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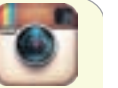
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1000 AWESOME THINGS ABOUT CURAÇAO

The 3 Awesome Founders of the “Kabei Duru” Community

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“Nos ta un komunidad ku ta aseptá, apresia i identifika ku nos kabei. Huntu nos ta ekspresá nos orguyo, kompartí nos konosementu, konsehá otro i apoyá kuido di kabei salú.”

“Our community accepts, appreciates and identifies with our (coarse) hair. We express our pride, share our knowledge, provide tips and encourage healthy haircare.”

A curly-wavy hair gal myself, I’ve long struggled to accept my natural texture. Chemically relaxing in adolescence and paying top dollar for formaldehyde-filled Brazilian



Blowouts, stinky Keratin treatments. When money’s tight, I’m a slave to my flat iron. (Come on, I’m sure some of you can relate!) Anyway, I’ve been admiring Kabei Duru on Facebook for a few months now... picking up helpful tips and ogling beautiful big-haired women and men who seem to accept – and dare I say – love! – their natural texture. And their message is spreading like social media wildfire... they’ve accumulated over 1,800 Facebook Likes in 3 short months!

—Chearitée Roosje (24)
Last week I had the pleasure of connecting with the fabulous Chearitée Roosje, co-founder of Kabei Duru. Chearitée is based in Diemen (Holland) and launched the inspirational community together with Maria and Nazjirah (both based in Curaçao) in July 2012.

1000 ATAC: What inspired you to launch Kabei Duru?

We just started talking about our natural hair, you know, among friends. Walking in Otrobanda and Punda, we would get many compliments on our hair. But having natural hair isn’t always easy. And we know other women struggle too. Some of us had been natural, then relaxed, then natural again while others had been natural for their entire lives. At some point we realized that being “natural sisters” was the most exciting way to care for our hair. We started motivating each other,

sharing tips and tricks, admiring each others’ natural hairstyles. Then we noticed that there aren’t many sites helping and empowering natural girls in Holland and Curaçao, so we decided to create a Facebook page, to support and empower our natural sisters — that way we can all share our knowledge and hair journey.

—Maria Williams (25)
1000 ATAC: Did you experience any surprises along the way?

We never expected the page to get so many “Likes”! Many people “like” our content; many actively participate in posts. The amount of people who are “natural”, want to go “natural” or have “natural” hair children is overwhelming.

—Nazjirah Bito (15)
Unfortunately, we also faced some criticism around our name. “Kabei Duru” (literally, “hard hair”) is said to have originated during slavery. It refers to the slave’s hair that resembled sheeps’ wool... as opposed to the master’s fine hair. Some people still feel sensitive about the name, despite the fact that most people (still) refer to our hair type as “Kabei Duru”.

We have chosen to keep the name (so far) to show that a name does not make our hair type less acceptable or less beautiful. We’re glad that our fans embrace the beauty and positivism of our content; (that) seems to have diminished the negative connotations around our name.

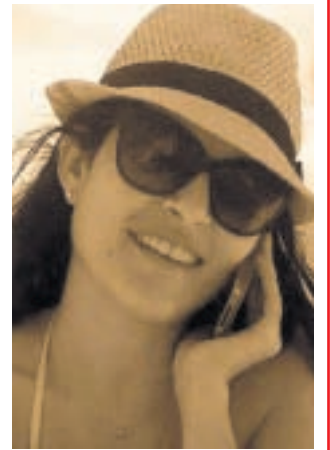


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Gay couples get hitched in Minnesota, Rhode Island

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — In massive group celebrations and in quieter individual ceremonies, gay couples in Minnesota and Rhode Island began exchanging vows Thursday as the roster of places where same-sex couples can wed grew to more than a quarter of U.S. states.

Gay couples began getting hitched at the stroke of midnight in Minnesota, where an estimated 1,000 people packed into Minneapolis City Hall to celebrate 46 same-sex weddings officiated by Mayor R.T. Rybak, as several Hennepin County judges performed another 21 in the City Council's chambers.



Katarina Ezikovich, of Warren, R.I., center right front row, displays a placard and shouts slogans with other demonstrators in support of same-sex marriage in front of City Hall.

Twitter threats highlight blight of online trolls

LONDON (AP) — If Twitter is the chirping chatterbox of the Internet, trolls are its dark underground denizens. The collision of the two is driving a debate in Britain about the scale of online hatred and the limits of Internet free speech.

The furor erupted this week after several women went public about the sexually explicit and often luridly violent abuse they receive on Twitter from trolls — online bullies and provocateurs who send abusive or disruptive messages, often for their own amusement. Many regard trolls as an annoyance to be ignored, but there are growing calls for action when their abuse crosses over into threats.

Smartphone cradle, app detect toxins, bacteria

URBANA, Ill. (AP) — Afraid there may be peanuts or other allergens hiding in that cookie? Thanks to a cradle and app that turn your smartphone into a handheld biosensor, you may soon be able to run on-the-spot tests for food safety, environmental toxins, medical diagnostics and more.



A handheld biosensor was developed by researchers at the University of Illinois.

The handheld biosensor was developed by researchers at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. A series of lenses and filters in the cradle mirror those found in larger, more expensive laboratory devices. Together, the cradle and app transform a smartphone into a tool that can detect toxins and bacte-

ria, spot water contamination and identify allergens in food. Kenny Long, a graduate researcher at the university, says the team was able to make the smartphone even smarter with modifications to the cellphone camera.

Uruguay takes step toward full pot legalization

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay (AP) — Uruguay's unprecedented plan to put the government at the center of a legal marijuana industry has made it halfway through congress, giving President Jose Mujica a long-sought victory in his effort to explore alternatives to the global war on drugs.

All 50 members of the governing Broad Front coalition approved the proposal in a party line vote just before midnight Wednesday, keeping a narrow majority of the 96 lawmakers present after more than 13 hours of passionate debate. The measure now goes to the Senate, where Mujica's coalition has a bigger majority and passage is expected to come within weeks for the proposal



A man smokes marijuana outside the Congress where lawmakers debate a bill to legalize marijuana.

to make Uruguay the world's first nation to create a legal, regulated marijuana market.

Man repays insurance money with 4 tons of coins

MARION, Ill. (AP) — A southern Illinois businessman has paid off part of a court-ordered legal settlement with nearly four tons of quarters packed into dozens of bags.

Roger Herrin, of Harrisburg, was ordered by an appellate court to repay \$500,000 in insurance money related to a 2001 car accident in which his teenage son died.

The reimbursement followed years of legal disputes about how the insurance money was apportioned to the crash victims.

So in protest, Herrin repaid nearly a third of the money — \$150,000 — with 50-pound bags of quarters he had trucked in by the Federal Reserve bank in St. Louis. The coins were delivered Wednesday to a Marion law firm. Herrin says he paid in quarters because paying in pennies wasn't feasible.

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Police offer safety if Egyptian protests end

CAIRO (AP) — Authorities offered “safe passage and protection” Thursday for thousands of supporters of ousted President Mohammed Morsi if they end two large sit-ins in Cairo.

The Interior Ministry’s offer appears to be the first step by Egypt’s new leadership to clear away the Morsi supporters from where they have been camped since shortly before he was toppled by the army July 3.

The move came as an influential ultraconservative cleric warned that using violence to break up the protests will lead to more bloodshed.



Egyptian interim President Adly Mansour, right, meets with German Foreign Minister Guido Westerwelle, at the Presidential Palace in Cairo, Egypt.

Local Services Emergency Numbers

Police	911
Fire department	911
Ambulance	912
Coast Guard	913

At least 40 killed in Syrian weapons depot blast

DAMASCUS, Syria (AP) — Rocket attacks struck government-held districts in the central Syrian city of Homs on Thursday, setting off successive explosions in a weapons depot that killed at least 40 people and wounded dozens, an opposition group and residents said.

The blasts sent a massive ball of fire into the sky, causing widespread damage and panic among residents, many of whom are supporters of President Bashar Assad.

One resident said the explosions were so strong they cracked the walls of some buildings. Thick smoke and dust could be seen from a distance as explosions shook the ground.

A video posted online by activists showed a huge ball of fire over Homs neighborhoods.

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Snowden walks free in Russia to US anger

MOSCOW (AP) — Defying the United States, Russia granted Edward Snowden temporary asylum on Thursday, allowing the National Security Agency leaker to slip out of the Moscow airport where he has been holed up for weeks in hopes of evading espionage charges back home.

The National Security Agency leaker now has plenty of room to roam throughout the sprawling country and continue the bizarre journey that has stretched across half the planet — from Hawaii to Hong Kong to the Russian capital. Russia appears to have reckoned ending Snowden’s

airport limbo was worth intensifying a political stand-off with United States. The White House said it was “extremely disappointed” and warned that the decision could derail an upcoming summit between President Barack Obama and Russian President Vladimir Putin.

Norway mass killer wants to go back to school

STOCKHOLM (AP) — Convicted mass killer Anders Behring Breivik has applied for admission to the University of Oslo, testing the limits of Norway’s commitment to rehabilitate criminals rather than punish them.



Mass murderer Anders Behring Breivik, makes a salute after arriving in the court room at a courthouse in Oslo.

The right-wing extremist, who killed 77 people in bomb and gun attacks two years ago, wants to study political science, and prison and university officials say he could do his studies in his cell if accepted by the school. “In Norway, and I’m proud of this, we have a system where inmates, in general, can apply to study

at universities, most of them from their own cell, so it will be distance learning,” said Ole Petter Ottersen, the rector of the University of Oslo. “This is a principle that is put in place to help the inmate get back to society.”

Zimbabwe: Disputed poll poses fresh divisions

HARARE, Zimbabwe (AP) — Allegations of vote-rigging flowed in Zimbabwe on Thursday, with reports of fake registration cards, voters turned away from the polls and people appearing on voters’ lists four times with different IDs. Even before results were announced, the main opposition camp said longtime President Robert Mugabe stole the election, which his supporters denied.

Either way, the country faces fresh political uncertainty. Prime Minister Morgan Tsvangirai, the main challenger to Mugabe, said the elections on Wednesday were “null and void” due to violations

in the voting process, and a poll monitoring group that is not affiliated with the state also said the poll was compromised by a campaign to stop voters from casting ballots.

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De Heeren	736-0491	Zuikertuintje
De Kleine Wereld**	747-5555	Caracasbaai
Eetcafe de Buurvrouw	868-8499	Grote Berg
Gouverneur **	462-5999	Otrobanda
Iguana **	465-1056	Punda
Karakter*	864-2233	Coral Estate
Kome	465-0413	Pietermaai
La Bahia**	462-7400	Otrobanda
Larry's	461-0856	Caracasbaaiweg
Lenzo**		Papagayo
Miles	520-5200	Pietermaai
Mundo Bizarro	461-6767	Pietermaai
Old Dutch	465-7225	Pietermaai
Omundo	738-8477	Zuikertuintje
Pampus **	465-5071	Waaigat
Papagayo *	747-5333	Jan Thiel
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Japanese Yen per 10000	180.03	180.89	183.5
British Pound	2.64	2.7	2.78
Euro per 100	233.61	235.74	240.49
Swiss Franc per 100	191.24	191.96	194.68
Canadian Dollar	1.71	1.73	1.77
Aruba Guilder per 100	98	100	101.2

S&P 500 crosses 1,700 points for the first time

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks rose on Wall Street Thursday morning, sending the Standard & Poor's 500 index above 1,700 points for the first time.

The S&P 500, which investors follow closely as a gauge for the rest of the market, was up 16 points after the first 90 minutes of trading, or 1 percent, at 1,702.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 125 points, or 0.8 percent, to 15,625. The Dow is also at a record high. The Nasdaq composite index rose 38 points, or 1 percent, to 3,665.

All 10 industry sectors in the S&P 500 index rose, led by banks and industrial stocks.

Ohio man gets life term in kidnapping of 3 women

CLEVELAND (AP) — The man convicted of holding three women captive in a house he turned into a prison and raping them repeatedly for a decade was sentenced Thursday to life without parole plus 1,000 years.

Ariel Castro, 53, apologized to his victims in a rambling, defiant statement before he was sentenced. He blamed a sex addiction, his former wife and even the FBI for not thoroughly investigating the abductions while claiming most of the sex was consensual and that the women were never tortured.

"These people are trying to paint me as a monster," he



Ariel Castro, center, listens in the courtroom during the sentencing phase.

said. "I'm not a monster. I'm sick." Just before the sentencing, one of three women he kidnapped stood within feet of Castro and told him his life was over.

Religious order files reveal decades of LA abuse

LOS ANGELES (AP) — In therapy sessions, the priest confessed the shocking details he'd kept hidden for years: He had molested more than 100 boys, including his 5-year-old brother. He had sex with male prostitutes, and frequented gay strip clubs.

The admissions of the Rev. Ruben Martinez are included among nearly 2,000 pages of secret files unsealed Wednesday that were kept on priests, brothers and nuns who belonged to religious orders but were accused of child molestation while working within the Los Angeles archdiocese. The papers, which were released under the terms of a \$660 million settlement agreement reached in 2007, are the first glimpse at what religious orders knew about the men and women they posted in Roman Catholic schools and parishes in the Los Angeles area.

Holder: Mueller set the standard for FBI director



Attorney General Eric Holder, right, and Deputy Attorney General James Cole, center, applaud outgoing FBI Director Robert Mueller.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General Eric Holder says outgoing FBI Director Robert Mueller set the standard for leading the agency during the last 12 years.

At a farewell ceremony at the Justice Department Thursday, the attorney general said Mueller led a historic transformation of the FBI by redefining it as an intelligence-driven agency. Mueller, who steps down next month, has

run the FBI since a week before the Sept. 11, 2011 attacks. Holder credited Mueller with thwarting some of the most serious terrorist plots the U.S. has faced since then. Holder presented Mueller with the Attorney General's Award for Exceptional Service — the highest award the attorney general can bestow within the Justice Department. On Monday, the Senate confirmed James Comey to succeed Mueller.

Florida governor defends resigning education chief

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Florida Gov. Rick Scott is defending the state's resigning education commissioner, saying he did a good job.

on his own. Scott refused to answer questions about the accusations against Bennett in Indiana. Scott repeated only that he was pleased with Bennett's work in Florida.

Scott's statement to reporters in South Florida came at the same time as a news conference in Tallahassee where Education Commissioner Tony Bennett announced his resignation.

The resignation comes days after The Associated Press reported that Bennett had changed the grade of a political donor's charter school when he was Indiana's education chief.

Scott said that he did not fire Bennett and that he resigned

Lightning at Colo. base leaves 12 soldiers hurt

FORT CARSON, Colo. (AP) — Twelve soldiers were injured, one critically, after lightning struck near them during a training exercise at Fort Carson, a base spokesman said Thursday.

Maj. Earl Brown, deputy public affairs officer at the Army base near Colorado Springs, said six of the soldiers were still hospitalized and five were treated and released after Wednesday's strike.

An engineering soldier was in critical condition.

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‘Het kan zeer tot extreem warm worden’

ZEIST — Meteorologen verwachten dat het morgen ‘zeer’ tot zelfs ‘extreem’ warm zal worden. Het KNMI houdt het op maximumtemperaturen in het oosten en zuiden van Nederland tot 36 graden Celsius. MeteoConsult denkt aan 36 tot plaatselijk 37 graden en *weeronline.nl* voorspelt zelfs 37 graden en heel misschien wel de warmste dag ooit.

Alle weerbureaus zijn het erover eens dat het in grote delen van Nederland zeer drukkend zal aanvoelen door de hoge luchtvochtigheid. Het waait wel, maar dat geeft nauwelijks verkoeling aanzien het om warme wind



De Veluwerandmeren zijn populaire watersportgebieden.

uit het zuidoosten gaat. “Net een föhn”, zegt weeronline.nl donderdag. Het dagrecord voor 2 augustus staat op 32 graden in De Bilt. Dat record zal vrijwel

zeker worden gebroken. De warmste dag ooit in Nederland is op 23 augustus 1944 in Warnsveld in de Achterhoek gehaald met 38,6 graden.

Vier UMC's mogen protonentherapie aanbieden

DEN HAAG — Bij vier Universitair Medische Centra in het land wordt het binnenkort mogelijk om protonentherapie te volgen. Het gaat om een nieuwe vorm van radiotherapie, die gebruikt kan worden bij de behandeling van specifieke vormen van kanker.

Het ministerie van Volksgezondheid, Welzijn en Sport

maakte donderdag bekend dat UMC's in Groningen,

Amsterdam en Maastricht een vergunning krijgen voor het behandelen van kankerpatiënten met protonentherapie. Dat geldt ook voor het samenwerkingsverband tussen Delft, Leiden en Rotterdam. Het ministerie heeft daarvoor een regeling met vergunningsvoorwaarden opgesteld. De UMC's moeten de vergunning nog wel aanvragen. Dat kan tot eind van de maand.

‘Weren 75-plussers is leeftijdsdiscriminatie’

RIJSWIJK — De Kiesraad noemt het voornemen van de gemeente Weert om 75-plussers te weren bij het tellen van stemmen bij verkiezingen, leeftijdsdiscriminatie. Dat zei Melle Bakker, secretaris-directeur van het adviescollege, donderdag.

Selectie moet gebeuren op basis van functioneren, niet op basis van leeftijd, zegt Bakker. “Als je op grond van eerdere ervaringen tot de conclusie komt dat iemand



niet naar behoren functioneert, dan moet diegene niet opnieuw worden benoemd. Maar dat staat los van iemands leeftijd. Het is heel simpel: leeftijdsdiscriminatie is in Nederland niet toegestaan”, aldus Bakker.

Mini-miljoenste bezoeker Madurodam geplaatst

DEN HAAG — In Madurodam zijn donderdag de Madurodammetjes van de miljoenste bezoeker, de driejarige Lauren Dörge uit Gemert, en haar ouders en zusje geplaatst.

Lauren en haar ouders konden zelf kiezen waar de miniatuurfiguren van het gezin werden geplaatst en kozen voor het gras voor het miniatuurconcert van Armin van Buuren. Janneke van de Kerkhof, de moeder van Lauren: “We houden allemaal van muziek, dus we vinden het leuk dat onze Maduro-

dammertjes bij een concert staan.” Madurodam verwelkomde op woensdag 12 juni tegen 15.15 uur Lauren als haar miljoenste bezoeker sinds de heropening in 2012. Lauren werd die dag feestelijk onthaald en Madurodam verzorgde voor het gezin een onvergetelijke dag met een diner en het gehele jaar gratis toegang.

Assange tegen hackers: Blijf strijden

ALKMAAR — Blijf speuren naar geheime informatie en geloof niet in de ‘bullshit’ van veiligheidsdiensten. Die boodschap had Julian Assange woensdagavond voor duizenden hackers die zich in Alkmaar hadden verzameld voor de internationale hackers-conferentie OHM2013.

De oprichter van klokkenluiderswebsite WikiLeaks sprak zijn ‘bondgenoten’ ruim een uur toe via een livestreamverbinding op twee grote beeldschermen. Hij uitte zijn zorgen over de huidige samenleving, waarin overheden onbekommerd regels kunnen overtreden en de privacy van burgers kunnen aantasten. Tot zijn tevredenheid ziet Assange echter een nieuwe internet-samenleving ontstaan, die het gevecht met het traditionele systeem aangaat. De Australiër benadrukte dat nog te veel mensen volledig onderschaten hoeveel er momenteel mis is.

“We moeten niet weglopen en de overheid zijn gang laten gaan”, sprak Assange. “Wees kritisch. Denk gezond na. Hoe groter de weerstand tegen het huidige systeem, hoe meer druk we kunnen uitoefenen. Blijf geheime informatie zoeken en geef nooit op.”

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Anglican/Episcopal:

All Saints Church: Leidenstraat/Heelsumstraat, Steenrijk, Tel. 465-3251

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Santa Famia Church, Otrobanda: Service in English every Sunday 11.30 AM

Altagracia Church: Steenrijk (near Princess Beach Hotel) Tel. 465-3404

Holy Rosary Cathedral: Julianaplein 5, Pietermaai, Tel. 465-9719

Coromoto Church: Piscaderaweg 54, Tel. 462-3805

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MikveIrseal Emanuel: Sephardic Reconstructionist, HanchiSnoa 29, Tel. 461-1067

Muslim:

Omar Bin El Khattab Mosque: Weg naar Welgelegen 6, Tel. 462-4784

Protestant:

United Protestant Church: Fortkerk: Fort Amsterdam, Tel. 461-1139, Ebenezer: Oranjestraat 111, Tel. 465-3121 (services in English), Emmakerk: Schottegatweg/Arowakenweg, Tel. 737-3070

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Seventh Day Adventist Church: LandhuisGaito, Scalaweg 7, Tel. 737-3473

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Jan Kok					✓		
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Rooi Katootje			✓				
Savonet	✓		✓				✓

Chile: 33 mineros molestos por cierre de causa

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) — Los 33 mineros chilenos, que estuvieron 69 días atrapados bajo tierra, reaccionaron con indignación el jueves al cerrarse la investigación de su accidente sin encontrar culpables.

El fiscal de Atacama, Héctor Mella, dijo que “no había convicción para formular una acusación contra los dueños

de la minera San Esteban, contra la compañía propietaria de la mina San José, ni contra los responsables del Servicio Nacional de Geología y Minería”. El cierre de la indagación se produjo a sólo cuatro días del tercer aniversario del derrumbe que atrapó a los trabajadores en el fondo de un oscuro pozo de 700 metros de profundidad.

Ex embajador de EEUU en Venezuela presenta demanda

NUEVA YORK (AP) — Un ex embajador de Estados Unidos en Venezuela y franco crítico de la corrupción pública en el país sudamericano demandó a tres empresarios venezolanos en Nueva York, argumentando que obtuvieron jugosos contratos de construcción de una planta de generación eléctrica pagando sobornos a empleados del gobierno venezolano.

Otto Reich, quien fue embajador en Caracas de 1983 a 1986, agrega en su querrela

presentada el martes en una corte federal de Manhattan que ejecutivos de Derwick Associates —Leopoldo Alejandro Betancourt López, Pedro José Trebbau López y Francisco D’Agostino Ca-

sado— lo difamaron y ocasionaron que su negocio de consultoría Otto Reich Associates perdiera negocios.

Reich perdió otro contrato de 20.000 dólares mensuales con un empresario venezolano después de que Trebbau y Betancourt lo convencieron con mentiras de que Reich estaba trabajando para Derwick, argumenta la demanda.

Argentina: Violencia e inusual arranque de torneo

BUENOS AIRES (AP) — Un insólito arranque tendrá el viernes el fútbol argentino cuando los partidos se jueguen solo con socios de los clubes locales para frenar una ola de sangrientos choques entre hinchas violentos

Eso significa, por ejemplo, que no debería haber aficionados de River Plate el domingo en su visita a Gimnasia La Plata por la primera fecha del torneo Inicial, en la que no estarán ni el actual campeón Newell’s Old Boys, cuyo anterior técnico Gerardo Martino pasó a dirigir al Barcelona de Lionel Messi y Neymar, ni tampoco Boca Juniors, ya que el partido entre ellos fue postergado para el 13 de agosto. Esa decisión



Fanáticos de Boca Juniors animan al equipo antes de un partido contra River Plate en el campeonato argentino el 5 de mayo de 2013, en Buenos Aires. (AP Photo/Natasha Pisarenko, File)

fue tomada tras la muerte de dos hinchas de Boca, además de seis heridos, en un choque a balazos y con armas blancas en una pelea interna de sus barrabravas antes de

un amistoso con San Lorenzo el 21 de julio, lo que elevó a seis el número de víctimas fatales en lo que va del año y a unas 300 en más de ocho décadas.

Sol, esperanza energética para Cuba

CANTARRANA, Cuba (AP) — El paisaje parece un sueño: Miles de planchas reflejan unas pocas nubes del límpido cielo cienfueguero atrayendo hacia sí los rayos del sol. Este escenario de ciencia ficción es el primer polígono de pruebas de lo que podría ser la esperanza energética cubana luego de ver frustrados

una y otra vez sus esfuerzos por extraer crudo del Golfo de México. De manera discreta y sin anuncios previos, Cuba puso en operaciones su primer parque fotovoltaico de importancia, un complejo de 14.100 paneles de fabricación nacional y del cual se espera cosechar energía como para aliviar su abultada factura de

petróleo, cada vez más caro y esquivo. De un plumazo, la isla duplicó su capacidad fotovoltaica.

Según el funcionario Cuba tiene “el privilegio” de que los rayos del astro rey inciden de manera directa y por cada metro cuadrado el sol facilita 5 kilowatt hora al día.

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6. Seis	Six	Zes	Seis
7. Shete	Seven	Zeven	Siete
8. Ocho	Eight	Acht	Ocho
9. Nuebe	Nine	Negen	Nueve
10. Dies	Ten	Tien	Diez

Local Services

Pharmacies | Botika Apotheek | Farmacia



For minor complaints, over-the-counter medicine are found at a local pharmacy (Botika). Most are open all day until 7 pm and some stay open on a rotating schedule. If necessary, make inquiries at your hotel. They should also be able to recommend doctors and dentists to you.

Pharmacies on duty:

		Punda	Otrobanda
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Thursday	August 08:	Brievengat	De Goede Hoop

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NENA Sanchez

Colors of Curaçao

Nena Sanchez, acclaimed local artist, was born in Curacao.

Nena did not study under great masters. She is instead an autodidact that taught herself the skills of painting by experimenting with acrylic on different materials such as canvas, paper and wood. She focuses on the Caribbean scenery and its fascinating bright colors as a primary subject to produce commercial as well as fine art.

Since 1998, she has been self-publishing her own artwork. Her line consists of Giclees (reproductions on canvas), matted prints, calendars, and other mementos collected by many. In 2002, she opened her first gallery in Landhuis Jan Kok, which is still her main gallery, 2 other galleries followed after that.

"Painting to me is a joy, a challenge and fulfillment. It's my way to convey my feelings into the life of others. I am a happy person and I express my happiness through the beautiful bright color of my work." – Nena Sanchez.

NENA Sanchez

Kleuren van Curaçao

Nena Sanchez, gewaardeerd lokaal kunstenaar, werd geboren op Curaçao.

Nena studeerde niet onder grote meesters. Ze is een autodidact die zichzelf leerde schilderen door te experimenteren met acryl op verschillende materialen zoals canvas, papier en hout. Ze focust op Caribische taferelen en de fascinerende heldere kleuren van het gebied. Ze maakt zowel commercieel werk als fijne kunst.

Sinds 1998 brengt ze haar eigen werk uit. Haar lijn bevat giclees (reproducties op canvas), prints, kalenders en andere souvenirs die door velen verzameld worden. In 2002 opende ze haar eerste gallery in Landhuis Jan Kok, wat nog altijd haar belangrijkste gallery is. Daarna volgde twee andere galleries.

"Schilderen is een plezier voor me, een uitdaging en vervulling. Het is mijn manier om mijn gevoelens over te brengen op anderen. Ik ben een gelukkig mens en ik uit mijn geluk door middel van de mooie, heldere kleuren van mijn werk." – Nena Sanchez.





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UK to Kelly Clarkson: Hands off Jane Austen's ring

LONDON (AP) — The British government has stepped in to stop singer Kelly Clarkson taking a ring once owned by Jane Austen out of the country.

The "American Idol" winner bought the gold and turquoise ring at auction last year for just over 150,000 pounds (\$228,000). But on Thursday Culture Minister Ed Vaizey put an export bar on the item until Sept. 30 in the hope that a British buyer will come forward. Vaizey said Austen's modest lifestyle and early death aged 41 "mean that objects associated with her of any kind are extremely rare, so I hope that a U.K. buyer comes forward so this simple but elegant ring can be saved for the nation." The government has the power temporarily to halt the export of works judged to be national treasures.

Review: Bieber not in pop star form at concert

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — For all the negative publicity that's surrounded Justin Bieber in recent months — the alleged drinking, smoking, spitting, fighting with a paparazzo and more — he entered the stage at the Prudential Center in angelic form: In all white, he descended to the center of the stage with wings on his sides as nearly 20,000 fans screamed at the top of their lungs.

These girls had Bieber Fever, and they didn't want to be cured.

They cheered on the 19-year-old, who kicked off his Wednesday night concert with the high energy, electro-flavored songs "All Around the World" and "Take You." There were pyrotechnics bursting to match the tracks' sparkle, fan-made signs in



Singer Justin Bieber performs at the Prudential Center in Newark, N.J.

every row and lights beaming from the cell phones capturing pictures and video. Bieber didn't have to move, and the arena would still have been in a frenzy.

Israeli Jew is devout gay drag queen



Israeli Orthodox Jew Shahar Hadar gets dressed as he prepares for a show at a drag queen school in downtown Tel Aviv, Israel.

JERUSALEM (AP) — Just shy of midnight, Shahar Hadar trades his knitted white yarmulke for a wavy blond wig and a pink velvet dress.

Cheers greet him in a packed gay bar as he starts to swivel to a Hebrew pop song, his shiny red lips mouthing lyrics that

mean more to him than the audience knows: "With God's help you'll have the strength / To overcome and give your all."

Valerie Harper starts work on TV movie

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The UP cable channel said Valerie Harper is filming a TV movie in Canada. The movie, titled "The Town That Came A-Courtin'", is based on a novel by Ronda Rich and also stars Lauren Holly, Cameron Bancroft and Lucie Guest.

UP, which described the movie as an uplifting romance, said Wednesday it welcomed the "inspirational" Harper as part of the project. In March, the 73-year-old actress said she's been diagnosed with a rare, incurable brain cancer but that she intended to live each moment fully. Harper gained fame playing Rhoda Morgenstern on television's "The Mary Tyler Moore Show" and "Rhoda." UP's "The Town That Came A-Courtin'" will air in January 2014, the channel said. It's being shot in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Nikolaus Bachler: Keeping the soul in opera

MUNICH, Germany (AP) — The man who runs Germany's biggest opera house says a chance encounter with an American colleague brought home to him just how fortunate he is.

Nikolaus Bachler, intendant of the Bavarian State Opera, recalled staying at a hotel in Verona, Italy, and finding that the head of a U.S. opera company was also a guest there.

"In the morning I told him I

hadn't slept all night because we wanted to put on 'Jenufa' (a beautiful work by Czech composer Leos Janacek but not a guaranteed box-office hit)," Bachler recalled. "I was thinking, How can I do it today, how can we present it in the most meaningful way, and who should do it? This kept me busy all night.

"And my colleague said, 'I couldn't sleep because I want to do 'Jenufa,' and I don't know how to pay for it.'"



Director of Munich Opera House Nikolaus Bachler.

E CURAÇAO Events



Art & Culture

Chess Festival 2013
Until August 2
Community Center Janwe

I love dushi Punda
Activities in Punda
August 3, 9 AM

Curaçao Salsa Competition
August 3
Landhuis Brakkeput Mei Mei

Free dance workshops
August 3, 4 PM - 7 PM
Mambo beach

Let's sing with Kiwanis Club Curaçao
August 3, 8 PM - 11 PM
International school

Debate: "From slavery to modern slavery?"
August 4, 8 PM
UNA

Jandino in de Revue
August 9 -10
Avila Hotel

Presentation "Yaya; zwarte mama"
August 11, 11 AM
Landhuis Bloemhof



Exhibition "Milkdrops"
Until August 13
Landhuis Bloemhof

Handcraft market: "Marshed di Artesania"
Every second Saturday of the month, 10 AM - 2 PM
Landhuis Habaai

Tango
Every 1st and 3th Sunday monthly, 4 - 6 PM.
Plaza Brion

Weekly:

Harbor Tour
Every Wednesday & Saturday at 2 PM
Maritime Museum

Cultural and historic walk through Punda and Otrobanda
Every Monday at 5.15 PM: Punda. Call 668.8579
Every Wednesday at 5.15 PM: Otrobanda. Call 510.6978
Every Thursday at 5.15 PM: Otrobanda. Call 461.3554

Nightlife

Decky B-day Bash
August 2, 10 PM - 3 AM
Club bananas

Farewell Happy Hour
August 2, 5 PM - 8 PM
Blue Sports Bar

Dolce @ Band
August 2, 7 PM - 12 PM
Curadise

DJ's Blaze's Bday
August 2, 10 PM
Club Private

Loading Band
August 2, 9 PM
Landhuis Granbeeuw

Groove Samba
August 2, 5 PM
Mambo Beach

Groove Samba
August 3, 8 PM
De Heeren

GIO Top 50
Augustus 3
Club Façade

Wild out "Bubbeling party"
August 3
Cinco

Sip & Savor Week
Until August 3
Renaissance Mall & Riffort

Charming Bastards
August 3, 5:30 PM
Zanzi Beach

Groove Department
August 4, 2 PM
Kokomo

Acoustic & Groove Samba
August 4, 8 PM - 12 PM
Street party at Nieuwestraat by Mundo Bizarro

Disco Evolution
August 5, 9 PM - 2 AM
Cocktail bar Vegas

Cabana Beach Festival
August 4
Cabana Beach

Summer 13 Voor Iedereen
August 12, 10 PM
Strike Zone

A night in Marrakech
August 15
El Gaucho

Weekly:

Miles Riddle
Every Monday at 5 PM
Miles Jazz Cafe

Movie Night
Every Tuesday at 9 PM
Watch a movie from your beach chair under the stars
Mambo Beach

Tapas y Copas
Every Wednesday
Kome

Bubbles & Beauties
Every Wednesday, 7 PM
Mambo Beach

Walker night with DJ RO-1
Every wednesday, at 7 PM - 10:30 PM
Blue bar, Renaissance

Karaoke night
Every thursday, 8 PM
Cafe Kukelekuu

Music by Rhyddm, DJ Plam, and Big Screen music clips
Every Friday, 6 PM
Countryhouse Classics

"27 Live"
Every Friday, 9 PM
27 Bar & Terrace

Live "Jill's Band"
Every Friday, 7 - 10 PM
Emerald Lounge, Marriott

Live music or DJ
Every Friday
Grand Cafe De Heeren

Eat, Drink & Dance with the Daiquiri Band
Every Friday evening
La Bahia, Hotel Otrobanda

Norman Moron "Live"
Every Friday evening
Landhuis Brakkeput Mei Mei

Ephrem J and Loading Band
Every Friday
Happy Hour 9 - 10 PM
Cinco

Live Reggae Music: Uprising
Every Friday 6 - 8 PM
Hemmingway

Live Music
Every Friday 5 - 8 PM
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Plaza Hotel, Governors Bar

Pitcher Specials Live DJ
Every Friday
Papagayo beach club

Latin Fridays
Every Friday
Pampus

Urban Saturday
Every Saturday, Free entrance
Cinco

Ephrem J and Gilmar
Every Saturday, 6 PM
New York

Foute Boel, DJ Cor & Friends
Every Saturday, 10 PM till...
Wet & Wild beach club

"Heels Love Bartenders"
Every Saturday, 6 PM
Vegas 360 Cocktailbar

Happy hour with Live music
Every Sunday, 5 PM
Kokomo Beach

Mojito Sunday
All day, every Sunday
Mambo Beach

Outdoor Activities

Curacao Footprint Nature Walks
Augustus 8: Sint Michielsberg
Augustus 15: Boca Tabla
Augustus 22: Bullenbaai-Vaersenaai
Augustus 29: Caracasbaai schiereiland
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Christoffelpark Jeep Safari
Monday-Wednesday-Friday, 8 AM. 2 or 4 hours.
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Kids

Petting Zoo, with playground
Daily, 9 AM - 6 PM
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Children from 10 years old
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From 2 years old
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Arts and Crafts
For different ages
Raiza's Play & Danceground

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Mensing's Caminada

Story Telling
Papiamentu and Dutch
Every Thursday, 3 - 5 PM-
Mensing's Caminada

Snorkling, banana boat, canoeing, horsebackriding and several beach and water games (age: 4 till 12)
The Swimfactory, Mambo beach/Wet 'n Wild

Zumbatomic-Zumba for Kids
Every Saturday 10.30 AM
Muni's -Dr Maalweg

Handcraft
Every Saturday from 10 AM - 2 PM
Mensing's Caminada

Different games for kids
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Sport

Chess Festival
Until August 2
inscription: curacaochessfestival@gmail.com
Neighborhood center Janwé

Endless Summer Sports Festival
August 2, all day
August 3, till 11 PM St Joris Bay

Poker Tournament
Augustus 15, 8 PM
Veneto Casino Holiday Beach Hotel

Up & Coming

Gio Festival den bo Barrio
August 18
Boca

Gio Fiesta den bo Barrio
August 22, 6 PM
Steenrijk

Sound off & Tuning Competition
August 24, 10 AM- 8PM
MCB Salina Parking Lot

Israel and New Breed
August 25
Brion Square Otrobanda

Al Di Meola
August 26
Brion Square Otrobanda

Paleontology course
August 28
www.curassavica.com

Curacao North Sea Jazz Festival
August 30-31
World Trade Center

Official Closing Act of the North Sea Jazz Festival
September 1, 7 PM
Santa Barbara Beach & Golf Resort Curaçao

Caribbean ICT Roadshow
September 9 - 11
World Trade Center

Curaçao Lionfish Expedition
September 1-6

Deja Blue 2013
Free Diving Competition
October 5-11
Lions Dive



RECOMMENDED TOURS

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1. Curaçao Island Tour

Curaçao might be a small island, but there is so much to discover. For a quick look at what the island has to offer, take the island tour. The tour takes you to all the important sights on the island, including the historic city center of Willemstad that is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, a visit to the liquor distillery, lunch at Jaanchies for local cuisine and a trip to the salt pans of Jan Kok. Discover the country side as well as the rugged coastline of the island at Shete Boka National Park.

Tour: Tuesdays & Wednesdays (Dutch/English) & Friday (German) 9:00am - 4:00pm
Price: \$50 per person

2. Amazonia Dinner Tour

Visit a little piece of Mayan, Aztec and Inca culture in the Caribbean. You will be guided on an approximately 90 minute tour of 45,000 square feet of rainforest, temple ruins, ponds and pyramids. Step right into an Indian village (aldeia) deep in the Amazon jungle and stand 3 feet away from the Shaman preparing his men for their next hunt. The tour ends with a nice meal at the Brazilian Steakhouse

Duration: 3:30pm - 9:00pm Price: \$ 85 - per person Wednesday

3. Discover Beaches

If you dream about spending most of your holiday with your feet in the sand, make sure you take this tour. It will take you to two beautiful beaches on the west coast of the island: Knip and Cas Abou. Let yourself be tempted by the clear blue waters, bring your snorkel gear and discover the underwater world or use the beautiful area for enviable vacation pictures. Make sure you are fully awake during the trip to the beach, because you won't want to miss any of the scenic tour through the country side.

Tour: Mondays & Fridays 9:00am - 3:00pm
Price: \$45 per person.

4. Klein Curacao

This beautiful Deserted Island offer's you an adventure not to be missed! You can go swimming in the crystal clear turquoise water, snorkel and explore the coral reefs and the turtles, or explore the Island and visit the historical lighthouse and collect shells on the beach. There are different boats that can get you there in about an hour. There is plenty shade and lunch is included.

Duration: 7:15am - 5:00pm Price: \$98 - per person. Daily

5. Sunset Sail

This relaxing sail is the perfect way to end the day. Watch the sun go down aboard a luxurious and spacious catamaran! Get stunning views of Curaçao's coastline and a spectacular sunset. The catamaran has a bathroom, sunning nets, plenty of seating space, music and an open bar.

Duration: 5:00pm - 7:00pm Price: \$ 45 - per person Wednesday

Curaçao Cooking

Banana fritter with caramel sauce

Ingredients:

For the sauce:

½ cup brown castor sugar

1 cup cream

1 tsp. vanilla essence

1 tbsp. unsalted butter

For the batter:

1 cup flour

Pinch of salt

1 cup soda water or beer, cold

Oil for frying

4 small bananas, cut lengthwise

Vanilla ice cream



Photo: enchantingkerala.org

Add all the ingredients for the sauce in a sauce pan on low heat. Cook for 5 minutes, while stirring constantly until the liquid turns into a thick syrup. Remove from heat and set aside. Heat the oil in a frying pan.

Mix the flour, salt and soda water to a smooth batter. Coat the bananas with the batter and fry until golden brown on both sides. Put bananas on a paper towel lined plate.

Serve with caramel sauce and a scoop of ice cream.

Makes 4 servings.

Four new doctors

WILLEMSTAD — Four new doctors have been sworn in recently.

On the picture from left to right: cardiologist Sammy de la Fuente, pediatrician Meindert Manshande, general practitioner Liliën Rodriguez and orthopedic surgeon Remco Stokman. Minister of Health, Environment and Nature wishes the doctors a lot of success in their career at St. Elisabeth Hospitaal.



The four new doctors with minister Ben Whiteman.



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 Member Since: 2008

Who Are You?

Korpodeko which stands for Korpashon pa Desaroyo di Kòrsou is a tripartite commitment offering resources for the sustainable development of Curaçao. Korpodeko is the development institution of Curaçao, which through empowerment of the human being, supports small, medium and big businesses while promoting sustainable social economic development since 1985 – 28 years. Korpodeko is the result of a commitment between the government and social partners to address the economic crisis that the island was facing back in 1985. Government, employers and labor representatives joined forces to stimulate economic activity.

Share with us your Uniqueness as a CHATA Member or why Tourism is important for your Company:

At first glance, Korpodeko may seem the unlikely CHATA-member. After all, we do not provide hospitality services. Nevertheless, tourism and the hospitality industry are considered one of Curacao primary tools for the socio economic empowerment of our community in general. As a development institution with among others a loan extension perspective, Korpodeko welcomes creative and innovative activities that help diversify and fortify the, social and cultural basis that is key to the enrichment of the Horeca business and tourism sector specifically. Tourism is one of the pillars of the island economy and certainly a sector where we believe many of our citizens can work and thrive with the right tools and support. On a more macro-economic level this is a sector that has room for growth and creativity and thus contribute even more to the island's economy and the well being of its community.

Share with us your favorite spot on Curaçao:

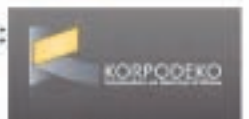
The uniqueness of our organization is that we consider Curaçao to be our favorite spot, both our name and our purpose emphasizes that. Wherever our clients decide is the spot to create their own life and build their community making it possible for visitors to experience the best we have to offer, that's our favorite spot. We have a broad and diverse client base of entrepreneurs who on a daily basis go to work and provide their services to others. This energy and effort encourage us and others to breathe in the vibe of the island, enjoy our beautiful nature, our history and heritage and most definitely the warmth and friendliness of our people. So our favorite spot is Curaçao it so happens that where we can be found doing this is at Schottegatweg Oost 36.

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Baseball season starts on August 3

WILLEMSTAD — The local baseball season in the AA league will start this Saturday. The first game is between the Royal Scorpions and Sta. Maria Pirates in the Tio Daou Ballpark in Sta. Rosa. The baseball federation Febeko announced this recently during a press conference.

The first pitch will be dedicated to former player Rignald Martina. He used to play for the Royal Scorpions on Curaçao and internationally

for the Dutch Antilles team. This year there are six teams competing for the title: Royal Scorpions, Sta. Maria Pirates, Sta. Rosa Indians, Wild Cats, Curaçao Yankees and Groot Kwartier Stars.

This season the games will be played in three stadiums, namely the Tio Daou Ball Park in Sta. Rosa, Heintje Kool in Sta. Maria and the Johnny Vrutaal stadium in Rif. After four rounds, the teams will start the playoffs. Each week seven games will be played.

New management Blue Bay Hotel & Beach

WILLEMSTAD — WestLodge Hotels and Blue Bay Curaçao Golf & Beach Resort have come to an agreement regarding the management of Blue Bay Hotel & Beach. Blue Bay Curaçao Golf & Beach Resort will take over operations from WestLodge Hotels and the entire resort will now be centrally managed. The change in management is the first step in executing the Blue Bay Masterplan.

“We are aiming to integrate the separate divisions of the resort in order for the operations to run better,” according to Stefan Dubbeling, operational manager of Blue Bay, in a press release. Dubbeling continues by announcing that the aim is to continue integrating the services provided on the resort to increase efficiency and streamline the communication structure.

According to Rogier van der Meer, commercial manager of Blue Bay, the first step to executing the Blue Bay Masterplan has now been completed. “We will announce in the coming months what else the master plan entails,” he says in a press release. “But basically we are planning on expanding and upgrading our services.” Blue Bay caters to locals, tourists as well as business people.

Gay Curaçao

Curaçao is a gay-friendly destination. Many hotels on our island are members of the International Gay & Lesbian travel association. Curaçao also offers many meeting spots for gay travelers and locals.

For more detailed information, visit: www.gaycuracao.com.

Curaçao is being captured

WILLEMSTAD — Over the next few days, Curaçao will be filmed from different angles. Santa Barbara has brought six well-known Travel Vloggers to the island to capture different aspects from their view. These videos will compete against each other in front of a panel of judges.

Travel Vloggers Kelley Ferro, Kristen Jacobson, Joshua Johnson, Gareth Leonard, Mickella Mallozi and Courtney Scott started their journey yesterday at Santa Barbara. Their research on the island is different than one might expect. They are all focused on capturing the real culture of Curaçao.



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Focusing on things like how to say interesting things in Papiamentu, where locals go dancing and the best place to see the sunset. A major part of the filming took place yesterday. Today they will capture their final footage and tomorrow they will all be in their room editing. Videos have to be ready for Sunday when the judges will decide on the winner. This will be a great promotion for Curaçao, since the world is now set up to look up online videos before visiting any destination.

Curaçao Tourist Open #14

WILLEMSTAD — The 14th edition of the MCB Curaçao Tourist Open Golf Tournament was again a huge success. Local golfers as well as tourists have teamed up for a day of golf. There were 92 players in total.

The players competed in the Fun Golf Tournament, while enjoying free drinks and snacks. There was also a Putting Challenge at the Driving Range. The friendly game of

Texas Scramble Best Ball gave the teams the opportunity to win several prizes. The tournament was also a fundraising for Santa Clara School and 3.355 guilders were raised in

total. The main sponsors of the event are MCB and Blue Bay.

The end results were as follows:

1. Baker Tilly De Paus Vesseur
2. Pyramid International
3. Western Tires
4. Janssen De Jong
5. Marriott Hoteal & Beach Resort

Building Felis recently painted

WILLEMSTAD — A team of volunteers from a couple of private companies have worked side by side these past few months to put a new coat of paint on the historical building at the Witteweg where Stichting Felis is vested. The building has been painted a nice kiwi green color. The team from Starbucks did the groundwork, after which a team from Brasami painted the walls. The volunteers consulted with Lindomar Schorea of the Antilleanse Verffabriek.



Gerda van Petersen from Stichting Felis with some of the volunteers.

DIVE SITE OF THE DAY

Jan Thiel

Jan Thiel is a dive site that offers all the facilities you could imagine, good and safe parking, easy entry and exit, toilets, showers...

Other than that, the bay also boasts a great coral reef to be enjoyed by divers and snorkelers alike.



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Swimming out of the bay a compass heading might come in handy, upon reaching the drop, swim into the current and enjoy!

A great reef can be found at the left while the right side is referred to as ‘Sandy’s Plateau’.

Every dive can be finished by taking a look at a small sunken sailing vessel on the bottom of the bay!

Budget

DRIVING TIPS

While enjoying the beautiful sights on our island, please keep the following tips in mind.

1. The use of safety belts is mandatory by law.
2. Speed limit in town and residential areas is 40 Km/h.
3. Outside of town speed limit is 60 Km/h., unless signs indicate otherwise.
4. On T-junctions traffic on the dead-end road must give right of way to all traffic from left and right.
5. Reduce your speed in rainy weather, slow down in case of wet road surface. Wet roads can be extremely slippery.
6. Do not leave luggage, packages or any valuables visible when you leave your car. It is best to store them in the trunk or dashboard compartment or take them with you.
7. In case of an accident, do not move your vehicle and notify Curacao Road Services at 747-1333 or 199.

Research cacti fruit

WILLEMSTAD — Sophie Petit is a scientist on Curaçao and is fascinated by cacti and bats. What she is most interested in now is why most fruits don't get the opportunity to ripen.

In order to conduct the research that will answer her question she has teamed up with Leon Pors and Anna Rojer.

And she would like to involve the general public as well. She is looking for

volunteers that are willing to take binoculars, pen and paper and the data sheet downloaded from the Curaçao Footprint Foundation site and head out in search of datu, kadushi, or kadushi di pushi.

The research will close on September 30. If you are interested in participating, contact Curaçao Footprint foundation directly for more information at info@cura-caofootprint.org.

Battle of the local chess titans



Sherman Maduro (CUR) vs Romario Sanches (SUR).

WILLEMSTAD — The Curaçao Chess Festival 2013 started last week and is truly a battle of the local chess titans. Several top local players are competing against each other and Surinam's national champion Romario Sanches.

Only three ladies are competing in the tournament, including local player Seydi Salim-Moussa and Venezuela native Ailen Mena. A couple of local players are making a huge come back as well. Notables are Ruric Kapella, Rudsel Wolf and Nigel Silvania. After four rounds, Romario Sanches finished first with 4 points, followed by Sherman Maduro with 3.5 points and Rudsel Wolf with 3 points. The festival is sponsored by Sedreko, Refineria Isla and ACU.

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Sustain Local Conservation Projects! Visit destinations that are protected or World Heritage sites. Make sure you include visits and activities related to conservation projects, such as National parks/reserves. This will continue to generate revenue for these conservation projects.

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Horoscope

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Hallie Eisenberg, 21; Sam Worthington, 37; Kevin Smith, 43; Mary-Louise Parker, 49.

Happy Birthday: Work behind the scenes and develop a better lifestyle at home and with the people in your life who count. Short trips or learning something new will give you a greater opportunity to work on projects that offer a different perspective on the way things should be done. Keep a level head and don't let emotions stand between you and success. Your numbers are 6, 13, 20, 29, 33, 37, 48.

ARIES (March 21-April 19):
Impulse is the enemy. Avoid being pushed around or being taken advantage of. Keep things in perspective when dealing with domestic matters, friends and relatives. Look outside the box for solutions to any problems you face. Communicate openly and honestly. 4 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20):
Your perception will be fine-tuned and you will be quick to pick up on what others are thinking. Although relationships are highlighted, emotions may interfere with how you react toward others, especially if your intuition tells you one thing and the signals being sent are different. 3 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 20):
Stretch your skills and talents to the limit. Don't give anyone the chance to meddle in your affairs. Emotions will be difficult to control and must not be allowed to cause discord due to a misunderstanding between you and someone you love. 3 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22):
Take a creative, imaginative approach to love, life and the way you want to move forward personally, professionally and philosophically. Share your feelings but don't stop pursuing your desires if someone doesn't want to follow the same path as you. 3 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):
Visit a place that entices you or that will take your mind off whatever is troubling you. Problems with additional responsibilities may need to be put on the back burner in order to allow you time to determine your next move. 4 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):
Emotional reactions will stand between you and productivity. Pay attention to detail and finish what you start. Offering positive solutions and direction will help you avoid being railroaded into situations that are likely to lead to discord. 2 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):
A mini vacation will help rejuvenate you and allow you time to think and put other situations you face into perspective before making a decision that is apt to change the way you move forward personally or professionally. 5 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):
Get involved in an event or activity that brings you in contact with new people, places or pastimes. Sharing your plans will increase your chance of being successful. Romance is in the stars and relationships enhanced. 3 stars

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):
Conflicts are likely to lead to a situation that will encourage you to make an emotional decision. Change is required, and although it may be difficult in the end, it will be interesting and helpful and lead to greater encouragement. 3 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):
An emotional response to a financial, legal or medical issue will end up being costly. Take a deep breath and consider your options before you jump to conclusions or into action. A practical approach is the only route to take. 3 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):
Rely on past situations to help you make the right choice now. Use emotional tactics to get your way when dealing with a matter concerning children or your lover. Don't limit what you can do to avoid conflict. Face matters head-on. 3 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):
Share creative ideas and look for means of entertainment that will inspire you to move forward with your plans. Love is on the rise, and an important relationship can help you establish future direction if you are willing to compromise. 5 stars

UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

		8	1					3
				2		6		
		4						7
	5			1				
	2		8	4	6			1
				7				4
6							8	
		1		9				
7					5	2		

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

Duplex



Garfield



Peanuts



Soup to nutz



Sudoku August 1

4	9	6	1	2	3	8	5	7
8	3	2	7	6	5	1	9	4
7	5	1	8	9	4	3	6	2
6	7	9	2	3	8	4	1	5
2	4	3	6	5	1	7	8	9
1	8	5	9	4	7	6	2	3
3	2	8	4	1	9	5	7	6
9	1	4	5	7	6	2	3	8
5	6	7	3	8	2	9	4	1

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Local Services Safety

Proudly Ensuring Curacao Visitor Safety

Curacao is altogether safer than many places in the world today. However, use common sense and take all standard safety precautions. Lock your car and your hotel door when you leave, and don't leave valuables unattended in your room. Most hotels have safety vaults where you can store your valuables.

Cruise visitors should watch out for pickpockets in crowds and should not leave bags unattended or agree to carry packages for anyone. It is recommended not to walk in the small alleys in the town area, and visitors should not walk alone late at night in deserted areas.

Additionally, take sensible precautions such as not taking valuables to the beach or wander alone off the main roads at night.

In case of an emergency, just dial 917, Curacao's 24-hour tourist emergency line.



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THE SMURFS 2 3D - New this Week
Daily Shows: 12:45; 15:15; 17:45; 20:15 - Late Show Fri. & Sat.: 22:45
When the evil wizard Gargamel chases the tiny blue Smurfs out of their village, they tumble from their magical world and into ours - in fact, smack dab in the middle of Central Park. Just three apples high and stuck in the Big Apple, the Smurfs must find a way to get back to their village before Gargamel tracks them down.
Starring: Vocal Voices of Neil Patrick Harris, Christina Ricci and Katy Perry

HUMMINGBIRD/REDEMPTION
Daily Shows: 13:15; 15:45; 18:15; 20:45 - Late Show Fri. & Sat.: 23:15
Reeling from a traumatic tour of duty in Afghanistan, Joey, an ex-Special Forces soldier, returns to London to face another kind of war: life on the streets as a damaged, homeless veteran. In an attempt to rehabilitate himself, Joey assumes another man's identity and seeks the aid of Sister Cristina, a young nun who works at an inner-city parish.
Starring: Jason Statham, Benedict Wong en Vicky McClure

RED 2
Daily Shows: 13:00; 15:30; 18:00; 20:30 - Late Show Fri. & Sat.: 23:00
Retired black-ops CIA agent Frank Moses reunites his unlikely team of elite operatives for a global quest to track down a missing portable nuclear device. To succeed, they'll need to survive an army of relentless assassins, ruthless terrorists and power-crazed government officials, all eager to get their hands on the next-generation weapon.
Starring: Bruce Willis, John Malkovich en Mary-Louise Parker

TURBO 3D
Daily Shows: 12:45; 15:00; 17:30; 19:45; 22:00
Turbo is a snail who dreams of being the greatest racer in the world, just like his hero: 5-time Indianapolis 500 champ, Guy Gagne. His obsession with speed and all things fast has made him an oddity and outsider in the slow and cautious snail community and a constant embarrassment to his careful older brother, Chet.
Starring: Vocal voices of Ryan Reynolds, Samuel L. Jackson en Michelle Rodriguez

PACIFIC RIM 2D
Daily Shows: 19:30 - Late Show Fri. & Sat.: 22:30
When legions of monstrous creatures, known as Kaiju, started rising from the sea, a war began that would take millions of lives and consume humanity's resources for years on end. To combat the giant Kaiju, a special type of weapon was devised: massive robots, called Jaegers, which are controlled simultaneously by two pilots whose minds are locked in a neural bridge.
Starring: Charlie Hunnam, Ron Perlman and Idris Elba

DESPICABLE ME 2 2D
Daily Shows: 12:45; 15:00; 17:15
The return of Gru, the girls, the unpredictably hilarious minions... and a host of new and outrageously funny characters.
Starring: Vocal voices of Steve Carell, Al Pacino en Kristen Wiig

THE CINEMAS
Riffort, Otrabanda

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2 GUNS - New this Week
Daily Shows: 13:00; 15:30; 18:00; 20:30; 22:15 - Late Show Fri. & Sat.: 23:00
For the past 12 months, DEA agent Bobby Trench and U.S. naval intelligence officer Marcus Stigman have been reluctantly attached at the hip. Working undercover as members of a narcotics syndicate, each man distrusts his partner as much as the criminals they have both been tasked to take down.
Starring: Mark Wahlberg, Denzel Washington and Paula Patton

THE WOLVERINE 3D
Daily Shows: 12:45; 15:45; 18:45; 21:45
Based on the celebrated comic book arc, "The Wolverine" finds Logan, the eternal warrior and outsider, in Japan. There, samurai steel will clash with adamantium claw as Logan confronts a mysterious figure from his past in an epic battle that will leave him forever changed.
Starring: Hugh Jackman, Brian Tee and Will Yun Lee

R.I.P.D.
Daily Shows: 15:30; 17:45; 20:00
A murdered cop is recruited to work for an afterlife police force that battles spirits not yet ready to depart this world.
Starring: Ryan Reynolds, Kevin Bacon and Jeff Bridges

TULA: THE REVOLT
Daily Shows: 12:45; 15:00; 17:15; 19:45; 22:15
Tula, a slave on the island of Curacao, is becoming more and more aware of the injustice existing between his people and the white oppressors. In a peaceful way he tries to establish a more equal relationship between black and white. His peaceful resistance does not find any response with the rulers. But it does with his own people.
Starring: Obi Abili, Jeroen Willems and Derek de Lint

GROWN UPS 2
Daily Shows: 12:45; 15:15; 17:45; 20:15 - Late Show Fri. & Sat.: 22:45
A drama, shot in documentary style, that tells the story of a parent-child relationship as the boy matures from a first-grader to a college freshman.
Starring: Adam Sandler, Kevin James and Chris Rock

WHITE HOUSE DOWN
Daily Shows: 12:45; 15:30; 18:30; 21:30
Capitol Policeman John Cale has just been denied his dream job with the Secret Service of protecting President James Sawyer. Not wanting to let down his little girl with the news, he takes her on a tour of the White House, when the complex is overtaken by a heavily armed paramilitary group. Now, with the nation's government falling into chaos and time running out, it's up to Cale to save the president, his daughter, and the country.
Starring: Channing Tatum, Jamie Foxx and Maggie Gyllenhaal