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<p>4 1965: The Caribbean Research Institute was formally inaugurated as a semi-autonomous entity within the College of the Virgin Islands. With geographer James Blaut as the first director, it provided a central research agency in the VI and encouraged research in the Caribbean basin.</p> 	<p>5 1943: District Court Judge Herman E. Moore and Consul Hjalmar Bang of the West India Company laid the cornerstone of the Salvation Army Memorial Hall in St. Thomas.</p> 	<p>6 1958: Cyril E. King became the first African-American to serve on the staff of the US Senator, when he was promoted to the professional staff of the US Senate Subcommittee on Disarmament.</p> 	<p>7 1865: For the first time, US Secretary of State William Seward approached Danish Minister Waldemar Raasloff and raised the question of Denmark's interest in selling the Danish West Indies.</p> 	<p>8 1735: St. Croix was occupied by the Danes after being abandoned by the French.</p> 	<p>9 1866: US Secretary of State William Seward visited the Danish West Indies. He was interested in acquiring the Danish West Indies for the United States.</p> 	<p>10 1735: St. Croix was officially transferred from France to Denmark. The French flag was lowered, nine cannon shots were fired, and the Dannebrog was raised.</p> 
<p>11 1801: St. Thomas Commandant Casimir von Scholten reported to the Burgher Council of the island's inability to withstand due. It was due to a militia mostly of English men, unacceptable mortality rate among soldiers, shortage of munitions, and the untrustworthy freedmen, especially the French.</p> 	<p>12 1950: Omar Brown was elected Chairman of the St. Thomas / St. John Municipal Council.</p> 	<p>13 1936: Robert Edward Francis was born in Smith Bay, St. Thomas. He was a noted musician who played the piano, trumpet, and steel band. He was the founder of local band 'Eddie and the Movements', which later became known as 'Jam Band'.</p> 	<p>14 2009: The Daily News announced that the Ricardo Richards Elementary School's Mucko 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 1938: The St. Croix Municipal Council passed a bill allowing the sale of St. Thomas lottery on St. Croix.</p> 	<p>16 1951: The St. Croix Municipal Council created the Museum Commission for the purpose of establishing a museum. The Commission later purchased the Folmer Anderson Collection of artifacts that formed the basis of the museum at Estate Whim.</p> 	<p>17 1934: Danmark - an 800 ton full rigged auxiliary motorized craft, which was a newly built Denmark ship - visited St. Thomas for the first time.</p> 
<p>18 2006: Testifying against a bill requiring employers to provide health insurance to employees were physicians, business leaders, and members of community organizations at a Senate Health, Hospitals, and Human Services Committee's hearing.</p> 	<p>19 1792: A survey list revealed that there were 183 free black man, women, and children living in Frederiksted, St. Croix.</p> 	<p>20 2007: LTC David C. Canegata, III of St. Croix and Sgt. 1st Class Floyd Everett Lake of St. Thomas were among 10 National guardsmen, who died when the helicopter they were traveling in was shot down between Taji and Baghdad.</p> 	<p>21 1911: Arturo Romano Watlington was born in St. Thomas. He was a teacher, before he started his postal career at the then Postal Department. He moved through the ranks from Temporary Substitute Clerk to Postmaster of Charlotte Amalie, VI. The Veterans Drive Post Office is now named in his honor and is a legacy of his dedication and commitment.</p> 	<p>22 1904: Frederik Theodor Martin Martensen Nordelien took office as governor. He has the distinction of being the governor with the longest name.</p> 	<p>23 1974: Legislation by Senators Britain Bryant and Albert Sheen moved to change the way discriminatory practices were investigated. It would replace an old law - that allowed the Commissioner of Public Safety and a panel of five officers - with a panel of 7 appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Legislature.</p> 	<p>24 1943: Lloyd Ezekiel Maynard was born in St. Kitts. As a resident of St. Thomas, he worked as a dedicated skilled carpenter and foreman on many jobs. As a surveyor, he set up points for laying the foundation of the library at the then College of the Virgin (now UVI). He worked in the tourism industry as a taxi driver and at VI Hilton Hotel.</p> 
<p>25 1625: In an open letter, King Christian IV of Denmark invited interested parties to apply for the privilege of trading in the West Indies, Brazil, Virginia, and Guinea for eight years. The venture failed for lack of capital.</p> 	<p>26 1929: Ida Fahie was born on Tortola, BVI. After migrating to St. Thomas, she worked as a chef at Palm Passage and Sebastian's on the Waterfront. She also worked with the Departments of Health and Human Services. Her culinary skills in preparing tarts, breads, cakes and local cuisine at her booth at Carnival was satisfying.</p> 	<p>27 1790: Reverend Thorkild Lund was made pastor of the St. Thomas Lutheran congregation. By interest in improving slave conditions, he sent a proposal to the Government for a new court for Negroes with colored, as well as white personal to adjudicate all Negro cases. It was rejected.</p> 	<p>28 2011: Virgin Islands culture-bearer, educator, and storyteller Delta M. Jackson-Dorsch passed away at 95 years old. She was a former VI Deputy Commissioner for Curriculum and Instruction, a member of the Commission on the Preservation Culture and of the "Our town, Frederiksted" civic organizations. She is credited with helping to sustain interest in the VI culture. The UVI St. Croix Residence Hall Complex is named in her honor.</p> 	<p>29 2009: The VI Tourism Department launched a \$250,000.00 website. Officials hoped it would lure higher Internet traffic and ultimately bring more tourist dollars to the territory.</p> 	<p>30 2013: The National Park Service on St. John banned smoking on all 10 beaches in the Virgin Islands National Park. The ban prohibited smoking within 50 feet of all restrooms, dining tables, and Park Service buildings.</p> 	<p>31 1733: The Royal Council of the Danish West Indies passed a law. Among other things, it forbade all dances, feasts, and plays, unless permission was obtained from the plantation master or overseer.</p> 