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THIS WEEK'S STORIES:

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SECTION 1: Getting There: Airlines, Airports, Cruises, & Weather

1. Struggling Insel Air Cuts Most Flights: Should You Fly Them?

Insel air, the Curaçao/Aruba based airline that runs mostly aging MD-80 jets, has had quite a bit of trouble lately. Almost its entire fleet was grounded in Aruba because of safety issues and at the same time it had huge financial problems. Worse, if that's possible, it wet-leased long-in-the-tooth 737s jets from another small airline and had mechanical issues with them as well.

Should you fly them? That's totally up to you. But even in the past, we've seen Insel jets sitting at Princess Juliana with one engine missing — out for repairs. We don't plan to fly them.

2. Last Week's Weather

Some days were fairly wet, not all days were beach days, and the whole week was windy. On Friday morning when we wrote this, surf conditions were fairly rough and it was still windy.

3. "Today's SXM Weather" Now On Our Everything SXM Facebook Site

Check our <u>Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site</u> each day for daily weather updates. You'll find forecasts by clicking Weather on our site, <u>www.everythingsxm.com</u>.

4. Where To Find Current SXM Weather Info (Four Key Sources)

Here they are:

a) Crown Weather Services whose very inexpensive subscription service is, we feel, the best in the business.

b) Our "Weather" page at www.everythingsxm.com -- it has current satellite images and radar loops.

c) Our <u>Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site</u>, which publishes the latest advisories, watches, and warnings when SXM is threatened by any storms.

d) On or off the island, listen to Island 92 -- 91.9FM or see <u>www.island92.com</u>. They report island warnings at once and know exactly what's going on. You can listen on the web anytime through live streaming.

See significant National Hurricane Center Outlooks and Advisories as they relate both to SXM and to the US East and Gulf coasts on our <u>Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site</u>.

Get a quick, current satellite look at the Atlantic basin anytime: <u>http://www.goes.noaa.gov/GIFS/ATWV.JPG</u>.

N. B.: Never rely on any website if you're in the path of a storm; always heed warnings from local authorities.

5. 110% Guarantee <u>Now</u> On SkyMed Travel Club Hotel, Car Rental Rates (Updated 2/18/17)

SkyMed offers you a 110% Lowest Rate Guarantee for both hotel and car rental reservations. You can't lose with this, so read this article, sign up free and make your travel reservations directly through SkyMed Travel.

What it Is - How to Join (free for Our Readers):

We're now giving JMB Website Supporters members and *SXM Weekly News* readers access to a private, "members only" travel wholesale club that offers incredible prices not only on airfares but on travel reservations and packages worldwide.

The SkyMed Travel Club offers exceptional pricing on everything and almost invariably beats everyone else's pricing. We have found their pricing excellent across the board and their new 110% low rate guarantee on hotels and car rentals is a big deal.

Normally, this organization charges \$99 to join plus \$99 annual renewals. But for our JMB Website Supporters members and now for everyone else, the cost to join is zero as will be the cost for renewals. Join the Club by going to <u>https://www.skymedtravel.com/register</u>, sign up, and provide the requested information. Complete the first sign up item (SkyMed Membership Number or Representative ID) by entering the code 391330 — doing that ensures that you pay nothing for your SkyMed Travel Club membership. No code, no free entry to the club's phenomenal pricing. *If you are a SkyMed Member, however, enter your SkyMed Membership Number here to get the absolute greatest possible discounts*.

You will not be disappointed.

5a. Winter Storm "Stella" Likely to Wreak Havoc on Flights

Winter storm Stella is expected to dump snow measured in feet this coming week in the US Northeast.

Named Saturday morning, the storm will first affect states well Southwest of New England, causing trouble for tens of millions of people in a large part of the country.

If you plan flights this week, you might want to contact your airline to reschedule them; flight cancellations are liable to be in the hundreds if not thousands.

Traveling Anywhere?

Never go anywhere without SkyMed Medical Evacuation Protection. Visit <u>www.getskymed.com</u> today; email Jeff for answers to SkyMed questions at <u>jeff@getskymed.com</u> with the subject "SkyMed". Include your phone number & time zone.

SECTION 2: Accommodations: Hotels, Inns, Timeshares

6. No English Text Yet of Possible Consumer Protection Legislation

One of the island's top political figures told us that he would get us an English-language copy of the timeshare owner consumer protection legislation that appears to be close to enactment in SXM. We haven't received it yet, but as soon as we do we'll post it to our JMB Website Supporters page on Facebook (JMB members only) and to our <u>Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site</u>. A link to it will also appear in the following issue of *SXM Weekly News*.

7. Best Large SXM Timeshares

Fortunately for SXM timeshare owners, complaints right now are few and far between. Even Sapphire Beach Resort, which is in a tug-of-war in court about its ownership, is in good shape now, timeshare owners say.

So, what large timeshares are the best? It might be a question that *you* want to ask on our <u>Everything St. Maarten</u> <u>Facebook Site</u>, so you'll get a few dozen answers directly from timeshare owners. All we'll say here is that right now, the top dog must be **Simpson Bay Resort**, which just finished its mammoth multi-year \$35-million campus-wide renovation, in which all units were gutted, rethought, reimagined, and turned to do something quite amazing. They received our **Everything SXM Award of Excellence** as did Oyster Bay Beach Resort in Cupecoy, the only two large resorts to receive that prestigious award. (Summit Resort Hotel, much smaller, also received the coveted 2017 award.) But definitely ask the question in our <u>Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site</u>.

8. Rent or Buy SXM Timeshares at Low Prices, Directly from Owners

St. Maarten has more timeshares then perhaps any other Caribbean island, and they appear to be the favorite accommodations of island visitors because of their convenience and amenities. Our site, <u>www.everythingsxm.com</u>, offers you hundreds of timeshares for rent across the Dutch side as well as many more for sale — all at very reasonable prices without middleman fees or commissions, You buy directly from the timeshare owners themselves.

Check it out.

9. Villa Onyi To Expand Its Very Low Cost Rentals for JMB Members

Exclusively

Villa Onyi at Point Blanche is exquisite inside and out, and has been featured multiple times on HGTV.

Now, JMB Website Supporters members exclusively get a very low-price rental on this amazing property:

Rent Villa Onyi for USD\$1500.00 for two weeks for the month March 2017... with expansion coming very soon for future months. Includes housekeeping service once a week (on Wednesdays) with basic cleaning, all utilities, cable TV, internet inclusive. Special low JMB member-only rates for months through October are coming very soon: feel free to inquire now -- ask them to put you on a waiting list until the low season rates are announced. Your valid JMB Website Supporters Membership Number and expiration date are required.

Contact management via email at onyinyechi.llc@gmail.com. See their site at https://www.facebook.com/VillaOnyi/.

Tell them you heard about it through *SXM Weekly News*. Again, prices are for JMB members only; others pay more, so join JMB by clicking the page curl at <u>www.everythingsxm.com</u>. Now about 300 total discounts....

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10. Go To Simpson Bay Resort's Owner Orientations

Simpson Bay timeshare owners ought to sit in on the orientations at that timeshare resort. Not only is the pastry delicious, but a surprise mystery guest will be there (in person or by video) and you might want to hear what he has to say. He may just have something for you....

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11. "Section Three" -- Member Discounts / Benefits News & Updates

This section of *SXM Weekly News*, which appears weekly, will provide detailed information about current JMB Website Supporters discounts and benefits both for current members and for people thinking about joining JMB.

We now offer about 300 discounts (including those now being rolled out). We think you'll find many surprises here that will be of great interest and value. Please see below for this month's story.

12. March Member Benefits Update: Activities in SXM

AquaMania is the single largest provider of tourist activities on the island, providing interesting and memorable experiences for tourists of every age and interest. Since JMB Website Supporters members get discounts on all of AquaMania's activities, we could legitimately tell you that we have somewhere between five and 600 total discounts now — though for counting purposes we list AquaMania as only one item. In any case, they have activities on the water, on land, and in a variety that's frankly beyond imagination. See the secret site and visit their website to learn

much more just how extensive their selection of activities really is.Don't forget: you can save on all of their activities through our JMB Website Supporters members-only discounts. See the secret site for details today; your username and password are required. If you're not yet a member, <u>go here</u> for much more information and great sign up prices.

13. "Everything St. Maarten" Bracelets for JMB Members Only Now Available at DK Gems

The bracelets are for JMB Website Supporters members only and are offered at a discount. We published pictures of them on our <u>Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site</u>. Multiple finishes -- gold, silver, etc. - are offered. Current, valid JMB membership card required as is a government-issued photo ID. <u>Contact Jeff at DK Gems</u>,. Phone and online orders can be accepted if you send valid JMB membership and ID info.

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Email Jeff with SkyMed Questions: jeff@getskymed.com Include your phone number if you'd like a call back.

Hear Jeff Live On Island 92 Radio (91.9 FM or www.island92.com) Every Wednesday Somewhere Between 9:30 and 10:00 a.m. Island Time; EST is one hour earlier

15. JMB Website Supporters 15th Anniversary Membership Sale

BEGINS SATURDAY NIGHT 3/11/17 AT 8:00 p.m.

About 300 SXM Discounts --

<u>New Memberships:</u> <u>One Year \$44, Four Years \$89</u>

Renewals/Reinstatements 1 Yr. \$34, 5 Yrs \$109

<u>New JMB memberships</u>

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<u>Renewal JMB memberships</u>

www.everythingsxm.com/secret Go to the Membership Renewal Center

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15a. WestJet Flight Appears to Make Dangerously Low Approach to SXM

Airport

A WestJet Boeing 737 in Disney "Frozen" livery last week made what veteran pilots are calling a dangerously low approach to SXM Airport in bad weather. There was a low overcast at the time of approach.

See the published story <u>here</u>. We asked SXM Airport about this and a spokesperson told us, "I have verified on our end and can confirm that no incident report was filed about the referenced, which would be required of the airline and in keeping with procedures." We asked if WestJet was in violation for not reporting the incident and we also asked the plane's altitude when it passed over the yellow buoy offshore, but the spokesperson declined to answer since she was out of her office.

We also spoke with a veteran pilot for a global legacy airline who said this: "I would guess more plain old pilot error. Perhaps they started out high, got into too excessive rate of descent to try and get down in time (should never be more than 500 feet per minute if below 1,000 feet above the ground/sea), and that really got their attention once coming out of the cloud layer. The go around was certainly the right call, as they were obviously unstabilized- a HUGE no-no that low, and that close in. The picture is pretty damning evidence, and with the Internet story the pilots will likely get called in about it. Should the Canadian DOT (their FAA) find out, that will set off more bells and whistles. If there was any kind of weather excuse they would have used that already, plus you ALWAYS report wind shear on the radio as soon as you can get around to it. We're likely to see a little more stuff like this as time goes on, particularly among the non-major trunk carriers. Experience levels are going nowhere but down, as the retirements escalate, and (if they) can't find the experienced pilots problems continue. I contend that in about 20 years we'll get out of our self driving cars, to ride in self flying airliners."

Aviation author Christine Negroni told us, "There is no way we can know what contributed to the plane being below the minimum descent altitude. As I said in the post, WestJet must examine all the factors surrounding the event to identify weak points that need strengthening."

She continued, "As to passengers being endangered, it would appear that they were. The 737 captain made it clear that at the normal speed of descent of 700 fpm, a plane at 50-100 feet above the water is potentially seconds away

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from an accident."

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Passengers knew what was happening and for them it was scary. Josiah H., a passenger on this flight who was returning home to SXM, recounts his experience on the flight:

"I sat in the first rows in a window seat, and I was asleep until 30 minutes before our first landing attempt. As we began the descent I had noticed the clouds were very heavy and low lying, [and] it was also raining heavily. I thought to myself, we cant possibly land in this, we will need to fly around because I'd never seen conditions like that for landing.

"As we came out of the clouds I could see from my window that we were basically about to land in the water because Sunset Beach Bar was still well ahead of us. As a person who flies in and out of Juliana often, I knew this wasn't right and was pretty worried. It actually looked like we would touch down on sea. From the sound of it, the pilots immediately throttled the plane as hard as they could and we gained speed and altitude fairly quickly.

"After reaching some altitude again, roughly 15 to 20 minutes, the pilot came on and said that due to rain showers on the approach they had to abort the landing. The crew were seated and buckled in, as there was some turbulence. We circled for what seemed to be an eternity, then came in and landed safely.

"Knowing this landing so well and circling around that long I was truly scared. After we landed everyone applauded and was glad to be on the ground. As for the crew and Captain after we landed, I don't really remember them saying much except, Welcome to St Maarten. I deboarded as quickly as I could and went home."

Last & Final Call To Enter Our 14-Vacation Giveaway 3/22

It's almost over. The drawing is 3/22. <u>Entry deadline is 3/15</u>. You can enter up to 10 times (the automated acknowledgement you'll receive says 5 times; it's wrong). See the entry link in story #17.

17. "Au Naturelle" Naturist Vacation Drawing is This Wednesday, 3/15

We want to be sure when we give away our Club Fantastico naturist vacation, it goes to someone who enjoys the naturist lifestyle. So here's a special opportunity to enter and be picked.

Click the 14-vacation giveaway entry link below. When you enter your last name, enter it as your name followed by NATURIST. We will search for "NATURIST" when picking winners at random.

If you have already entered the maximum number of times (10 times per subscribed email address for *Weekly News* subscribers) you can now enter again five more times using NATURIST after your last name.

This is the link (click or copy and paste in your browser): <u>http://everythingsxm.com/sxm/getting_here/entry-form-for-our-seven-vacation-giveaway.shtml</u>

<u>Do it now. We give away this vacation on March 15</u>. We will draw the winner at random on <u>www.island92.com</u> on Wednesday March 15 between 930 am and 10 am AST live on the air. Answer your phone to win...

18. What Happens If We Don't Surpass Five Million Visits by March 22, Our

Drawing Date?

Early this winter, we estimated that we would reach 5 million visits to our site sometime during March. It still may happen.

What if it doesn't? We will still give away all of the prizes in our Five Million Smiles giveaway as planned. Our

5,000,000th visitor will win a vacation *but not until we do another giveaway*, most likely late this year or in 2018.<u>If</u> you want to make sure our site reaches 5,000,000 million visits in the next couple of weeks, just go to the website repeatedly every day and exhort your friends to do the same. Not a problem.

19. Heineken Regatta "Epic" Epilog

Almost perfect sailing conditions prevailed throughout the entire Heineken Regatta, making for exciting sailing — and of course, there were the parties culminating last Sunday night with hours-long concerts featuring both Grammy award-winning Mya and legendary global reggae chart-toppers UB 40. Pictures of both Mya and UB 40 that we shot at their press conference were featured in our <u>Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site</u>. For a great deal more including detailed final results and awards, see <u>www.heinekenregatta.com</u>.

20. Be in SXM for the 2018 Regatta

From every perspective, the energy of the St. Maarten Heineken Regatta is something to behold.

Be here in 2018. Within the next few months, many timeshare owners will be offering prime units during the Regatta for rent at very reasonable prices. So, keep an eye on our timeshare rental and sales pages on www.everythingsxm.com. Being here for the Regatta is easier than you think.

21. SXM Music Festival Kicking Off

Happy Bay is normally a serene, secluded enclave for naturists -- a place where they can go and relax and get tan all over.

However in recent weeks the beach has been converted to the site of a music festival — SXM Festival, now in its second year.

The first year was a rousing success and this year is expected to be even more successful. See all the details <u>here</u>. Festival dates are March 15 to March 19.

22. Dining Page Update Completes As of 3/13 (New Restaurants Covered)

The 2017 update of our dining pages on <u>www.everythingsxm.com</u> had been scheduled for completion last week but was delayed by the Regatta — a very busy time. It will have been completed by the date of this issue of *SXM Weekly News*, Monday, March 13, 2017. Check it out; a number of new restaurants are featured.

23. What Do Bagels, Lox, French Food, and Greek Food Have in Common?

The answer is that they're all at Vesna Taverna in Simpson Bay just north of the drawbridge.

Open for breakfast and lunch seven days a week, every week, Vesna's is open for dinner Wednesday through Sunday.Breakfast begins at 7 AM it is quite wonderful. It features everything you love and some things you might not know are available now in SXM — sizeable, freshly baked delicious bagels, offered with or without lox (smoked salmon) and cream cheese. Yum. Lots of sandwiches and salads are offered at lunch and a large menu of great dishes are served at dinner — meat, seafood, and vegetarian entrées with a Caribbean/American/French accent. There are also a few Greek items on the menu except on Saturday night, Greek night, when there are a slew of Greek specialties in addition to everything normally on the menu and some great specials.

We said before that Vesna's is the most eclectic restaurant on the island and we were right! For reasons that will be obvious to you after you visit, Vesna Taverna is a long-time recipient of our **Everything SXM Award of Excellence**.

JMB Website Supporters members get discounts; bring your current, valid JMB membership card and the voucher from the Secret Site. Still not a member? Click the page curl at <u>www.everythingsxm.com</u> and join now -- our Anniversary Sale is underway starting Saturday night 3/11. *Great* prices.

24. Unmatched Caribbean Seaside Dining Ambiance: Daniel's By The Sea

You absolutely, positively cannot beat the atmosphere/ambience at Daniels by the Sea, the nighttime incarnation of Mr. Busby's Beach Bar (see story 36).Nestled in gazebos under coconut palms, Daniels and Busby's have those quintessential properties of restaurants you would expect to see in movies; it's that kind of place.

During the day at breakfast and lunch, you're normally greeted by the smiling face of Lulu, who has been here for years, loves her job, and really knows what she's doing. The food is delicious although when the place is busy it may take a few minutes for your food to arrive — not to worry, you're on vacation and the kitchen is obsessing (as usual) over the quality of your meal.

At night, especially on moonlit nights, you'll enjoy the gentle tradewinds, the mesmerizing sight of the ocean only a few yards away (you are, after all, on a beach) and the soothing flicker of real candlelight at your table.

Family recipes handed down from generations are used here and are prepared just right, including homemade pastas and luscious desserts. Small wonder that it's one of the island's most popular restaurants and has been for many years. Daniel himself is there most nights making sure everything goes like it's supposed to. Definitely say hello to him and tell him we sent you. JMB Website Supporters members get discounts; bring your current, valid JMB membership card and the voucher from the Secret Site. Still not a member? Click the page curl at www.everythingsxm.com and join now -- our Anniversary Sale is underway starting Saturday night 3/11.

Asked to dine in Jeff's office, if it's available; you'll enjoy it as much as Jeff does.

25. Spiga Not Open Sundays Starting 3/12

Everybody needs a day off, so effective March 12 (by which many of you will receive this issue of *SXM Weekly News*) Spiga, the standout restaurant in Grand Case, will be closed Sundays.

26. Is Lee's Closing or What?

Lee's Roadside Grill in Simpson Bay is scheduled to shut down March 31, per his landlord, but Lee and his lawyer are fighting hard to stay open and Lee has vowed to friends that he isn't going down quietly. Stay tuned. Somehow we hope that Lee will continue to be able to serve his thousands of loyal customers.

27. SXM's Next Big Thing: 2017 Dutch Side Carnival

This is the biggest Carnival on the island and the climactic event of high season. It begins April 17 and runs until May 3. Look <u>here</u> and <u>here</u> for more info.

28. Tijon: Take The Class, Make Your Own Uniquely Special Island Fragrance

Go to www.tijon.com and check out Tijon Parfumerie in Grand Case. Not only does it sell an outstanding collection of

perfumes created right in the parfumerie, it also offers classes during which you can learn how to make your own fragrances. The classes of course are open to both men and women. We've done it and thoroughly enjoyed it. You can also "name" your fragrance and order refills, since the parfumerie keeps your formula so refills can be made for you. It will be one of the highlights of your trip.

Later this year Tijon expects to open a new parfumerie in Scottsdale, Arizona. We'll keep you posted.

29. Island's Biggest Supermarket Has Almost Everything

In a week and a half, on March 22, we'll give away 14 vacations to celebrate our site surpassing five million visits. We'll also give away dozens of other prizes which are listed in the next story. One of those other prizes will be \$100 gift card to Le Grand Marché Supermarket, by far the largest on the island. If you can't find what you want there, more than likely you don't need it. Spend time looking around — you'll find much more than you expect. The market is scheduled for a major renovation this summer.

30. Grand Prizes / Vacation Prizes in Our Giveaway

Our Naturist Club Fantastico vacation will be given away on Wednesday, March 15.

All other vacation winners will be drawn / given away between 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. AST on Wednesday, March 22. The drawings will be live on the air at Island92.com and at 91.9 FM. We apologize to west coast US listeners since this is very early, but it takes a lot of time to give away 14 vacations.

You MUST answer your phone to win; if you don't, we hang up and give the prize to someone else and you will not be called back.

If you have not yet entered, see the end of this story and enter now.

Here are the two Grand Prize Packages, in no special order:

Grand Prize Package One:

Eight days and seven nights at **Belle Vue**, an incredible villa overlooking Orient Bay on the French Side that will accommodate up to eight people (bring your family / best friends -- or not). We're grateful to the owner and to IREvacations.com (and SXM's top real estate agent Arun Jagtiani) for supplying this incredible vacation.

A Helicopter ride for the grand prize winner (from Corail Helicopters, Grand Case Airport)

Oro Diamante One \$100 Gift Card good toward any purchase

From Tijon Parfumerie in Grand Case, a bottle of Ti Amour, their new gold perfume collection with 23K gold inside, which normally sells for 129 Euro per bottle.

Full-day cruise for two to Tintamarre aboard the 62' Celine Too Motoryacht

Cruise for two on the legendary Celine Too Pub Crawl

One Case of Heineken Beer, donated by International Liquor & Tobacco

Tour of the Etna Ice Cream Factory -- and a few pints to take with you

Tour of Toppers' Rhum Distillery (including free samples, if you're old enough)

A painting by renowned SXM artist Patty Meotti which has been posted in our Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site.

A \$100 Gift Card good toward any purchase at Le Grand Marche

Dinner for two at the exquisite new Mario Bistro in Cupecoy;

Dinner for two at Spiga Restaurant in Grand Case;

Dinner for two at SkipJack's restaurant, Simpson Bay (limit, \$90) Dinner for two at Daniel's By The Sea on Dawn Beach; Dinner for two at Pineapple Pete Restaurant Dinner for two at Sushiitto Restaurant Dinner for two at Trattoria Pizza Pasta Dinner for two at The Boathouse; Lunch for two at Patrick Turner's Tropical Wave on Le Galion Beach

Grand Prize Package Two:

Eight days and seven nights at Villa Onyi at Point Blanche. Featured on HGTV, this is one of the island's most breathtaking villas, inside and out.

Oro Diamante One \$100 Gift Card good toward any purchase

Full-day cruise for two to Tintamarre aboard the 62' Celine Too Motoryacht

Cruise for two on the legendary Celine Too Pub Crawl

One Case of Heineken Beer, donated by International Liquor & Tobacco

Tour of the Etna Ice Cream Factory -- and a few pints to take with you

Tour of Toppers' Rhum Distillery (including free samples, if you're old enough)

A \$50 Gift Card for Aaron Meit's / No Rest Agencies' Julio's Smoke & Booze, a leading wholesaler of snacks and island souvenirs located in the Dutch Side Industrial Park, Simpson Bay

Dinner for two at award-winning Chef Dino Jagtiani's Temptation Restaurant;

Dinner for two at Big Fish Restaurant, Oyster Pond

Dinner for two at iZi Ristorante Italiano, Simpson Bay.

Dinner for two at Infinity Restaurant at Oyster Bay Beach Resort;

Sunday Brunch for Two at Oyster Bay Breach Resort

Breakfast Buffet Any Day for two at Toppers Restaurant in Simpson Bay

\$50 Gift Certificate for Avantika Restaurant;

Dinner for two at Toppers Restaurant;

Dinner for two at Vesna Taverna in Simpson Bay

Dinner for two at Lal's Curry In a Hurry Indian Restaurant;

Dinner for two at Cheri's Cafe (limit \$50).

There are many other vacation prizes -- see last week's edition for the complete list.

You can enter now if (and only if) you're a direct (not pass-along) subscriber to SXM Weekly News... Click this link to enter now: <u>http://everythingsxm.com/sxm/getting_here/entry-form-for-our-seven-vacation-giveaway.shtml</u>

Entries from pass-along readers will not be accepted; Subscribe directly now by clicking "Free Newsletters" at <u>www.everythingsxm.com</u>. <u>Only direct subscribers are eligible to win -- and subscriptions are free</u>.

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Email Jeff now: jeff@getskymed.com

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31. Scenic Chair Lift at Emilio Wilson Estate Starts Moving

The scenic chair lift up Sentry Hill at Emilio Wilson Estate started moving late last week, presumably part of its testing program. It's scheduled to open in May, according to the last information we received. Although it's scenic, it's controversial. First, it was built on the Emilio Wilson Estate which, as we understand it, was to be preserved as a pristine piece of property for future generations. Putting a chair lift in, though it will be scenic, doesn't necessarily mesh with that objective in the minds of many people. Second, the remarkable undependability of electric company GEBE means that power may go out at any time; one would hope backup generator capacity at this facility would be sufficient to keep the lift going regardless of outside power interruptions. Third, it will offer spectacular views of Philipsburg, Great Bay, and fires at the Dutch side dump, until the dump is eventually somehow done away with....

We'll keep you posted.

32. Wind-Blown Seaweed (Not Sargasso)

Gale to near gale force winds much of last week blew a fair amount of seaweed to the shore, all of which was quickly removed. This was not Sargasso seaweed, the stuff which wreaked havoc in the Caribbean and along the Gulf Coast over the last few years; it stopped several months ago. The amount of windblown seaweed last week was relatively minor.

33. Summer Travel Plans? Two Ways To Beat SkyMed's 90-Day Waiting Period for Coverage of Pre-Existing Conditions on Annual and Longer Memberships

First: Get a short-term membership to cover your imminent trip. They're \$15 total per day for you and your spouse. Also sign up for an annual membership to take effect on the day your short-term membership ends. That does it. You're permanently protected and even pre-existing conditions are covered initially thanks to your short-term membership.

Second: If you're going nowhere until 90 days from now (next Summer), get a SkyMed Annual or longer membership; see our story on the SkyMed 10-year price guarantee on five-year Ultimate memberships. Since you're not going anywhere for 90 days +, when you do travel your pre-existing conditions are covered since the membership will have already been in effect for 90 days, after which pre-existing conditions are covered in full.

Get going on this -- ask your questions at jeff@getskymed.com with the subject "SkyMed Inquiry." Don't be without SkyMed when you need it most.

See next story.

34. Get a 10-Year Price Guarantee on New or Upgraded SkyMed Five-Year

Ultimate Memberships: Ends This Month

Buy or upgrade to a new five-year SkyMed Ultimate this month and choose to renew automatically, and both transactions will be at the current prepaid five-year price of \$2495 which is just \$499/year, the same as our Annual memberships, but with a lot more benefits. That's a 10-year price guarantee.

Annual SkyMed members (and non-members), take note: you can now upgrade to the SkyMed Ultimate and get more benefits and global coverage at no increase in yearly cost over your current annual SkyMed membership for 10 full years.

You'll find an overview of all key SkyMed Features & Benefits here: http://www.everythingsxm.com/sxmweeklynews/SkyMedServices.pdf

And you'll find Frequently Asked Questions here: http://www.everythingsxm.com/sxmweeklynews/2015SkyMedFAQ.pdf

You must upgrade to a prepaid five-year Ultimate <u>now</u>, before April 1, and opt for automatic renewals to be guaranteed the current price (\$499/year when prepaid at inception for the five-year term, \$2495). <u>The 5-year Ultimate increases in price in April but that price increase will not apply to you at your subsequent initial renewal if you buy before April 1 and agree to automatic renewals.</u>

Contact jeff@getskymed.com and include your phone number to get all the advantages of SkyMed Ultimate memberships now at this highly advantageous 10-year guaranteed pricing.

35. Restaurant of the Week: Mario Bistro -- Legendary Creativity & Service

Nothing beats creativity in the culinary arts, although quality and execution are equally important.

From the first step of the process through the last, excellence is essential to deliver a superior consumer experience.

That's why **Mario's Bistro** is one of the very best restaurants on St. Maarten — or anywhere else. Whether you select their standard menu items or any of their specials for appetizer, main course, or dessert — we can't imagine you'll be anything other than thoroughly delighted. Mario offers you simply superb dining; make sure you go. Reservations are essential. See https://www.facebook.com/MarioBistrot/

Mario's is located in Porto Cupecoy which makes it convenient from both sides of the island.

The article we published about **SXM's Top Seafood Restaurants** is on its own page on our website — see a complete list of <u>top seafood restaurants here</u>.

The article we published about **SXM's Top Italian Restaurants** is on its own page on our website -- see SXM's top Italian restaurants here.

And we are now updating our SXM dining page bigtime on <u>www.everythingsxm.com</u> -- check it this week (finishes on Monday, our cover date). Never finished it last week, too busy doing Regatta...

Sill not a JMB member? You're spending way too much for practically everything you buy in SXM. Get hundreds of discounts and other benefits: see <u>www.everythingsxm.com</u>.

Big Fish Restaurant www.bigfishsxm.com/ (featured 1/16/17) IZI Ristorante Italiano, www.iziristoranteitaliano.com (featured 3/6/17) Busby's Chicken Rotisserie (featured 12/5/16) Avantika Thai www.avantikasxm.com (featured 2/6/17; added 2/17) Canoa, www.canoasxm.com (featured 3/22/16) Mario Bistro www.mariobistrot.com/en/ 3/13/17

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SkipJack's SXM, http://www.skipjacks-sxm.com/ (featured 12/19/16) Trattoria Pizza Pasta, Maho Plaza near Casino Royale (featured 9/12/16) Daniel's By The Sea, <u>www.dawnbeachsxm.com</u> (featured 12/5/16) La Patrona, Simpson Bay Resort (featured 1/30/17; added 1/17) Domino's Pizza https://www.facebook.com/pages/Dominos-Pizza-St-Maarten/95635717338 (featured 9/16) **Spiga**, <u>www.spiga-sxm.com</u> (featured 11/21/16) The Boathouse, https://www.facebook.com/CDayDay777 10/3/16 The Hideaway, http://www.lavistaresort.com/restaurant.html (featured 10/31/16) Stone Restaurant, www.thestonerestaurant.com (featured 9/2/14) Melange International Grill (featured 2/20/17) Le Pressoir, http://www.lepressoir-sxm.com (featured 7/6/15) Temptation, http://www.temptation-sxm.com/ (featured 10/10/16) Lal's Curry In A Hurry Indian Restaurant, Airport Road, Simpson Bay (featured 5/9/16) Mr. Busby's Beach Bar http://www.dawnbeachsxm.com (featured 1/23/17) Island Pizza, http://www.dawnbeachsxm.com (featured 7/25/16) Pineapple Pete, <u>www.pineapplepete.com</u> (featured 9/19/16) Papagayo, http://www.cluborient.com/papagayo.php (featured 10/17/16) Dany & John's Cupecoy Beach Bar (on Cupecoy beach; follow the car path from the far side of Ocean Club to get there). (featured 4/27/2015) FIG, Maho complex at Le Terasse St. Maarten Yacht Club, at the Dutch Side Drawbridge Jimbo's, www.jimboscafe.com (featured 4/13/15) Vesna Taverna, <u>www.vesnataverna.com</u> (featured 1/9/17) Topper's <u>http://www.sxmtoppers.com/</u> (featured 2/27/17) Taloula Mango http://www.taloulamango.com/ (featured 4/20/15) Bylbos, Simpson Bay Sushiitto Japanese Restaurant, Port de Plaisance https://www.facebook.com/sushiitto.sxm (featured 2/13/17)

36. A Look Back at "Old" Restaurants: Story #16

Over the years, St. Maarten/St. Martin has been home to many restaurants of varying descriptions. This series briefly describes a number of restaurants from both sides of the island that have passed into history but have not left our memory.

Here is this week's story:

Antoine is still open today under different management and ownership, but here is *the rest of the story*: Antoine Jurczenko was maitre d' at the Eden Rock cap d'Antibes for more than 15 years, and was already world renowned when he moved on to the Ivory Coast Hotel in South Africa, Chanteclaire Hotel in Montreal St Edel, the acclaimed Waterlot Inn in Bermuda, Ilford Key Club in the Bahamas, and ultimately La Samanna in French St. Martin.

His wife worked in tandem with Antoine as executive housekeeper at large hotels/resorts such as the Southampton Princess in Bermuda and at the legendary La Samanna resort on French St. Martin. In 1978, the couple opened their first restaurant, Antoine, on Front Street in Philipsburg, serving classic French Cuisine to aficionados of gourmet cuisine from everywhere. Antoine quickly became one of the most highly regarded of Caribbean restaurants. Their son Daniel is the public face of Daniel's by the Sea on Dawn Beach. Though Antoine sold the restaurant and is retired, he still catches snook in Oyster Pond and you may well experience this delicious fish at *Daniel's by the Sea*.

Check next week for another article about another former SXM restaurant.

Featured so far in this series (D=Dutch F= French):

- 1- West Indian Tavern D
- 2- Sam's Place D
- 3- Turtle Pier D
- 4-:Scavenger's D
- 5- Surf Club South F
- 6- Laguna D
- 7- Le Perroquet D
- 8- Ric's Place D
- 9- La Raviolina F
- 10 Da Livio D
- 11 La Gondola D
- 12 L'Alabama F

13 - Andy & Cheryl's F 14 - La Calanque F 15 - La Diva F 16 - Antoine D

Coming soon: Sambuca D, Peg Leg Pub D; Tutta Pasta D. Tutta Pasta closed last Fall.

Got suggestions? Email them to <u>susan@jmbcommunications.com</u> with the subject "Look Back." *Include as many details as you can; you may well be the source of a future column.*

37. Thinking of Buying a Short-Term SkyMed Membership? Advantages,

Disadvantages

Short term SkyMed Medical Evacuation memberships are cheap, only \$15/day per couple (including minor children) or \$9/day for an individual. Pre-existing conditions are covered immediately for those who qualify.

But the bad news is that <u>once your short-term membership ends</u>, it's over, and you must medically requalify to get <u>coverage for any subsequent trip</u>. Your health can change instantly so letting a membership disappear like that isn't the best thing to do for yourself.

Annual and multiyear memberships cost only about \$1.30/day per couple -- way cheaper. They include more benefits -- especially Ultimate memberships. See all the features and benefits here.

<u>SkyMed never increases the pricing on its memberships related to your advancing age or declining health</u>. Once you sign up for SkyMed, you're a member for life as long as you pay your renewals on time. And <u>SkyMed never cancels</u> anyone because of advancing age or declining health.

<u>Do NOT take chances by waiting</u>. <u>GET SKYMED BEFORE YOU NEED IT</u> ...so you'll have it when you DO need it. See <u>www.getskymed.com</u>. In our opinion, it's the best medical evacuation membership product on the market. --Jeff

More stories follow.

38. 30-Day Free Look When You Buy SkyMed Medevac Protection

As a consumer you're well protected since SkyMed offers you a 30 day free look. See www.getskymed.com.

What's the upper age limit to join SkyMed? There isn't any: apply today regardless of age.

What's the upper age limit to renew your existing SkyMed membership? *There isn't any*. Just pay your SkyMed renewal on time and your membership will continue regardless of your health or age at the time of your renewal. <u>There is no membership cutoff for advancing age or declining health</u>, unlike so-called competitive programs. *And the price of your renewal membership will not increase due to declining health or advancing age*.

SkyMed Takes You Home® -- what else matters?

39. Q & A about SkyMed Medical Evacuation

Updated 3/6/17

What SkyMed Does: SkyMed Takes You Home® to doctors and hospitals you know and trust when you become

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critically ill or injured while traveling. <u>SkyMed is your free ticket home</u> aboard an ICU-equivalent emergency medical evacuation jet with an ICU-certified medical attendant on board to help make sure everything goes as it should.

How SkyMed Works: Like clockwork, you're taken from the hospital by ambulance to a waiting aircraft at SkyMed's expense; SkyMed makes all the arrangements and pays all costs for the medical evacuation jet and for the ambulance at the destination which takes you to a waiting team at your destination hospital, which already has your medical records and is ready to start helping you. There are no co-pays and no deductibles for SkyMed services, ever.

Anything can happen — but you can trust SkyMed to take you home when you need it most.

What's It Cost? *Without* SkyMed, you'll need \$45,000 or more <u>payable in cash in advance</u> to pay for an emergency medical evacuation — if you can make the dozens of calls necessary to set it up in an emergency. SkyMed does all that for you, for a small membership fee; you simply make one phone call 24/7/365 to get things going.

Why Buy Now? We're offering SkyMed now at very special pricing for JMB Website Supporters members only — but if you're a nonmember and care to join SkyMed now through us, we'll enroll you in JMB Website Supporters at the same time. This offer is available only by phone; email jeff@getskymed.com and give Jeff your phone number so he can call you. He'll be happy to answer your questions, tell you about the different types of programs available, and their respective costs. He'll also be happy to fill out your application for an annual or multiyear SkyMed membership by phone and at the same time you can set up a JMB Website Supporters membership (required to get the biggest multiyear SKYMED discounts).

See <u>www.getskymed.com</u> or email Jeff at jeff@getskymed.com (use the subject "SkyMed inquiry") to learn more and get your questions answered.

Types of SkyMed Memberships:

First, **short term memberships** are for brief trips in North America, the Caribbean, the Bahamas, Bermuda, and Mexico -- over 30 countries total. Short-term memberships are very inexpensive, about \$9 per day per person, maximum of about \$15 per day. *The disadvantage is that they only cover you for the short term you are traveling:* when they expire, your protection disappears. When you're ready to travel again, you must reapply for a new short-term membership. Although the process is quick, you still must be medically approved and at some point, that may well be impossible (see story 19). Bear in mind that many of us travel more than once or twice a year, even if it's only a few hundred miles from home to visit friends or relatives, which is why we recommend annual or multiyear SkyMed memberships instead of short-term memberships. You do not want your protection to end just when you may need it most.

Second, both **annual and multiyear SkyMed memberships** are essentially permanent coverage. Once you've been approved and as long as you continue to pay your membership fee on time, **your membership cannot be discontinued as a result of advancing age or declining health** — two critically important advantages that ensure you have coverage when you may need it most.

Third, **Ultimate memberships** cover multiple years and provide protection worldwide. The only exceptions are places like Syria, Afghanistan, Somalia, North Korea — places you won't visit anyway. (Ask before going anywhere dangerous/unusual.) Ultimate memberships also offer the greatest breadth of coverage. You can see a complete list of all the features and benefits of these coverages <u>here</u>.

Fourth, if you're an **American or Canadian ex-pat** living in St. Maarten / St. Martin or elsewhere outside your country for six months or more per year, you can still get SKYMED protection in the form of an *ex-pat* membership. Email us (see next paragraph) and we can tell you how it works and answer your questions.

In addition to everything else, Jeff Berger has been a SkyMed rep for over 15 years. He'll be happy to answer questions; email him at <u>Jeff@GetSkyMed.com</u>. He generally returns messages within 24 hours. To see <u>online</u> <u>frequently asked questions</u>, <u>go here</u>. You can also see his SkyMed site at <u>www.GetSkyMed.com</u>.

<u>JMB members get serious discounts on all multiyear SkyMed memberships</u>. If you're not already a JMB member, join today and take advantage of those discounts.

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JMB Membership Reinstatements

http://everythingsxm.com/sxm/reinstate/index.shtml

More stories are below.

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Click to access our recommended real estate agent, Arun Jagtiani, featured on HGTV.

40. Download The Complete List of All SkyMed Features & Benefits

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41. Where to Find Past Issues of SXM Weekly News

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Traveling Anywhere?

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42. "The Periscope": Articles We're Working on for our Next Issue

The Periscope gives you a glimpse of major stories we're working on for our next issue. The feature will appear when appropriate (not every week).

Here's some of what's coming:

More on West Jet

Look for *Periscope* here next week.

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Want to rent or buy a week?

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SECTION 6: Background Information for Travelers (For New Readers) Updated 10/18/15

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