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September at the Peaks Island Branch Library

129 Island Avenue  766-5540  email: peaks@portlandpubliclibrary.org

Hours Open: Tues 2-8 Wed 10-4 Fri 10-2 Sat 8-12

Congratulations to all the children who completed their Camp Out! goal of reading at least 8 books this summer and completing activities on their Adventure Maps! Chance Corbett and Louise Dingwell were the happy winners of the bicycles offered by the Masonic’s “Bikes for Books” program. These were donated by Portland’s Triangle Lodge No. 1.

First Tuesdays Book Discussion: For the meeting on September 3, we’ll be discussing Frankenstein by Mary Shelley. The meeting is at 7pm, in the Community Room. Everyone is welcome. For the meeting on October 1, the book is Becoming by Michelle Obama. If you need a copy of the book, call or come into the library.

The Peaks Knitting Group continues in the library on September 10. It meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month from 6:30-7:30. Bring your current project and join other knitters for conversation and inspiration! All are welcome, as are all skill levels.

Technology Tutoring continues on September 11 and is available the 2nd Wednesday morning of each month. Tutoring sessions are for all levels of computer users for 30 minutes of free computer assistance. Advance registration is required. Call or stop in the Library for more information or to register for a session.

The Journaling in the Library group will have its September meeting at the Peaks Island Library Branch on Wednesday, 9/18 from 6:00-7:00 pm. This is the Greater Portland region’s only writing group dedicated to journal and memoir writing and welcomes all ages and manual writing media. Participants will have opportunities to cultivate and read their writing, with the support of the community that comprises the group.

Middle School Book Club will meet on Tuesday, September 17 at 5:30 pm in the Community Room, across from the library. If you are entering 6th grade in the fall join us. It is open to all 6, 7, & 8 graders. We will have fun, food, and conversations about books!

Story Times will be starting the second week in September.

Rhythm & Rhymes for babies & toddlers - Wednesdays, September 11, 18, & 25 at 10:15
Pre-School Story Time geared for 3-5 year olds - Fridays, September 13, 20, & 27 at10:15

DEADLINE FOR NEXT MONTH’S STAR: Wednesday, September 25. Bring articles copy ready to the Library. When the Library is closed, you may put them in the book return in the hallway or slip them under the Library door.
Peaks Island Elementary School

A wise educator once said that September is the month when everything is still possible. The learning opportunities that lie ahead for our 41 incoming PreK through grade five students for the 2019-2020 are particularly exciting. Thanks to a very generous grant from the Peaks Island Fund, our students will be working this fall with graphic artist and educator Sarah Boyden, as well as physical theater artist and educator Gretchen Berg on projects that will commemorate and celebrate the school building's 150th Birthday. All of us at Peaks Island Elementary School want to extend a huge thank you to all islanders near and far who contribute to the Peaks Island Fund and help make these arts opportunities possible for our students. In turn, we'll be inviting all of you to one big 150th birthday celebration for our beloved island school - stay tuned for the date and details!

As we begin a new year of possibilities, we want to extend a warm invitation to islanders who may be interested in volunteering at the school. If interested or wish to learn more, please call the school office at 766-2528. Here's to a wonderful school year ahead, Peaks Island!

Warm Regards,
Kelly Hasson, Teacher Leader

September Saturday Night Movies
Free in the Community Room

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This film series is sponsored by Friends of the Peaks Island Library. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer projectionist, stop by the library for more information!

Pick up a flyer in the library to find out more information about these films!
LIONS CLUB ORGANIZATION GRANTS
Organizations that would like to be considered for a Lions Club Grant should contact Lions Club President, Edward Ezzard by telephone, mail or e-mail by October 15th. The grants will be awarded at the October 28th Lions Club meeting. Telephone: 756-4713; Address: P.O. Box 102, Peaks Island, ME 04108; e-mail: TheMaineJack@gmail.com

LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS
To be eligible for a Lions Scholarship for the 2019-20 school year, Peaks Island residents and children of Peaks Island Lions members who are currently attending or expect to matriculate in a post graduate career school or college for the fall semester should submit a written scholarship request to:

Chairman of the Scholarship Committee
Peaks Island Lions Club, P.O. Box 102
Peaks Island, ME 04108

Your letter must be received by September 15th and should state your expected field of study and the school that you will be attending.

If you are reapplying for this scholarship, the reapplying applicant or family is expected to help the community with a minimum of eight (8) hours of service in the Lions or another Lions approved Peaks Island organization. The Peaks Island Club service activities include our good weather fundraising events (bakes, rentals from May - August), our community activities - Halloween Party (Oct 31st), Variety Show (Aug 5th & 6th), Christmas Party (Dec at the school), our sponsored Peaks Island Road Race (July 27th) and for grounds maintenance (May - Oct). We will send you our events calendar for you to sign up by emailing lionsclubrentals@gmail.com.

Please note that there is a five-year maximum for any individual to receive a Lions Club Scholarship.

Trefethen-Evergreen Improvement Association (TEIA)
September News (teiaclub.org)

Around-the-Island Race, Sunday, September 1

Our annual race welcomes all manner of sail, row, and paddle vessels. Onlookers encouraged. It starts with registration and a review of the racing rules at the Skippers Meeting at 10:00 at TEIA. If you would like to race but don’t have a boat, come anyway and we’ll find a spot for you on someone’s crew.

Racing begins promptly at 1:00. Join us immediately after the race for a cook-out and our awards ceremony, which usually begins at 2:15, and ends at approximately 3:00. Participants, guests, and the curious are all invited to join the cook-out, and all are encouraged to bring something to grill or share.

The TEIA tennis courts are still open. Want to play? Short-term memberships make that possible.

The TEIA calendar for next year is full of social events, programs for everyone from youngsters to seniors. Membership information can be found at teiaclub.org.

Among the events already planned for the summer of 2019: concerts, theatre, sailing lessons, tennis lessons, and annual traditions including the TEIA Fair and the annual Schooner Fare
Brackett Memorial United Methodist Church
We are a Welcoming, Inclusive, Reconciling and Non-Conforming Congregation
9 Church Ave; 207-766-5013; brackettmumc@gmail.com; www.brackettmumc.org
Rev. Will Green, Pastor

Anyone is welcome to join any of our worship, fellowship, or mission opportunities.

Sunday Morning Worship at 10am. Followed by an informal time of food and fellowship in the church hall.
Peaks Island Food Pantry at Brackett Church, Mondays, 3:30-5pm.

SPECIAL EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER:

BOOK GROUP, WOMANIST MIDRASH by Wilda C. Gafney - TUESDAYS. This "reintroduction to the women of the Torah and the throne" comes from a womanist (Black women's feminism) perspective. We meet on Tuesdays at Emily Sherwood's from 11:00-noon.

RUMMAGE SALE PREPARATION - THURSDAYS. Thanks for the donations that are already coming in for our October Rummage Sale on October 12th &13th! Because people are being so generous with donations, we could use help SORTING AND ORGANIZING. Thursday mornings from 9 to 11 and Thursday evenings from 6 to 8 we would love to have you join us.

PRAYER SHAWL KNITTING - FRIDAYS. Whatever your skill level, all knitters are welcome to join us on Friday mornings at 10:30, also at Emily’s, for our prayer shawl knitting group. We’ve given shawls to people all over the world. Do you know someone, near or far, who would appreciate a handmade gift created with love and prayer? Let us know.

St. Christopher Catholic Church
Rector: Father Greg Dube at 773-7746

Sunday Mass is at 10 AM each week. For information about services on the mainland, check www.portlandcatholic.org. For information concerning Baptism, Reconciliation & Marriage, please contact Father Greg.

Rosary: The Scripture Studies Group invites all to pray the Rosary for special intentions and world peace at 9:30 AM before Mass each Sunday.

AA meets Wednesdays from 6:15 to 7:15 PM in the Parish House.
Share Scripture with Islanders from 9:30 to 11 AM each Wednesday in the Parish House on Central Avenue.
PEAKS ISLAND TAX AND ENERGY ASSISTANCE (PITEA)

Portland property tax bills were mailed to Peaks Island households and payment is due early in September. Once again PITEA is offering tax assistance to households whose island residence is their permanent residence. Applications for assistance must be given to a member of the clergy by September 6th so that PITEA will be able to pay the agreed upon portion on time.

We have two members of the Clergy who will be accepting applications:
James Flagler  Retired Episcopal Priest
Will Green  Pastor of the Brackett Memorial Methodist Church

Please make sure that you give them plenty of lead time.

We are pleased to announce that our BEAN SUPPER will be held on September 11th at JONES LANDING from 5-7 p.m. Watch for more information. Our fund, Peaks Island Tax and Energy Assistance holds fundraisers throughout the year so that we can assist Islanders with either tax or energy assistance. Donations are gladly received and should be made out to:
PITEA, PO Box 126, Peaks Island, Maine 04108.
PITEA is a 501(c)3 charitable foundation so your donation would be tax deductible.

Applications for tax assistance from the Sam McCain Tax Assistance Fund or the Energy Assistance Fund may be found on the library/community bulletin board. Please call 766-0067 if you have any questions about the fund or the applications. We will try to award $950 for tax assistance and $325 for each request for energy assistance.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Ralph Ashmore, Linda Capone Newton, Tookie Harris, Angela Kelso, Kim MacIsaac, Linda Murphy, John O'Brien, Howard Pedlikin, Cynthia Pedlikin, Megan Selby, and Val Simoneau

Peaks Island Community Food Pantry

The Peaks Island Community Food Pantry is located in the Brackett Memorial Church and is open on Mondays at 3:30–5pm. Our mission is to provide food assistance to our island neighbors in need, supported by many different individuals and organizations from Peaks Island.

If you would like to donate items to the food pantry, our needs this month are: toilet paper, laundry detergent, dishwashing soap, spaghetti sauce, canned ravioli, cooking oil, plain peanut butter, grape jelly, canned peaches or pears in juice, canned white potatoes, coffee, one pound bag of sugar, small jars of mayonnaise.

If you have any questions about the food pantry, or you would like to arrange a food drop off or a donation pick up, please contact Susan Hanley, 207-332-2443.
SENIOR NEWS

Our next Senior Luncheon will be held on Monday, September 9th at noon. Invite your senior friends and neighbors to the Fay Garman House. Please bring a dish to share and tell us about your summer on Peaks Island. **All Seniors are welcome!** If you don't consider yourself a Senior, come anyway!!

We are now offering **Chair Yoga** at the Fay Garman House Community Room every **Tuesday** and **Thursday** afternoons starting at 4 pm for about an hour. Chair yoga is a great way to relax from head to toe without the stress of getting out of your chair. There is no charge for these yoga sessions and are open to anyone who wants a quick way to stretch their body and relieve tensions.

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The Fifth Maine Museum
www.fifthmainemuseum.org, 207-766-3330

HELP US RAISE THE ROOF!!
As you can imagine, upkeep of our 131-year old building never stops. This year we are replacing our roof, a critical need and an enormous expense. Please join us in protecting our historic building and valuable museum collection – your contribution makes a difference! Send checks to The Fifth Maine Museum, P. O. Box 41, Peaks Island, ME 04108
Thank you for your support!!

PARTY on the PORCH – Sunday, September 15th, 6:30-8:00pm
Wine tasting. It's a tough job, but someone's got to do it. And this time, you can do it for the Fifth Maine. Taste a series of red and white wines with Connoisseur & Author Layne Witherell. Admission $10.

Harvest Supper – SAVE THE DATE – October 12th, seatings at 5:30pm and 7:00pm
Finish out the season with our traditional Harvest Supper - pot roast with new potatoes and gravy, accompanied by fall vegetables and flakey biscuits, topped off with homemade desserts! Adults $20, Kids under 12 $10, Kids under 3 eat free. Pre-sale tickets required. Tickets will go on sale September 28th. Call Susan Hanley, 207-332-2443, for tickets.
SEPTMBER 2019 ACTIVITIES AT THE PEAKS ISLAND COMMUNITY CENTER

City of Portland Parks, Recreation and Facilities

Portland Parks & Recreation Programs are for Peaks Island and Portland residents and are held in the Peaks Island Community Center. The Peaks Community Center is available for a variety of events, functions and educational programs. If you would like to reserve the Community Center, please contact Diane 766-2970 at the Parks and Recreation's Peaks Island Community Center.

Peaks After the Bell Program 2019 - 2020
Parks & Recreation

The After the Bell Program starts on Sept. 3rd on Peaks Island. After the Bell focuses on activities that include recreation, enrichment and community as part of our daily curriculum.

- Arts, crafts, coloring, drawing & painting
- Puzzles, board, card & organized games including a mini pool table
- Basketball, dodgeball & etc
- Daily book reading & Every Tuesday at the Library
- Chess, checkers & Legos
- Outside on the playground & island exploration

You can register your child thru the City of Portland Parks & Recreation's online portal. Visit: register.communitypass.net or call 808-3400

Low Impact Aerobics With Weights
Mon. & Thurs. 9:30-10:30 a.m.

This program does a wide range of exercises to build strength with available hand-held weights. It is a fun-filled hour of aerobics. The routine will make you smile and laugh. All are welcome. FREE!

Strength Training For Women
Tues. & Friday 7:15-8:15 a.m.

Sessions start with a 10-minute stretch and aerobic warm-up and moves into the use of hand-held and ankle weights for a full range of exercises and stretches. Exercises are guided with attendees in chairs or standing. Fee: $60.00 or $5.00 drop in fee per class.

Adult Strength Training
Starting on Sept. 16
Tues. & Fridays 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Come join us in the Adult Strength Training Class with instructor Devon Kraft. Each class starts with aerobic warm-ups moving into stretches and exercises. Exercises are guided with attendees standing or in chairs and the use of hand-held and ankle weights. Fee: $60.00 or $5.00 drop in fee per class.

Weekly Thursday's Knit, Chat & Etc.
Thursdays 10:45-11:45 a.m.

Join us for our weekly Knit & Chat. Paint & ETC. Group. Bring your favorite craft project, easel or writing project. Come join our group. FREE!

STAR SUBSCRIPTION

Did you know you can have the STAR mailed to you September through June? Stop by the library or mail your name, address and $8.00 to Peaks Island Star ½ Peaks Island Branch Library, 129 Island Avenue, Peaks Island ME 04108
Free Medical Equipment Available
The Peaks Island Health Center and St. Christopher’s have free medical equipment such as wheelchairs, walkers, and crutches available on loan temporarily. Stored at the Church’s shed, it is provided on a first come, first served basis at no charge. Borrowers are only asked when they will return it and also relieve the program of any liability.
For more information, contact Kay Taylor at 766-2811 or islapicos@maine.rr.com; or Chris Hoppin at 766-2593 or choppin@aol.com.

American Legion Post 142 News
Our Annual Meeting will be Friday, September 6th at 6 PM.
Join other island musicians for song sharing, jamming and song swaps on Sundays from 4 to 6 PM. All island musicians and visitors are welcome to join in. It's mostly acoustic, so don't bring amps or drum sets, just a love of music and fun!

Volunteers Needed for CERT
Our Peaks Island Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is ready to assist the Portland Fire Department in disasters. But we need more volunteers. For more info, call Jay Desmond at 766-2088.