

Stamp Camp This Weekend

By agreeing to sponsor the Stamp Camp "Train the Trainer Workshop" offered by the Cayman Islands Postal Service, Cable & Wireless is helping teachers find new ways to reach out to children. Stamp Camp, set for April 25-27 at the Grand Cayman Marriott Beach Resort, is a collaborative education programme for children aged 8 to 14. The Postal Service will be bringing three overseas instructors to facilitate the three-day event.



The idea behind the camp is to help teachers find new ways to energize kids about reading, writing, and learning through the art of stamps. The teachers will be taught hands-on activities to use with children, including creative storytelling using stamps, during Saturday and Sunday's workshops. To wrap up the event, the teachers will work one on one with children, putting what they have learned into practice. In addition, local philatelists who are interested in learning how to exhibit their collections will have the opportunity on the opening day of the camp. The Postal Service, through the help of our sponsors, will be launching a pilot programme in six schools, both private and public, throughout the Islands, which will instill the art of stamp collecting. The instructors for the camp are Denise Stotts, Cheryl Edgecomb, and Linda Cox. Ms Stott is a Director-at-Large for the American Philatelic Society and a director of the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors, the United States Stamp Society, the Texas Philatelic Association, and Women Exhibitors. She won a gold medal for her thematic exhibit on Japanese art and has several one-frame exhibits on other subjects. Ms Edgecomb is a founding member and current CEO and Executive Director of Stamp Camp USA and serves as Youth Exhibiting Chairman for the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors. She is a lifelong stamp collector who specialises in US postal history and topical/thematic collecting of stamps featuring rainbows. An employee of the US Postal Service for the past 28 years, Cheryl presently serves as Postmaster at Knoxville, Pennsylvania. Linda Cox works extensively with Stamp Camp USA. Postmaster General Sheena Glasgow praised Cable & Wireless for collaborating with the Cayman Islands Postal Service. "We are grateful that Cable & Wireless is joining us for this worthwhile endeavour. We are pleased to be involved with educating youngsters and also delighted that stamps will be used as an educational tool." Estella Scott-Roberts Corporate Communications Manager said, "Cable & Wireless is very proud to be one of the major supporters of the Cayman Islands Postal Service Stamp Camp. We are extremely excited to support George Town Primary School as one of the pilot schools as they embark on this programme. We are looking forward to the success of the Stamp Camp programme to it having a positive impact on children in our community. Caption: Cable & Wireless CEO Tim Adam presents Postmaster General Sheena Glasgow with a sponsorship check for Stamp Camp.