Dr. Bill Schmidt, J68HZ and his lovely wife Loretta Koster open the doors to their lovely home called, "Villa Grand Piton". With incredible views of the Pitons and the ocean from high above in the mountains.

The station is located near the town of Soufriere on the beautiful Caribbean island of St. Lucia. We are looking for young ham operators for a first time experience operating a contest in multi-operator environment.

You must be a team player between the ages of 18-30 eager to experience the thrill of endless pile ups. First timers are encouraged to apply but we ask you have some contest experience. You *must* hold a valid amateur radio license and passport.

Your willingness to work as a team will be required always. Duties include installing antennas, rolling out feed lines, configuring the station and so on. And after all is say and done we must dismantle everything to store before going home.

In between all of that fun each person will help with the chores like cooking, cleaning, setting the table, and that happens 2 or 3 times each day. Sorry it's not a family vacation but you'll have a great time, eat lots of food, laugh, jokes, big pileups, and make new friends. Travel dates are the Tuesday before the contest until the Tuesday after. We ask that you be here during those dates to help setup, support testing, and prepare for the contest.

Submit your application ASAP, members from Team J62K will review each and begin our selection. During this process you may be asked to join us on one or more conference calls using ZOOM video conferencing. At maximum 2 applicants will be selected to operate with J62K in the 2026 CQWW WPX SSB contest.

Thank you everyone for applying. It's difficult selecting just 1 or 2 people for a ham radio adventure of a life time. We hope anyone not selected will understand by applying again for the 2027 contest season. With the cost of travel nowadays we're hoping to find sponsorship. You can help by asking your club to contribute towards this adventure for young hams. Thank You!! <u>TeamJ62K@gmail.com</u>

## Youth Application for Team J62K

Call:	Class of License:
	City:
State/Country:	
Email:	
Phone:	
Age: School: _	
Grade level:	
Local Club:	
Hobbies:	
Valid Passport?	_
Travel Experience:	
Contest experience:	
Are you familiar with N	11MM logging software?
In your words tell us yo	our ham radio story and why should we
pick you as a youth Tea	am member? What do you have to
contribute to the Team	n? Use as many pages as necessary.