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1. Tropics Quiet; Hurricane Season Ends 11/30

After storms Olga and Pablo appeared about a week ago, storm Rebekah developed near the Azores — all of them far from SXM. On the list of hurricane names for the 2019 season, only four remain: Sébastien, Tanya, Van, and Wendy — none of which, hopefully, will see the light of day.

The National Hurricane Center has said that it does not expect storm formation in the next five days. The hurricane season for 2019 ends November 30. Should any more storms develop during this season, you will find much more information in the Weather Center on our main SXM site, everythingSXM.com. The Weather Center also contains current storm advisories, plus satellite images and radar loops and other information.

2. Rainy Season Still Has Plenty of Sun

We arrived back on the island last weekend, and have been enjoying the weather ever since. Although technically this is the rainy season — evidence of which can be seen in lush greenery everywhere -- that doesn't mean it's rainy, just that when tropical showers develop, they may be a bit heavier and last a bit longer than usual.

We've been coming to SXM during November and December for many years and have always found the weather far more appealing than the beginning of winter back at home in the Northeast. *This is a great time to come and enjoy SXM.*

3. SXM Airport Head Decries Funding Delays

Brian Mingo, head of SXM Airport, isn't having much fun these days. The contract for in excess of \$100 million of funding to complete the reconstruction of the airport terminal still has not been signed by government authorities, thanks to some reluctant bondholders. The bondholders, in our humble opinion, are the problem, not the solution. The solution is to sign the papers, get the funding, and get the job done. The bondholders are unhappy that the government fell several weeks ago and want to be sure whoever is in the new government will continue to pay on bonded indebtedness.

Our comment: if you want to do what's best for your investment and for the island, sign the papers; don't hope for or think you can get a better deal when a great deal is staring you in the face, literally ready to leap into action and solve the problem as soon as the ink dries. Taking a chance that you'll get a better deal in the "open market" is a risk Country St. Maarten can ill afford — and it is also something that would make no sense at all for airport bondholders since it would delay the urgently required completion of airport reconstruction, absolutely pivotal to tourism resurgence..

As always, we will keep our 335,000 readers worldwide well aware of what is happening. Private-sector money is investing heavily on St. Maarten to increase accommodations and return SXM to preeminence. Once the new hotels open and the new condos have people ready to move in, airlines are ready to increase flights to the island — but they cannot and will not do that unless the airport terminal renovation is completed in one big hurry. The government claims it is low on cash, and expediting airport renovations is a sure way to get the island on the road to solving that issue.

Bondholders: please let the papers be signed so the island can move more quickly back to prosperity and the returns you want and Country St. Maarten needs.

Here is the [Daily Herald](#) story on this.

4. On JetBlue MINT Service to SXM

Our most recent flight to SXM was in a jetBlue Airbus A321 Mint aircraft,

These aircraft, the pride of the jetBlue fleet, carry more passengers than the standard A320 that is the mainstay of the fleet, were originally introduced for transcontinental service in the US.

Originally a one-class airline, JetBlue began offering even more space, even more speed seats with expanded legroom and seat pitch several years ago, realizing they could attract more business travelers with those amenities. A few years ago, JB added Mint service, which is its pitch to first-class passengers who currently patronize other airlines. The service is rather posh and quite attentive, a nod toward the increasing popularity of business class and first class on legacy airlines. Although the price is high compared to normal JB fares, it is far less than traditional first-class — and JB is now competing against first-class carriers by promoting Mint service for vacation travelers on routes other than transcontinental cities — such as flights to SXM.

Our aircraft was spotless, like it had just come off the assembly line and been put into service that day. It had new JetBlue seating and new seatback entertainment systems with touchscreen capability which is going to be implemented by JetBlue on all of its aircraft fleet-wide by the end of next year.

See next story.

5. The Future of jetBlue Service to the Caribbean

As previously reported, JB already has set in motion major changes to its fleet.

It is already more than halfway through upgrading the interiors of its entire fleet of A320 aircraft, which make up the bulk of its fleet. Next year, it expects to start replacing its entire E190 fleet with new A220 aircraft which have almost identical seating capacity to the A320 but are far more efficient. That will enable JetBlue to expand into smaller cities which have underserved and/or overpriced service to a variety of other cities. Once preclearance is in effect in SXM — probably still a couple of years away — *it would not surprise us to see incremental service to SXM from some new, potentially smaller cities.*

JetBlue has also ordered A321 XLR aircraft to service new flights it intends to introduce between New York and London and also Boston and London, which will throw those busy markets into turmoil for legacy carriers who already know that JetBlue is widely known for introducing lower fares to most of the routes it starts to fly. That could mean reduced cost flights to SXM from the UK, which currently has service available only via Amsterdam and Paris.. There is currently no expectation of nonstops from the UK to SXM — just an additional connection option through JFK, though British Airways is known to have been interested in the past in a possible route from London to SXM.....

As JetBlue rolls out new services over the next few years, and takes advantage of preclearance once it becomes a reality, we will as always keep you posted.

6. NHC Watches, Warnings, Etc. Are Our SXM Site

Regardless of whether there are systems being watched, the National Hurricane Center (NHC) posts Tropical Outlooks and other routine posts multiple times per day. As long as the tropical Atlantic and Caribbean remain quiet, we will have few NHC posts on our site. But when the tropical Atlantic becomes active, we will be posting all significant bulletins both in the Weather Center of our main everythingSXM.com website and, later, on our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#).

Our Weather Center on everythingSXM.com this season will include all current hurricane informational bulletins, satellite images, radar, etc. Be aware that Crown Weather Services, our long-time partner private weather forecasting organization, will be posting its exclusive content in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) as necessary when any storms threaten SXM.

If you live or work anywhere where tropical systems could conceivably impact you or your business, we urge you to subscribe to Crown Weather Services predictions. We know a number of TV meteorologists and they invariably refer to Crown Weather's Rob Lightbown as the person to go to for accurate hurricane weather forecasting. Find out more

at crownweather.com.

7. See Current SXM Weather / Tracking Serious Weather

You'll find detailed observations and forecasts by visiting our main SXM website, www.everythingsxm.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 Group](#), 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. Bear in mind that this hurricane season may well be frontloaded — so you might want to print a few of these now and *not* save doing that for later.

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SkyMed Travel offers exceptional pricing on everything and almost invariably beats everyone else's pricing. We have found their pricing excellent across the board and their 115% low rate guarantee on hotels and car rentals is real news.

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 there to get the absolute greatest possible discounts.*

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9. Upscale SXM Condo Construction

If you haven't driven across the island during the last couple of months, you will certainly notice and acceleration of condo and resort construction across SXM. Soon we'll post current pictures in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#).

Of particular interest is the progress made on the first of the twin towers in Cupecoy; a new hotel not far from the twin towers, near Arbor Estates, which is expected to open in December; new condo construction in the area between Simpson Bay Resort and Baker's Suites; new construction near Divi little Bay; continued work on the sprawling Secrets Resort in Anse Marcel; and work expected to begin in the next few weeks at Planet Hollywood on Great Bay Beach, down the road from Divi and Belair Beach Hotel.

There is more going on, of course — especially additional condo projects which we'll be writing about over the next several months. Each of these projects is rather insular, in that it doesn't bother in any way anything going on around it.

The island continues to be in great shape and is looking forward to welcoming many thousands of visitors who have been unable to visit since hurricane Irma hit more than two years ago.

10. Want to Rent Out Or Sell Timeshare Units You Own?

If you own timeshare weeks that you would like to rent out or sell on our main everythingSXM.com website, you can do it once you become a member of our JMB Website Supporters island discount program. For all the details, go to our main site, everythingSXM.com and click on timeshare rentals in the navigation bar. You'll find the details about posting there. For information about joining JMB Website Supporters, click the page curl on all pages of everythingSXM.com. As a member, you will have access to a growing pallet of about 300 discounts and other benefits including the ability to post up to 10 ads per year in our rental pages at everythingxsm.com.

The ability to post timeshare rentals on our site is limited to JMB Website Supporters members only, and is not available to any others at any price.

11. Original 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 put on 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. Lots of outstanding info was communicated during this excellent seminar, and another is now in the early planning stages.

See the video [here](#).

Next week we expect to add a link here to Bright Path, a company that can help provide very deep and expeditious

help in completing residency requirements for people buying a second home, income property, or a new business in SXM. They're located in the Puerta del Sol building opposite Avantika, Simpson Bay, Dutch side.

12. Places to Stay: Many Available, Take Your Pick

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 are very frequently updated.

13. A Place Where SXM Timeshare Owners Can Talk

JMB Communications has long operated a St. Maarten timesharing site on Facebook. We have now combined that site with our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) since more timeshare owners from St. Maarten belong to the latter site than the former.

In the [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) lots of current information about timeshare resorts is being exchanged by timeshare owners. We welcome you to join that site and share your experiences with other timeshare owners.

14. Rented/Sold Your Timeshare? Please Cancel Your Ad

Owners of timeshares from St. Maarten and the rest of the world who are members of our JMB Website Supporters Island Discount Program can post timeshare weeks they own for rent or for sale on our main SXM site, [everythingSXM.com](#), which has had over 6 million visits and continues to be enormously popular. *We do urge timeshare owners to let us know at once when their weeks have been rented or sold. That way, we can remove expired ads on a timely basis — usually weekly during high season.*

Members of JMB Website Supporters can post or cancel ads using our members-only secret website, [www.everythingsxm.com/secret](#). Your assigned username and password are required for secret site access. Your username is the email address you have registered with JMB Website Supporters. If you don't recall your password, use the forgot password link in the orange login box below the masthead on every page of [everythingSXM.com](#) for site access.

Updates to our listings are done weekly during high season.

SECTION 3: JMB Member Discounts & Benefits

15. JMB Member Discounts / Benefits -- Updates Coming

Jeff returns to the island during November and will be working in November and December to further increase the already huge number of restaurants, jewelry stores, hotels, and other businesses offering discounts or other incentives to members of our JMB Website Supporters SXM Island Discount Program.

As these additions are made, they will be reported here in *SXM Weekly News* and will also be noted in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#), which currently offers roughly 300 discounts and other benefits to its thousands of members.

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

SECTION 4: Island News, Info, & Features

16. Club Orient Beach Eroding?

A number of beaches on SXM tend to build up or erode periodically with changing tides.

Two particularly good visual examples of this are both Maho beach and Cupecoy beach on the southwest and western parts of the island.

At Maho beach, the strand where hundreds of people packed tightly together watch airplanes fly into and out of SXM Airport during high season and shoulder seasons, sand can completely disappear during some episodes of punishing surf, or be built up to such an extent that it clogs the road at the end of the runway, requiring plows to clear the road to provide access to Beacon Hill residences and hotels. Such plowing was underway this past weekend.

One of the effects of Irma — beyond clearing every building off the entirety of Orient Beach beach — was to deposit thousands of tons of sand on almost the entire beach, making it much larger than before.

Recent rough surf, which has always come periodically, may have had some effect at Orient, though some beachgoers suggest that heavy equipment used to remove Sargassum seaweed may have been involved.

The only thing certain about the status of all SXM island beaches is that over time, Mother Nature will change all of them, at different times, sometimes blessing them with additional sand and sometimes taking it away.

Savvy islanders are also well aware that climate change ultimately may have the biggest impact of all.

17. Alegria Arch Sign Knocked Down

Years ago, the sign arch over its entrance marked where thousands of people entered the Caravanserai beach resort — most likely named Caravanserai since that was the name of the near-legendary restaurant that stood on the property decades ago, when it was widely regarded as the best on the island.

When the people who purchased Caravanserai Resort out of bankruptcy took it over, they immediately put a sign over the entrance that read Alegria, their new name for the property, with the subtitle *the place of happiness*. It's actually entirely fitting that the sign has been knocked down, since it never was a place of happiness — not for Caravanserai timeshare owners whose contracts were unilaterally severed and rendered useless by the buyers, and certainly not by customers, since there been few of them.

And as we have reported, the developer has made changes to the property -- allegedly in defiance of court orders -- that are being litigated in court by some timeshare owners united against the seizure of their timeshare weeks. It never was any "place of happiness" — and its owners are now changing its name again. We decided not to publish the new name here now since -- who knows -- the current owner may decide to change it again.

For the sake of the timeshare owners, we hope their long battle in court against the developer is successful. And for the sake of employees, who we expect are monumentally bored, we hope the property is successful — though not necessarily with its current owner.

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18. A Tale of Two Supermarkets

One of the nicest supermarkets on the island is the new Carrefour market, completely rebuilt after Irma, that recently reopened in Cole Bay. The parking lot and the front walkway are challenging, but the market is worth visiting for its clean layout and wide selection.

The other is the new Super U in the Orient area which struck us as a more upscale, roomier version of the Super U in Marigot, but with much more room and a greater variety of products. The layout makes buying easy and convenient, and the current exchange rate of a \$1.05 per euro made buying their quite attractive.

We'll be interested to see what your comments are about island supermarkets in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#).

19. Where Are Fresh No Sugar Added Ice Creams?

The largest selling ice cream flavor around the planet for years has been vanilla. It's delicious, but taken on a regular basis eventually becomes monumentally boring — besides which, it isn't real vanilla anyway, since Madagascar vanilla is hideously expensive and would be impractical for mass-produced ice creams.

All of this brings us to *no sugar added Ice Cream*. There was a time when we have seen no sugar added vanilla,

butter pecan, strawberry, and pistachio on SXM. Despite the fact that the island is busy, all you find currently is NSA vanilla.

There are many thousands of diabetics who live on SXM and thousands more who visit SXM every year, and for them — and many others who are trying to diet and get healthier — the lack of no sugar added ice creams reflects a bit of arrogance on the part of grocers, a lack of empathy, and a bit of profiteering since they are normally very expensive. Nine dollars for a 1.5 qt package of ice cream is, in our opinion, too high, and that needs to be fixed in the interest of fairness to consumers.

Ice Cream Lovers, Unite!

20. After a Slight Detour, Vesna Reopens For Dinner Friday

Vesna Taverna has been open for breakfast and lunch every day for the last few months, when owners Vesna and Yannick have been in Paris developing new culinary plans for their restaurant and their legions of very satisfied clients. After a slight detour for a US visit, they return to the island to reopen Vesna Taverna for dinner this Friday night. For much more information on the restaurant, see www.vesnataverna.com. Advance reservations are essential.

Vesna Taverna is a multi-time winner of our Everything SXM Culinary Award of Excellence: you will see some of our awards posted in the restaurant. If you haven't visited, do so on your next trip to SXM: it will rapidly become one of your favorites.

21. Solutions Found for "What Should We Do Today"

Sometimes when visiting SXM, we all get into the discussion, what should we do tomorrow? Our suggestion: bring in some experts and ask them. About 24,000 repeat visitors to SXM are now part of our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#). Once you join, after answering a few quick vetting questions, you can ask anything you want about dinners, activities, jewelry, sailing excursions, deep-sea fishing, beach glass, scuba diving, best beaches for anything you have in mind, and so on ad infinitum. You will find people online answering questions pretty much around-the-clock. They also will post pictures of specific places or specific dishes or specific activities if you like...

22. St. Maarten Activities

St. Maarten and St. Martin offer hundreds of activities of all kinds. One of the best benefits of joining our expanding JMB Website Supporters Island Discount Program is that it offers discounts on all of the activities offered by our partner — a well-known company that offers every activity you can possibly imagine, including ziplines.

When you join JMB Website Supporters, you help keep *SXM Weekly News* publishing as it has since 1992 — and with your help, we can continue. It also gives us the bandwidth to spend time developing all the information we offer you through our everythingSXM.com website and on our everything SXM Facebook site.

If you love SXM, please continue your support of all the information we make available to you by joining JMB Website Supporters today. See our post above near story #18.

23. Mardis de Grand Case Starts Jan. 21

Originally "Harmony Nights," it's a festival of street vendors, marching bands, food stands, and more. In Grand Case weekly starting January 21. Well worth your attendance.

24. Where Are They Now?

This is the fourth in a series of articles about where the people are who served you in the past at extremely popular SXM restaurants. If you've been going to SXM for any length of time — or, in fact, if you're an ex-pat now living there — you will find interesting information right here. Since they moved on from their original restaurants, many SXM restaurateurs and restaurant employees have stayed in the business on the island. In this series, we'll tell you where some of them are and where you can get those recipes you thought you'd never taste again.

The Chief Honcho on site at Mr. Busby's Beach Bar and Daniel's by the Sea at Dawn Beach, Daniel Jurczenko, saw both places washed away by Irma. He is about to launch a new restaurant in Simpson Bay serving breakfast and lunch. As soon as the opening date is final (probably this month), we'll publish the details right here -- so stay tuned.

Watch for the next article in this series next week. **If you have suggestions for future articles, please email them to jmbweb@jmbcommunications.com with the subject where are they now.**

Featured so far in this series:

Daniel Jurczenko, Daniel's / Busby's (article #4)
Gray & Jason & "Lulu" / Busby's / Daniel's (article #3)
David Foini, **La Raviolina / La Gondola** / iZi (article #2)
Al & Lillian Wathey, **Turtle Pier / Nowhere Special** (article #1)

25. Restaurant of the Week: Mama Pizza

Great tasting pizza. Lots of Italian specialties. Some of the biggest portions on the island. Reasonable prices. Mama Pizza at Porto Cupecoy is a must-visit on your next trip; tell Desmond, the owner, that we suggested you visit.

BTW he owns the property in Oyster Pond where his restaurant there was. He told us over the weekend that the O. P. restaurant will reopen when that area "comes back," which is probably a good year away; that's welcome news.

Here are recently featured SXM restaurants:

Mama Pizza, Porto Cupecoy (featured 11/4/19) Excellent pizza, and sizeable portions / reasonable prices on numerous other Italian specialties. On the plaza at Porto Cupecoy, Cupecoy Beach.

Vesna Taverna, www.vesnataverna.com (featured 10/28/19). Now open every day for through B/L; dinner is offered Wednesday through Sunday.

Spiga, www.spiga-sxm.com (featured 10/20/19) New bar, great staff, service, and phenomenal food. Everything is great, appetizers are out of this world. Not to be missed.

IZI Ristorante Italiano, www.iziristoranteitaliano.com (featured 10/14/19). Open for lunch and dinner except Monday, when they're closed. Great food from one of SXM's very best restaurants. Fun atmosphere, too.

Isola next to Hollywood Casino in Simpson Bay Resort, 7/13/19. 100% redesigned, inside and out, floor to ceiling and everything inside. Just go.

Pineapple Pete, www.pineapplepete.com (featured 7/8/19) Known for great lobster Thermidor and lots, lots more. Generous portions, reasonable prices. Huge variety. Games for kids.

Wasabi Charlie Japanese Restaurant (formerly Sushiitto) (7/8/19) 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.

Mario Bistro www.mariobistrot.com/en/ 6/24/19 Mario's Bistro is one of the most spectacular culinary experiences you'll ever have. Go. Phenomenal dining. 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.

Emilio's at Emilio Wilson Estate (featured 4/21/19) is as stupendous as it ever was, with spectacular dining in an equally spectacular restored building on the Emilio Wilson Estate. Ask to see the wine cellar and the museum. Open for lunch and dinner: not to be missed.

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.

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?

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!

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.

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 Group](#). Our thanks to our Admin there, Contessa Aiello, who edited the restaurant entries on that site.

26. Getting SXM Questions Answered Quickly

Regardless of what time it is, people are always interacting with our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) — asking questions, answering questions, getting answers or suggestions or recommendations from other people, posting thousands of pictures, etc.

With almost 24,000 participating members (more than twice that including their partners and friends), there's just about always a number of people around to answer any question or to offer recommendations. *You will also find some of the best businesses on the island occasionally posting information about what they offer, too — jewelers, car rentals, points of accommodation, restaurants, pharmacists, swimsuit retailers, and others.* The best place to get your questions answered quickly is our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) -- check it out.

27. Please Help Stop the Scourge of Brain Tumors...

Jeff Berger writes:

Our son Scott Berger has had two brain tumors. He's married with two kids and understandably his passion and ours is supporting the efforts of the National Brain Tumor Society (NBTS) in finding the cause of brain tumors, improving diagnostic tools, advancing treatment modalities, patient care, and more.

Scott in a few weeks will once again be active in the Brain Tumor Walk where he lives, in the Phoenix area. Please see more in [his post for the NBTS](#) and please help in any way you can. Every family affected by brain tumors will thank you - us especially! -*Jeff & Ilene*

28. Registration Open for Our SkyMed Member Appreciation Luncheon 1/3

Registration is now open for the SkyMed Member Appreciation Luncheon in SXM on January 3, open to SkyMed members, their guests, and others interested in what SkyMed has to offer.

See all the details here: www.skymed.com/weappreciateyou

The menu is fantastic, not at all surprising since SkyMed takes great care of its members. On hand will be Eleanore and Will Klein, Chairman/CEO and President of SkyMed respectively. Jeff Berger, long-time SkyMed Ambassador, will also be on hand.

Please click the link above and register; attendance is limited to 150 persons.

29. Want to See Back Issues of SXM Weekly News? Here's How

Our *SXM Weekly News* PDF archives enable you to download any issue of Weekly News published since Spring 2014, including our amazing *2018 April Fools' Day parody* and many Special Editions.

Check it out [here](#). It has now been thoroughly updated. Each week's newsletter is being added just hours after mailing of that issue to its subscribers completes (Monday).

30. Major SkyMed Promo Now Underway

A major promo continues on 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 goes live soon), 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.

31. Ensure Best SkyMed Deal - Jeff Berger / SkyMed.com/jmb

Our new SkyMed website is www.skymed.com/jmb, now live; 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.

32. Going Somewhere 1/14or Later? Beat SkyMed's 90-day Exclusion of Pre-Existing Conditions by Buying Guaranteed Renewable Annual Protection Now, Only About \$1.35/day

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 guaranteed renewable annual or multiyear protection now at only about \$1.35/day, pre-existing conditions will be covered in full after a brief 90-day waiting period. SkyMed protects you in the USA, Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and all the nations of the Caribbean. Global protection 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.

33. ***SkyMed Customer Stories***** Protect Against Pricy 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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See the rundown of all SkyMed Features & Benefits

34. 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 everythingxsm.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.

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

Get The Current Low Price
on SkyMed's Best 5-Year Ultimate Membership
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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.

36. Please Patronize JMB Sponsors (Updated 11/4)

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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 Group*.

Century 21 St. Maarten (just joined)

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

Sunshine Properties (new)

RESORTS:

Belair Beach Hotel

Simpson Bay Resort

Azure Hotel & Art Studio

Baker's Suites

RESTAURANTS & BARS

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VESNA TAVERNA

ISOLA

Frenchy Ludo's

SNOOPY'S

Mandarin Asian Bistro (Port de Plaisance)

Melange (Port de Plaisance)

Pelican Bistro

Soggy Dollar Bar

Sale and Pepe

LA PATRONA (Simpson Bay Resort)

MARIO'S BISTRO (Porto Cupecoy)

Pineapple Pete Restaurant

Wasabi Charlie Japanese Restaurant

Emilio's (NEW)

Taloula's Blue Bitch Bar (NEW)

Nowhere Special (NEW)

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 Group*. 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 Group*.

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

Sunshine Properties has just joined us.

Relocation / "Papers" Consulting Companies

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

Updated 11/4/19

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

SXM Weekly News, our everythingSXM.com website and its Hurricane Center, and our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) — 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.**](#)

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Want to rent or buy a week?

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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

See www.everythingsexm.com.

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NON-members who wish to contact us should write to jmbweb@jmbcommunications.com with the subject *Free Newsletter Recipient,* but due to the huge volume of mail received, we may not respond individually.

Our main St. Maarten / St. Martin website: www.everythingsexm.com .

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