Three to Compete for ‘Miss UVI’ Title

Three University of the Virgin Islands students will compete for the prestigious title of Miss UVI at 8 p.m. on Saturday, March 28, at the St. Croix campus Student Center. The pageant’s theme is “Charting the Course to Excellence.”

Competing for the title are JaeDee Caines from the St. Thomas campus, Carice Glasgow from the St. Croix campus and Christina Clement from the St. Croix campus. It will be the second time that the pageant is hosted by the St. Croix campus.

Caines, contestant number one, is a 22-year-old communications major. Her goals include furthering her education, becoming a well-trained and highly recognized journalist and one day becoming the leader of Nevis.

Glasgow, contestant number two, is a 21-year-old computer science major. Her goals include becoming a system analyst and pursuing post secondary education.

Clement, contestant number three, is a 20-year-old biology major. Her goal is to become a neurologist.

Areas of competition include personal interview, introduction, business wear/question and answer, ambassadorial presentation, talent and evening wear.

The contestants made their first public appearance at the V.I. Agriculture and Food Fair in February. They will make another presentation at Afternoon on the Green on March 8, on the St. Thomas campus.

Ticket prices and ticket outlets will be announced early in March. For more information call Student Government Association President and Queens Committee Chairperson Jessica Taylor at 513-8564 or Queens Committee Advisor Chantal Connor at 692-4000.

Afternoon on the Green to Celebrate 20th Year

The University of the Virgin Islands celebrates 20 years of food and family fun with the 20th Anniversary of Afternoon on the Green on Sunday, March 8. The fun begins at noon on the St. Thomas campus golf course.

This year’s theme is “Have a Roast of a Lime for the 20th Time.” Started as a scholarship fundraiser two decades ago, Afternoon on the Green has grown to become a friend-raiser where everyone can count on having a grand time.

Food is a mainstay at Afternoon on the Green. Members of the community contribute dozens of dishes for the event, and for $2 and $3 a taste, attendees get to sample their favorites. Dishes run the gamut – from cheesecake to jambalaya, from ital to lasagna. In addition to the food
Thousands Attend Ag Fair on St. Croix

Thousands of people attended the 38th Agriculture and Food Fair held Feb. 14-16 on St. Croix. In addition to produce, livestock and food from the territory, the fair also showcases the same from other islands throughout the Caribbean. A highlight of the fair is the Farmer of the Year awards. This year Reinardo Vasques was named ‘Crop Farmer of the Year’ and Samuel Sones was named ‘Livestock Farmer of the Year.’ Pictured, from left to right, are one of the produce stands displaying fresh fruits and vegetables, a litter of piglets, and UVI employee Dara Cooper speaking with a student. UVI is a major sponsor of the fair.

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under the main food tent, there will be on-site grilling of chicken, beef and pork barbeque sandwiches, hot dogs and veggie burgers. Music will be provided by Top Notch band until 5 p.m. Then things slow down a bit for the extended 20th anniversary special – Jazz on the Green. The UVI Jazz Ensemble will perform from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Former committee chairs and long-time contributors will also be recognized.

“It is incredible that Afternoon on the Green is celebrating its 20th anniversary,” said three-time Committee Chair Peggy Smith. “We are proud that it has survived all these years.”

Along with the music, other entertainment includes the Mungo Niles Cultural Dancers. There is also a children’s corner with bouncers, coloring and other games for children.

The academic tent will provide information about each of UVI’s academic areas, along with other areas such as the Small Business Development Center and the Reichhold Center for the Arts.

Smith encouraged people to contribute dishes even though times are economically tough. “Your share may not be a lot, but if each family gives a portion, either by donating a dish or coming to the event and purchasing a taste, this can make the twentieth anniversary worth it all,” she said. Smith thanked all the patrons, cooks, sponsors and attendees for continuing to support Afternoon on the Green.

To donate a dish or for more information call 693-1040.

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