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SPECIAL TRIBUTE TODAYS PROFESSIONAL ATHLETES REPRESENTING THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS	 <p>Julius Jackson</p>	 <p>Akeel Morris</p>	<p>1 1871: The Governor's official residence was changed from Christiansted, St. Croix to Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas.</p> 	<p>2 2014 : St. Croix turns out for Haiti, Bruce Wilson founder of the annual Haiti Community Support along with volunteers and helpers celebrate their 11th fundraiser at Mt. Victory Camp in St. Croix rainforest. All the money raised goes directly to the organization project in Haiti to help Haiti's children.</p> 	<p>3 2014 : The Virgin Islands Daily News announced that the V.I. acquires land in northwestern St. Croix that seemed culturally significant. The forested land is considered historically, culturally and environmentally significant. Officials hope the land would become the cornerstone of a Territorial Park to honor the runaway enslaved Africans in whom the area was named.</p> 	<p>4 2014: Archaeologists have been working on a Main Street excavation site in St. Thomas, Charlotte Amalie unearths 2,000-year-old trash heap. Archeologist along with volunteers work together to retrieve as much artifacts as they can before the construction on the road reopens. Thousands of fragments have been found, varying from pieces of shell, pottery, bones, to crystal beads. It's said that the pit have been more of a treasure trove than a dump.</p> 
<p>5 1902 : Morris F. De Castro, the first Virgin Islander to be named Government Secretary, Commissioner of Finance and the 5th civilian appointed governor of the Virgin Islands. By the end of his term, he had established four health centers throughout the Virgin Islands.</p> 	<p>6 2013 : Wyndham Worldwide Corporation announces that the former Renaissance Branch Beach Resort on St. Thomas will partner with Jimmy Buffet to convert the 34-acre property to Margaritaville Vacation Club timeshare resort.</p> 	<p>7 2014: St. Thomians staring in mainland prep ranks, Malcolm Farrington despite being a eighth grader he is turning heads on the Florida high School basketball scene. Due to his successful year, Malcolm was recognized and awarded by the Miami Heat and the Miami Herald for his outstanding academic achievement and sportsmanship.</p> 	<p>8 2012: The 29th Legislature votes against the lease agreement for Alpine Energy group to use government land in Bovoni for a waste-to-energy facility</p> 	<p>9 2014: Ivanna Eudora Kean High School senior Emari Mills and Charlotte Amalie High School senior Jed Joseph, member of the V.I Future Stars Baseball Organization, signed letters of intent to accept a full baseball scholarships for the two-year to play at the Western Oklahoma State College.</p> 	<p>10 1924 : Rothschild Francis' letter written to The New York Times was published. It denied D. Hamilton Jackson being a communist, as George Washington Williams (appointed Baltimore born Government Attorney of the VI) published in the February 1924 issue of the mainland periodical, Current History, entitled "The Virgin Islands under American Rule".</p> 	<p>11 1946: Lionel Valdemar Roberts, distinguished journalist, legislator, athlete, musicians and band leader died on St. Thomas at age 70.</p> 
<p>12 1983: Gloria H. Canegata, the superintendent for St. Croix 's Public Schools, was honored in St. Croix for "her many accomplishments.</p> 	<p>13 2013: Juan F. Luis Hospital resists going into receivership someone who would take control and have absolute authority to hire, fire, obligate funds and change the way the hospital operates to correct the decencies inspectors had uncovered.</p> 	<p>14 2013: Luis F. Hospital 12.5% more for outpatient procedures increases during its regular board meeting on Wednesday. The board approved a contingency plan that involved eliminating certain contracts for services or reducing them to accommodate a 5% cut to its government allocations.</p> 	<p>15 1945: A Daily News editorial stressed the value and importance of Negro History scheduled for February 13-19 throughout the nation.</p> 	<p>16 1977: Ariel Melchoir, Sr. reflected on legislation introduced in the Virgin Islands to give STT/STJ and STX eight senators or go back to the old "colonial councils" separate "legislature" from STT/STJ and STX.</p> 	<p>17 1916: President Theodore Roosevelt and first lady arrived in St. Thomas aboard the SS Guiana. He referred to St. Thomas as a "pretty little island."</p> 	<p>18 2012: Grantley Samuel is named the Agrifest 2012 Crop farmer of the year. Romeo Bergan is named livestock farmer of the year.</p> 
<p>19 2013: Government house issued a press release saying that HOVENSA had agreed to put the refinery up for sale.</p> 	<p>20 2010: The 24th Annual water Island Auction for benefit of water Island Civic Association was held from 1:00pm—4:30pm and it was a huge success.</p> 	<p>21 2013: Elena Christian Jr. High School won the 2013 St. Croix Math Counts competition.</p> 	<p>22 1855: The Ordinance Concerning Medical attention in the landed estates in the Island of STX and STJ received royal assent. A physician was appointed in the permanent residence in the Islands. The plantation and not the laborers were to defray the expenses incurred by the medical services.</p> 	<p>23 2012: Country Day School wins the 2012 St. Croix District Math counts competition Antilles schools wins St. Thomas-St. John.</p> 	<p>24 2012: Senator Russell cancels press conference during which he originally planned to reveal the names of senators implicated in a joint federal and local audit of the 26th, 27th, and 28th legislatures that found \$6.9 million in lost revenues, unnecessary expenses and unsupported costs.</p> 	<p>25 1927: A congressional Act was approved to confer US citizenship on the Virgin Islanders ten years after the transfer of the islands from the Kingdom of Denmark.</p> 
<p>26 1942: Paul Gordon Manager of Civilian Food Reserves of the Department of interior arrived in the V.I. to discuss the vital question of food supplies with local officials and merchants, as the U.S. joined the allied cause in World War 2.</p> 	<p>27 1931: President Herbert Hoover issued an Executive Order ending naval rule and placing the Virgin Islands under civilian rule within the Department of the interior.</p> 	<p>28 1971: A late night round up of illegal aliens began, lasting 2 weeks and apprehended 1400 persons. By late 1971, over 8000 persons were deported.</p> 	 <p>Jharell Cotton</p>	 <p>Rakeem Christmas</p>	 <p>Clayton Laurent Jr.</p>	 <p>Daryl Homer</p>