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## COMMISSIONER ZAANDAM COMPLIES WITH REQUEST TO RESIGN

St. Eustatius– **Many people were surprised when Commissioner Reginald Zaandam officially abruptly submitted his resignation to Acting Island Governor, Honourable Julian Woodley, on May 10th 2016 to resign on May 18th 2016.** Commissioner Reginald Zaandam confirmed his resignation on the government weekly radio/tv program *Shedding light* on Wednesday May 11th 2016. The faction of the United Peoples Coalition in the island council Mr. Reuben Merkmán asked him to resigned and put a number of arguments forward. Zaandam refrained from sharing these arguments with the public as he doesn't see the need right now to create a back and fourth. He accepted his resignation gracefully, and put the development of country above self and ego. The public may be surprised with this sudden request, but according to Zaandam earlier indications were given. He explained that Statia is at a cross road and taking this situation to the floor of the island council will only delay the work that is ahead of us as a people. Malvern asked, who would

continue to give the community of Statia direction in the capacity of Commissioner, he responded that this is now an issue for the party board. He also explained that he does not have any animosity towards Mr. Merkmán and hopes that the voters does not distrust him and the party based on his actions to resign. Commissioner Zaandam have no regrets looking back at a total of ten years served in different capacities, such as Senator, Minister Plenipotentiary, Island Council Member and Commissioner. He acknowledged that the points promoted during elections which was taken up in his manifesto did not materialize as the party was confronted with supervision immediately as they took office, they formed a coalition in which compromise was essential. He will continue supporting the development of Statia and Politics on the side line.



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## STATIA GOVERNMENT SIGNS MULTI ANNUAL PLAN

The Island government of St. Eustatius signed the multi annual plan at the St. Eustatius Public library in January 2016. This multi annual plan for St. Eustatius is for 2016 - 2018. The Cabinet and the Executive Council of St. Eustatius will all work together for the benefit of the further development of St. Eustatius. The Minister of Home affairs and Kingdom Relations, Mr. R. Plasterk, was accompanied by R. van de Zwol, Mr. Gilbert Isabella and other members of his delegation looked on at the signing ceremony. There is a shared desire to put fourth the following priority areas: **stimulate economic development, poverty eradication, children rights, and strengthen the administrative organization.** The Cabinet and the Executive Council of St. Eustatius have a common goal which is to strengthen the economic base.



To improve the basic infrastructure and put preconditions in order, improve the business climate and facilitating entrepreneurship are areas that the Cabinet and Executive Council wishes to start. Each party signed off and expressed will-

ingness to accomplish the various components documented in the multi annual plan.

## DERRICK SIMMONS APPOINTED AS COMMISSIONER FOR THE ISLAND GOVERNMENT STATIA

St. Eustatius -Mr. Derrick Simmons was nominated by the United Peoples Party and put forward to the Island Council to be appointed as Commissioner. He will be replacing the outgoing Commissioner Mr. Reginald Zaan-dam. On May 19th 2016 the Island Council will commence and the process will be followed for the appointment. Mr. Simmons started his career at the Island government 23 years ago in March 2003. He started at the island Govern-

ment as Planning Officer. He worked on numerous committees and boards to contribute towards the betterment of St. Eustatius. When asked what he will do differently as commissioner. He believes we need to work hard to get the supervision lifted and work towards the development of Statia. It is a tedious process but we need to work towards acquiring surpluses to the budget instead of just balancing the budget.



## JULIAN WOODLEY NEW ACTING ISLAND GOVERNOR FOR ST.EUSTATIUS

Source: RCN

St. Eustatius— The new acting Island Governor, Mr. Julian Woodley assumed all tasks and responsibilities as of April 1st 2016. Julian Woodley has a long administrative and political career behind him and has extensive experience. He has functioned over 15 years as head of Finance Department on St. Eustatius. He has held many important positions such as Member of the Island Council, Commissioner in the Executive Council and Member of the Parliament of the former Netherlands Antilles. He was acting Kingdom Representative during the last few years. The Kingdom Representative has chosen Mr. Julian Woodley because he is looking at the experience and recognize that the Island is undergoing an important



period in its development. He wants Mr. Woodley to focus his attention especially on continuity of the administrative decision-making processes, the pro-

gress of the implementation of the plan of Action and the Multi-annual Program where a lot of substantive projects are mentioned in the interest of the Statian population.

Conclusion by :GIS

Despite the objection letters from the Coalition parties to the Dutch Government about his appointment, Mr. Woodley said briefly in an island Council meeting that he does not see colours and hoped for a positive working relationship in the general interest of St. Eustatius.

## OCTs LAUNCHED STUDY ON BUSINESS REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT OF CARIBBEAN

St. Eustatius- The COSME program, funded by the European Union through the 10<sup>th</sup> EDF, seeks to increase the competitiveness of the Caribbean OCTs in general and their SMEs in particular. One of the subprojects of the program is a study on the business regulatory environment in each of the OCTs. Based on the methodology of the World Bank Ease of Doing Business Study, the COSME Doing Business study seeks to highlight the strengths and weaknesses of the regulatory environment in each OCT in a few key areas, especially when compared to other OCTs and the world in general. The areas covered are the Ease of starting a business, of registering property, of importing goods, of paying taxes and of complying with labor regulations. Important factors are the number of steps and the time required for completing each activity, and the

cost and transparency related to each of the steps. The study was launched in St. Maarten and included input from and an exchange of ideas between the Minister of Economics, Traffic and Telecommunication, Mrs. I. Arrindell and the consultants Huib Poot and Tamira La Cruz. The study is also carried out in Aruba, Bonaire, Curacao, Saba, St. Eustatius, St. Barth's, the British Virgin Islands, Turks & Caicos, the Cayman Islands, Anguilla and Montserrat. When completed in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2016, the results will be shared with the countries. The EU-funded COSME Program was designed to strengthen the competitiveness of small and medium enterprises throughout the 12 Caribbean Overseas Countries and Territories. Persons interested in learning

more about COSME can visit [www.cosmeprogramme.org](http://www.cosmeprogramme.org).



[In photo: Minister TEATT Ingrid Arrindell, surrounded by EVT intern Leandra Leslie, COSME representative Tamira La Cruz, EVT Policy Advisor Makhicia Brooks and COSME representative Huib Poot.](#)



## CENTER FOR YOUTH & FAMILY ORGANIZED FUN NIGHT FOR STATIA TEENAGERS

St. Eustatius— The Eustatius Center for Youth and Family organized a fun night out with a few teenagers on February 9th 2016 at the Ernest van Putten Youth Center. The guest speaker was the STI/AIDS Co-ordinator Mrs. Shanna Mercera-Gibbs of the Public Health Department. The session was done with Educational fun games which put the youth to think and make decisions and give their opinions. Discussions on the importance of abstinence and the consequences of the choices they make in life was the central point of the discussions. The young people were educated on sexuality, they displayed the correct use of condoms and the different STI's that can be contracted if condoms are not used in the correct



way. The night included education awareness and dancing. The music was provided by DJ MX. It was such a great experience that the youth requested another fun

night out with teens

## HEALTH FAIR ORGANIZED FOR GVP STUDENTS

St. Eustatius - The office of the Government Information Service learned that a Health Fair was organized on April 22nd 2016 by the STI/AIDS Coordinator, Mrs. Shanna Mercera of the Public Health Department. The purpose was to get more involvement of the students and make them more aware of the different disciplines and their roles in the health care sector and to gather specific information that they needed. The stakeholders that were involved were: Queen Beatrix Medical Center, units:

ambulance, outpatient, and facility department: Public Health, Health Inspection vector control, STI/AIDS coordinator. Mental Health Institute (SVP-CN), Center for Youth and Family, We can Young place with the stakeholders to Statia, St. Eustatius STI/AIDS determine the areas that may Committee and the Sports need adjusting. Come with new Foundation (SSFF). According to ideas to add in the event this Mercera an evaluation will take becomes an annual activity.



**STATIA BIDS FAREWELL TO GERALD BERKEL AS ISLAND GOVERNOR**

**St. Eustatius- The Public Entity of St. Eustatius organized a farewell for the Island Governor Gerald Berkel on March 31st 2016 as his six years contract came to end. An invitation was extended to all Civil Servants Commissioners, Island Council Members and his immediate family.**

The farewell celebration was held in the garden at the Executive Council building located on the Van Tonningen weg. Malvern Dijkshoorn welcomed everyone to the farewell held in honour of the outgoing Island Governor. The speakers at the event were Commissioner Zaandam, followed by Island Council Member, Koos Sneek, Commissioner Astrid Mc. Kenzie-Tatem and Governor Berkel. Commissioner Zaandam said although it was not always smooth sailing, with heated discussions at the end they could go through one door together. Island Council Member, Koos Sneek mentioned that it was not the easiest of time in which Mr. Berkel had to governed Commissioner Astrid Mc. Kenzie Tatem thanked him for his years of service to the community and presented him with a gift from the Island Government. He was asked to open it as everyone was curious



The Kingdom representative, Mr. Isabella, acknowledged G. Berkel's 13 years of experience and privilege he had of serving his beautiful island and its people with a sense of duty, honor, courage, commitment, tenacity, and spirit that they valued. He went on to mention the good qualities that Gerald Berkel radiated calmed, peace, confidence, insight and authority, elements that are expected from a Governor. He expressed gratitude from the Central Government and also his person as Kingdom Representative for his efforts during the past six years, and in the preceding years.

to the content. He got a voucher with a package including tickets for two persons to St. Barths including hotel. They went over to the cake cutting. An open floor was part of the program so that civil servants could express their views and extend a few words of thank you to him. The entertainment was done by Mr. Run Things. All in all it was a nice opportunity for the leaders, directors, unit managers and members of the staff to be a part of.

**THE DUTCH GOVERNMENT ORGANIZED A PUBLIC FAREWELL**

On April 16th 2016, the community at large got the opportunity to bid farewell to the Island Governor Honourable Gerald Berkel at Fort Oranje at a casual get together. Ms. Alida Francis welcomed the guest while young Ms Bryson sang a beautiful opening number.



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## DIGITAL EXAMS CARRIED AT GVP SCHOOL DESPITE INFO RELEASED BY COMMISSIONER ZAANDAM

### *Zandam awaits apology from Ministry of Education, Culture and Science (OCW)*

St. Eustatius - It has been confirmed by the Gwendolyn van Putten (GVP) school that the first week of April 2016 digital exams would be carried in a number of subjects. According to the exam secretary at the GVP school exemption was granted for last school year, but the school is now required to comply with the digital exams analogy of the SGB on Bonaire. The commissioner of education, Mr. Reginald Zandam recently informed the community of St. Eustatius in a press briefing that the digital examination will not be presently given at the Gwendolyn van Putten secondary school.

This information was relayed to him by the director general during his last visit to the Ministry of Education in the Hague in March 2016.



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## **ECORYS CONSULTANCY PERFORMED EVALUATION OF EDUCATION AGENDA BES**

Source: RCN

St. Eustatius—The Ministry for Education Culture and Science instructed the policy consultancy firm Ecorys to evaluate the education agenda for Bonaire St. Eustatius and Saba. The education agenda dates back from March 2011 and is the guiding principle for the educational improvements between 2011 and 2016 on the islands of the Caribbean Netherlands, (CN). The objective of the evaluation is to back and provide insight into the effectiveness of all activities in the framework of the Education agenda. However, it also is in-

tended to look to the future. The main objective of the education agenda was for the 21st educational institutions in the CN to achieve basic quality. The reports of the education inspectorate, which visits the local educational institutions twice a year, show that most educational institutions have reached basic quality by now. The evaluation by the agency Ecorys emphasizes the question how these results were reached: what works well and what instruments are less effective? The evaluation should also show whether the results

have been safe guarded or the future





Subject: Anti-Tobacco Day Festival Dear All,

The GGD and SVP-CN is conducting the B-Smart prevention on substances program in the elementary schools.

The purpose of this program is to protect and improve the health of our youth; all students of group 7 and 8 from all primary schools will be given education about prevention addiction to alcohol, smoking, drugs & gaming. This program is to inform and make the youth aware of the danger of these addictions and how to deal with the peer pressure.

May 31<sup>st</sup> is World Health Organization (WHO) Anti-Tobacco day. The WHO Tobacco Free Initiative is committed to raising awareness of the threat posed by the global tobacco epidemic and of the steps that can be taken to reduce tobacco use and save lives.

On this day the Health Department will be hosting an annual World Anti-Tobacco day festivity on St. Eustatius. This year we will organize an **Anti – Tobacco day and the 1st B SMART festival** between the Elementary schools.

Each school is entitled to present:

1. Jingle concerning Anti- Tobacco
2. Banners concerning Anti- Tobacco

Along with the preference of one (1) of the following selections, grade 6/group 8 will be taking part in the B-Smart program. Each school is expected to represent in this Festival competing in the area of drama, skit, story, poem, song or dance.

Program : World Anti-Tobacco day

Date : Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016

Place : Starting at the Buzzy Bees Daycare with a parade – Ending at Charlie's place with the Festival

Time : 3:00pm – 4:30 Parade / 4:30pm – 7:00pm festival

This program is being co-sponsored by the RCN Corporate Citizenship and the Golden Rock Cancer Foundation.

For further information pertaining to the festival please contact the public Health Department at Tel. 318-2891

Best regards,

Gregory Melfor



# STATIA BIDS FAREWELL TO GERALD BERKEL AS ISLAND GOVERNOR

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Gerald Berkel considered the Farewell as an opportunity for him and family to thank the people of St. Eustatius for granting them the opportunity to have served this community.



He looked back on his statements made upon his appointment in April 2010, when he said that the “celebration was not about his person, rather, he considered that event to be a celebration of the Statian’s coming together to work towards their common goal of making Statia a better place.” Similarly at his farewell he repeated the call made six years ago to all Stadians, those born here, moved here or just reach here. Once you have Statia at heart, regardless of where you are from or whether you live here or not, you are, and will always be a Statian. As Statian’s it is our collective responsibility to work together, everyone from all sectors of our society doing their part to make our island the Golden Rock that we all desire it to be.

He reflected back on one of the highlights of the past years in public office, where he had the privileged to work with all political frac-

tions of the island council’s in various capacities. While they did not always see eye to eye they always found a way to move forward in the interest of the community. He expressed special thanks to all the members of the various Island Council’s and Executive Council’s over the many years for their cooperation, support and the challenges that they experienced over the years. Governor Berkel stated that, all that they went through was done with the goal to make the community a better place and took the opportunity at the fair well to encourage the different groups to remain passionate in their pursuits in the interest of the island, remembering that in doing so cooperation and unity are the hallmarks of true success

**(See Pictorial on page 16)**

## ***GVP SCHOOL WILL GO OVER TO CXC EXAMINATION SYSTEM***

**S o u r c e :** R C N St. Eustatius– As is known, the Gwendolyn van Putten school (GVP) will change over to the CXC examination system as part of the implementation of English as language of instruction. A five headed education delegation from the Caribbean Netherlands recently visited the headquarters of the Caribbean Examination Council (CXC) in Barbados. During the visit extensive information was given to the members of the delegation on various aspects of the implementation of this Caribbean Examination system to the GVP. The delegation consisted of the Director of the GVP, the transition coordinator, Angela Dekker a representative of the Dutch Institute for Cur-

riculum Development (SLO) and two employees from respectively St. Eustatius and Saba, who went to Barbados especially to attend a meeting for the local registrars. The local registrars are responsible for the proper conduct of the examinations, on their island. They are in training at CXC. The first part of the local registrars meeting was attended by the entire delegation, after which a part of the delegation had a program at CXC and at a local school, to inform themselves in detail about the operation of the examination system in practice in a school. The delegation looks back on an informative visit, which yielded the necessary



knowledge and insights for proper implementation of the CXC examination system and proper handling of examinations on St. Eustatius and Saba





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Sint Eustatius, April 19, 2016

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Island Government of Sint Eustatius hereby informs the general public that the price for gasoil on the island of St. Eustatius has to be adjusted for the month of April 2016.

- Gasoil US\$ 0.699 per liter -

The new price will go into effect starting immediately at all pump stations.

The Executive Council of the Public Entity Sint Eustatius,

The Act. Island Governor   The Act. Island Secretary 

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## Public Notice

### Naturalization Exams

The office of the Island Governor would like to inform the General Public of St. Eustatius that Naturalization Exams will be held in the following period:

June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016

The following examinations will take place:

- Orientation on Society & Political Systems
- Language skills English (reading, writing, listening and speaking)
- Language Skills Dutch (reading, writing, listening and speaking)

All persons interested in taking these Exams can register at the Cabinet of the Island Governor at the Government Administration building starting Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016 and every Tuesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. – 12 noon.

**The Final date for registration is Thursday June 2, 2016.**

Re-sits are possible during the abovementioned period.

   
Act. Island Governor

St. Eustatius, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
#413-Gez



The STI/AIDS Coordinator of The Public Health Department will be hosting a Health Fair for the youth of the Gwendoline van Putten School.

The Health of our youth on the island of St. Eustatius is very important. According to the UNICEF Rights of the child. Article 17 (Access to information); children have the right to get information that is important to their health and well-being.

The purpose of the Fair is to make our youth aware of all the organisations which are involved in Health Care and to give the students the information regarding health.

The GvP School provides different streams in education and during the fair we will show the students how they can choose a health profession by choosing the right subject in school.

The Island Government of St. Eustatius has appointed Mr. Laurens Duiveman as Process Manager as of February 1st 2016 for the implementation of the Plan of Approach. A circular went out to the civil core in March 2016 informing the civil servants of the appointment and requesting their full cooperation in providing information to him pertaining to their respective departments.



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## AFKONDIGING

*Als bedoeld in artikel 142, eerste lid, van de Wet  
openbare lichamen Bonaire, Sint Eustatius en Saba*

De eilandsraad van het Openbaar Lichaam Sint Eustatius heeft in zijn vergadering van 28 april 2016 besloten het volgende vast te stellen:

### **Controleverordening Sint Eustatius;**

Deze verordening ligt vanaf heden gedurende drie maanden voor een ieder ter inzage op het bestuurskantoor.

De inwerkingtreding van deze verordening is bepaald op de dag na afkondiging.

Aldus afgekondigd op: 29 april 2016

De wnd. Gezaghebber van het Openbaar lichaam Sint Eustatius,



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## AFKONDIGING

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De eilandsraad van het Openbaar Lichaam Sint Eustatius heeft in zijn vergadering van 28 april 2016 besloten het volgende vast te stellen:

### **Protocol voor de accountantscontrole voor de jaarrekening Van het openbaar lichaam Sint Eustatius;**

Deze verordening ligt vanaf heden gedurende drie maanden voor een ieder ter inzage op het bestuurskantoor.

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# BES GOVERNMENT SHARING THEIR VIEWS ABOUT EVALUATION REPORT



## JOB OPPORTUNITIES



### ST. EUSTATIUS DUTCH CARIBBEAN

## Notice

The Island Labour Office hereby make it know that petitions have been submitted by employers to obtain work permits for foreigners in some of the functions mentioned below.

All Dutch Nationals that are qualified for the below mentioned functions employed/unemployed, should apply at the Island Labour Office within two weeks from the below mentioned date.

#### **GENERAL ENGINEERING CORPORATION**

Mechanic Technician

Project Engineer

#### **HOWARD'S ENTERPRISES N.V.**

Electrical & Air Condition Technician

#### **L'ETOILE BAR & RESTAURANT**

Bartender

#### **HAPPY CITY**

Manager

#### **ST.EUSTATIUS AUXILIARY HOME**

Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)

Head Nurse

Letter of application, CV, Diplomas and references should be sent before May 27<sup>th</sup>

#### **STUCCO**

Electrician

#### **LYN'S DREAM BAKERY**

Kitchen Help

#### **Angels Administration**

Maintenance/Messenger

*May 18, 2016*

*Dienst Arbeidszaken, De Graaffweg 13, St.Eustatius Caribisch Nederland.*

*Tel: 599-318-2881. Fax: 599-318-3322.*

*labour.dept@statiagov.com*



# Pictorial signing Multi-Annual plan







Directie Maatschappij en Welzijn  
Unit: Public Health & CMO  
St. Eustatius Caribisch Nederland

## KA MOSQUITO INSPECTION

### **Additional preventative effort by the Public Health Department against ZIKA VIRUS**

Oranjestad, St. Eustatius, March 16, 2016– Sint Eustatius Directorate of Society and Welfare will be taking additional preventative measures to combat the ZIKA VIRUS.

St. Eustatius Department of Public Health doctors, advised that although there is no evidence of mosquitoes carrying Zika virus in St. Eustatius, people should always take steps to control mosquito breeding sites which may contain the mosquitos carrying the ZIKA, CHIKUNGUNYA or DENGUE VIRUS.

Although there are no official reports of inhabitants diagnosed with the ZIKA virus, mosquito bites can still be harmful and the public should take steps to protect themselves. To help reduce the risk of mosquito breeding sites the Public Health Department will perform the following inspection:

This coming **Friday, 18 of March**, the **South Area** of the island will be inspected from **7 am onwards**.

The Island Government of St. Eustatius is responsible, among others, for the Public Healthcare and the safeguarding thereof.

Public Health is recorded and incorporated in the **Wet Publieke Gezondheidszorg** (Wpg). Based upon this law the Public Entity is responsible for executing the tasks regarding Public Health.

It is **required** that the Public Health Civil Servants are granted access to your yards for inspection.

We expect your cooperation on this to ensure the safety of not only the environment but also your person.

For more information about this topic, please contact Dr. G. Schobbe or Rodney or Javier at 318-2891 or email at [g.schobbe@statiagov.com](mailto:g.schobbe@statiagov.com) or [vc.mw@statiagov.com](mailto:vc.mw@statiagov.com)

# ***PICTORIAL OF GOVERNORS FAREWELL FORT ORANJE***



## NOTICE

The St.Eustatius Island Labour Office hereby makes known that:

Registration for the 2016 Summer Vacation Job Program has begun.

The Summer Vacation Job Program will run from Monday, July 4th to Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup> 2016. Students eligible for this program must have been born or must have studied on the island of St. Eustatius and are between the ages of 17 to 24 years.

All students of the secondary school who sat exams and who intend to go abroad to further their studies will be eligible. Local students must produce evidence of having successfully passed their exams prior to being placed for a job.

Students who are studying abroad and coming home to St. Eustatius for the 2016 summer vacation and will be returning to continue their education abroad are eligible.

No registering of students will be allowed by parents. Eligible and interested students must register themselves by contacting the Island Labour Office at 318-2881 or emailing us at: [labour.dept@statiagov.com](mailto:labour.dept@statiagov.com)

Registration ends June 24<sup>th</sup> 2016.

Businesses / organizations interested in participating by giving the students the opportunity to gain the necessary training and work experience may also contact us.

For further information contact the St.Eustatius Island labour Office at 318-2881

Thank you.

St.Eustatius Island Labour Office



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THE GREATEST GIFT WE CAN GIVE TO OTHERS  
IS A GOOD EXAMPLE!

## SHEDDING LIGHT

Join us weekly on Wednesday morning at 09.00 Am sharp, on the Government radio programme **Shedding Light**, for a day of self discovery, sharing information, reviewing developments in our community, questioning our elected officials about important issues. If you have ideas, suggestions contact the host, Malvern on 318-2745, or use the suggestion box near the entrance of the office or email [gis@statiagov.com](mailto:gis@statiagov.com)

Be Thankful for what you have;

You'll end up having more.

If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough!

Oprah Winfrey

## Honour where Honour is due

Do you know anybody in your surroundings who do voluntary work, who render exceptional or outstanding service? The process starts with you recognizing that person, by submitting their name to the office of the Island Governor or Decoration Committee.

We encourage Statians and residents alike to submit names of persons in the community. If you want to nominate someone for a Royal Decoration it is advisable to contact the decoration Committee or the cabinet of the Island Governor. They will inform you whether the services rendered by the nominee are exceptional or outstanding enough to warrant a Royal Decoration. They will explain you exactly what you need to do once you collected the necessary information. Tel.nr.: 318 - 2552 Fax: 318 2324

## Weekly Press Conferences

The Government Information Service is hosting weekly press conferences on Wednesday from 11.00 - 12.00 with Members of the Executive Council. We encourage all the media to participate in these sessions. If you wish to gather information about a particular topic, please submit the questions to the office of the G.I.S. and we will bring it forward in the first following press conference.

GOODNESS IS THE ONLY  
INVESTMENT THAT NEVER  
FAILS!!!

**IT IS BETTER TO DESERVE HONOURS AND NOT HAVE THEM THAN TO HAVE THEM AND NOT DESERVE THEM!**