



New & Updated Items - posted March 1, 2007

Lady Bucs to Host Metropolitan in 7 p.m. Home Game Today

UVI's Lady Bucs varsity basketball team will host Metropolitan University today (March 1) in a 7 p.m. game at the Sports and Fitness Center. The Lady Bucs' season record is five wins and two losses. Both the Lady Bucs and the Buccaneers men's team have road games scheduled in Puerto Rico on Saturday, March 3. The Lady Bucs will play UPR-Humacao in a 1 p.m. game, while the Buccaneers take on UPR-Mayaguez at 6:30 p.m.

The UVI teams will begin this season's final regularly scheduled homestand on March 9, with home games also on March 10 and 13. [Click here for the UVI basketball schedule and game results.](#)

'Caribbean Babylon' Begins Two-Week Run at UVI Little Theatre on March 2

The UVI Little Theatre's spring production of "Caribbean Babylon" opens this weekend on UVI's St. Thomas campus. "Caribbean Babylon," written by St. Thomas native Gus Edwards, is set on St. Thomas in the 1950s, not long after large-scale tourism became a major economic and cultural force. The play is directed by David Edgecombe and choreographed by Diana Brown. It begins nightly at 8 p.m. in UVI's Little Theatre, on the second floor of the Classroom Administration Building on the St. Thomas campus. Play dates are March 2 through 5 and March 9 through 11. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for students. Tickets are available at the UVI Bookstore, the Humanities Division Office, V.I. Bridal & Tuxedo, Dockside Bookstore and the Reichhold Center Box Office.

18th Afternoon on the Green

Other Current Items - cont. ...

Reichhold Center to Keep Tap Alive with Savion Glover Show on March 10

Tap dancing ambassador Savion Glover hoofs his way to UVI's Reichhold Center for the Arts at 8 p.m. on Saturday, March 10. Tickets are available at Modern Music, Parrot Fish, Urban Threadz, the UVI Bookstore, V.I. Bridal & Tuxedo and the Reichhold Center Box Office at 693-1559. A news release is available on the UVI home page - <http://www.uvi.edu> - or from this [direct link](#). For more on the Reichhold's current season visit www.reichholdcenter.com.

Regalia Deadline Is March 5 on St. Croix

Monday, March 5, is the deadline for St. Croix campus students, faculty and staff to place orders for regalia to be worn at the commencement exercise scheduled in May. Late orders will incur additional costs. Contact the Bookstore at 692-4162. (The order deadline is past on the St. Thomas campus.)

Miss UVI Contestants Featured on the Web

Four UVI students - Janeisha John, Sharifa Maloney, Zahra Spencer and Shamika Thomas - are vying for the 2007 Miss UVI title. Details on the Miss UVI Ambassadorial Competition, which is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 24, at the Reichhold Center, are available from the UVI web site - <http://www.uvi.edu> - or from this [Miss UVI link](#).

Graduating F-1 Visa Holders Should Apply Now for OPT Approval

UVI students who hold F-1 visas, and are graduating in May of 2007 and intend to pursue full-time employment

Set for Sunday, March 4

The grounds of the University of the Virgin Islands Herman E. Moore Golf Course will come alive at noon on Sunday, March 4, for UVI's annual food, family and fun event - Afternoon on the Green. Featured will be food from some of the territory's best cooks, on sale for \$2 a taste. This year's event will also include candy and ice cream-making demonstrations, storytelling, a kids' corner and jump rope competitions. Spectrum Band will provide entertainment. There will also be display tables from the UVI academic divisions and student recruitment officers will be on hand. A news release is available on the UVI home page - <http://www.uvi.edu> - or from this [direct link](#).

Public Forum on Constitution 2008 Scheduled for March 9 on St. Croix

The St. Croix community is invited to a public forum in the Constitution 2008 public education campaign at 6 p.m. on Friday, March 9, at Gertrude's Restaurant. Speakers will include UVI President LaVerne E. Ragster, former Governor Charles W. Turnbull, V.I. scholar Carlyle Corbin, Supervisor of Elections John Abramson, Rupert W. Ross, Jr., president of the Fourth Virgin Islands Constitutional Convention, and Carl Knight of Generation Now. A news release is available on the UVI home page - <http://www.uvi.edu> - or from this [direct link](#).

Writing Project Summer Institutes Offered on St. Croix Campus

The Virgin Islands Writing Project will conduct its fifth Summer Institute on the St. Croix campus of the University of the Virgin Islands from June 25 through July 19. The Writing Project, a partnership between the National Writing Project, the Virgin Islands Department of Education and UVI, is designed to help teachers share successful classroom practices, develop their own writing skills and study current research in the teaching of writing. This year's Summer Institute will be preceded by an Advanced Institute from June 19 through June 22, and a Young Writers Camp for 20 elementary students, July 9 through 19. Applications for the

in the U.S. after completion of study, should apply now for Optional Practical Training (OPT) approval. Obtaining official OPT approval from Immigration Services takes approximately 12 weeks. Details of the OPT application process are featured on pages 11 through 13 of UVI's International Student Manual - available from the "Student Life" page of UVI web site - <http://www.uvi.edu> - or from this [International Student Manual link](#) (*Free PDF reader.*)

Queries on St. Croix should be forwarded to the Academic Services Offices at 692-4158; on St. Thomas, consult with the Office of the Registrar at 693-1160 or the Admissions Office at 693-1150/1153. Information is also available from the Bureau of Customs and Immigration Services at 1-800-375-5283 or visit the U.S. Homeland Security web site at <http://www.uscis.gov>.

MBA Comprehensive Exams Set March 30

The Business Administration Division at the University of the Virgin Islands will offer the MBA Comprehensive Examination from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Friday, March 30. On St. Thomas, the exam will be administered in room 222 of the Sports and Fitness Center. On St. Croix, the test will be offered in room 139 of the Research and Extension Center. Applications and review guidelines are available from the Business Administration Division offices. Students must attach copies of their latest transcripts to their applications. Students unable to take the exam on March 30 may take the exam during the fall semester. For details, call Jacinthe Proctor at 693-1300 on St. Thomas or Renise Johnson at 692-4150 on St. Croix.

Student Activities ...

St. Thomas Campus

Coming to the Stage Talent Show Set March 3

The fourth annual Coming to the Stage talent show is scheduled by the Office of Student Housing for 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 3, in the Dining Pavilion. The Apollo-style show offers a \$500 cash prize for the

institutes and the Young Writers Camp will be accepted until April 9. For details, call Valerie Combie at 692-4126. A news release is available on the UVI home page - <http://www.uvi.edu> - or from this [direct link](#).

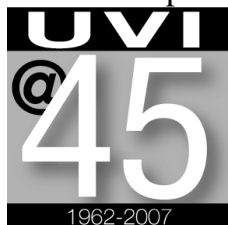
Officer Nominations Sought by St. Thomas/St. John Alumni Chapter

Nominations for the positions of president, treasurer, secretary and nominating committee chair are being sought by the St. Thomas/St. John Chapter of the University of the Virgin Islands Alumni Association. Executive members for the group will be elected in April. For more information and/or to submit names of nominees, contact Chapter President Deanna Rogers at 643-4148 or send email to: deannarog@msn.com.

Other Current Items ...

Charter Month Calendar Being Compiled

UVI marks its 45th anniversary on March 16. Campus events during March will be considered Charter Month activities and posted on a "Charter Month Events" calendar. To have an event included, provide information - including a brief description or purpose, time, location, intended audience and contact - by email to lrivera@uvi.edu or send a fax to 693-1055.



Personal Reflections on UVI History Sought for Charter Month

As part of UVI's Charter Month observance, members of the UVI community are asked to share their personal reflections from various periods of the University's 45 year history - from the founding as the College of the Virgin Islands in 1962 through today. The reflections will be compiled and posted to the UVI web site for all to access. Individuals wishing to provide reflections should send them to reflections@uvi.edu.

Sixth Queen Mary Walk/Run Slated for March 9 on St. Croix

winner. Tickets are available at Student Activities and the Bookstore for \$5. Call the Office of Student Housing at 693-1110 for more information or to sign up to perform.

St. Croix Campus

Charter Day Archery Tourney Set March 7

The second annual UVI Charter Day Archery Tournament will take place from 10 to noon on Wednesday, March 7, on the UVI archery field on the St. Croix campus. Separate male and female flights will be offered. Each archer will shoot a total of thirty-six arrows for a possible perfect score of 360 points. For details contact Intramural Coordinator Bruce Wray at 692-4139.

Down on the Corner - at the Beach - March 9

The Down on the Corner event for Friday, March 9, will take place beginning at noon at Cane Bay Beach. Round-trip transportation from campus will be provided. Students must sign-up by Wednesday, March 7, in the Student Activities Lounge. Information - Hedda Finch-Simpson at 692-4228.

STX Intramural Basketball Action

At the half-way mark in the UVI Intramural Basketball League on the St. Croix campus there is a three way tie for first place. Defending champions Slim Cutters, along with Danger Zone and Gun Dem Man, are all tied with identical 3-1 records. Judgment is fourth at 1-3, and UVI-Staff is 0-4. Play continues until spring break, with the play-offs and a championship game coming after the break. Fifty-five students are participating.

SBDC Notes ...

Seminar on Business Tax Filing Set March 7 on St. Thomas

A seminar on filing 2006 business taxes will be offered by UVI's Small Business Development Center (SBDC) in collaboration with the V.I. Bureau of Internal

The sixth annual UVI-Queen Mary Highway 5K Walk/Run is scheduled for Friday, March 9, on St. Croix. The walk/run is a key part of the University's charter month activities, which commemorate the founding of the then College of the Virgin Islands in March of 1962. The 2007 event theme is "Run or Walk with Me to Celebrate UVI's 45th Anniversary." The UVI community and the general public are encouraged to participate.

Registration is \$15 for adults and \$10 for students and children. Participants will receive a commemorative T-shirt. Light refreshments will be provided.

Commemorative prizes will be awarded to the top finishers. Registration forms are available from the Office of the St. Croix Campus Executive Administrator, in the Evans Center or from [this link](#).

The V.I. Pace Runners organization is providing technical assistance. For more information, call 692-4000.

Lecture to Highlight Nutrition Month Slated March 9 on Both Campuses

A lecture titled "Eat Right and Be Safe for Spring Break" will be presented at the University of the Virgin Islands at 8:30 p.m. on Friday, March 9. Schneider Hospital Nutritionist Deanna Dahlem will discuss healthy eating habits in room 213 of the Teacher Education Building on UVI's St. Thomas campus, with a videoconference link to Evans Center room 302a on the St. Croix campus. All UVI students, faculty and staff are invited to this free presentation, sponsored by the Health Services Center. For more information, contact the Health Services office at 693-1124.

St. Croix SGA Candidates Sought; Election Scheduled for April 11

Students on UVI's St. Croix campus will elect representatives to the Student Government Association (SGA) on April 11. Students interested in becoming candidates for student government positions should contact Student Activities Supervisor Clint Ferris - 692-4188 or cferris@uvi.edu - or Program Specialist Hedda Finch-Simpson - 692-4228 or hfinch@uvi.edu. Interested students can also obtain more information

Revenue on St. Thomas on Wednesday, March 7. The presenter will be Revenue Agent II Clifford Charleswell. Topics to be covered include: tax changes for 2006; local and federal taxes required from V.I. businesses; filing business taxes accurately; and how returns are selected for audit. The session runs from 6 to 8 p.m. in the SBDC Training Facility at Nisky Center. Admission is free. To pre-register, call the SBDC at 776-3206.

Ongoing Items ...

February Issue of *Dateline*: UVI Is Online

The February issue of the monthly newsletter *Dateline: UVI* is available from the UVI web site - www.uvi.edu - or from this [direct link](#).

Facilities Reservation Online

An online Facilities Reservation Form is available from the "Other UVI Sites" menu on the UVI home page - <http://www.uvi.edu>. The form can be directly accessed from [this link](#). The form should be used for all requests for the use of University facilities. For details, see this [facilities memo](#).

Shared Governance Initiative

Information on UVI's Shared Governance Initiative is available at this [Shared Governance Initiative link](#). A proposed model for shared governance is available at [this link](#).

EPA Grants Available

UVI faculty and staff are invited to apply for grants in a 2007 pollution prevention program sponsored by Region II of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Approximately \$4.5 million in total program funding for fiscal year 2007 is available. Visit this web site for details: [EPA's Pollution Prevention P2](#). Grant proposals must be submitted to the EPA's [grants web site](#) no later than, April 2, 2007. Assistance with this process is available from the UVI Office of Sponsored Programs at 693-1054.

from the SGA at 692-4191 or by sending email to stxsga@uvi.edu.

UVI CLEP Tests in March Offer Chance to Earn College Credit

CLEP - College Level Exam Program - tests will be administered in March, at the University of the Virgin Islands. Successfully completing a CLEP test allows a student to earn college credit, saving money and cutting the time it takes to earn a degree. The tests are offered in more than 20 areas of study, ranging from accounting to chemistry to English literature. A complete list is available on pages 26 and 27 of the 2007 UVI Catalog.

Tests will be administered on March 8 and 9 on the St. Croix campus. The deadline to apply on St. Croix is March 5. The tests will be administered on March 27 on the St. Thomas campus. Registration for the St. Thomas tests runs through March 16. Students can register at the UVI Admissions Office on the second floor of the Classroom Administration Building on the St. Thomas campus or the Academic Services Office located in the Melvin Evans Center on the St. Croix campus.

The cost is \$60 per test, plus a \$15 administrative fee. Payment for tests will be accepted only by check, money order or credit card. For details, visit collegeboard.com/clep or contact the UVI Admissions Office at 693-1150/1153 on St. Thomas or the UVI Academic Services Office at 692-4103 on St. Croix.

UVI-CELL Notes ...

Registration Ongoing for CELL Courses

Registration is ongoing for courses offered by the University of the Virgin Islands' Community Engagement and Lifelong Learning (CELL) Center. UVI-CELL provides unique educational opportunities to stimulate professional advancement and personal growth. All sessions listed here will be held at the CELL Center on UVI's St. Thomas campus. To register for any of these programs call 693-1100 or visit CELL on-line at <http://cell.uvi.edu>.

Taking Control of MS Publisher - Create professional flyers, brochures, newsletters and more with this impressive desktop publishing software. Thursday, March 1, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

English as a Second Language: Part I - For those new to the English language. Join other students for a chance to converse and learn the basics of the English language. Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 8 p.m., beginning March 6.

Basic Computing for Seniors - Learn to email, surf the Internet and use a personal computer can enrich life. Thursdays, from 1 to 3 p.m., beginning March 8.

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Other Sources of UVI Information

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