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ANGUILLA EMERGENCY Police 911 Fire 911 Ambulance 911 Police Station 497 2333 Hospital 497 2551 Dental clinic 497 2343 Radio Anguilla 497 2218 Tourism Department 497 2759 Crimestoppers 0800 7777777 AIRLINES American Eagle 497 3501 Winair 497 2748 iat 497 5000 Air Anguilla 497 2643 Trans Anguilla 497 8690 COURIER SERVICE DHL 497 3400 Federal Express 497 2719 HPS 497 2239 SERVICE CLUBS Rotary Club of Anguilla Meets at Da Vida every Thursday at 6.00 p.m. Soroptimist International Day Care Centre 4.30 p.m. 2nd Tuesday in each month Tel: 497 3509 Lions Club meets every st and 3rd Tuesday at 5.30 p.m at the Arts and Craft Centre Interact Club of Anguilla Meets every Friday at 3.15 p.m at theAlbena Lake Hodge Comprehensive School Toastmaster Club meets ever 2nd and 4th Saturday at 6.45 o.m. at La Vue, South Hill



# **Health Department warns** about yellow fever in Brazil

ST. EUSTATIUS--Since the beginning of December 2016 there has been a yellow-fever outbreak in some states in southern Brazil. This was reported at the end of January by the World Health Organization (WHO). To date, by the Aedes Aegypti mosthis epidemic is still ongoing. Recently, a fatal fever has been found in Suriname. Although yellow fever is endemic in Suriname, no patients have been reported in the past 45 years, the Public Health Department GGD of St. Eustatius reported.

Yellow fever is a rare but serious infectious disease caused by a virus. A small proportion of the infected persons get a serious form at risk of death. The virus is found only in sub-Saharan

Africa and in South America, including Panama and Trinidad and Tobago.

Yellow fever is transmitted by infected mosquitoes that stagger during daytime. It can also be transmitted quito that also occurs on Statia. However, in the last 100 years, there has never been a case of yellow fever on Statia.

Yellow fever can be prevented by vaccination. The Public Health Department recommends yellow fever vaccination for some countries in South America and Africa, For Suriname, vaccination is recommended for all travellers.

Some countries have required yellow-fever vaccina-



The 11 visiting travel agents from the Netherlands with Island Essence's Director Diharia Pierre-Arnaud (sixth from right).

### **Island Essence hosting Dutch** tour operators on St. Eustatius

ST. EUSTATIUS--Island Essence hosted 11 tour operators from The Netherlands, who came to see St. Eustatius to see what the island has to offer as a destination

The travel agents were met at F.D. Roosevelt airport by Island Essence's Director Diharia Pierre-Arnaud. She said the travel agents would be shown all the establishments on the island. She said Island Essence would make the visit an unforgettable one

Two members of St. Eustatius Gems were on hand to greet the travel agents and presented them with gift baskets.

The travel agents were on the island until the evening and visited all the hotels on the island, including Old Gin House, and Golden Era hotel. They also visited the two dive shops Scubaqua and Golden Rock dive centres, as well as St. Eustatius National Parks Stenapa. At St. Eustatius Museum the agents were taken on a walking tour. They also visited St. Eustatius Tourism Development Foundation, Historical Fort Oranje, the Bay Path/Hill Head, Gallows Bay, Knippenga behind the Quill and Miriam C. Schmidt Botanical Garden.

Pierre-Arnaud said the visitors touched base on all attractions and various activities on the island. She said she had wanted to take the travel agents to Ocean View Terrace and restaurant for a light dinner, but because of the flight schedule this was not possible. Instead, they had a luncheon at Old Gin House, where they were provided with local snacks prepared by Glenda Courtar's catering

Pierre-Arnaud said the travel agents also visited Island Essence's office. "Of course we saved the best for last," she said with a smile.

lcr.nl the current state of affairs can be seen in countries where yellow fever occurs and which countries require vaccination.

Also for Statia there is a formal obligation to show evidence of yellow-fever vaccination if one comes from a risk area. Some countries have now tightened control of compliance with these rules for travellers arriving from risk areas.

"It is wise if you expect family or acquaintances from risk areas to inform them in advance that a proof of yellow fever vaccination is also required," GGD Statia said.

In the past, this vaccine was valid for 10 years, but since 2016, the WHO has stated that the yellow-fever vaccine is valid for a long time based on scientific research. Yellow fever vaccination must be given at least 10 days prior to arrival in the yellowfever area.

The Public Health Department provides personal advice on risks and vaccination in accordance with the National Coordination Center's advisory guidelines for trips. For an appointment for personal advice one may call the Public Health Department on tel. 318-2891.



Rizena Hooker displaying national symbols

# Taste of Cultures' King's Day edition

ST. EUSTATIUS .- The Taste of Cultures King's Day edition was held Thursday evening at Mike van Putten Youth Centre. DJ Sense was on hand to provide music to the very large crowd. There will be live-entertainment at future editions of

Among the highlight of Taste of Cultures was the toss the ring event during which persons were able to win a multitude of household items. Many visitors engaged in the event sometimes three to four times, especially senior citizens. There were also children's games with prizes and face painting. Dutch nationals showed their allegiance by having the Dutch flag painted onto their faces.

Arts and crafts and souvenirs were on sale. Participating nationalities at Taste of Cultures were St. Eustatius, the Netherlands, Montserrat, Suriname, St. Kitts and Nevis, U.S. Virgin Islands, Dominican Republic, St. Maarten, Haiti, Guyana, Saba, China and the United States.

There were many dishes and drinks to be sampled, among which were egg balls, cassava, chicken foot, chick peas, cooked up rice, peas and rice, spaghetti, smoked herring, goat water, barbecue chicken and ribs, Chinese dishes, potato salad, Dutch poffertjes, and oranjebitter.

Director of St. Eustatius Tourism Development Foundation Charles Lindo informed that next month's event will mark the first anniversary of Taste of Cultures

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