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New York Autrement
by Daniela De Luca at Porta 34

Régis Pain, New President of the CEM



The new board of the CEM

At a general meeting held on Monday, February 16, Régis Pain was unanimously elected as the new president of the CEM (Multi-professional Economic Chamber). Representing industry on the slate called "Master The Economic Future of Saint Barth Together," which led the first elections held by the group last November, Pain succeeds Alain Magras, who resigned from this post, as well as all of his duties within the group, as of late January.

The nomination of Régis Pain, who is also the co-president of the local inter-professional building union, caused a game of musical chairs on the board of directors, as a new member, Bernard Blancanneaux, became second vice-president, replacing Pain in that position. Blancanneaux represented commerce on an opposing list, "Union For Professionals of Saint Barthélemy, which won 46% of the votes during the November 2008 elec-

tions. The majority list wanted to "show they are open to the spirit of unity and transparency in the management of the chamber."

Three additional new members were added to the chamber, to replace three others who had also resigned.

The meeting not only included the election of the new president and the integration of new members, but was also the occasion to vote on a budget for 2009, the first for the new group. The operating budget adopted for this first year of activity is 389,250 euros.

THE NEW BOARD OF THE CEM

President: Régis Pain
1er vice-president: Pierre Kirscher
2è vice president: Bernard Blancanneaux
Treasurer: Jérôme Guinet
Secretary: Fabrice Gallizzi

Saint Barth Celebrates Carnival

It's Carnival time in Saint Barth and the island is ready to party! The action got underway on Friday, February 20 with a children's parade through the streets of Gustavia. Then on Sunday, February 22, La Pointe En Mouvement will hold its final pre-Carnival parade at sunset, with a musical pause in front of La Cantina on the waterfront in Gustavia. The theme for this Sunday's costumes will be "70's". Things will continue to heat up on Monday, February 23, with an early evening parade starting at 6pm in pajamas as the revelers prepare for the grand parade on Fat Tuesday — Mardi Gras— February 24. Numerous groups are expected to participate in the big Carnival event which will start at 3:00pm, including Rum and Ginger, ASCCO, and the rock band of the year where if you look closely you'll find Andy Hall from The Hideaway, dentist David Grodberg, Christian Laporte and friends lurking under the wigs and sunglasses. The events will wind down on February 25—Ash Wednesday— with a march through the streets of Gustavia, starting at 7pm, from The Select to Shell Beach for the burning of Vaval, the Carnival King, signifying the end of the revelry and the start of Lent, the period leading up to Easter Sunday on April 12.

Carnival: Practical Information

For the Mardi Gras parade, access and driving in Gustavia is prohibited for all vehicles as of 2pm. It is strongly recommended to park all cars at the entrance to town in the industrial zone of Public, and on the commercial dock which is open for the day to help with the parking issue.

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TIME OUT



Where to go dancing? See an art exhibit?

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CARNIVAL

► Sunday, February 22

Pre-Carnival parades:
Sunday afternoons at sunset
in the streets of Gustavia.
Theme: 70's!

► Monday, February, 23

Parade in Pajamas

► Tuesday, February 24

Mardi Gras Parade

► Wednesday, February 25

Burning of Vaval
(black and white)

Live Music

► Every Evening

-Lounge mix by Jacques
Dumas, 7:30pm to 1am
Bar'tô, Hotel Guanahani

► February 10-28

Planet jabr from 9pm to mid-
night, Bet'A Z'ailes, Gustavia

► Friday February 20

- Trio Salsa Band with
Sin Miedo from 7pm
at Caviar Island

- "Bonjour & Adios" Live
performance, Daniel Jackson
from 10pm at La Plage

► Saturday February 21

- Live Music with Papaguyo
and Swang from 7pm at
Caviar Island, Gustavia
- Stéphane Cano Live at
Le César, St Jean

► Sunday, February 22

- Live Funkee Vibezz with
PapaGuyo & Swang from
1 to 4pm at Do Brazil

- Sunset with Patris Gero

at Do Brazil, Gustavia

- English Karaoke from

9:30pm at La Plage, St Jean

► Monday February 23

- Live music with the Latin
group, Sin Miedo, at Caviar
Island, Gustavia

► Tuesday February 24

- Dancing: Zouk, Salsa,
Merengue, with DJ Fabien
Kouffach at La Marine,
Gustavia

- Big Masquerade Ball and
Fashion Show, at Ti St Barth,
Pointe Milou

- Mardi Gras celebration with
DJ Fabien at Caviar Island,

► Wednesday February 25

- Live Funkee Vibezz with
PapaGuyo & Swang from
8:00pm at La Mandala

► February 27 & 28

La Chorale de Bons Chœurs
presents two concerts, featur-

ing "Carmina Burana" and
excerpts from the Broadway
musical, "West Side Story,"
plus special guest: Jane
Thorngren, soprano opera
star from New York,
Anglican Church Gustavia at
8pm

Night Club

- Yacht Club, Gustavia
- Eleven 12, Gustavia
- The Strand Supper club
- Hot Spot Café, Lurin

Let's Party

- New suggestions every nights
: Fashion show & dance show
at le Ti St Barth, Pointe Milou

► Friday, February 20

- The Battle of the DJs:
Konka / aka Xavier VS Patris
Gero from Do Brasil at The
Strand Supper Club

- "Girl Power Party" at Yacht
Club, Gustavia

- Roots Brothers at Hot Spot
Café, Lurin

► Saturday, February 21

- Saturday Night Fever at
The Strand, Supper Club
- Love Music for a lovely
night at Yacht Club, Gustavia

- Live music United Band
with DJ Regis, Diffusion

Carnival 2008, 10pm, at Hot
Spot Café, Lurin

► Sunday, February 22

- Djoul from St Barth at The
Strand Supper Club

► Monday February 23

- Disco Party at Yacht Club,
Gustavia

► Wednesday February 25

- Bling Bling (R&B Deluxe)
Old Skol meet the future at
the Strand Supper Club

- Bad girls with DJ Piro at
Eleven 12, Gustavia

► Thursday, February 26

- Overkitch 70-80-90 (compli-
mentary Champagne for
ladies till 1pm) at
the Strand Supper Club

- Latino rhythm with DJ
Nando at Hot Spot Café,

► Friday, February 27

- "Girl Power Party" at Yacht
Club, Gustavia

- Tropical Jam with Mike &
Bob Dil at Hot Spot Café,

- Exceptional: Beach Party, at
the Strand Supper Club

Fashion Show

► Saturday February 21

- Addicted, mixed by Yo-One
Sutter at 9pm at La Plage.

► Every Tuesday

- 6:30pm: Fashion show by the
pool, from the boutique at the
Isle de France, Flamands

- 9:30 pm, Fashion Show &
Dance Show at Ti St Barth,
Pointe Milou

► Everyday

- 1:30- 2 pm, Case de l'île,
Isle de France, Flamands

- 1:30pm & 8:30pm, fashion
show featuring Wild Side,
La Plage, St Jean

- Fashion show at le Ti St
Barth, Pointe Milou

- Fashion show at Le Tamarin,
Saline

► Through March 11

Exhibition 'La Vie en Roses:'
artist Jean Verrechia tries to
capture the vibrant volup-
tuousness and sensuality of
the rose at Clic Gallery.

► February 20-26

"New York Autrement," An
exhibit of paintings by
Daniela De Luca, Porta 34,
Gustavia.

► Through February 21

Ross Coppelman jewelry at
Les Artisans Gustavia.

► February 20-28:

Photo exhibit, St Barth 1978-
2009, by Marco Glaviano at
La Plage, St Jean

► Permanent exhibits

• The Marines from Drouot
Paris and the pictures of Yves
Nadal at Carole G. Gallery,

• Works by Cyrille Margarit
at Nikki Beach, St Jean

• Paintings by Suzanne Mac
Nally, Les Artisans, Gustavia

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Douchy Celebrates Her 113th Birthday!



The members of Douchy's family

She has been the oldest person in France since May 25, 2008: Eugénie Blanchard, known by her nickname, Douchy, celebrated her 113th birthday at the De Bruyn Hospital last Monday. Born on February 16, 1896, in Merlet, she is the last resident of Saint Barth to have been born in the 19th century. She has lived at the hospital since 1980, when she was 84 years old. She had spent 33 years of her life as a nun in Curaçao.

A busy schedule marked the birthday of this super-centenarian, with a mass,

a cocktail toast, and different activities for school children. All of those who live in the hospital were present, as well as local dignitaries and elected officials such as vice-president of the COM, Nicole Gréaux, the principal of the junior high, Christian Lédée, and members of Douchy's family, including her nephew, Daniel Blanchard, a former mayor of Saint Barth. In spite of certain snags in the timing and the extreme heat, everyone seemed in good spirits as they marked the birthday of the doyen of France.

After remaining stable for many years, Douchy's overall health is beginning to decline: Another good reason to celebrate the importance of life on such a memorable day.

Deadly Accident In Vitet

Antoine Laroche, the 55 year-old director and creator of the company, Late, passed away on Monday, February 16, as he was working on repairs in the neighborhood of Vitet. A sub-contractor for France Telecom, he was found unconscious at 12:30pm by a neighbor who heard a noise and called the firemen, who tried everything to bring the victim back to life—without success. When the emergency medical service doctor arrived on the scene, he could only confirm the death. By all indications, Laroche fell from the telephone pole where he had been working, yet it is not possible to determine whether the fall caused his death, as a heart attack or other medical problem might have caused the fall. A decision had not yet been made when we went to press as to whether or not an autopsy would be performed. Originally from Cap Verde, moved to France over 25 years ago and worked for the local France Telecom branch for 20 years.

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Hurricane Omar: State Of Natural Disaster Declared For Saint Barthélemy

A state of natural disaster was declared for Saint Barthélemy following the damage caused by hurricane Omar last fall. The decision appeared in the Official Journal of the French Republic on Friday, February 13. Ten towns in Guadeloupe (Baillif, Basse-Terre, Bouillante, Deshaies, Grand-Bourg, Pointe Noire, Terre-de-Bas, Terre-de-Haut, Vieux Fort et Vieux Habitants), and the collectivities of Saint Barthélemy and Saint Martin (included as part of Guadeloupe) were officially recognized as natural disaster sites due to the flooding and serious dam-

age caused by the strong, high waves on October 15 and 16, 2008. The publication of the decision means that all persons having made insurance claims for damage to their homes, automobiles, or businesses, will be automatically covered for the damage caused by the natural catastrophe. But be careful to the timeframe: you have only 10 days from the publication date of the Official Journal (or February 13) to declare direct damage caused by the storm, and 30 days for loss of business. The insurance company has three months to pay the claims.

SEEN IN ST BARTH



Sandrine Hasselwander and Nils d'Ourson at their exhibit on the themes of Love and Femininity at gallery Porta 34



The Tremendous Johnson Band singing up a storm at Caviar Island, with Patricia Deravin (in black)




(from left): An international crowd: Lisbeth Reinholdt, Dal Tucker, Marilyn Lawrence, Edmund Gudenas, and Ken Lawrence at Le Select



(from left) Three Saint Barth painters: Antoine Heckly and Nathalie Daniel, with Jean Verrechia at his opening of Valentine Roses at Clic Gallery

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