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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 1977: The designation Municipal Court was replaced with the new title Territorial Court.</p> 	<p>2 2007: Gov. John DeJongh and Lt. Gov. Gregory Francis take oaths of office and are sworn in.</p> 	<p>3 1851: The Danish Press Law was established. It was not applied to the DWI until 1915 through the efforts of D. Hamilton Jackson.</p> 	<p>4 1978: Cyril E. King passed away on a Monday. He did not go gentle into that good night, he fought the ravage of an inoperable cancer until complications arose from its treatment, finally took him.</p> 	<p>5 2009: A Cultural icon, educator and beloved matriarch to many, passed away on this day. Eulalie "Marlee" Rohlsen Rivera died at the age of 100.</p> 	<p>6 1841: President Roosevelt appointed Charles Harwood to replace Lawrence Cramer as Governor.</p> 	<p>7 2003: On this day it was said that 2 slave ship wrecks likely took place in V.I waters, park services say.</p> 
<p>8 1976: A major teachers strike Territory-wide started and lasted five weeks, ending on February 15th of that year due to an injunction granted forcing teachers to return to work.</p> 	<p>9 2009: The book "I Born Here" by Enrique F. "Rico" Coneiro that traces 200 plus years of the Coneiro family in St. Thomas was copyrighted through publisher Triple E. Enterprises.</p> 	<p>10 2005: The streets of Fredriksted were filled with high energy, bright colors and lots of local culture Saturday as more than 20,000 people converged on the town for the 52nd anniversary of the Crucian Christmas Festival Adult Parade.</p> 	<p>11 1801: St. Thomas Commandant Casimir von Scholten reported to the Burgher Council of the Island's inability to withstand any attack due to militia mostly of Englishmen, unacceptable mortality rate among soldier's, shortage of ammunitions and untrustworthy freedmen— especially the French.</p> 	<p>12 1925: Rothschild Francis was found guilty for libel for his December 27, 1924 editorial and sentenced to thirty days in prison. Circuit Judge Woolley of the Circuit Court reversed this conviction.</p> 	<p>13 1559: The day Elizabeth I was crowned queen. During her reign, these islands would be named the Virgin Islands for the second time, and in her honor.</p> 	<p>14 2009: The Ricardo Richards Elementary Mocko Jumbies won a newly revived award for their creative and accurate representation of local culture at the Crucian Christmas Festival's Children's Parade.</p> 
<p>15 1816: Governor General Peter Oxholm upon the return of the Islands to Denmark issued a new placard of new regulations for Permits of Residence, Burgher Briefs and Free Briefs.</p> 	<p>16 2010: The Daily News announced seven local high school students were honored for their exemplification of the teachings of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. at the Hebrew Congregation's annual awards ceremony and evening Shabbat service at the St. Thomas Synagogue.</p> 	<p>17 1998: A seminar held on St. Croix about "The Struggle for Self-Emancipation from Africa to the Danish West Indies", new light was shed over the forms of slavery and emancipation in Ghana as well as the USVI.</p> 	<p>18 2012: After 45 years in operation as the territory's largest private employer, HOVENSA announced that the 350,000-barrel-per-day refinery will shut down and more than 2,000 employees will be dismissed.</p> 	<p>19 1792: A survey list revealed that there were 183 free, black men, women, and children living in Frederiksted, St. Croix.</p> 	<p>20 2006: Governor Charles W. Turnbull signed an executive order creating a task force to study the feasibility of establishing a stock exchange in the territory.</p> 	<p>21 2009: President Barack Obama was inaugurated in the capital of the U.S., Washington, D.C.</p> 
<p>22 2016: The USVI Department of Health received laboratory confirmation of a case on 22 January. The patient was a non-pregnant woman from USVI who reported the onset of fever, rash, conjunctivitis and arthralgia on 1 January. She had not travelled in the three weeks that preceded the onset of symptoms. A serum sample obtained from the patient on 8 January tested IgM positive at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.</p> 	<p>23 1974: Students from 6 Midwestern colleges spent a term studying a course, "The Virgin Islands Past & Present". They spent some time in the Virgin Islands and posed for the January 23rd issue of the Daily News.</p> 	<p>24 1874: Arthur A. Schomburg was born on the island of Puerto Rico of Virgin Islands parents, where he spent a portion of his life. He was a noted historian, writer, bibliophile and collector of African-American, documents, books and artifacts in New York. He was involved in Numerous social and political struggles of Cuba and Puerto Rico. The Schomburg collection in New York stands</p> 	<p>25 2006: Eunice Charles, 18 months, drowned as she, her mother and others try to enter St. Thomas illegally from Haiti. Her tragic death sparked community support for a proper burial.</p> 	<p>26 2007: Sashay, Promenade and ladies chain was a few of the calls chanted from the floor as the Caribbean ritual dancers in colorful madras swirl across the stage of the Reichold Center for the Arts in "Playing Ring: A Journey into Quadrille".</p> 	<p>27 1842: The La Vallee School name was changed to the Alexander Henderson School and was opened in St. Croix.</p> 	<p>28 1969: The St. Croix Avis reported that the day before, 75 miles per hour winds brought driving rains, a water spout and hailstones the size of golf balls to the east end of St. Croix causing \$1,000s in damages to houses and property.</p> 
<p>29 2009: The V.I Tourism Department Launched a \$250,000 website to lure higher Internet traffic and ultimately bring more tourist dollars to the territory</p> 	<p>30 2012: About 100 demonstrators gathered across the V.I. Legislature to voice their concerns, frustrations and cases over the state of life in the Virgin Islands. Feeling pushed close to the brink, they drew close to steel barricades lining Veterans Drive, Chanting in unison and leaning into the roadway to wave signs at passing traffic. The noise could be heard from inside the Legislature chambers as Gov. John DeJongh Jr. gave his state of the territory address.</p> 	<p>31 1914: The roof of the Hamburg American Line building roof was raised. It also housed the Imperial German Consulate and Later became Headquarters for the U.S. Navy. Subsequently, it housed the U.S. District Court.</p> 	<p>SPECIAL TRIBUTE HISTORICAL LANDMARKS AND TOURIST ATTRACTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS</p>	<p>Emancipation</p> 	<p>Anne E. Abrammsen Marine Facility (Federiksted Dock)-</p> 	<p>Cruz Bay Ferry</p> 