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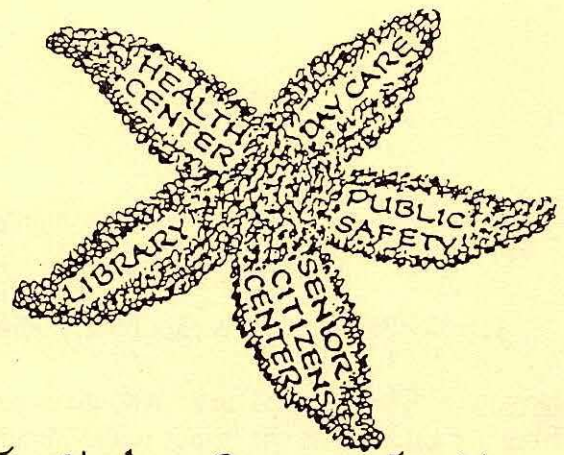
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Newsletter of the Island's Service Agencies & other Community News

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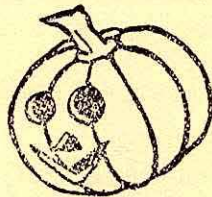
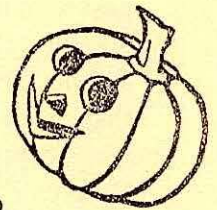
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Fifth Annual Peaks Pumpkin Path

Halloween – Wednesday, October 31st – 4 to 8 pm

Bring your carved pumpkins to the entrance of Greenwood Gardens. Volunteers will keep them lit until after the party at the Lions' Club. Lots of categories: the largest, the prettiest, most original, scariest, and the most pumpkins from one family. Remember to write your name on the back.

Sponsored by the Peaks Island Neighborhood Association (PINA).



THE FIFTH MAINE REGIMENT COMMUNITY CENTER

P.O. BOX 41, PEAKS ISLAND, MAINE 04108

The Fifth Maine ends a very successful 2001 season with two events this year. The first will be a **Harvest Supper on Saturday October 6** with two seatings: **5:30 and 7:00 PM**. The menu will be roast pork, roasted fall vegetables, salad, fresh bread, apple-pear crisp, and coffee. Tickets are \$10 per adult and \$5 per child. For reservations, call Sharon at 766-2385.

The second and final event of the season will be an illustrated presentation, *Peaks Island Past and Present* by the Fifth Maine's curator, Kim MacIsaac on **Saturday October 13 at 7:00 pm**. The program will trace the evolution of the island from a fishing village to a bustling summer resort to the principal defender of Casco Bay during World War II to a popular neighborhood within the City of Portland. A \$3 per person donation is requested for this program.

Planning has already begun for the 2002 season. Look for some great activities that may include trips to other islands and some interesting guest speakers as well as the Penny Auction for children. Volunteers are needed to help with these and other activities, to assist the Board of Directors with publicity and membership tasks, and to staff the museum so it can remain open for the public to enjoy. Giving just a few hours a month is a great way to help our island community and a fun way to meet interesting people from all over the world. If you would like to help or just get more information about volunteering at the Fifth Maine, please call Sharon at 766-2385 or Kim at 766-5514 or email fifthmaine@juno.com.

Peaks Island Branch Library News

OPEN: Tues. 2-8; Wed. 10-4; Fri. 10-2; Sat. 8-12 noon

Telephone: 766-5540

Weekly Programs: Preschool Story Time, Wed 10:15; Nursery Rhyme Time, Fri 11:00

Thank you to "The Flower Lady," who gives such joy with the beautiful dahlias and other flowers from her garden that she brings to the library. Many people remark on their beauty.

New at the Library: the library now has a pass to the Children's Museum of Maine. The way it works is you pick the day you would like to visit the museum and then come in to see if that day is available. We, in turn, will give you a pass for that day, which entitles you to free admission for up to 6 people. Museum information is available at their website: www.kitetails.com We still have passes to the Portland Museum of Art as well. These work the same way. Questions? Call us.

Adult Book Discussion welcomes author Cynthia Thayer, who will lead a discussion of her books, *Strong for Potatoes* and a *Certain Slant of Light*, Tuesday, October 2, at 7 PM. Please join us for that special event.

Tuesday, November 6, Election Day, the book for discussion is *Beloved* by Toni Morrison. Rhonda Berg will facilitate the discussion in the library. Book Discussion meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7 PM. It is open to anyone interested in the book being discussed.

Have a question about computers? Stuck on a problem? Want to know how to use the internet for genealogy searches? On Wednesday mornings, Richard Norris comes to the library to give individual help to anyone with a computer question. Please let the librarians know ahead that you would like to come so not everyone will come at once.

Friends of the Peaks Island Library Saturday Night Film Program

10/6	6 PM – The Extraterrestrial (PG) 115 min.	8 PM – Young Frankenstein (PG) 108 min.
10/13	6 PM – Bedknobs & Broomsticks (G) 117 min.	8 PM – Ghostbusters (PG) 79 min.
10/20	6 PM – 101 Dalmatians (G) 79 min.	8 PM – Planet of the Apes (G) 112 min.
10/27	6 PM – Hocus Pocus (PG) 96 min.	8 PM – Sleepy Hollow (R) 105min.

All movies are FREE and are shown in the Community Room

Since people have different sensibilities, tastes, and opinions, we offer the following website for those who would like to know more about a movie before coming to see it: www.imdb.com If you have suggestions of movies you would like to see, please give them to any member of the film committee or bring them to the library.

Friends of the Peaks Island Library Annual Meeting

The following people were elected to the Friends of the Peaks Island Library board at its annual meeting in September: Carol Eisenberg, President; Rhonda Berg, Vice President; Roberta Deane, Treasurer; Ron Sinicki, Secretary for Membership; and Kathryn Moxhay, Secretary for Minutes. Members at Large are Kay Taylor, Carla Hults, Kim Norton, Anne Whitman, Patricia Crowley-Rockwell, Elinor Clark, Stan Brooks, Sandi Radis, Patty Zimmerman, Karen Friedman, and Marty Braun.

Thank you to Edmund Berry for his contribution toward the STAR printing cost. DEADLINE FOR NEXT MONTH'S STAR: Thursday, October 25. Bring items, copy ready, to the library by 6 PM, please.

PINA NEWS

The next general meeting of the Peaks Island Neighborhood Association will be on Tuesday, October 9, at 7:30 at the Community Center. We intend to introduce the new Steering Committee, discuss PINA's purpose and goals, and present a list of issues that should be addressed in the coming year. The meeting agenda will include presentation of a proposed survey of Islanders' opinions and concerns, an update on City of Portland intentions on Oceangate, and a report on general City matters by Island Administrator Tom Fortier. We are introducing a new feature of PINA meetings, a resource table at which Island organizations and others can display literature on topics of importance to them. At this meeting PINA will be serving dessert refreshments (free).

At its meeting on September 18 the PINA Steering Committee elected its officers. They are:

Bill Hall, President
Cynthia Cole, Vice-President
Dick Springer, Secretary
Charles Enders, Treasurer

Because of the resignation of Kyra Adkins there is now one vacancy on the Steering Committee. Membership on the Steering Committee enables you to influence the agenda of PINA to insure that your concerns are addressed. Anyone interested in serving is asked to speak to an officer or other member of the Steering Committee.

PINA will be sponsoring a candidates' night, tentatively scheduled for October 23, at which those running for the City Council and other offices in November will make statements about their candidacies and answer questions from the audience.

A note from the Police

We know that our lives have been occupied with the tragic events of September 11th. We would like to thank each of you that had a kind word during that time. On several occasions, people asked us, how we were doing. It is that type of kindness that makes this a Great Island.

I was as everyone was ready to go to New York to do what I could. I was put on a list of Paramedic Firefighters, and told to wait and see. That can be very frustrating since the nature of the job is to help when you see someone in need. I never went to New York.

We are asked from time to time about what address someone can send a donation. I have made up this partial list to help you with your generosity. Thank you again.

SALVATION ARMY 1-800-725-2769 (1800-SAL ARMY)

UNITED WAY 1-212-251-4035

RED CROSS 1-800-435-7669 (1800-HELP NOW)

NEW YORK FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS RESCUE WORKERS
FUND 253-274-0424

MERCY CORPS (for grieving children) 1-800-292-3355 ext. 250

NATIONAL DISASTER SEARCH DOG FOUNDATION
C/O FETCH
102 CONGRESS STREET
PORTLAND MAINE 04101

NEW YORK POLICE WIDOW AND CHILDREN FUND
C/o PORTLAND POLICE CREDIT UNION
109 MIDDLE STREET PORTLAND MAINE 04101

NEW YORK FIREFIGHTERS 9-11 DISASTER RELIEF FUND
C/o FIREHOUSE.COM
9658 BALTIMORE AVE SUITE 350
COLLAGE PARK MD 20740

NEW YORK STATE WORLD TRADE CENTER RELIEF FUND
PO BOX 5028
ALBANY NEW YORK 12205
1-800-801-8092

NEW YORK STATE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE FOUNDATION
NYSFOP FOUNDATION
WTC POLICE DISASTER FUND
911 POLICE PLAZA
HICKSVILLE NEW YORK 11801

And for the folks on line, AMERICAN LIBERTY PARTNERSHIP [HTTP://liberty.unites.org](http://liberty.unites.org) This is a site with several charitable organizations.





Brackett Memorial United Methodist Church

9 Church St, Peaks Island 766-5013

e-mail: PeaksisleRev@aol.com

Rev. Johanne Dame Roberta Deane, Lay Leader

Rev. Sam McCain, Minister of Visitation

Worship Service — Sundays, 10 a.m.

Mission Statement: Brackett Memorial United Methodist Church is called to be a caring, Christian community worshipping, praying, witnessing, reaching out to those on the island and beyond; daring to grow and change as God calls us.

Coffee Hour follows our Worship Service on Sunday mornings. Church school is held during the worship service for children ages 5 to 12 and childcare is provided for younger children. All are welcome to join us.

October 2nd, United Methodist Women meet 11:15 at the church

October 7th Nurture Committee Meeting following worship

October 15th Deadline for reports for annual meeting

October 21st Charge Conference (annual meeting)

Pastor Parish Meeting 9 am

Rev. Don Rudalevidge guest preacher at 10 am worship

Potluck Luncheon followed by meeting

October 27th Annual Retreat - all members & friends are invited to join us as we gather at Gunner & Ingrid Elofson's home

St. Christopher's Catholic Church

15 Central Avenue

Telephone: 766-2585

Mass: Sundays at 12 Noon

Pastor: Father Fred Morse

Faith Formation

All are welcomed to participate in *Salt & Light*, an intergenerational way for young and old to come together to celebrate and learn more about the mystery of Christ in our midst.

Salt & Light is a new monthly parish retreat that offers instruction in basic elements of the faith, community building events, social ministry opportunities and worship. It will be held in St. Christopher's Church on the first Sunday morning of the month from October thru April, from 9:30 to 12:00, followed by the noon Mass. *Salt & Light* is coordinated by Joseph Draper and sponsored by the Deborah DeAngelo Memorial Fund.

The first *Salt & Light* program on October 7th is the Creation reported by Genesis & Psalms, teaching that God Loves Us.

Sacraments

Rite of Reconciliation: Ask the priest before and/or after Mass or call Father Fred for an appointment.

Baptism: Please call the office to make arrangements.

Marriage: Please call the office at least six months in advance.

Parish Center Activities: Weight Watchers - Mondays, 6:00 PM; Blood Pressure Screening - Thursdays, 10 AM; AA - Thursdays at 6:00 PM

Parish Council: Jean O'Toole and Marie Watson (Pastoral), Ed Daranyi and Chris Hoppin (Financial), Louise Cattivelli (Bookkeeper)

Ladies Auxiliary Unit #142 News

Hope all our members and friends on Peaks Island had a great summer! Our first meeting was held on Sunday, September 23rd and our meetings will continue throughout the winter months on the 3rd Sunday of the month – 1:00 p.m. at the Legion Hall. We welcome all current members and prospective members to join us.

In support of America and our Youth, we have decided to hold a raffle. Drawing to be held at the Legion on December 7th.

First Prize	\$100 Savings Bond
Second Prize	\$ 50 Savings Bond

Chances will be \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. See any Ladies Auxiliary member for your tickets, stop by the Legion Hall, or you can call Janice Wolkoff in the evening at 766-5053. Proceeds to go to the Scholarship Fund. We were able to award 4 scholarships last June and would like to increase the numbers in 2002.

Your 2002 dues are now due!!!

Please send them to Amy Brown, 15 New Island Avenue

Peaks Island Children's Workshop

71 Herman Ave.

766-2854

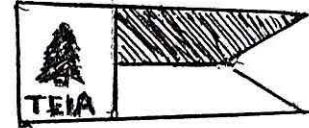
The PICW is off to a very busy fall. Our new playground is being delivered in a few days and soon the construction will begin! We will probably still need some volunteers to help move our wood chips, the day of construction; if anyone is interested please call for more information.

Our preschoolers continue to be very active. We have some new children that have started this fall, and are having a great time meeting new friends and joining in on all the fun activities. The preschoolers are "studying" Monarch butterflies, and are hoping to find a cocoon to put in their science tank. The school age group is all excited for the new school year. They are looking forward to lots of fun art activities, walking fieldtrips, team building games, and much more.

The PICW is currently looking for community volunteers to share their talents with our program. Storytelling, Art, Dance, etc.. whatever your skill is, we are interested in finding out more about it. We have time slots on Tuesday and Thursday, for the preschool group 10-11:00am and for the school age group from 4-5:00pm. Contact Jon Kelso at 766-2854 or Kim Traina at 766-5042 for more info or to schedule a time.

The PICW is also offering a workshop open to parents and the community, called **Nutrition for Children**, presented by Julie Lucci of the Cumberland County Cooperative Extension. The workshop will be held at PICW October 23, from 6:15-7:15pm. Call or stop in to sign up, free of charge!

Trefethen Evergreen Improvement Association



Crowds of spectators gathered "down front" waiting for the signal to begin the 24th annual around Peaks Island Race. Sail boats, kayaks and vessels beyond description joined in the fun. Organized by Dave Norton and Tom Morse, the September 2nd event had islanders scurrying by bike, golf cart, and on foot trying to keep up with the racers. Starting at the Army pier where the race began, to the backshore for a panoramic view with brightly colored spinnakers flying, the race finished at TEIA. Skippers and their crews were welcomed home and the excitement ended with a BBQ for sailors and landlubbers as well. Awards were presented in many categories, from First place to Most Creative craft! Sponsored by TEIA, all proceeds went to benefit the Peaks Island School PTA.

PEAKS ISLAND LAND PRESERVE

Collecting baseline data on PILP's parcels of land -- those it owns, and those on which it holds conservation easements -- will start soon. Before the snow flies! The City's recent aerial mapping of Peaks is not yet available to us. When it is, it will help to define the boundaries of parcels exactly. But we can begin to document the terrain, vegetation, trails, etc., in the meanwhile. Volunteers, please look for our notices of groups being formed to do this, each with a knowledgeable leader and a clear agenda. All help is welcome!

Fund raising to pay for recent and future land acquisitions is our high priority. Can you help us? -- with contributions large or small, or with ideas and manpower to raise money? Please call any PILP board member to discuss this. Or call Liz Loewald at 766-4461.

The danger of fire in our Peaks forests and grass lands is very high, in this dry season. At Battery Steele and the other parcels it manages for the public's use, PILP asks that cooking fires be started only with police permission; and with arrangements for available water to douse flames.

The PILP Board will meet next on Wednesday, October 3rd, at 6:15 pm, at the Community Center.

Winter Hours at the Health Center:

Mondays and Thursdays, 8 AM to 3 PM and by appointment.

For an appointment, call 766-2929 or Dr. Martin's Windham office, 892-7055. Walk-ins also are welcome during the open hours.

As Mary Libby, Family Nurse Practitioner, will be on vacation October 8 – October 19, Dr. Martin will be at the health Center October 11 and 18. There will be a new but familiar face at the Center this fall: Connie Hurley will be sharing the office assistant's job with Jill Tiffany.

For dental care, the hygienist will be here Wednesday, October 24 and the dentist on Friday, October 26. Phone the Center for Community Dental Health, 874-1025, ext. 3005. Leave a message for Wanda on her voice mail and she will return your call.

A podiatrist, Dr. Dorsey, will be here Wednesday, November 28. For an appointment, call 761-3889.

Looking ahead, the annual Flu-Shot Clinic, cosponsored by the Peaks Island Lions, has been scheduled for November 14 in the Community Room. We are fortunate that Community Health Services will conduct the morning session, 8:30 to 10:45 and the Visiting Nurses Association will be here in the afternoon, 3 to 5:30. There will be flu vaccine at the Health Center for those unable to attend the clinic that day.

SENIOR NEWS

Our pot luck luncheon Monday September 10th at the 5th Maine was host to 20 plus members. Many of our senior members were attending a function at the Brackett Church and could not be with us. The food was delicious as usual.

Highpoint of the gathering was a presentation by Arnold Berndt of growing up in Germany. Being an out spoken anti Nazi, he was forced to flee and eventually found security in Israel. He elaborated on the problem of Israel and Palestine having lived there so long.

Next luncheon will be October 8th at the 5th Maine hope everyone can attend as it is the last one at the 5th Maine for the year.

STAR OF THE SEA STUDIO'S

WE ARE OFF TO A GREAT SEASON

WE WELCOME OUR NEW STUDENTS, MEGAN GOODELL, CHIARA MORABITO, FIONA GAGNEY, CHELSEA ROLLINS. WE WELCOME BACK DOMENIC, RAFFAELLA AND FRANCESCA MORABITO.

OUR CHRISTMAS SHOW WILL BE ON SUNDAY DEC. 2nd, OUR THEME IS "A STORYBOOK CHRISTMAS" A PROGRAM OF THE FAVORITE NURSERY RHYME CHARACTERS.

OUR SINCERE THANKS TO OUR ISLAND ARTISTS WHO GAVE OF THEIR TALENTS FOR THE BENEFIT SHOW FOR NEW YORK POLICE AND FIREMEN ASSN. ON SAT. SEPT. 29th SPONSORED BY THE PEAKS ISLAND LIONS CLUB, AND TO THE ISLAND COMMUNITY FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

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DOREEN AND CO.

OCTOBER ACTIVITIES on PEAKS ISLAND
Sponsored by Portland Parks and Recreation

To reserve the Community Room, you must contact Denise (766-2970) at least 1 week in advance. A written request must be filled out before the room can be scheduled (forms are available from Denise). If Denise is not available, please leave a message for Keith Hansen at 756-8275 during regular business hours. Denise's work week for Portland Parks and Recreation is Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. Please note: Denise will be out the week of October 8

**** ISLAND HAPPENINGS - OPEN TO ALL ****

UPDATE ON TEEN DROP-IN AND ADULT BASKETBALL PROGRAM

Portland Parks and Recreation is in the process of hiring staff for these programs. Check bulletin boards or Denise's machine (766-2970) for updates.

MOVIES ON PEAKS ISLAND

(Denise's choice - but she will take suggestions!)

Monday, October 22 12:30 pm in the Community Center
Please note earlier start time

AUTUMN GET-TOGETHER and PLAN FOR THE WINTER

Bring a "Fall" dessert to share as well as the recipe
Bring ideas for the Holiday season and beyond

Monday, October 29 1:00 pm at the Community Center

LOW IMPACT EXERCISE PROGRAM (using videos) - Open to ALL!

This on-going program meets on Monday and Thursday mornings
9:30 to 10:30 am in the Community Room
All are invited to come!! FREE!

**** OFF-ISLAND TRIPS: OPEN TO ALL ADULTS ****

Pre-registration required. Sign-up sheets are on Denise's bulletin board in the Community Center. Phone registrations begin on October 11 (leave message at 766-2970). Each trip has a small transportation fee. Minimum for each off-island trip is 8.

PORTLAND MUSEUM of ART

Thursday, October 18 12:45pm boat/4:30 pm return
View "American Impressionism: Treasures from Smithsonian American Art Museum"
Cost: \$6 (for admission fee and transportation)
Deadline to register is Monday, October 15

APPLE PICKING and LUNCH in "MYSTERY" LOCATION

(apple picking may be from the barrel and not the tree!)

Friday, October 19 10:00am boat/3:15 pm return
Deadline to register is Wednesday, October 17

EARLY (and QUICK) DINNER and CRAFT FAIR

League of Maine Craftsmen at University of NE/Westbrook Campus Gym
Friday, November 2 3:45 pm boat/7:15 pm return
Deadline to register is Monday, October 29

The Holiday Season is just around the corner. Please give Denise some ideas of events/activities you would like to see in the coming months.