

## Friends of the St Croix USVI National Parks

13 July 2017 called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Julie San Martin

Present	Absent
Rick Starr	Sara Dykstra
George Pereira	Nina York
Julie San Martin	Susan Wall
Sue Matthews	Joel Tutein NPS

Topic: Banking / Jazz in the Park reconfiguration – Julie San Martin

July bank balance approx. \$1124; Bank of St Croix accounts are currently off line

Sue Matthews ([Matthews@bigsky.net](mailto:Matthews@bigsky.net); 340-473-9007) – Sue has taken over the funding for Jazz. She is working on grant proposals and has set up a Go fund Me website. Sue is working with Kevin Jackson to get Centennial funds to cover expenses for the rest of the year – between \$1500 and \$5000 per event.

Topic: Lecture series - Nina will attempt to get notices to local hotels, particularly the Buccaneer

August – Dewey Hollister, St George Botanical Gardens

September – Anthony Weeks, proposed Alexander Hamilton museum (?)

October - ? Basil Ottley, Insular Affairs, the 1<sup>st</sup> 100 years and the next 100 years?

Topic – Salt River & volunteers – George Pereira

20,000 visitors since November 2015! 1300 local students have visited this year

Topic – Communications – Rick Starr

Rick issued two additional PSAs this past month – Lionfish and Parrot fish!

The Jazz email list is /has been combined with the NPS Friends list

Will work with Sue to coordinate the Jazz monthly notice – would like to get it out sooner!

Meeting adjourned at 5 PM for Steve Lenik, Bethlehem Old Works Archaeology

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 10, 2017 at 4:30p.m – Julie will be off island

Minutes submitted by President, Julie San Martin