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## 27th Annual Service Awards Ceremonies Recognize UVI employees

The University of the Virgin Islands recognized its employees on both campuses for their years of service during the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Service Awards programs on St. Croix on Thursday, March 15, and on St. Thomas on Friday, March 16. Recent retirees and employees who have completed five, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 and 35 years of service received gifts from the Human Resources Department on behalf of the University community and applause from their colleagues.



*UVI retiree Dulcie V. Gumbs expresses her gratitude to UVI President Dr. Orville Kean at the 27th Annual Service Awards on St. Thomas.*

The Service Awards program on the St. Croix campus recognized retirees Barbara A. Carmichael, Richard Diaz and Glenn W. Lukey. Nereida Washington was named St. Croix Employee of the Year. St. Croix employees Dorothy L. Gibbs and Dr. Arnold R. Highfield were recognized for 25 years of service.

On St. Thomas, Choupette Braure was named Employee of the Year. Retirees Joseph Aird, Winston M. Charles, Calvin I. Gottlieb, Dulcie V. Gumbs and Maurice Joseph were presented with framed letters from UVI President Dr. Orville Kean and a watch. Dr. Kean received a 35-year service award,



*Carmen Wesselhoft, of the Cooperative Extension Service's St. John office, received a 15-year award and special recognition from her CES peers.*

Laura T. Daniel and Dr. Rosary E. Harper each received 30-year awards and Provost Dr. LaVerne E. Ragster received a 20-year service award, as did Mary L. Alexander, Lilymae Durante, Gene K. Emanuel and Dr. Solomon S. Kabuka.

(For a full list of service award recipients please visit the UVI website at [www.uvi.edu](http://www.uvi.edu))



*Employee of the Year Choupette Braure (left) and Mary Alexander, who received a 20-year award.*



*Dr. Rosary E. Harper (left) received a 30-year award and June Archibald received a part-time faculty award.*

### Events Calendar

#### March

- 26** Ikebana demo, S&FC 5:30 p.m.
- 27** "Village of Dreams," 10 a.m. STX Student Ctr.,  
"After Life," 7 p.m. STX Student Ctr.
- 28** Ikebana demo, STX Student Ctr., 5:30 p.m.
- 31** Millennium Ball, Wyndham Sugar Bay Resort

## Carnegie Traces History of Black Nurses

Dr. Mary Elizabeth Carnegie, a leader in the field of nursing and nursing education, spoke to a full house in the University of the Virgin Islands' Chase Auditorium on March 12. The lecture was videoconferenced between the St. Thomas and St. Croix campuses.

UVI nursing students, faculty, V.I. health professionals and former colleagues of Carnegie's listened intently as she gave a historical perspective on black women in nursing over the years.

As she stood at the lectern, Dr. Carnegie said that although Mary Mahoney was admitted to train as a nurse at the New England Hospital for Women and Children in 1879, it wasn't until 1886 that a formal nurses training program for black nurses was established at Spelman College in Atlanta. "Separate but equal" was the rule of the day, and although white institutions had separate programs for black nurses, formal nursing training programs soon followed Spelman's lead at all-black institutions of higher learning.

Carnegie established the baccalaureate program in nursing at Hampton University, which is one of only 10 black institutions that offers a master's degree in nursing.

## Storm's Physics Research Published, Proved

UVI physics professor Dr. David Storm has reason to be proud. Research he conducted last summer, while on a fellowship at the Naval Research Lab in Washington, DC, has been published in the February issue of the *Journal of Applied Physics*. The *Journal of Applied Physics* is a subscription-based electronic version of the print journal of the same title published by the American Institute of Physics (AIP). The Journal is the AIP's archival journal for significant new results in applied physics.

As if that were not enough, Storm also has received word that physical tests conducted by a French scientific group, the CEA, corroborated his research. Storm theorized that indium gallium nitride, a semiconductor material used in the construction of transistors, does not collect at the same rate at which it is added. The CEA sent Storm a graph of its

For more than 50 years, Dr. Carnegie has championed the cause of black nurses by participating in many professional organizations and by making educational opportunities available.

She has delivered over 300 speeches, has written, edited or contributed chapters to 23 books and is the author of more than 70 articles that have been published in scholarly journals. Dr. Carnegie holds a bachelor of arts degree from West Virginia State College, a master of arts degree from Syracuse University and a doctorate in public administration from New York University.

"Don't stop your education," Carnegie implored. "Keep going. Never stop learning – you can never learn too much."



findings, which depicted a nearly perfect correlation between Storm's research and the physical data the group recorded. "It's beautiful," Storm said. "It's an indication that I was on the right track." He plans to return to the Naval Research Lab this summer to conduct additional physical tests of his theory.

Storm said he is especially pleased at the outcome of his research because of the credibility it lends to the study of physics at the University. UVI currently offers an associate's degree in physics. Storm has been a physics professor at UVI since 1994.

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