

# AGENDA

## ST. EUSTATIUS

Police Station 182333  
 Emergency 111  
 Hot Line 108  
 Fire Department 120  
 Hospital 182211/182371  
 Landsradio 182210  
 Post Office 182207  
 St. Eustatius Historical Foundation Museum 182288  
 Winair Office 182362  
 Lions Club meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at the "Den" next to the Airport  
 Drug Prevention Foundation meets every Tuesday 5:30pm at the Golden Era Hotel.  
 Coastguard NA&A 113  
 St. Eustatius National parks: Gallows Bay: 318 2884

## SABA

Police Station  
 The Bottom, tel. 4163237  
 Emergency 111/112  
 Hospital  
 The Bottom, tel. 4163288/4163289  
 Fire Department Airport Flat Point tel. 4162210

## SATEL

The Bottom, tel. 4163211  
 WINAIR, Airport  
 Flat Point, tel. 4162255/2713  
 Taxi Service Airport  
 Flat Point, tel. 160  
 Administration Building  
 The Bottom, tel. 4163311/4163312/4163313  
 Tourist Office  
 Windwardside, tel. 4162231  
 Harbour Office  
 Fort Bay, tel. 4163294  
 Saba Marine Park  
 Fort Bay, tel. 4163295  
 Nature & Hike Guide  
 James Johnson  
 The Bottom, tel. 4163307  
 Service Club  
 Saba Lions Club general meeting every 1st and 3rd Tuesday 8:00 p.m. at Eugénius A. Johnson Center.  
 Coastguard NA&A 113  
 Red Cross  
 General meeting every last Monday, 6 p.m., Eugénius A. Johnson Center.

## ANGUILLA

EMERGENCY  
 Police 911  
 Fire 911  
 Ambulance 911  
 Police Station 497 2333  
 Hospital 497 2551  
 Dental clinic 497 2343  
 Radio Anguilla 497 2218  
 Tourism Department 497 2759  
 Crimestoppers 0800 7777777  
 AIRLINES  
 American Eagle 497 3501  
 Winair 497 2748  
 Liat 497 5000  
 Air Anguilla 497 2643  
 Trans Anguilla 497 8690

COURIER SERVICE  
 DHL 497 3400  
 Federal Express 497 2719  
 UPS 497 2239

## SERVICE CLUBS

Rotary Club of Anguilla  
 Meets at Da Vida every Thursday at 6.00 p.m.  
 Soroptimist International Day Care Centre  
 4.30 p.m. 2nd Tuesday in each month Tel: 497 3509  
 Lions Club meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 5.30 p.m. at the Arts and Craft Centre Tel: 264 235 1280  
 Interact Club of Anguilla  
 Meets every Friday at 3.15 p.m. at the Albena Lake Hodge Comprehensive School  
 Toastmaster Club meets every 2nd and 4th Saturday at 6.45 p.m. at La Vue, South Hill



Breakfast was served at Wilhelmina Park to those who came out to commemorate Emancipation Day in St. Eustatius.

# Statia marks Emancipation Day with events and traditional food

ST. EUSTATIUS--Many persons went out to Wilhelmina Park in Oranjestad to enjoy a healthy and tasty breakfast in observation of Emancipation Day. The local Government gave civil servants the day off, but private businesses were open and some schools also remained open. The Island government is looking into marking July 1 as an official holiday in the future.

Wilhelmina Park was the location where slaves were sold before the abolition of slavery in the Dutch Kingdom on July 1, 1863. Stakeholders, such as the Agriculture Department, Tourism Department and others, wanted to beautify the Park in planting trees, but cooperation was not forthcoming.

On Friday morning two persons served their goodies to all of those who came out to partake in the healthy breakfast. On sale were old-school foods such as salt fish and Johnnie cakes (both fried and baked), chicken wings, green salads and tomatoes, coconut drops and sweet potato puddings. Lunch consisted of real Statia food.

Turbulanz Band and Methodist Church classes held a food sale, while attendees were entertained by Statia's number one DJ Runn Things.

Under the theme "Eat What You Grow," there was fish and meat on the menu, prepared in various forms, served with rice and peas and salad, with sweet delicacies for dessert, all to

be washed down by local drinks.

During the night, the crowd was entertained with live music at Charlie's Place.

Waking up, residents were greeted with flowers from the flamboyant tree at their gates or doorsteps. This tradition has been going on since the first Emancipation Day was commemorated.

Former Head of the Culture Department Marcella Gibbs-Marsdin went out with a group of close friends and her drum team singing "Happy July Day" throughout the night. During the early morning hours drums were heard as persons went around serenading.

# Lease signed on behalf of Sunny Valley Youth Centre

SABA--On Friday, the lease of Sunny Valley Youth Centre was signed by the Public Entity Saba and Saba Reach Foundation.

Present at the signing of the lease agreement at Eugénius Johnson Centre in Windwardside were Commissioner Bruce Zagers and Chairman of Saba Reach Foundation Jasper Oei.

Sunny Valley Youth Centre is located in The Bottom, and is intended as a community centre available for the residents of St. John's and The Bottom.

With this lease the community centre is to be uti-



Chairman of Saba Reach Foundation Jasper Oei (left) and Commissioner Bruce Zagers signing the lease agreement with regard to Sunny Valley Youth Centre.

lized by Saba Reach Foundation for classrooms and as an activity centre.

The centre will also be available for residents to sublet for special occasions such as weddings and birth-

days. Those interested in having a special event at the community centre may contact the lessee of the property Saba Reach Foundation.

# Hotel occupancy in Curaçao down

WILLEMSTAD--The Curaçao Hotel and Tourism Association CHATA has been evaluating the hotel performance on the island for the last couple of months and recently revealed the result during its membership meeting. CHATA is concerned and some experts might even say that this is "Code Red" for the local sector.

Curaçao is seeing a rise in non-traditional accommodations and changes in travel behaviour.

The May figures for Curaçao derived from the CHATA report is a compilation of 14 properties, representing a combined 2,220 rooms. In total Curaçao counts about 3,000 hotel rooms, which does not include apartments and villas.

An analysis for the month of May showed an average occupancy of 54.1 per cent compared to 65.1 per cent the same month in 2015. The Average Daily Rate (ADR) dropped from US \$139.27 to \$131.02.

At \$70.91 in May 2016, the Revenue per Available Room RevPAR has decreased by \$19.75 compared to the year before.

"Overall we have seen a decrease every month for the first five months of 2016, in hotel performance. We have seen a drop of about two percent each month leading up to the month of May, where we recorded a decline of almost 11 per cent," said CHATA.

Occupancy has actually dropped for most Caribbean Islands except St. Lucia, which recorded an increase compared to May 2015. As for the ADR, Trinidad & Tobago, St. Lucia, Cancun, Barbados, and Turks & Caicos Islands saw an increase compared to May 2015.

While the RevPAR was down for most islands, St. Lucia, Barbados, Turks & Caicos and the Dominican Republic did see an increase compared to May 2015.

According to CHATA and the Caribbean Hotel & Tourism Association (CHTA), the factors contributing to a decrease in hotel performance in the region include a mild US winter, uncertainty in the global economy, US elections, the Zika virus, the "Sharing Economy" (rise of apartments), as well as economic and political situations in Brazil and Canada.

What contributed positively to arrivals was the increase in travel from the European markets and intra-regional traffic.

CHATA discussed the situation with key stakeholders including the Curaçao Tourist Bureau (CTB) and Curaçao Airport Partners (CAP) to determine possible strategies to drive more business towards local hotels. "In partnership with our industry partners, several campaigns will be implemented in the different markets to stimulate demand," the report stated.

CHATA expects a similar trend for the month of June 2016, and hopes that the summer will pick up again with additional business for the hotel industry.

- BUSHROAD PHARMACY, 542-4900**  
Mon-Fri 8:00am - 6:00pm, Sat 9:00am - 5:00pm
- CAY HILL PHARMACY, 543-1119**  
Mon-Fri 8:30am - 6:00pm
- CENTRAL DRUGSTORE, 542-2321**  
Mon-Fri 08:00am - 6:00pm, Sat 9:00am - 2:00pm,
- DUTCH QUARTER PHARMACY, 542-1980**  
Mon-Fri 8:00am - 6:00pm, Sat 9:00am - 2:00pm
- FRIENDLY ISLAND PHARMACY, 544-4290**  
Mon-Fri 8:15am - 6:30pm, Sat 9:00am - 2:00pm
- FRONT STREET PHARMACY, 543-8800**  
Mon-Fri 8:30am - 6:00pm, Sat 9:00am - 5:00pm
- MAHO PHARMACY, 545-3200**  
Mon-Fri 8:00am - 9:00pm, Sat 9:00am - 1:00pm & 6:00pm - 9:00pm
- ORANGE GROVE PHARMACY, 544-2013**  
Mon-Fri 8:00am - 6:30pm, Sat 9:00am - 1:00pm
- PHILIPSBURG PHARMACY, 542-3001**  
Mon-Fri 7:30am - 7:00pm Sat 9:00am - 5:00pm
- ST. PETERS PHARMACY, 542-0187**  
Mon-Sat 8:00am - 7:00pm
- SIMPSON BAY PHARMACY, 544-3653**  
Mon-Fri 8:15am - 7:30pm, Sat 9:00am - 1:00pm
- THE DRUGGIST PHARMACY, 545-2777**  
Mon-Fri 8:30am - 7:30pm, Sat 10:00am - 7:00pm

DUTCH SIDE PHARMACIES WEEK OPENING HOURS



- SUN/HOLIDAYS**
- 11:00am - 01:00pm BUSH ROAD PHARMACY
  - 10:00am - 02:00pm FRONT STREET PHARMACY
  - 09:00am - 12:00pm MAHO PHARMACY
  - 06:00pm - 09:00pm MAHO PHARMACY
  - 10:00am - 12:00pm PHILIPSBURG PHARMACY
  - 05:00pm - 07:00pm SIMPSON BAY PHARMACY
  - 01:00pm - 03:00pm THE DRUGGIST PHARMACY

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