



Foundations

March 2007

RIP It

The St. George's Foundation, in conjunction with the Non-Traditional Education Officers, held the first annual teachers training day on Saturday January 27, 2007 at the World Heritage Centre. Our workshop, titled RIP It (Research, Interpret and Present) introduced our signature program designed to improve and promote historical research and learning.



RIP It will teach students how to conduct, interpret and present primary source research using a variety of resources, presentation styles, and site visits (locally and abroad).

RIP It also contains an educator professional development component featuring teacher workshops and our new summer mini-grant program. For a small stipend awardees will develop resource guides, unit plans, lesson plans and performance-based assessments demonstrating the connection between RIP It and the Ministry of Education Social Studies curriculum.

For more information or to request an application please email edofficertsgf@logic.bm.

RIP It Summer Institute

"History is more than what happened in the past, it is more than just finding documents and learning facts, it's a way of thinking and a set of skills."

The St. George's Foundation will sponsor the first RIP It Summer Institute in August where students will learn to create a small documentary film. Registration will begin in late spring. Teachers wishing to volunteer should email **Leondra Burchall**, Education Officer at edofficertsgf@logic.bm.

Save the Date

Friday June 29, 2007 @6:00 p.m.

A Somers Evening in St. George's.

For a glimpse of what's to come view last year's program at www.stgeorgesfoundation.com.

Teacher to Teacher

"Don't become frustrated as you go in 'x' direction. If the child doesn't go the way you teach, go to how the child learns."

Mr. Carlton E. Johnson, Prospect Primary

Email your teaching motto to edofficertsgf@logic.bm



WORLD HERITAGE

Did You Know?

It was possible for St. George's, Bermuda to achieve **UNESCO World Heritage Status** based on the historical significance of St. Peter's Church alone?

St. Peter's Church is believed to be the oldest continually used Anglican Church in the Western hemisphere. Bermuda's first Governor, **Richard Moore** commissioned the original timber frame church in 1612; that structure was completely destroyed by a hurricane and soon replaced by another on the site of what is now St. Peter's. The church was also the site of Bermuda's first Parliament. On August 1, 1620 Bermuda's third governor, **Nathaniel Butler**, convened the first Parliament whose main function was to pass legislation and control the Island's finances.



Inside you will see the altar from the original structure, the oldest example of Bermudian woodwork, and one reason why **UNESCO** (United Nations Heritage, Educational and Cultural Organisation) granted St. George and its Related Fortifications World Heritage Status in November 2000.

