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Welcome to "The Carriacou Museum" Newsletter! Our mission is to bring you closer to the past, present and future of life in Carriacou. The Carriacou Museum provides a fascinating glimpse into Carriacou's past. Numerous exhibits highlight the diversity, talent and energy of the communities of yesteryear and provides inspiration for today and tomorrow. You are invited to invest a little interest in the past and come in for a friendly tour today!

Featured Exhibit:

We are excited to announce that the Carriacou Museum is hosting a special exhibition of **Camp Kayak's - student artwork**, from their 2010 Summer program. The Exhibit is located in our Main Galleries on Paterson Street, Downtown Hillsborough. This special exhibit will be on display through Friday December 17th, 2010. On exhibit are student's artwork & crafts, as well as counselor art contributions. While you are here at the Museum, visit the historical exhibits of colonial artifacts, Amerindian items, and works by well-known local artists. Shop in our newly renovated Museum gift shop: pickup a Camp Kayak wristband or T-shirt, select some awesome souvenirs and grab some postcards to mail to a friend overseas! You can learn more about Camp Kayak - their future plans and next summer's **Camp Kayak** programs in the L'Esterre Stadium - by visiting campkayak.org!



A Bit of History: "A Short History of Carriacou" by the late Dr. Edward Kent (Pt4)

Much of what I have told you relates to the history of Grenada but the two islands lie so close to each other that the history of the one must be similar to the history of the other. We know that the British fleet captured Grenada from the French in 1762: and that there was skirmishing between the French & British until Grenada was finally ceded to Great Britain by the Treaty of Paris in 1783. We have in our possession a letter written from Carriacou, by the manager of Craigston Estate, to "The Master at Craigston Castle in Scotland" reporting that several French ships had been seen sailing by so he and another planter had sailed to Grenada to ask the

Lieutenant Governor for more guns with which to defend Carriacou against a French invasion. In the intervening 20 years, Grenada & Carriacou changed hands many times (as illustrated by the Fenner map of 1784) which shows the island cut up into about fifty estates with a number of small holdings in between. Many of the names of the owners - and Estates - are French but there are also English and Scottish names. You will wonder, as I did, how these people became owners of these properties.

Old Words: "Sah weh posh" is an old expression that means "Well done! We say "Sah weh posh!" to the young people who's excellent work is pictured in this edition of the Carriacou Newsletter!



Archeology: Every Thursday, Volunteers continue to work at the Museum from 10AM to 12 noon to sort archeological finds. You do not need any previous Museum experience, just an interest in Carriacou's History and a fascination with artifacts that are in the collection. We need as much help as possible. Come by the Museum on a Thursday morning or ring Eileen Measey on 443-6784 to volunteer.

News: A special presentation will be made Friday November 5 in the Museum from 2 to 4PM. The winners of our **Wooden Houses Competition** will be announced and our Carriacou Cookbook will be presented. We asked a people to make pictures of our local wooden houses and to write a little history about who lived there. We hope that people will continue to take an interest in these historic structures.

Subscriptions: The Carriacou Museum is published bi-annually. We hope that your curiosity has been peaked, your mind stimulated and your life enriched! Is your membership current? Membership in the Carriacou Historical Society is only \$25ec or \$10us per year. In return, you will receive all the newsletters, have the right to vote at the Annual General Meeting (AGM), and be eligible to hold an office - not to mention the satisfaction of knowing that you are helping to preserve Carriacou's history!

Note of Thanks: To **Netherlands Insurance Company (W. I.) Ltd.** for providing the insurance for the Museum again this year.



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∞ CHS Cookbook! ∞



We are currently producing a Cookery Book which we now have on sale - just in time for Christmas shopping! All of the recipes have been donated and the printing costs have been covered by advertising. We have two reasons for producing the Cookery Book: one is to raise money for the work of the Museum and the other is to record the recipes that have been passed down orally from Grandmother to Mother to Daughter - and sometimes to sons! The Cookbook will be the first of a series in which we hope to eventually record all of the traditional recipes and methods of cooking in Carriacou and Petite Martinique.

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