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RENTAL 1/25/2020 2/1/2020 4 **Simpsonbay Resort Ocean front 3rd flr 1 bedroom fully furnished.** 1 king + 2 twin Murphy beds in living room. Large balcony facing ocean. Maid service. island tax Internet WiFi , tvs .

resort with marina , casino, restaurants, spa, gym , pools beaches tennis courts parking. \$1,700 Lynn 5072190594
lynncunningham49@gmail.com

SXM Timeshare Sale of The Week:

SALE 6/29/2019 7/6/2019 Week 26 **La Vista Beach Ocean front, 2 bedroom unit w/balcony**. Sleeps 6. 2 full bathrooms. Kitchen w/microwave, full fridge. TV, DVD, internet, no pets, no smoking. Also, due to the 2017 hurricane, you are entitled to 2 additional floating weeks, that can be used based upon availability. 1 through 2022 and the other through 2023. This is on top of the fixed week # 26 each year. \$3,000.00 Gerry 732-682-9714 (U.S.)
batmanr@aol.com

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THIS WEEK'S STORIES:

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

1. Working to Crystallize Preclearance Fuzziness

Although the second floor departure area of SXM Airport is not yet open, passengers don't seem to mind. They know the airport is busy on weekends and somewhat busy all week long, and that during high season coming to the airport three hours before flight time is a smart idea. Both arrivals and departures are being handled effectively from the Airport's temporarily revamped first floor.

Although getting both floors of the airport back in shipshape is an ultimate priority for the island, passengers seem to take the current condition of the airport in stride; after all, it works, effectively getting them into and off the island on schedule.

What passengers really want, if they can have it, is preclearance for US customs and immigration on SXM. Island officials have been talking about preclearance for several years, saying that it is a matter of when, not if.

Unfortunately, hurricane Irma threw the preclearance timetable into turmoil. It became obvious that after Irma the airport needed USD\$100-million to restore the airport to its former glory while enabling it to withstand future massive storms through much stronger design and construction. Restoration was top priority.

Island officials have said that preclearance will come after all of the hurricane recovery construction at the airport has been completed, but it has never clearly said when that will be. There are several reasons: except for the roof and for mold remediation throughout the building, much remains to be done to restore the airport to its extraordinary condition before Irma. On the second floor, all of the jetways must be replaced. The airport has already discussed increasing the size of the terminal to accommodate additional air traffic and the extra internal structures necessary to make preclearance possible.

All that aside — when will preclearance be ready for customers?

Although we know that any answer to this question from the government will be couched in a number of ifs, nonetheless it's time passengers received a relatively concrete answer. That's why we have now asked this question of island officials and will let you know as soon as we hear something definitive.

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2. For Summer Flights, Get To Airports Early

All 737 Max aircraft remain grounded and are expected to stay grounded possibly for months to come; the economy continues to hum along; and air travel reservations are heavy throughout the summer months. There are also major construction projects at many airports heavily used by travelers heading to SXM.

What all this means is that now it's more important than ever to make sure you arrive at your US or Canadian point of departure much earlier than you have before — at least three hours ahead.

Also be sure that your plane tickets show exactly the same full name as your passport. If there is any difference at all between the two, that could lead to the cancellation of your tickets. If there's any difference, contact your airline now to make sure that problem is solved before you head to the airport.

3. Did Carnival Refuse to Disembark Critically Ill Man?

As we wrote in our previous issue, Carnival Cruise Lines is not having much fun doing its thing these days. Some time ago, it was fined \$40 million for dumping pollutants into the ocean. Recently, it admitted it was still dumping pollutants, so it was fined another \$20 million.

Now, the family of a passenger who died on board a Carnival Cruise Lines ship is suing Carnival for a fortune saying that the carrier's failure to allow the man to leave the ship and be medically evacuated home to the US after a heart attack resulted in the man's untimely death aboard the ship. This story is far from over.

Here are [the details](#).

4. See Current SXM Weather / Tracking Serious Weather

You'll find detailed observations and forecasts by visiting our main SXM website, www.everythingsexm.com, and clicking either of the weather observations at the top of the page.

The four sources of current weather info, beyond the two above, are:

1) [Crown Weather Services](#) whose very inexpensive subscription service is, we feel, the best in the business.

2) Our "Weather" page at www.everythingsxm.com -- it has current satellite images and radar loops and now all the latest NHC weather forecasts, outlooks, and advisories as well. There are now also active weather widgets on the site's home page.

3) Our [Everything SXM Facebook Site](#), which publishes the latest advisories, watches, and warnings when SXM is threatened by any storms.

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

5) For a quick look at weather radar exactly where you are or where you're going, try the My Radar phone app or My Radar for Windows -- excellent programs.

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

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

Download your own NHC Hurricane Chart:

Years ago, before we were all saturated with weather information from cable TV to local (redundant and repetitive) news and forecasts plus weather updates and bulletins on our smart phones, gas stations and television stations offered printed hurricane tracking charts so people at home could try to figure out for themselves whether they were about to get slammed by the latest hurricane.

We haven't seen hurricane tracking chart handouts for years, but if you want one they are easy to get.

The exact charts used by the National Hurricane Center (NHC) are available for download from the NHC [here](#). Select "Atlantic" and you're good to go. You can print out the chart and use it repeatedly, or simply print a bunch of them and use one for each storm that may approach an area of interest -- like, SXM.

4a. Urgent Hurricane Bulletins Will Be Posted "Here"...

Hurricane season has arrived: it began June 1 and ends November 30.

Meteorologist Rob Lightbown, head of Crown Weather, is a seasonal Admin on our [Everything SXM Facebook Site](#) and in that position, he is able to post urgent SXM weather information on our site as it happens. We will also be posting any urgent watches, warnings, or reports there, to get them distributed as quickly as humanly possible. Sending them by email to our 332,000 readers worldwide would take many hours — so we urge all *SXM Weekly News* readers to also join our [Everything SXM Facebook Site](#) which will ensure you get the latest weather news as quickly as possible.

If you live along the US East Coast, the Florida coast, Gulf Coast, in the Caribbean, the Bahamas, in Bermuda, or in the Canadian Maritimes, you are prospectively in the path of storms this hurricane season. It would benefit you to receive urgent weather information in detail from Crown Weather, our private weather forecasting affiliate. We have used them for years and in our experience, their forecasting has been uncannily accurate. They're forecasting a slightly busier than usual hurricane season in the tropics. For much more information or to sign up with them very inexpensively, visit www.crownweather.com.

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SECTION 2: Accommodations: Hotels, Resorts, Timeshares, Villas Etc.

5. Has Oyster Bay Beach Resort Bought Busby's?

Until hurricane Irma blew it away, the Mr. Busby's Beach Bar business complex was a going concern, consisting of Mr. Busby's Beach Bar; Daniel's by the Sea; Pier Grocer; Busby's Chicken Rotisserie; plus the Greathouse apartment building between Oyster Bay Beach Resort and Coral Beach Club, as well as the entire Greathouse Marina.

Irma, the most ferocious storm in Atlantic basin history and the second most ferocious tropical cyclone ever recorded on planet Earth, ended all that. At the end of the day, all of the structures were in a shambles, and in a weirdly poetic final note, before she left, Irma deposited a boat on top of Pier Grocer.

Probably no one would deny that it would make sense for neighboring Oyster Bay Beach Resort to acquire the entire Busby property, which sits independently between Oyster Bay Beach Resort and Coral Beach Club, much of which OBBR now owns: it's like the hole in the middle of the Oyster Bay Beach doughnut.

In recent weeks, rumors flying around the island concerning Oyster Bay Beach Resort and the Mr. Busby's complex seem to have gained a certain amount of attention and, apparently, credibility.

Has Oyster Bay Beach Resort bought the Mr. Busby's complex? No, they have not. We asked the question of Busby's owners, who said they have no idea where these rumors start but they are 100% false.

We do know that the realtor that has now been assigned to sell the property is Sotheby's on SXM. There is no current plan to restore or reopen Mr. Busby's, though if you want to buy the complex, that might just be a very wise use of some of the land.

6. Rumors Continue to Swirl Around Westin

On several occasions in the wake of hurricane Irma, we have asked management officials at Columbia Sussex, owners of the resort, what the future holds for the Westin St. Maarten.

The story has been the same since the beginning: no comment. We are now approaching the second anniversary of Irma, just a bit over two months away. It would seem sensible for the owners to speak publicly about the future use of this land. Will the Westin or some other hotel open on this site? When? What kind of amenities would a future hotel occupant on this property offer? Rumors range all over the lot. Some say the Westin itself will never reopen. Others say that the lucrative Dawn Beach Club timeshare operations on the property are being given priority in terms of rebuilding and reopening, and evidence on the property seems to back up that contention. Still others say Dawn Beach Club comes first, but work is slowly progressing on restoring Westin as a five star resort, apparently with heavy renovations.

As usual, we continue to try to get *official* answers for our readers worldwide. We'll keep you posted as soon as we hear anything definitive from official sources.

7. SXM Relocation Seminar Now Available Online

Just before last Thanksgiving, working with Arun Jagtiani of Island Real Estate Team, we put together and conducted an SXM Relocation Seminar for dozens of attentive attendees at Emilio's Restaurant at the Emilio Wilson estate near Philipsburg.

Many of you have asked whether it would be possible for you to see video we made of our relocation seminar.

Although we do intend to hold future relocation seminars, the video of our November seminar is now available online to anyone interested in buying on SXM, whether for a vacation home, retirement home, income property, or anything else.

You can now see the video [here](#). No password required.

8. Get That Condo on the Beach You've Been Dreaming Of

Spacious New Townhouses on Simpson Bay Beach:

If you've been thinking about moving to SXM but are turned off by large condo developments and have an urge to be on the beach in a place that is state-of-the-art strong, gorgeous, functional, and reasonably priced, we may just have found it for you on Simpson Bay beach, near its quiet northern end.

Drake Residences is built using quad-lock® insulating concrete forms construction which delivers rugged durability as well as great soundproofing.

There beachfront location consists of a four-story beachfront tower and five spacious townhouses, all offering beachfront access.

Construction is state-of-the-art using strong, steel reinforced concrete which is fire resistant, ultra-energy-efficient, with high wind resistance, impact resistance, seismic resistance, and flood resistance as well.

Drake Residences also offers true luxury, with modern design; an Italian kitchen; a waterfall island; floating staircases; all in a spacious, private, turnkey location. Preconstruction prices begin at just \$850,000; construction is about to begin. This is the last buildable lot on Simpson Bay beach and at these prices, you can expect Drake Residences to be sold out quickly.

If you'd like detailed information directly from the developer (whom you may well already know), email Jeff at jmbweb@jmbcommunications.com. Include your email and phone number with the subject **Drake Residences**. We'll put you in direct contact with the developer himself so he can tell you all the details. This is the most attractive, incredibly durable beachfront property we've seen in SXM in many years, and it is brand-new construction. Photos have been posted on our [Everything SXM Facebook Site](#).

9. Get Lowest Rates for Hotel Rooms & Car Rentals Worldwide

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

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Normally, SkyMed Travel charges \$99 to join plus \$99 annual renewals. But for our JMB Website Supporters members and now for Weekly News readers, the cost to join is zero as will be the cost for renewals. Join the Club by going to <https://www.skymedtravel.com/register>, 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 won't be disappointed.

10. Places to Stay: Many Available, Take Your Pick (Updated 6/19)

With most timeshare resorts back online — Belair, Sea Palace, Divi, Atrium Resort, La Vista, Simpson Bay Resort, Port de Plaisance, and Oyster Bay Beach now open too -- timeshare owners continue to post units available for rent on our [timeshare rental site](#) on [everythingSXM.com](#) and on our new companion Villas for Rent page, also on [everythingsxm.com](#). Check them out.

Get your rental weeks now. Note: ads on those pages are from JMB Website Supporters members exclusively.

SECTION 3: JMB Member Discounts & Benefits

11. JMB Member Discounts / Benefits -- Updated

We've recently updated the site to reflect ongoing changes on the island.

For more info on what you get with your JMB membership, [go here](#).

SECTION 4: Island News, Info, & Features

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12. Our 5 Millionth Site Visitor Enjoying SXM; Hear Her on Island92

We like giving away vacations — more about that in a minute.

In the spring of 2017, we gave away a vacation to our 5 millionth visitor on our main site, everythingSXM.com, which has since surpassed 6 million visits. The winner: a woman named Stacey from Massachusetts. A software executive, she also makes maple syrup at her home every winter. Stacey and her family won a week-long vacation at Simpson Bay resort; dinners at Mario's Bistro, iZi Ristorante Italiano, Mama Pizza, Pineapple Pete, and Vesna Taverna, plus a rental car for the full week from Leisure Car Rental and an on-air appearance on Dr. Soc's Fresh Air in the Morning program on Island92 radio between 930 and 10 AM this coming Thursday. You can hear the interview with her live on island92 at island92.com or 91.9 FM in SXM. Stacey and her family are posting pictures of their vacation experiences on our [Everything SXM Facebook Site](#).

As we noted at the beginning of this article, we like giving away vacations. So, we're working on a new giveaway to celebrate our main site, everythingxsm.com, along with our companion Facebook site surpassing 6 million total visits earlier this year. We expect to introduce that giveaway here in *SXM Weekly News* probably some time next month. Links to enter the new giveaway online will be published only in *SXM Weekly News*. If you'd like to see your friends enter this giveaway, please suggest they subscribe now to *SXM Weekly News* at xsmweeklynews.com.

13. At Mambo Beach Bar, Twin Challenges

Mambo Beach Bar is on the island's northeast coast on Coralita beach, just north of oyster pond.

The beach itself is usually a very natural strand with either no or very few bathers. Its location is rather desolate, and it's also distant from the island's primary hotel area. That's one issue. The second issue is that East-facing beaches are now receiving copious amounts of Sargassum seaweed, about which we wrote here in *SXM Weekly News* last week. If you want to help them make it through a seaweed-loaded low season, stop by. Do let us know about your experience by posting it in our [Everything SXM Facebook Site](#).

14. New Orient Beach "Carbets" Being Built w/ Cinder Blocks

When French side officials first talked about rebuilding the "carbet" buildings just north of the old Pedro's beach bar near the southern part of Orient beach, they said the buildings should be designed in such a way that they could be packed up and moved away in advance of a serious storm.

That doesn't appear to be happening. Photographs of current construction appearing in social media indicates they are being constructed with cinder blocks.

Although we're not here to throw water on anyone's campfire, cinder blocks are no match for 10 feet of storm surge with battering waves on top plus category five hurricane winds. Bottom line, we all hope SXM never has to cope again with a storm anywhere near as severe as Irma — and it is great to see lots of rebuilding on Orient beach.

That said, the original sign posted by the collectivite about the carbets implied they would all be finished by this month, and they are nowhere near complete. Our hope is that regardless of their construction, the new "carbet" buildings enjoy many years of storm-free business.

As always, we'll keep you posted.

15. It's Confirmed: Huge SkyMed Luncheon Coming January 3

We have now confirmed a SkyMed Member Appreciation Luncheon on SXM January 3. It's for SkyMed members AND OTHERS who want to learn more about SkyMed -- friends of SkyMed members, JMB members, and peeps of our FB site.

Preregistration is required. No one under age 18 will be admitted. Luncheon: Beef Wellington, Chicken Cordon Bleu, and Fish Fillet in caper sauce are among the entrees.

Much more to come...including information on how to preregister.

N. B.: It will be a while before registration opens but SAVE THE DATE! There is no charge to attend. There will be beverages served plus a cash bar.

16. SXM Vacation Giveaways Coming in July

We love giving away vacations in St. Maarten: in fact, we've given away dozens over the years..

Our everythingSXM.com main website surpassed 6 million visitors this year. To celebrate, we're going to give away several vacations in a new event that we expect to kick off in July.

You'll be able to enter through a link provided only here in *SXM Weekly News*. Details are coming soon.

17. Nature Foundation Reports on Lagoon Pollution

Environmental watchdog group the SXM Nature Foundation reported this last week concerning pollution of Simpson Bay lagoon. The lagoon isn't used for swimming or fishing; it's where yachts are moored all winter long, and a point of embarkation for small Interisland ferries, sightseeing cruises, and sport fishing cruises. Because of the number of boats using it, the lagoon is watched closely to ensure it remains as environmentally pristine as possible.

Here is what the Nature Foundation reported about lagoon pollution last week:

Again we had to respond to issues of water pollution last week. We were sent this video by our friends at @721news which clearly shows raw sewage entering into the Simpson Bay Lagoon as guests board the ferry boat to Anguilla. We took a water sample and of course it tested positive for an indicator of sewage. We also fielded reports of poor water quality at the Kim Sha section of Simpson Bay Beach which also tested positive for an inductor for sewage. A report was made and sent to the authorities but these constant water quality issues in our wetlands and along our beaches highlights the need for urgent action in combatting our waste-water issues on island. Our tourism depends on it.

18. Who is "Filling in" The Lagoon?

The *Daily Herald* reported last week that there appears to be some filling in of Simpson Bay lagoon on the property formerly occupied by Lee's Roadside Grill in Simpson Bay near the Skip Jack's seafood restaurant. Here is [the full story](#) from the *Daily Herald*.

19. Celebrating the Huge Nude Beach at Club O

SXM has several nude beaches. You can read all the details about SXM beaches in the beaches section of our main website, everythingSXM.com.

Although hurricane Irma almost 2 years ago wiped the beach completely clean of every structure on it, a remarkable recovery is now taking shape from one end of the beach to the other. Pictures are popping up on our [Everything SXM Facebook Site](#).

The granddaddy of all SXM nude beaches is Baie Orientale, or Orient beach on the island's far Northeast coast, which sees more nude use than all other clothing optional beaches on the island combined. Cedrick, the beach master, is in charge there as he has been for years. A new Dive platform either is in place or is about to be put in place. The beach is deep and wide, able to accommodate many hundreds of people — even more than before, and there are plenty of chairs and umbrellas for all.

If you're hungry or thirsty, Perch Light can take care of that easily, and they're also easy to find near the edge of the beach. The best thing about the southern end of Orient beach, which is the nude section, is that you don't have to deal with tan lines....

More information on Orient is [here](#) and [here](#).

20. Hillary Clinton, SXM Prime Minister Talk Climate Change

Climate change puts the very existence of many Caribbean islands in long-term peril, which is why that topic is of such great interest and concern throughout the region.

Recently, SXM Prime Minister Leona Marlin-Romeo had a conversation with Hillary Clinton about that very topic. Here are the [details](#).

21. Juliette's Bistro Opens at SBR

Juliette's Bistro, a new restaurant on the site of the former Bon Appetit in Simpson Bay Resort near Flamingo Beach, has opened its doors, and is serving customers from early morning until late night. Conversations about it as well as a number of pictures have been published during the last week on our [Everything SXM Facebook Site](#); use the search capability there to find these posts. We have now posted a link to their current, complete menu on our Facebook page, [Everything SXM Facebook Site](#). Juliette's Bistro looks beautiful and reports from customers are all very positive.

22. Expanded Replay Sports Bar Due at SBR

As we've been hinting for a while, lots of things are happening over at Simpson Bay Resort.

As you'll see elsewhere in this issue, Juliette's Bistro opened this week, and you can download a PDF copy of their entire menu from our [Everything SXM Facebook Site](#).

If you're interested in watching baseball, women's World Cup soccer, golf, tennis, or any other major sports, get over to Replay Sports Bar on the Marina Plaza at Simpson Bay Resort. The sports bar is undergoing an expansion and should soon be twice its prior size, if it isn't already. In its previous incarnation, Replay was able to accommodate up to about 150 people including guests on the covered plaza outside for major sporting events on its large-screen TVs. Now, it will be able to accommodate even more, with a significantly expanded menu. Definitely give it a try and post some pictures on our [Everything SXM Facebook Site](#).

23. Where to Get The Best SXM Map (Repeat)

Michal Kasprowski developed it, and today Rafal Kasprowski carries on the tradition. The map they produce is oversized and printed on durable, heavy paper to last for years. It is fit to be used as an attention-getting wall hanging, which we do in our office, or in everyday use as you move around the island. It is constantly updated, with the latest versions distributed as they are produced. It is the most detailed, most reliable, and most authoritative map of SXM. If you're looking for maps of other islands in the Caribbean, midok.com, their company, also produces equally detailed and accurate maps of many other countries of the Caribbean. You can contact them through midok.com and tell them you read about them in Jeff Berger's *SXM Weekly News*.

24. Last *LAST* Call": JMB Membership Sale Must End June 21

Our big Spring JMB Website Supporters membership sale must end on Solstice Day, June 21, late this week and will not be further extended. Don't miss it — it offers you the best pricing of the year on our membership, pricing you are unlikely to see again. Multiyear memberships are available at unrivaled price points:

GOOD: One year new memberships, \$33 (our reg. \$59)

BETTER: Three-year new memberships, \$79 (our reg. \$99)

BEST: Six-year new memberships \$139 (not normally offered, but by far our best buy)

Great renewal & reinstatement prices are offered too. To take advantage of these offers, click the page curl at everythingxsm.com (or see the beginning of this section) to join or renew/reinstate your JMB Website Supporters Island Discount Program membership now.

Your membership helps keep SXM Weekly News publishing every week. Please subscribe today.

25. Major SkyMed Promo Continues

A major promo continues for SkyMed memberships. Not only are all multiyear SkyMed memberships heavily discounted for JMB members, but *when you buy a new multiyear SkyMed membership through us or upgrade your annual SkyMed membership bought from us to a multiyear membership, we will extend your JMB membership on us for the number of years you buy SkyMed.*

Example: Upgrade to or buy a new five-year SkyMed membership through us, and we give you a free five-year extension of your existing JMB Website Supporters membership. All you need to do is forward us a copy of the acknowledgement you receive from SkyMed after you buy new or upgrade through us. For info, see skymed.com/jmb (that new website is now live), but to qualify for these bonuses, you must buy by phoning us at (508) 747-8281 or email Jeff at jeff@jmbcommunications.com with the subject SkyMed. Give us your phone number and time zone and we'll return your call as quickly as we can. Available exclusively to Americans, Canadians, and X-Pats.

26. Restaurant of the Week: Mama Pizza

Mama Pizza has one great location now at Porto Cupecoy, on their plaza near the marina. Outstanding pizza (in many varieties), delicious dinners, and lots more. Big portions, reasonable prices. Superb ambiance right on the plaza at Porto Cupecoy. Definitely a not-to-be-missed location.

Here are recently featured SXM restaurants:

Mama Pizza, Porto Cupecoy (featured 6/17/19) Excellent pizza, and sizeable portions / reasonable prices on numerous other Italian specialties. On the plaza at Porto Cupecoy, Cupecoy Beach.

Mandarin Pan Asian, Port de Plaisance (featured 6/10/19) Excellent Pan-Asian dining including Japanese, Thai, and Chinese. Nice setting near the casino at Port de Plaisance.

Vesna Taverna, www.vesnataverna.com (featured 4/29/19). Now open every day for through B/L; dinner is offered Tuesday through Sunday.

Emilio's at Emilio Wilson Estate (featured 4/21/19) is the new property run by renowned chef Dino Jagtiani, whose Temptation Restaurant was wrecked by Irma.

Freedom Fighters ITAL SHACK Rasta Restaurant, www.sxmfreedomfighters.com/restaurant 4/15/19. Just

go....

Avantika Thai www.avantikasxm.com (featured 4/8/19) Avantika is wonderful; SXM's best Thai.

IZI Ristorante Italiano, www.iziristoranteitaliano.com (featured 3/11/19). Open for lunch and dinner except Monday, when they're closed. Great food from one of SXM's very best restaurants. Fun atmosphere, too.

Spiga, www.spiga-sxm.com (featured 3/4/19) New menu; redesigned. New bar, great staff, service, and wonderful food. Everything is great, appetizers are out of this world. Not to be missed.

Mario Bistro www.mariobistrot.com/en/ 2/25/19 Mario's Bistro is one of the most spectacular culinary experiences you'll ever have. Go. Phenomenal dining.

Mama Pizza & Pasta, featured 2/11/19, Porto Cupecoy.

Topper's <http://www.sxmtoppers.com/> (featured 1/28/19) One of SXM's oldest and busiest restaurants, Breakfast, lunch, dinner, and late dining. Open morning until late night. Sports on TV. Karaoke some nights.

Dany & John's Cupecoy Beach Bar (on Cupecoy beach); follow the road toward Shore Pointe and turn near Shore Pointe to get there. (Featured 1/20/2019) Parking, drinks, chairs and umbrellas, lolo-type food, and an all-over tan. What could possibly be better?

Wasabi Charlie Japanese Restaurant (formerly Sushiitto) (1/7/19) is the new name of Sushiitto, now relocated next door to Pineapple Pete in Simpson bay. Essentially the same menu, same staff, same great food/service.

La Patrona, Simpson Bay Resort (featured 12/30/18) La Patrona is SXM's only truly authentic Mexican restaurant. Highly recommended: great food, great service, not to be missed.

SkipJack's SXM, <http://www.skipjacks-sxm.com/> (featured 12/24/18) SkipJack's triumphantly reopened with an entirely new dining deck late in January, 2019. Great place - go!

Isola next to Hollywood Casino in Simpson Bay Resort, 11/19/18. 100% redesigned, inside and out, floor to ceiling and everything inside. Just go.

Enigma C3 luxury Catamaran, www.sailstmaarten.com (featured 8/7/17). Neil's new boat is as big as Celine Too was and it has now entered service. Neil is known for amazing cooking on board his boats.

Domino's Pizza <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Dominos-Pizza-St-Maarten/95635717338> (featured 9/16) Open.

The Hideaway, <http://www.lavistaresort.com/restaurant.html> (featured 10/31/16) Open; contact the restaurant for details and reservations. Updated 3/2/18.

Melange International Grill (featured 2/20/17) Reopened.

Pineapple Pete, www.pineapplepete.com (featured 7/31/17) Reopened.

Papagayo, <http://www.cluborient.com/papagayo.php> (featured 10/17/16) Club Orient was wrecked by Irma; rebuilding is planned. ETA not yet known.

St. Maarten Yacht Club, at the Dutch Side Drawbridge Reopened.

Jimbo's, www.jimboscafe.com (featured 6/12/17) Reopened.

Taloula Mango <http://www.taloulamango.com/> (featured 4/20/15) Reopened.

You will find hundreds more restaurants from both the Dutch Side and French Side listed in the Files area of our [Everything St. Maarten / St. Martin / SXM Facebook Site](#). Our thanks to our Admin there, Contessa Aiello, who edited the restaurant entries on that site.

27. Ensure Best SkyMed Deal - Jeff Berger / GetSkyMed.com

Our new SkyMed website is www.skymed.com/jmb, going live soon; please bookmark that and not any other site.

When you're ready to sign up for SkyMed, be sure to call us and let us take your application by phone: that way we get credit. It takes about 10 minutes, and we submit it electronically. We know what SkyMed is looking for and we can make sure you submit it efficiently; that way we do get credit for the purchase, which in a small way helps fund this newsletter and everything else we do for you.

SkyMed inquiries only can be received at 508-747-8281 during regular office hours, Eastern time. Thank you. Customer stories are below.

28. Going Somewhere 10/1 or Later? Beat SkyMed's 90-day Exclusion on Pre-Existing Conditions Coverage by Buying Now

SkyMed Takes You Home® when you become critically ill or injured when traveling. Without it, an emergency medical evacuation by air ambulance will cost you from \$35,000 to \$50,000 or more, sometimes much more, payable in cash in advance. Worse, you must get it before you need it - just like fire insurance.

Buy a new SkyMed multiyear five-year membership from us now by phoning us at 508-747-8281 (at about \$1.35/day price guaranteed for 10 years when we take your application by phone) and we'll give you a 10 year new or renewal JMB Website Supporters membership on us. All you need to do is email us a copy of your welcome letter from SkyMed after approval to jmbweb@jmbcommunications.com with the subject SkyMed.

Of course we'll be happy to answer your questions and we can tell you about everything SkyMed offers. Totally up to you what type of coverage you select. Much more info about SkyMed is in the next story.

You'll find an overview of all key SkyMed Features & Benefits [here](#).

By buying annual protection now at only about \$1.35/day, pre-existing conditions will be covered in full after a brief 90-day waiting period. SkyMed covers you in the USA, Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and all the nations of the Caribbean. Global coverage is available as well. For answers to your questions, call us today at 508-747-8281.

See next story for much more on SkyMed. Offer ends soon.

Again, our new SkyMed website is www.skymed.com/jmb: please be sure you bookmark that and not any other site. Thank you.

Customer stories are below.

29. *****SkyMed Customer Stories***** Protect Against Pricey Emergency Medical Evacuations by Getting SkyMed:

Emergency medical evacuations are payable in cash in advance and often cost upwards of \$45,000 -- unless you have a SkyMed membership. SkyMed Takes You Home® to doctors and hospitals you know and trust, and where your health insurance actually works. It's available to Americans and Canadians and to X-Pats of both countries, taking them home from throughout the USA, Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and all the nations of the Caribbean including Cuba. Global coverage is available covering every country around the world except those on the U. S. State Department watch list. SkyMed makes all medical evacuation arrangements and pays for them directly...you just pay for your SkyMed membership.

Here are examples of SkyMed in action:

On a recent Thursday at Mullet Bay Beach, a woman at the edge of the water fell and accidentally knocked down her friend, standing close by. The friend felt pain in her leg as she got up, went to a hospital, and was told she had a "soft tissue injury" and should relax in the sun. Pain continued. Next day she went to the Maho Clinic for another opinion since she couldn't put any weight on the leg without pain. The doctor there sent her to the French Side for a new x-ray. That diagnosis came back - broken leg and she had to be medically evacuated back to the US for surgery. A few days before, the woman had bought short-term SkyMed medevac protection for her short trip to SXM. Cost, under \$100. She was sent home by jet by SkyMed. The charge for the jet: \$0. Without SkyMed, had she needed a medevac jet, the \$26,000 (approx.) price of that jet home would have had to be paid in cash in advance; with SkyMed she was home and in the hospital of her choice the next day for \$0 out-of-pocket.

Mary Beth and her partner Don were vacationing in SXM when Don fell and broke his hip -- only about a month after they had bought SkyMed. SkyMed flew them home on a medevac jet for the hospital care he needed. Flight cost to the patient: \$0. Savings: over \$35,000.

An MD from Florida who always visits SXM was on a cruise vacation to the Greek Islands with his wife when he broke his femur aboard the ship. He was rushed to the hospital in Corfu but called SkyMed *which arranged and paid for* an emergency medevac flight to Athens for urgent surgery. A few days later SkyMed evacuated him again, with an excellent male nurse, all the way home to Florida, where an ambulance took him home for recovery. Required flight cost to the patient: \$0. Savings: huge.

A Summer trip ended in disaster when a child visiting her grandmother in Grand Case was bitten in the head by the grandmother's bulldog, imperiling the girl's eyesight. She was flown to Miami in a medical evacuation jet for emergency eye surgery that saved her sight. Flight cost to the patient: \$0.

A woman from Virginia shopped at an island grocer and headed back to her car carrying two bags of groceries. She tripped and fell on a curb and knew at once she had fractured her hip. After being stabilized locally, she was flown home on a medical evacuation jet from SkyMed where she had the surgery she needed. Flight cost to the patient: \$0.

Two men were riding their horses on a hill in Cay Bay when a car backfiring spooked one of the horses, which threw its rider. The other rider got off his horse to check his companion when the car again backfired, spooking the horse again which led it to kick its dismounted driver in the head, luckily causing "only" a severely dislocated jaw. The local hospital had no ability to solve that problem so the victim was airlifted by SkyMed back to Pennsylvania for surgery. Flight cost to the patient: \$0.

A member of the clergy fell down cement stairs and broke her leg. She too was airlifted home by SkyMed for surgery. Flight cost to the patient: \$0.

Not all trips end well: anything can happen when you travel. Being a member of SkyMed was the

common thread in all these cases. *SkyMed takes its members home, usually in a private, ICU-equivalent medical*

evacuation jet -- home to doctors and hospitals the patient knows and trusts -- and home where their health insurance works. That's just one of up to 18 benefits received by SkyMed members for not much more than \$1.30/day for annual or multiyear memberships.

All this is why we always recommend SkyMed. Call Jeff Berger weekdays at 508-747-8281 and leave your name, phone number, and time zone. Jeff will call back at a mutually convenient time and answer all your questions. He can also sign you up by phone **in about 10 minutes**. You're eligible to apply regardless of your age or health if you are a U.S. or Canadian citizen or an American or Canadian ExPat living in SXM or certain other countries.

Nobody is immune: anything can happen anywhere. Do it today. To learn more, visit www.skymed.com/jmb, our new SkyMed site, going live shortly.. JMB members get big discounts off SkyMed's regular pricing: see the story about JMB Website Supporters in this section.

More Info on SkyMed...

On its guaranteed renewable annual and multiyear memberships, SkyMed has a 90-day waiting period for coverage of pre-existing conditions -- everything else is covered in full as soon as your SkyMed membership has been approved, per SkyMed's member services agreement.

If you're traveling more than three months into the future, you can beat that one-time 90-day pre-existing conditions exclusion by joining today. That way the 90-day exclusion period will be over by the time you travel -- so you're covered in full, including pre-existing conditions, at that time.

SkyMed Takes You Home® when you become critically ill or injured when traveling. There is no age limit to apply, and once you're enrolled you can renew without further medical checks regardless of your attained age or your health at the time of renewal. Without SkyMed, if you need an Emergency Medical Evacuation, you must pay for it in cash, in advance. No cash, no evacuation. And the cost without SkyMed can be astronomical. Why risk that?

By contrast, if you're a SkyMed member, you call SkyMed directly and they make all the arrangements for all the services they provide. SkyMed Takes You Home -- what else matters?

And there is *no age limit to apply*. Call us at 508-747-8281 and ask for Jeff; he'll answer your questions and can take your application by phone, usually in under 10 minutes.

It's available to Americans, Canadians, and X-Pats from both countries. Short-term and annual coverage includes the USA (all 50 states), Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and all the nations of the Caribbean including Cuba. Global coverage is available on annual memberships for a \$99 additional yearly fee, but global coverage is standard on multiyear SkyMed Ultimate memberships, which are both SkyMed's best and its least expensive medevac memberships.

You'll find an overview of all key SkyMed Features & Benefits here:

<http://www.everythingsxm.com/sxmweekly.../SkyMedServices.pdf>

Got questions? Call us daytimes (EDT) at 508-747-8281. Again, we can answer your questions and take your application by phone in about 10 minutes. We can set up evening phone appointments too. It's like fire insurance --

get it before you need it.

When you're ready to sign up for SkyMed, be sure to call us and let us take your application by phone. It takes under 10 minutes, and we submit it electronically. We know what SkyMed is looking for and we can make sure you submit it efficiently; that way we also get credit for the purchase, which in a small way helps fund this newsletter and everything else we do for you. SkyMed calls only can be received at 508-747-8281 during regular office hours, Eastern time.. Thank you.

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That's a 10-year price guarantee.
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Ask Jeff for details -- call him at 508-747-8281 (SkyMed calls only, reg. hours Eastern time.) More info? See getskymed.com. SkyMed is the Principal Sponsor of JMB SXM programs.

See the rundown of all SkyMed Features & Benefits

30. Are You Military?

If you're U. S. Military with a DD214, you're able to get a Platinum-Status Military JMB Membership for \$16.99/year, the lowest we ever charge anyone. You get instant Platinum Status which is permanent as long as you're a JMB member plus 300+ SXM discounts and other benefits. All you do is pay for four years to start and renew in four-year increments (\$67.96). Nobody else pays so little -- our small way of expressing how grateful we all are for your service.

Visit everythingssxm.com and click the page curl to sign up for your JMB military membership. We'll also need a DD214 with your SS# obliterated for security. We'll be delighted to welcome you.

31. Less Money, More Benefits, Ten Year Price Guarantee on SkyMed Ultimate

Get The Current Low Price
on SkyMed's Best 5-Year Ultimate Membership
and keep the current low price on your first 5-yr. renewal.
That's a 10-year price guarantee.
More benefits... same price.

Ask Jeff for details -- call him at 508-747-8281 (SkyMed calls only, reg. hours Eastern time.) More info? See www.skymed.com/jmb, our new site, going live shortly.

32. Please Patronize JMB Sponsors (Updated 6/17)

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CAR RENTALS:

[Leisure Car Rental](#)

[Starlite Car Rental](#) (Belair Resort)

[Sax Car Rental](#)

[Tropical-Tropicana Car Rental](#)

CIGARS HAND-MANUFACTURED ON SXM:

[Das Cigars](#)

CUBAN CIGARS:

[Cigar Mack](#)

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EMERGENCY MEDICAL EVACUATION MEMBERSHIP PROGRAMS:

[SkyMed International](#) (Covers the entire USA, Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and all the nations of the Caribbean. Global coverage available. Sold only to Americans, Canadians, and X-Pats living in these countries.)

JEWELERS:

[Zhaveri Jewelers](#) in Philipsburg.

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[Ray's Jewelers](#)

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Artistic Jewelers

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REAL ESTATE COMPANIES:

[Island Real Estate Team](#) is widely regarded as SXM's top real estate organization. A JMB Sponsor, they offer both residential and commercial real estate in every price range. Call the number that follows and ask to speak with the agent who handles what you seek: 1 721 520 7284. Please let the agent know that you were referred by Jeff

Berger's *Everything SXM Facebook Site*.

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Simpson Bay Resort

Azure Hotel & Art Studio

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Mandarin Asian Bistro (Port de Plaisance)

Melange (Port de Plaisance)

Pelican Bistro

Sale and Pepe

LA PATRONA (Simpson Bay Resort)

MARIO'S BISTRO (Porto Cupecoy)

Pineapple Pete Restaurant

Wasabi Charlie Japanese Restaurant

VILLA RENTAL COMPANIES:

If you're interested in making a villa reservation (doing it with close friends can be fun and more economical than you'd imagine), contact our top recommended Villa rental/sale partners at **[Island Real Estate Team](#)**. Call the number that follows and ask to speak with the agent who handles villa rentals: 1 721 520 7284. Please let the agent know that you're interested in a rental and you were referred by Jeff Berger's *Everything SXM Facebook Site*. Hundreds of villas are now online.

[Jennifer's Vacation Villas](#) has also joined us as a villa rental partner. *Jennifer's Vacation Villas* is a licensed management, real estate and villa rental company specializing in the rental of private villas and condos on both French and Dutch St. Maarten. Its proprietor, Jennifer, is a New Yorker who has been residing in St. Maarten for 40 years and whose goal is to provide guests with personal attention and to ensure that their vacations are memorable. Jennifer's Vacation Villas also does Weddings, Private Events, and any additional services including massages, boat trips, and private catering. Their aim is to make your vacation stay as comfortable, accommodating, and easy going as possible. Call 1 (721) 544-3107 | +1 (631) 546-7345. When you contact them, please tell them you were referred by Jeff Berger's *Everything SXM Facebook Site*.

Candie Billant does condo and villa rentals and sales. You will find her at **blueparadiserealty.com**.

Relocation / "Papers" Consulting Companies

Bright Path is already posting on our **[Everything St. Maarten / St. Martin / SXM Facebook Site](#)**

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33. Use Our Weekly News Archives

Our *SXM Weekly News* PDF archives enable you to download any issue of Weekly News published in the last four years, including our amazing *2018 April Fools' Day parody* and our SXM Airport Special Edition, which has a great deal of useful future information on what's going to happen at the airport.

Check it out [here](#). Updating soon.

34. Got SXM Questions? Here's Where The Answers Are

Check out our [Everything SXM Facebook Site](#) and our main SXM website, everythingxsm.com.

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35. SXM Business Owners: How To Increase Foot & Web Traffic

SXM Weekly News, our everythingxsm.com website and its Hurricane Center, and our [Everything SXM Facebook Site](#) — along with our many Vacation Giveaways and hundreds of benefits of JMB Website Supporters membership — *are all made possible through our partnerships with our JMB Website Supporters members and our Sponsors.*

Our Sponsorships enable SXM businesses to present their products or services to a huge, responsive audience of tourists from around the world, but primarily the USA and Canada. (Our site is based in the U. S. and is focused on the needs of tourists traveling to SXM.) If you own an SXM business and want to look into and take advantage of this unique marketing opportunity, please email susank@jmbcommunications.com with the subject "JMB Sponsorships". We'll get complete information to you quickly. Winter is here and with it, plenty of opportunity to bring more tourists into your business not only in the short term, but especially as tourist business increases throughout this year and into 2020. Contact us today for more information.

**St. Maarten / St. Martin Homes, Villas, Businesses, Commercial Properties,
and Residential Properties for Sale (NEW):**

[Click to access our recommended real estate agent, Arun Jagtiani, featured on HGTV.](#)

Rent Out or Sell Your Timeshare (both SXM and Worldwide) -- Frequently Updated

JMB members can run up to 10 free ads on our website per 12-month period to rent out or sell St. Maarten / St. Martin timeshare weeks they own -- or any timeshares, anywhere worldwide. If you're not a member, learn more about membership here: http://everythingsexm.com/sxm/about_sxm/paypal.shtml .

Want to rent or buy a week?

***2017 St. Maarten / St. Martin Timeshare Weeks For Rent or Sale* are posted at http://everythingsexm.com/sxm/timeshare_rent_sale/index.shtml Listings are now updated every few weekdays. Ads are free (no commission) but are accepted from JMB Website Supporters members only.**

SECTION 5: For Members Only

A. **Where to Get Member Info:** www.everythingsexm.com/secret

B. **Password Recovery Info:** Your username is the email address you have registered with JMB Website Supporters. If you forget your password, click "forgot / change password" in the orange login box near the masthead at www.everythingsexm.com. To change your password, click that same link.

C. **How To Submit Rental or Sale Ads or Update the Price in an Ad:** See www.everythingsexm.com/secret. Your username and password are required.

SECTION 6: Background Information for Travelers (For New Readers) Updated 7/2017

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