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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 22nd  Extra Special Film Program-(See notice below)  7:30 p.m.
Peaks Island Library

February 2  Special Town Meeting
Community Bldg.-Presentation by City Officials of new Portland Waterfront Plans-Slide show and further discussion of the future of the Casco Bay Health Center. All citizens invited.
7:30 p.m.

February 7th  Peaks Island Library Open House
4th Anniversary!
2-4 p.m.

February 10th  Senior Citizens Monthly Meeting & Luncheon
Community Building-Valentine Celebration
Pot Luck Covered Dish Luncheon.
Noon

A VERY SPECIAL FILM SHOWING - This Friday evening, January 22nd, 7:30 p.m.
in Community Room
Sponsored by the Peaks Island Library - FREE
"GHOSTS OF CAPE HORN"
by Keith Critchlow, Filmmaker
Narrated by Jason Robarge; Music by Gordon Lightfoot
Winner of numerous film festival awards-Greek Film Award for best documentary; World Ship Trust Award; French Film Festival Award. Shown at Kennedy Center, Washington, D.C., last June.

Keith Critchlow is staying on the Island and will be showing his film as a special treat for Peaks Islanders. ALL WELCOME!

The Calendar this month seems to reflect the season of "stay-in". However, changes and special happenings do continue to occur on Peaks, including the departure of two important community leaders - Father Conley of St. Christopher's and Joel Young of the Peaks Island Child Development Center. Both have been so active in Island life that their leadership will be greatly missed. See further details under St. Christopher's Notes and Day Care Contributions.

Other happenings and items of interest include - a practically national first-January 1st, one minute after midnight, David Richard Charron-11 lbs., 6 ozs.!!
Best wishes to Virginia & Dick Charron!

RUTH SARGENT has begun work on a project for the Maine Humanities Council entitled "ISLAND LIVING - Its Past, Present and Future". This will be a slide show/photo exhibit and will be listed on the roster of events planned for the upcoming 350th Celebration of the City of Portland.

If you have any old photos, postcards or clippings - she would like very much to review them. Old programs, menus, war time memorabilia often furnish important data data. Please call 766-2956.
PEAKS ISLAND LIBRARY NEWS

As last month was the anniversary of the Peaks Island STAR, so February will be the anniversary of the Peaks Island Library - its 4th, the first two in the Legion Home on Welch Street, these last two in its very own "Home" in the Community Building. The Library has really settled in as part of the community, acting as a clearing house for official notices, reports and studies, as a partner with the Teen Drop-in Center - a place to combine studies with their social activities on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

In that busy holiday period when library attendance usually drops, this year it was unusually high. The interest was sustained by the library holiday window project. The children worked hard to obtain the 15 reading points needed to complete the coloring of their candles and get a flame on top.

The school made most attractive pin-on buttons with the "candle flame" symbol and they were awarded at a special pre-holiday assembly to the following: Melissa Smith, Ben Scandlen, Gino Falconieri, Josh Johnson, Brian Vail, Kelly Guevara, Katie Chalmers, Matt Reid, Joe Alves, Jessica Roberts, Amanda Plante, Nikki Borlawski, Kristie Jackson, Chris Vail, Billy Briggs, Rhonda Benner, Sean Tiffany, Josh Sweeney, Mike Chandler, Mike Callow, Billy McIntyre, Josh Tiffany, Rachel Benner, Erica McConagle.

Many other children read well and almost reached the goal and the walls were gay with their attracting and amusing art work. The evening program on December 18th was a delightful tribute to this whole month reading project. The first graders interpretation of the Caldecott Award-winning book, "Make Way for Ducklings" was just great and the 4th and 5th grade reports on myths read show a real collaborating effort of the reading done for this project.

The library's newly acquired old A.B. Dick copier has been in use almost daily since its arrival. The paper and reproduction are not fancy but will serve the needs of those who wish to keep a duplicate of important papers.

Our new periodical subscriptions are beginning to come in - and our borrowers are beginning to take them out in quantity. What a chance to keep up with all kinds of interests - news, sports, hobbies! We will have a complete listing in the next issue of the "Star".

The library is also once again becoming a member of the McNaughton book rental plan, which will put "best sellers" at your fingertips as they come out. If you keep up with book reviews and would like to see some of your favorites - fiction and non fiction, on our shelves, drop in and tell us as we make our selections.

Frank Davis is making us a drop box for book returns, which has been much needed for a long time.

Our ANNIVERSARY OPEN HOUSE will be Sunday afternoon, February 7th, from 2-4 p.m. with a special program planned. Everyone is invited to come and help us celebrate.

Marianna Rowe
-Reporter-

THIS MONTH'S CONTRIBUTORS TO THE PRINTING OF THE PEAKS ISLAND STAR WERE MISS ELIZABETH DEVER AND RUTH SARGENT. THE PEAKS ISLAND STAR IS PUBLISHED MONTHLY, SPONSORED BY THE PEAKS ISLAND LIBRARY, BRANCH OF THE PORTLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY, AND THE PEAKS ISLAND CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER WHO PAY THE PRINTING COSTS TOGETHER WITH THE GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS FROM INDIVIDUALS AND OTHER ISLAND ORGANIZATIONS.
PEAKS ISLAND CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER NEWS

Well, Christmas is over and the New Year is here and so is Jack Frost! But let's remember the days are getting longer and Mr. Sun will be working overtime to help spring come quickly, we hope.

The children have been enjoying the snow and some sliding this week, but we must remember it is real cold out there, especially for little hands, faces and feet, so bundle your child warmly.

The children have been enjoying a lot of painting and paper projects these last few weeks. Also, nursery games have been a lot of fun. Have you tried 'Duck, Duck Goose' in a while?

Now, to write about some changes at our center and that is the resignation of Joel Young, our Director. Joel is leaving to return to the Seattle, Washington area. This will be a loss for our Center and community. Joel has left us with a sound year as for our budget and funding appropriations. I will be including a copy of a letter from United Way, with their allocation to us.

At this time we would like to say, "Thank You, Joel, and all the Joy and Peace man searches for be your future."

-The Board, Staff and Friends of the Peaks Island Child Development Center-

The letter from United Way, Inc., to the Center follows: December 11, 1981

Dear Mr. Mills:

The United Way Board of Directors voted to accept the 1982 allocation recommendations of the Allocation Committee on December 11, 1981.

An allocation of $7,280 has been made to Peaks Island Child Development Center. A copy of the Committee's comments in regard to the allocation has been enclosed.

The Committee report, United Way Allocations: 1982, is being forwarded to your agency under separate cover. I urge you to take the time to review the full report, including the comments of the Committee Chairman and the Panel Chairmen. The comments place individual allocation decisions in context and identify issues for future consideration.

Thank you for the cooperation of your Board and staff throughout the past year. The Committee looks forward to working with you in 1982.

Sincerely, Edward G. Asherman, Jr.
Chairman, Allocation Committee

SPECIAL INFORMATION

Emily Brosius says she will be glad to help any who live on the island with their income tax reports for 1981. She says "I hope to have available all sorts of information regarding income tax as well as many blank forms." (Blank forms, too may be obtained from the Peaks Island Library). If you wish her to prepare the forms for you a small charge will be made. But if all you seek is information or forms or simply wish her to review your work, no charge will be made. "I cannot begin work until March 5 as I plan to spend February visiting my parents who live out of state. Please call 766-2422 to tell me when you expect to be over." Emily Brosius, a former IRS tax auditor.
STAR OF THE SEA THEATER NEWS

Any person living on the Island is more than welcome to join the Star of The Sea Theater. Our first play will be presented this summer—My Fair Lady—If going public is not your thing, let me assure you that many talents are needed for scenery, make-up artists, designers, and support groups. There is something for everyone!

Please call 766-2727, Doreen McCann or 766-3323, Jackie Bent, or, 766-3390, Joyce Parker for more information.

DOREEN MCCANN DANCERS

The Doreen McCann Dancers have had a busy holiday season. In December, they presented a "Calendar Countdown" show at St. Christopher's Christmas Coffee. Then they presented a Christmas Show at Sacred Heart Church in Portland. St. Joseph's Manor Rest Home was entertained in January, and the residents of Pineland State Hospital will be visited in February. The Island is fortunate, indeed, to have so many talented youngsters.

Also, all shows are presented free of charge for organizations.

- Jackie Bent -

PEAKS ISLAND SCHOOL NEWS

Pat Whitney, Head Teacher, is most grateful for the community help and interest in making the holiday program on December 18th such a success. See-Library notes.

There will be a parents' meeting late in January to organize parents into groups for planning Field Day, fund raising for class trips. Watch for announcements. She would welcome help from any community resident.

Friday, January 22nd at 11 a.m., there will be a school assembly in which recognition is given for perfect attendance and, also, outstanding achievement in each class. The public is invited to attend.

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S NEWS

Missing A Star Reporter—The STAR will be missing its "star"reporter. Father Conley was most prompt each month with items he wished called to Island attention through our paper. He was always planning something for all ages. His account of the happenings in the Parish were brief but to the point and always made interesting reading. He was among the first to congratulate the STAR on the occasion of the Anniversary Issue.

The STAR wishes Father Conley every success in his new assignment and hopes he will be always as Community-minded in his Orono Parish as he was on Peaks Island.

His successor is Father Joseph Lange from Auburn and from all reports he is a great Instigator for COMMUNITY.

Holy Season of Lent begins Ash Wednesday, February 24th.

BRACKETT MEMORIAL (UNITED METHODIST ) CHURCH NEWS

Last Sunday in February, Long Promised Korean Dinner

Morning Worship -- 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 8:45 a.m.
Greetings from the Health Center- Me Ka Hauoli Mahahiki Hou!

Now that it is 1982 it's inventory time. Time to take stock of the home-appliances--linens--emergency food supplies--and outdated and partially used medicines.

Time also to take inventory of ourselves, our health and the health of our loved ones.

How long has it been since you or one of your family has had a complete physical? Years--you say? Why so long ago? Oh--you see no reason--you feel okay--you haven't been sick. Why bother to spend money to find out you're okay!

Why indeed! You take a car to be checked periodically. Why not your body? A car can be replaced but your body cannot.

The human body is a beautiful piece of machinery--one we often tend to neglect.

Preventive medicine is an educational and maintenance program of giving your body the total care it needs and deserves.

Thru physical examination, immunizations, blood tests, dietary and lifestyle discussions you get to know your body--what it needs--how to recognize signs of illness--when to call the doctor or health provider and how to go about improving your physical, mental, social and emotional being.

Your body is YOU -- your responsibility. So--don't abuse it--treat it well--Give it good food--plenty of exercise and sufficient rest.

You will feel and look better and most of all--You'll feel good about yourself.

A healthy New Year to all!

Marge Erico, R.N.F.N.A.

VALENTINE'S DANCE for the benefit of the Casco Bay Health Center will be held Saturday, February 13th at St. Christopher's Parish Hall. 8:30 - . Adults only.

CASCO BAY ISLAND TRANSIT DISTRICT (Special Release as the "Star" goes to press)

From Mr. Henry Adamson, President of the Trustees of the Casco Bay Transit District. It appears that by next Wednesday the Transit District plan could get the nod of approval. Rather than wait for Court decision Casco Bay Lines is negotiating to come to an agreement on price. Mr. Adamson states that what we need now from both Islanders and Summer friends is financial support to pay current legal expenses. Let's get behind and help!

FOUND

A set of keys outside the Public Safety Building near the Library door. One of the keys has a Honda marking. Ask at the Library. Hours: Tues. - 12-8; Wed. 11 - 5; Thurs. 5 - 8; Sat. 10 - 1.