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<p><b>3</b> 2010: Governor de Jongh Jr. welcomed India's Consul General in NY, Ambassador Prabhu Dayal, to Government House on St. Thomas. The two leaders discussed India's relationship with the United States, focusing on the key issues of education, energy, environment, empowerment, economy, educational exchanges between the two nations; building a talent base at UVi for top-level careers; the Research &amp; Technology Park; &amp; possibilities for partnerships in high tech and light manufacturing sectors.</p> 	<p><b>4</b> 1749: The small pox plague in St. Croix ended after about twelve days after taking the lives of a number of residents.</p> 	<p><b>5</b> 1990: The road, which stretches from Bournefield to Brewers Bay, was renamed the Julian Jackson Drive in honor of the World Boxing Legend and Hall of Famer.</p> 	<p><b>6</b> 1679: The Danish West Indies and Guinea Company elected Nicholaj Esmit as governor of the colony. He replaced Iversen.</p> 	<p><b>7</b> 1964: Police Officer Dexter L. Mardenborough was born on St. Kitts, West Indies. Posthumously the VI Medal of Honor was conferred on him; he was mortally wounded in the line of duty. He was selected as an "Outstanding Young Man of America" in 1989 for his outstanding professional achievement, superior ability &amp; exceptional service to his community.</p> 	<p><b>8</b> 1924: Arthur A. Richards was born on St. Croix, USVI. A distinguished educator, he was the first Virgin Islander to serve as president of the then College of the Virgin Islands.</p> 	<p><b>9</b> 1895: Eliza James McBean, who spent most of her life in Frederiksted, St. Croix and lived to the age of 105, was born. She was honored in 1990 at age 98 by the St. Croix Heritage Dancers for her contribution to quadrille dance and culinary arts.</p> 
<p><b>10</b> 2002: Native of Frederiksted, St. Croix, Alexander Anthony Farrelly passed away in Arlington, Virginia. He was the territory's 4th elected governor of the US Virgin Islands, veteran, and an attorney.</p> 	<p><b>11</b> 1695: The town of Charlotte Amalie was enlarged with a street that ran along the sea.</p> 	<p><b>12</b> 1996: Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt announced an agreement between the Federal and Territorial Governments to transfer Water Island from the federal to the local government.</p> 	<p><b>13</b> 1773: The Brethren voyage from Stettin to Copenhagen carried a total of 13 to 18 people. Some were intended to be settlers for St. Croix and others as reinforcements for the mission on St. Thomas.</p> 	<p><b>14</b> 1916: D. Hamilton Jackson was found guilty of libeling Governor Helweg-Larsen, and ordered to pay a fine of 2,500 francs "having said at a public meeting where 800 to 900 persons were present, that the Governor had told an untruth 'shameless as he is' and that he could not respect a man who can speak untruth".</p> 	<p><b>15</b> 2009: Gov. John P. deJongh has taken action on a number of bills passed recently by the 28th Legislature. Some bills were signed into law, others were vetoed and the governor acknowledged three resolutions passed by the Senate.</p> 	<p><b>16</b> 1922: The last day of Rear Admiral Sumner Ely Kittle's term as governor. His term yielded complaints of civil abuses and atrocities that went ignored and without redress.</p> 
<p><b>17</b> 1989: Hurricane Hugo hit for two days causing far more devastation to St. Croix than any of the other islands.</p> 	<p><b>18</b> 1974: Resolution No. 722 passed to honor and congratulate Wilbur "Bill" LaMotta for his achievements in music.</p> 	<p><b>19</b> 1974: Resolution No. 722 was passed to honor Carl Plaskett for outstanding performance in track and field internationally.</p> 	<p><b>20</b> 1979: Resolution No. 992 passed to honor Kenneth Blake, Sr. "Lord Blakie" as the 1979 "Calypso King of the World".</p> 	<p><b>21</b> 1819: A major hurricane that lasted for two days struck the islands and crashed ships into the harbor and against the hills.</p> 	<p><b>22</b> 1897: Wilhelmina B. Lewis was born in the Dominican Republic. A noted political and civic activist in the U.S. &amp; V.I, she initiated the first bus boycott in St. Petersburg, FL in 1942, about thirteen years before Rosa Parks.</p> 	<p><b>23</b> 1948: Hugo Leanzo Moolenaar, Sr. 'The Mocko Jumbie Man' was born on St. Thomas. Veteran of the US Army, he was the recipient of a Purple Heart for his service and a valor to Vietnam.</p> 
<p><b>24</b> 2010: The University of the Virgin Islands (UVI) held its grand opening for the UVI Wellness Center on the St. Thomas campus. The \$2.62 million 6,250 square-foot new building houses a mirrored aerobics and dance studio with a sprung wood floor, a fitness equipment room with weight training and cardiovascular equipment, and men's and women's locker rooms.</p> 	<p><b>25</b> 1958: John D. Merwin, 1st native born governor of the VI, took office. During his tenure, tourism increased dramatically, improvements were made at Alexander Hamilton Airport, roads, highways, and buildings were renovated, &amp; portable water line &amp; sewer were extended to various part of town.</p> 	<p><b>26</b> 1918: Basil Cyprian Ottley was born on St. Thomas. He operated Ottley's Photo Studio for about 55 years of continuous operation. He is credited for using his skill to enable the Photo News, "An Independent Truth Paper For All the People", to be the first VI newspaper to be able to use local pictures on a daily basis.</p> 	<p><b>27</b> 1881: The Sydney Morning Herald reported Crucian born Peter Jackson, a heavy weight champion, fought Tom Lees from Australia. Known as Professor Jackson during his boxing career, the fight rather than an action-filled fight as expected, little blows were changed.</p> 	<p><b>28</b> 1911: Enid Marie Baa, a regionally, nationally, &amp; internationally recognized librarian, historian, cataloging specialist, John Jay Whitney Fellow, &amp; Caribbeanist, was born on St. Thomas.</p> 	<p><b>29</b> 1988; Act #1368 was passed to honor and commend Peter Williams Holmberg for his accomplishments in the field of yachting. He was the first member of the USVI Olympic team to win an Olympic Medal.</p> 	<p><b>30</b> 1881: Claude O. Markoe was born on St. Croix. He is recognized as an outstanding educator who devoted his lifetime to education on St. Croix, where a public school is named in his honor.</p> 
 <p><i>Roy Lester Schneider, MD * 1995—1998</i></p>	 <p><i>Charles Wesley Turnbull, Ph.D. * 1999-2006</i></p>	 <p><i>John Percy DeJongh, Jr. * 2007—2015</i></p>	 <p><i>Kenneth Mapp * 2015—Present</i></p>			<p><i>Welcome Back to School 2017-2018</i></p>