votes, but in my opinion they have to learn that ‘Yes’ means ‘Yes’ and ‘No’ means ‘No’ and that you have to tell the truth.”

Farid I was a doctor’s assistant at Dr. Van der Vaart’s clinic in Tera Kora. When we were bride and groom at the fashion show it was the first time I’d met Farid. However, he had seen me before on Curacao when I was chosen ‘Miss Tanga of the Antilles and Caribbean,’ a beauty queen contest. I also participated many times in Reina di Karnaval when I was a child and with my mother’s group. Later I was first finalist and Miss Photogenic.”

“After we met at the fashion show,” **Farid continues**, “we started – next to our regular jobs – our own fashion group, Bonaire Happy Models. We did a lot of shows in hotels on Curacao and Aruba, but also in Puerto Rico. The boutiques dressed the models and we trained them and took care of the organization. Also we had a Karnaval Group called Karnaval Warriors, which was founded in 1989 by Susy’s mom, **Juliana**

Farid says, “who ordered that car for me. It was a total surprise because I was renting a car from him for 300 guilders per week, not knowing he used that money as a down payment for my limo van! For the rest of the money the bank required a signature from my father, for security. I asked **Eddy**, my biological father, but he said, ‘No way!’ However, **Amado Felix** convinced Eddy to sign for me.

We worked night and day to pay off the van and we even had our own taxi dispatcher office. We had radio communication from **Alvin Obersi** in most of the hotels and restaurants on the island. After problems caused by jealousy, we closed the office and did it from the van. And thanks to Alvin Obersi I had the first portable telephone on the island in our taxi and we were reachable all over the island and busier than ever.

Nowadays we have a brand new



Farid and Susy at the rooftop of their castle home

31-passenger bus, equipped with Wi-Fi and AC and a 15-passenger bus with AC.”

“Soon we’ll have brand new 20-passenger bus as well,” **Susy says**. “For me it’s better because I have all the licenses, but I don’t like to be in very busy traffic downtown with the big bus. We’re mostly working with the cruise ships, but it’s our own business and we are free.”

“Our private life is like this,” **Farid says**. “When Susy sees a poor animal in the street, she brings it home.” “Yeah,” **Susy replies**, “the more you know people, the more you love animals. We have five cats and the oldest, Prins, is 19. Then we have three dogs and lots of birds and iguanas and donkeys that come to drink water. We have our own animal cemetery as well, so they can rest

this is what they have to learn.”

“We never got married – only at the fashion show,” **Farid says**, “but ‘Susy loves everything I love: Karnaval and song contests, dancing and flying a kite, the micro boats at the Regatta and fishing, although Susy feels sorry for the fishes. And then I like the soap boxes and so does Susy, but she doesn’t get into them. Both of us love nature and animals and we love to travel and we really love good food! Susy is stricter than I am, I am easy going, but then she says, ‘don’t make it too easy,’ and then we talk and I think that’s the right formula for a good relationship.” “People should think before acting,” **Susy says**, “because once it’s done, it’s done. The secret of a good relationship is that nobody is the boss. We are equal, but... sometimes our cat Prins is the boss! Farid and I do everything together. We’ve been together for 35 years, but I am independent.” **Farid laughs**: “The only thing I do by myself sometimes is buy bread! Hahaha!

When you think about what’s happened throughout the years since I came here— and I go back in time with Don Stewart, Hugo Gerharts, **Nikki Tromp** and **Amado Felix**— I realize that they and the people of Bonaire worked hard to make the island what it is today. However, now there are people coming from nowhere and instead of picking the fruit from the tree, they break the whole branch and use it for themselves. The world belongs to everybody you know, but when we are abroad we stick to the rules and the same counts for the newcomers on Bonaire.” ■ **Greta Kooistra**

in peace on our grounds. We’ve also been helping Marina with the donkeys for 21 years already! There is still a lot of animal abuse on the island. They really should educate the children, because it has to start from when you are little. First you have to teach the children to love themselves, because if you don’t love yourself, you cannot love other people, let alone other creatures. Animals are also God’s creatures and if you believe in God, then you have to be good to all living beings, not only for people. The animal protection law has to be installed! It has to! But the way I see it, Bonaire is such a small place where everyone knows each other or is related and the government wants to stay friends with everyone so as not to lose votes, but in my opinion they have to learn that ‘Yes’ means ‘Yes’ and ‘No’ means ‘No’ and that you have to tell the truth. This is the problem with a small place and





Picture Yourself With The Reporter at Times Square

Simon and Charlene de Jong from Bonaire sent us this photo taken in chilly New York City's Times Square last month.

They told us, "New York was great. We visited Ellis Island, Rockefeller Center, travelled by subway and walked a lot, but what impressed us most was the 911 Memorial. For the most part prices were not too much different from Bonaire for many things. But not appreciated was how you get the bill delivered so fast seems like you're being pushed out of the restaurant!"

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Peter Berveling the winner of the "Picture Yourself in *The Bonaire Reporter* 2017," left, with **Porchia herself** and **Chef Juan** at the new Porchia's restaurant in Playa. **The prize was a Dinner for Two.** The food sure looks great and tasted even better.

Check out their Restaurant Week Special on page 5. Wow! What value.



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New 2018 Bonaire Ambassadors



Bud Griswold and Mary Gessner at Carib Inn

Bonaire has an unofficial Ambassadors Corps made up of visitors who promote Bonaire by their frequent trips to the island and the kind words they offer to all willing to listen.

Over 10 years ago, at the suggestion of then TCB (Tourism Corporation Bonaire) Marketing Director, **Delno Tromp**, the island's multiple-visit tourists were honored by naming them Bonaire Ambassadors in a small ceremony.

There are three levels based on the number of years the Ambassador has been visiting Bonaire: Bronze, 10 years; Silver, 15; and Gold, 20; and most recently Platinum for 25 years and beyond.

When a visitor has accumulated the visits, usually the operator of the resort where he or she has been a guest, notifies the TCB who presents the new Ambassador with a medal of appropriate level, a certificate and a small gift. Visitors who haven't stayed in resorts are also eligible. For more information contact Helen Mercera-Thode at helenthode@tourismbonaire.com or call 717-8322

In February and March, 12 long-time Bonaire visitors were named Ambassadors, They included:

- Lorie Robinson and Dan Horovatin (12 years)
- Thomas and Lydia Dodd (13 years)
- David and Kathy Harrington, Michelle Barrett and Bill Holman (15 years,)
- Charles and Diane Rice (23 years,)
- Bob and Lisa Yarusso (28 years)
- Mary Gessner and Bud Griswold (35 years)

In May eight more people were honored:

- Christopher and Joanna Tubbs (16 years)
- Mary and Steven Fisher (10 years),
- Martin and Lisa Picciano (16 years)
- Marvin and Bea Jones (21 years)

TCB's Helen Mercera, Lea Domacasse, Marjolein Oleana and Derrick presented the medals and certificates. **□ Press release/G.D.**



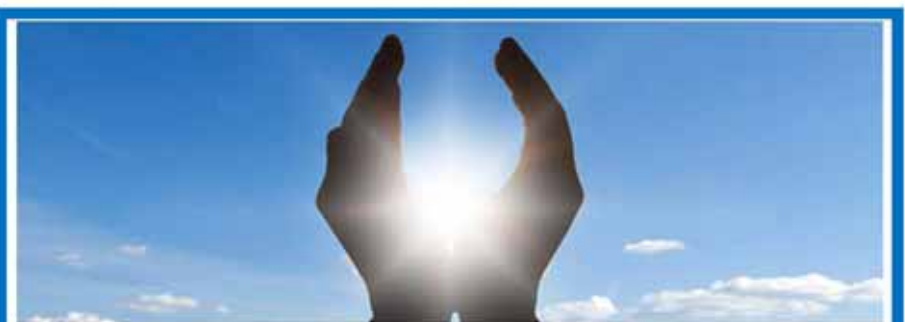
Thomas & Lydia Dodd 13 yrs



Carib Inn staff with Ambassador "regulars: Don Horovatin (12 years), Lorie Robinson (12), Bill Hollman (15), Michelle Barrett (15), Bob & Lisa Yarusso (28)



Above: Christopher and Joanna Tubbs (16 years) with Helen Thode; at left Mary and Steven Fisher (10 years)



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A Garden? Just Do It

NOT NICE

Two weeks ago five wasps stung me on my right hand as I was busy in the yard. I was trying to move a small old table out of my way and right under the top the wasps were busy making a nest. An unpleasant surprise.

I ran into the house, looked for a lemon and rubbed the juice over my already swelling hand. It started to hurt, but soon after the lemon juice calmed the pain down. The next day my hand was stiff, felt sensitive and was lightly swollen. On the third day my hand was in rather good condition again. The lemon had a good effect on the wasp stings. I got this remedy from an old lady in Rincon when I got stung on my toe by a scorpion. The lemon juice worked perfectly, no pain and no swelling.

But she also said, "Don't use milk," which can lead to a heavy reaction. So keep this in mind.

Not everybody has such a reaction. Some people are very allergic to stings and bites from bugs, so visit a doctor if you are one of those. And never scratch your skin in the area where it was bitten by mosquitoes or ants, because it can become a wound where bacteria can penetrate.



A beautiful cat's tail doing well in this climate.

lings, so where I plant the seeds I put a bucket, open on top and bottom, over that spot so the lizards will not be able to see the young plants when they come up. I leave the buckets there until the plants are bigger. This works for iguanas too.

Another solution is to have a lot of a kind of a oregano in your yard. Locals call it "bislips." This plant grows very easily here and doesn't need a lot of water. Iguanas don't even come close to it because the females don't want to mate with a male who smells of this plant (what locals told me) because it has in fact a nice, strong citrus smell. So I plant the bislips around other plants that I want to protect. See photo at left. In the middle you see a higher growing plant, a sugar apple tree. Iguanas love it but with the bislips around they leave the sugar apple tree in peace. Look for this plant at the markets and at locals' homes. Another good thing is that this plant is a delicious healthy herb as a tea, in salads, in *stobas*, (stews) and in smoothies.



A sugar apple tree protected against iguanas by bislip (oregano) plants.

I now remind myself to wear garden gloves in the yard when I need to go into areas where I cannot see.

These days there are a lot of wasps all over the place. And as always we experience the problems with iguanas and all kinds of lizards eating every possible plant in the yard. I get tired sometimes with these problems, but I don't want to give up. It's always a pleasure to eat from my garden and enjoy the flowers early in the morning, nice and fresh.

So I looked for solutions to help keep my yard green.

Lizards like to eat fresh young seed-

Because of the strong wind and burning sun some plants are suffering. To protect them as much as possible, I put high cardboard boxes, open on both sides, over them. And move your plants in pots to a cool place with shade or behind walls.

This is not the time to plant but to let the soil rest. But it does not mean that gardeners can lie back. There is work to do. Clean the yard of stuff you don't need anymore, take away old leaves and rotted wood. Trim your trees. Selibon will pick up for free when you make an appointment with them. Or you can order a big container (two different sizes) when you have a lot of garbage. You can use some of the old leaves to make compost. Add this compost and goat manure to the garden soil leave it like that to rest. After some months it will be perfect soil for planting. Keep an eye out for bugs which like to live in these soil systems. Once in a while you have to turn over the soil mix to get rid of these bugs.

Last but not least. With a sad feeling I had to cut down the most beautiful tree in my yard. My always-with-fruits huge appledam tree which was giving so much shade and a home for a lot of birds, wild cats, iguanas, bugs, lizards and plants in

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SPECIAL SERVICES FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

Once a year there comes that time when you have to prove to the insurance, the pension funds and other organizations that you are still alive. And to prove that you have to make an appointment with either the SVB or a notary.

You go, sit down, hand in your ID card, and there is always a very friendly civil servant who helps you to fill in all the necessary forms. Then you have to sign that form and Off you go. You are assured one more year of a pension. If you cannot sign, that is no problem. The civil servant sees and knows that so she or he will sign for you or lets the spouse sign in your place.

We went to the SVB two weeks ago and found that we were way too early. We were given a number of cell phone numbers and were asked to call one of these numbers and ask the person answering the phone if we could please make an appointment for them to come to our home. Then they will offer this service at home! Of course we gladly did so.

Why, you may ask? Because it is a huge challenge to walk to town and back. Potholes, no decent sidewalks, cars parked on the sidewalks. Of course you can take a taxi, but sometimes one cannot afford the fare.

There are more organizations that offer service at home that we gladly make use of. We knew of one laboratory that comes to our house to draw blood and take other samples. Now we learned that the other laboratory also offers this wonderful service.

And in the last two years we learned that oftentimes you only need to ask for a

special service. People will help gracefully and gladly, and that is a wonderful thing.

Now we know that our local ergo-therapist,* when she came first to Bonaire, brought a huge container full of appliances like wheelchairs, rollators, canes, etc., etc. Before she left for Bonaire, she asked organizations for materials that they did not use anymore and would they please donate them to Bonaire. These organizations gladly complied, so a lot of people who needed special equipment could finally get what they needed.

We learned that the same ergo-therapist brought in another container of wonderful equipment. The best way to get what you need is to call or send an email. I know for sure of one elderly gentleman who is very happy with his rollator.

One more point to ponder. In Holland family members who take care of another family member or friend for more than a certain number of hours per day are called "mantelzorger." In Switzerland these mantelzorgers organized themselves. This is called "Bürger helfen Bürger," (Citizen helping Citizen). They get a certain amount of points for all the care they provide. These points they save. Then as they grow old and reach retirement age they can make use of these points and "buy free service" with them from the insurance or state. Now... wouldn't that be an awesome project for us, here on Bonaire? I would appreciate it if all Bonairian mantelzorgers would contact me and that we could

get together and see what we can do to help ourselves and our loved ones whom we take care of. □ Story by Ria Evers-Dokter

*Ergo-therapist-develops, recovers or maintains the daily living and work skills of clients with a physical, mental or developmental condition.



its shade. But it had to come down, because its many leaves were a burden for my neighbors, the iguanas were jumping from its branches onto my roof to live, the many birds were making my nice tiled garden floor dirty with their poo and I even got this present a few times on my head when I was gardening under the tree. The tree had grown so big that it took up all the space and made the place look dark and always with heaps of leaves all over the place. I could make someone happy with the tree to make charcoal so still it was good for something. But it hurt and I had to get used to that empty spot full of sunlight and no breeze there anymore.

But there was also another reason to

bring the tree down and that was a nice mango tree which came up there with delicious mangos. Two trees there was not possible so I made the choice for the mango tree. With a sad feeling I said good bye to the first tree I planted in my yard. But within a few years the mango tree will be a nice tree too with juicy mangos and I can't wait for that.

Just do it.

□ Story & photos by Angliet, Nature Lover



Are Cruise Ship Visits Worth It?

Destinations Help Sell Cruises
(Part 3)

If you look at the cruise lines' websites and brochures, there's an awful lot of information about the destinations they visit. Why? They can't easily change their cruise ships each year, but they can keep things fresh by offering new destinations or itineraries.

In other words, they use the destinations as a sales tool to bring back existing customers and attract new ones.

Carnival Corp.'s chief strategy officer **Josh Leibowitz** said as much in a recent Skift (Travel, Airline Industry, & Hotel Industry News) interview. He explained that they created the seven cruise wonders of the world — the best places to see by water. And they've added "we take you to the best beaches" in their latest advertising because they noted that the idea of taking people to these key destinations "changes peoples' mindset about cruises."

Now, do cruise lines want passengers to spend a lot of money in those destinations? If the cruise lines aren't earning more money from it, there's not much incentive.

The destinations let themselves get used to this because, according to a leading professor, they think they're making more money from the ships than they actually are. And they think the cruise ship passengers will get a taste of the destination and return as overnight guests.

But a recent Norwegian study by **Professor Svein Larsen** found this was not the case. Cruise ship passengers may come back as cruise ship passengers again, but they are not at all likely to come back as overnight guests. There is, however, a group that is likely to return as overnight guests: current overnight guests — the same group that is getting turned off by all the cruise ship traffic. "It simply seems as if cruise tourism does not have any value as a promoter of Norway as a holiday destination at all," says Larsen.

Professor Larsen also found that cruise passengers don't buy more products just because there's more being offered, comparing spending during weekdays and weekends (when many shops are closed). But this correlation does hold true with land visitors; they spend more when there's more to buy. Professor Larsen believes that the length of stay in the port is a more crucial determinant for how much money cruise passengers spend. And the destination doesn't get control over that. (FYI: Industry average port



stop is 4.3 hours. This and most of the other official data that destinations get from the cruise lines comes via the Business Research & Economic Advisors, which is essentially a guy named Andrew Moody with an anachronistic website — breanet.com — who lives in Pennsylvania and writes up these reports for the cruise industry via an umbrella organization called The Florida-Caribbean Cruise Association.)

The Port Benefits Particularly

There is another key player in this equation, and that's the port. They can earn fees of around \$10 — \$30 a passenger every time a ship docks. Bonaire charges \$2. So while a typical 4,000-passenger ship may bring in \$80,000 in port fees from the cruise line, Bonaire gets only \$8,000. (The cruise line may pay the fees, but this cost gets directly passed on to the passengers and shows up on their room bills.) There are other fees as well for ship cleaning and fuel and such that keeps the port earning considerable money.

The whole thing adds up to an impressive sleight of hand. As Professor Klein explains it, they make it look like the passengers are spending more than they are, get commissions from the biggest shops, get more passengers to stay on the ships while in port and get about half the money from each excursion sold. Then they often get deductions on their passenger-paid port fees.

The passengers may get a few surprise fees and pay about double the local rate for excursions if they book their excursions onboard, but it's not enough to prevent them from cruising again.

The main party getting duped in this equation seems to be the destination. They certainly get some substantial money from the passengers and the port, even though chances are it's not nearly the amount that was presented when they allowed the ships to start docking. Their beaches get crowded, often to the dismay of the hotels

and their paying guests, and the small resorts may lose their soul under the swarms of visitors. Plus the water quality may suffer — the per-ship daily average of 95,000 liters of sewage from toilets, over 500,000 liters of wastewater, 7 tons of garbage, 56 liters of toxic chemicals, and 26,000 liters of oily bilge water has to go somewhere, and even if just some of it occurs out at sea, it's hard to contain. And the suntan creams and oils are more than sufficient to put a sheen on the sea.

And no matter how much the destinations do to welcome ships and build them sparkling new terminals with taxpayer money, there's not much loyalty. Cruise lines, much like vampires, are happy to run after fresh blood, which can be seen at the moment as they all try to get a crack at Cuba's exposed neck.

At the end of the day, it's not likely as lucrative for destinations as they've been led to believe. And in light of Aruba's accidental discovery that they just earned more money with less cruise traffic, maybe others will sit up and take notice.

The questions should be:

- 1) What are the real spending numbers, especially if promotional shopping programs are involved?
- 2) What's it worth to have cruise passengers using up the resources and crowding out the overnight guests? The current belief is that land-based guests spend roughly a minimum of three times as much as cruise passengers. What if that figure is closer to five or six times as much ... would the cruise traffic still be worth it?

There are some cruise ships that do leave more money and have lower impact... and those are the smaller, high-end ships. But it's hard for destinations to say "we just want those high-end ships" because they're often owned by the same cruise lines that want to dock their bigger ships.

What's needed is a really great excuse... like "our port doesn't hold larger ships." But this is increasingly difficult to say because so many destinations have enlarged their ports. What more and more destinations could say, however, is that they don't have the capacity on land. In fact, certain high-end ships now insist that if they dock, they're the only ship in the harbor, so their passengers don't have to compete for space with other cruise passengers, especially low-end cruise passengers. □ G.D. /Press release

Douglas J. Abraham Graduates Cum Laude



On May 10th, 2018, Douglas J. Abraham graduated *Cum Laude* from the Kellogg Community College in Battle Creek, Michigan, USA with an Associate Degree in Applied Science of Nursing.

Douglas completed two years of studies and received his diploma as a (GN) Graduate Nurse. After passing the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) he will receive his Registered Nurse (RN) license and continue his studies to receive his Doctorate in Nursing. □ Press Release

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Bonaire-Sun Rise/Set, Moon Phase and Tides

Winds and weather can further influence the local tide's height and time

Day	High	Low	High	Low	High	Sunrise	Sunset
Mon 21	05:31 0.91 ft	13:41 -0.42 ft	19:38 0.47 ft		First Quarter	6:10	18:54
Tue 22		01:04 0.16 ft	06:24 0.80 ft	14:19 -0.38 ft	20:20 0.57 ft	6:10	18:54
Wed 23		02:20 0.14 ft	07:19 0.67 ft	14:55 -0.31 ft	21:03 0.66 ft	6:10	18:54
Thu 24		03:40 0.11 ft	08:16 0.51 ft	15:29 -0.23 ft	21:46 0.75 ft	6:10	18:55
Fri 25		05:01 0.06 ft	09:18 0.36 ft	16:00 -0.14 ft	22:29 0.81 ft	6:10	18:55
Sat 26		06:24 -0.01 ft	10:33 0.23 ft	16:26 -0.05 ft	23:12 0.86 ft	6:10	18:55
Sun 27		07:44 -0.09 ft	12:09 0.13 ft	16:46 0.03 ft	23:55 0.88 ft	6:09	18:56
Mon 28		08:55 -0.17 ft	14:27 0.10 ft	16:40 0.10 ft		6:09	18:56
Tue 29	00:36 0.88 ft	09:53 -0.23 ft			Full Moon	6:09	18:56
Wed 30	01:18 0.87 ft	10:42 -0.27 ft				6:09	18:57
Thu 31	01:58 0.86 ft	11:23 -0.29 ft				6:09	18:57
Fri 01	02:37 0.83 ft	11:57 -0.29 ft				6:09	18:57
Sat 02	03:15 0.81 ft	12:27 -0.29 ft				6:09	18:57
Sun 03	03:53 0.77 ft	12:53 -0.27 ft	20:15 0.33 ft	21:59 0.32 ft		6:09	18:57
Mon 04	04:30 0.73 ft	13:16 -0.25 ft	20:00 0.36 ft	23:35 0.32 ft		6:09	18:58

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PROJECT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Last issue Animal Shelter Bonaire made a plea for volunteers to help out with taking care of all our dogs/puppies and cats/kittens. The response was great and new faces are appearing to clean, cuddle and care for our residents. We still can use additional help, so if you can dedicate one or more mornings a week please send us an email.



If you don't have a schedule that allows for a regular commitment, perhaps you have time to help with special projects. The shelter is always repairing, refurbishing or building on the property and volunteers are always needed to help with these projects. Currently, we are in need of people to paint. Our quarantine kennels (where new arrivals are housed) need a fresh coat of paint and one of the recently built group kennels also needs to be painted.

In addition, the expansion of the Pakus di Pruga (our flea market store) is almost finished. All that's left is painting, painting and more painting....shelves, walls, etc. Days and hours for these projects are flexible, so if you have a few hours to spare please contact us at animalshelterbonaire@gmail.com

be a special day with lots of special activities and events. Stay tuned for more details right here in the *Bonaire Reporter*.

PUPPY PALOOZA AND KITTEN KABOODLE

Spring is definitely sprung and as a result the Animal Shelter is full of puppies and kittens! If you have been thinking about a puppy or kitten...or two!...now is the time to come and visit the shelter. We have puppies and kittens of every size, shape, and color. You won't find a wider assortment of adorable little ones.....a virtual supermarket! Come by the shelter and visit all our babies. □

SUCCESSFUL BOOK MARKET ADOPTION FAIR

The Animal Shelter Bonaire book market and adoption fair was a great success! Over 1,000 books were sold and the best news, 75% of the adoptions on that day were of older dogs who have been at the shelter for some time. Thank you all for your wonderful support.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, August 18th that is the date for the next market and adoption fair to celebrate Animal Shelter Bonaire's 30th Anniversary! This will

Jane Madden - Disko



This young lady is Sofie. She is just eight months old. She is very active and loves to play.

Running is her favorite thing to do, besides hanging out with her friends. Sofie is also great with kids and though she is shy at first she loves attention. She also loves to explore and discover new things. Are you that active person who needs a sweet and loving best friend? Sofie would be the perfect match for you. Sofie has been sterilized, is vaccinated, healthy and ready to go. If you are interested in visiting Sofie or one of her friends. Please stop by at the Animal Shelter, Kaminda Lagun 26, Mon.-Fri. 9a.m.-12 p.m. and 3-5 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-3p.m. Non-stop. 717-4989/701-4989. □ *Story & Photo by Luvie Rodriguez*



Flamingo Mystery Update

In the last issue of *The Reporter*, the story, "Flamingo Mystery," reported the unusually large number (over 100) of flamingo chicks and juveniles being brought in to Bonaire's Wild Bird Rehab since the February hatching, as they were weak, underweight and hungry. Possible reasons expressed have been: lack of food, high winds, sargassum invasion, low tides, even the presence of the tall TWR radio antennas. It remains to be seen how this will affect the population of Bonaire's most well known bird.

Ely Albers of the Wild Bird Rehab reports this week that they now have 45 flamingoes at the rehab center

next to the Mangrove Center. They did not release any last week because of the last 12 they released, four came back in less than a week. The birds are now tagged so the center can keep track. She explained that the advice from the bird rescuers in Holland is to keep the birds longer in order for them to gain more weight before they are released.

The chicks (8 to 9 weeks old) and weak juveniles are fed four times a day with a high protein reconstituted food via a syringe four times a day. Older ones, juveniles, can eat by themselves and they're given a pellet mix soaked in water in a shallow dish.

For more information go to Facebook: Bonaire Wild Bird Rehab.

Donations are very much needed: Royal Canin Conva-



Immature feathers

lescence Support Instant Diet. You may ask friends to bring it down or donate to the collection box at Bondigro Supermarket which will deliver it to the Rehab center. Cash donations can help to pay for the food and resources needed. You may donate via

the Mangrove Center, MCB Account 41010104, specifying "rehab." Or, via GoFundMe page: <https://gofundme.com/help-the-flamingo039-on-bonaire>. □ L.D.

Let us know if you have something "Happening" you want published write to info@bonairereporter.com

Fewer Flamingoes Confirmed...

Our bus/ taxi driver Therese Rosier wrote us that "Flamingoes are being eaten in Venezuela in large quantities. They are even trading the meat. The people are also eating cats, dogs and horses to survive."

She continued, "Flamingoes always leave their young here for up to four days with a few caretaking birds while they travel to Venezuela for several days of intensive eating. Then they come back and regurgitate their food and feed their young. But now the parents are not coming back because they have been killed and eaten. I read online that seven-week old flamingo chicks produce crop milk and can feed the younger ones.

Yesterday I did a hotel island tour. I see fewer and fewer flamingoes. I always used to see a "pink line" in the south when you are close to the house of the owners of Cuba Compagnie Restaurant. There is no more pink line now. At Goto Lake (north Bonaire) in the distance we used to see many more flamingoes than there are now. There are so many malnourished baby flamingoes because their parents have been eaten and did not come back. It breaks my heart. (*Perhaps that is a solution to the mystery, ed.*) And they teach us guides that flamingoes have only one egg a year. I am afraid they will become extinct. One egg a year is not enough if they kill them in large quantities in Venezuela." □



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HERCULES' PET CEMETERY

Every May the mighty Hercules constellation flexes his muscles in the eastern sky. He's strong, brave, tough, but, how do I put this delicately? He's not very bright. Exactly, and his dim stars make him hard to find.

But Hercules is connected to so many fun, gross, and downright weird ancient Greek myths that we love finding his stars in the spring sky.

Plus Hercules is connected to three other springtime constellations that he, uh... killed! Yes. Hercules was said to have caused the deaths of **Leo the lion, Cancer the crab, and Hydra the many-headed snake.**

So let's talk about Hercules and his pet cemetery in the sky. On any night this week face east at 10:30pm. We're looking for a faint muscle-bound hero.

First look for the bright blue star Vega. That lets you know you are in the area. Up and to the right of Vega is a four-sided figure of stars called the **Keystone**. That is Hercules' body. To picture the rest of his body takes a lot of imagination because he's upside down.

Hercules is also known as the kneeler, but he looks like an acrobat doing a sweet headstand. Hercules' brightest star marks his head and is named **Rasalgethi**. It's dimmer than the **North Star** so it won't stand out, but you may detect a slightly reddish tint to it. That's because Rasalgethi is a red giant star about 300 times wider than our Sun.

If you look carefully at the keystone shape of four stars that mark Hercules' body, there is a hidden celestial gem there. You can find it with a pair of binoculars and it looks just awesome in a telescope. It's called **m13** or the **Hercules Cluster**. The Hercules Cluster is a group of 300,000 stars. They are so far away (about 2200 light years) that you probably can't see them with the naked eye.

So Hercules is visible after dark in the eastern sky, but his mythological victims are over in the southwest.

According to the legend, Hercules had to



perform 12 "impossible" labors for the king, and his first assignment was to kill the African lion. You can find this lion in the stars of Leo, a constellation with a backwards question mark for a head and a triangle for a rear end.

His brightest star is named **Regulus** and means, appropriately, little king. Leo's hide could not be cut or pierced, so Hercules strangled the beast to death, and now he reclines peacefully among the stars.

For Hercules' second job he had to kill the seven-headed Hydra of **Lerna**. Hydra is the largest constellation in the sky and stretches 100 degrees from its heads to its tail. The head stars are faint but make a little ring below Leo and Hydra's brightest star, **Alphard**. While Hercules was battling the hydra, the goddess Hera wanted to make the fight more interesting by sending her pet crab to nip at Hercules' heels. But Hercules, being the he-man that he was, dispatched the crab with a quick stomp. The crab became the constellation Cancer which looks like an upside-down letter "y" to the right of Leo's head.

After Hercules successfully killed the Hydra it got a place in the sky as well.

So look for the not-too-bright hero Hercules in the eastern sky after dark. And then face southwest to find his victims, Leo, Hydra, and Cancer. Hercules stays away from those monsters in the sky. Maybe he's brighter than we thought. □ *Dean Regas & James Albury*



THE STARS HAVE IT

May 2018 (end)

ARIES (Mar. 21- April 20) Ferret out information that will hold people responsible. You may want to try your hand at a little creative writing. Don't let your boss get the better of you. Don't be too quick to judge those you live with. Don't do something silly just to get back at your mate. Your luckiest events this month will occur on a Tuesday.

TAURUS (Apr. 21- May 21) You're in need of love. Attempt to face key issues with lovers or problems could escalate. Someone you work with may be emotional. Don't let your partner goad you into wearing your heart on your sleeve. Your luckiest events this month will occur on a Friday.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21) Unexpected romantic connections can be made if you go out with friends or take a pleasure trip. This is a good day to check out your investments. You could do extremely well in competitive sports events. Broaden your horizons and look into programs that will teach you awareness and relaxation. Your luckiest events this month will occur on a Saturday.

CANCER (June 22-July 22) Hold your temper and refrain from doing anything that might cause injury. You can make profitable investments if you purchase an art object for your home. You haven't been watching your spending habits and you may have been neglecting your duties. You may be frustrated by the way situations are being handled in your personal life. Your luckiest events this month will occur on a Thursday.

LEO (July 23-Aug 22) Be sure to organize events that will keep the children busy. Resist any idle chatter. Overstatement will be your downfall. You might be overly emotional concerning situations at work. Your luckiest events this month will occur on a Friday.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 -Sept. 23) Visitors may be likely to drop by. You should expect to have changes in your home. You should consider getting your whole family involved in a project at home. Don't evade important issues; you may find yourself backed into a corner. Your luckiest events will occur on a Saturday.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 -Oct. 23) You can expect to have a problem with your lover. Don't put off the things that they have asked you to do. You can make money if you pursue your own business. Get involved in sports events that will benefit your physical appearance. Double-check before you go out. Your luckiest events will occur on a Thursday.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22) Your talents might just be discovered. You could be your own worst enemy if you overreact to something you're told. Don't lend to people who have given you negative vibes. Changes regarding family members will set you off. Your luckiest events will occur on a Saturday.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 -Dec. 21) Money problems will be difficult to deal with if you have a partner. Deep discussions may only lead to friction. Your best gains will come through helping others emotionally. Romance may be likely if you travel. Your luckiest events this month will occur on a Wednesday.

CAPRICORN (Dec 22.- Jan. 20) You may have difficulties with someone who lives with you. You can offer your help to others but back off if they appear to be offended by your persistence. This will not be the day to lend money to friends or family. Try to understand their point of view. Your luckiest events this month will occur on a Wednesday.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 -Feb. 19) You will be a bit of a spendthrift this month. Take time to do something nice for yourself. Be careful not to reveal private information. You must look into your options. Your luckiest events this month will occur on a Friday.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20) You need to keep busy doing things that you both enjoy. Avoid being intimately involved with clients or colleagues. Property investments, insurance, tax rebates, or inheritance should bring you financial gains. Don't forget to let your mate know how much you care. Your luckiest events this month will occur on a Wednesday. □

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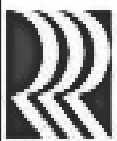


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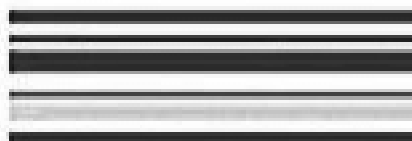
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