NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWS

Please mark your calendars: two more general meetings have been scheduled to continue reviewing the recommendations of the PINA committees: On:

Wednesday, March 16, 7:30 PM
Peaks Community Center
recommendations regarding transportation and social service issues as well as "the dump" and the deer problem will be on the agenda. Another meeting or:

Thursday, April 7, 7:30 PM
St. Christopher's Parish Hall
will consider any items not completed on 3/16 as well as additional recommendations regarding the environment, public safety and public works.

The February 5 General Meeting was held on a Saturday afternoon in an effort to make it easier for people to attend, but the turnout was not especially large; we are again using a weekday evening for meetings. To increase awareness of meeting times, PINA Steering Committee plans to print and distribute flyers before each general meeting. Your participation and input are essential to the success of this process.

At the 2/5 General Meeting, members voted to recommend that the City proceed with a Torrington Point/Adams Street wastewater solution. This would include a planning and environmental impact study as required by the DEP and should include an exploration of alternative systems, all to be completed in a timely fashion so that money earmarked for the project will not be lost. In addition, a study of the wastewater needs for the rest of the Island was recommended along with specific goals and an oversight committee which would include Peaks Islanders.

After lengthy discussion, some of the specific recommendations offered by the Taxation Committee were adopted; others were amended and still others rejected. The work of the committee was appreciated and it was recommended that it become a standing committee of PINA. Copies of Committee reports and recommendations are available for your perusal in the Library. Come to the next meeting and join the discussions!

P.S. On Saturday, April 9, from 9-3 at Brackett Church, PINA is sponsoring a training session for Study Circle facilitators. If you are interested you may join the training session even if you haven't signed up. No specific commitment to lead a group is necessary.
Recreation Activities for Youth, Teens and Adults
Portland Recreation on Peaks Island

GRADE K - "Drop-In"
Sing-a-long with Karen Hawkes
Tuesday, March 8
12:30 - 1:30 pm at the Community Center
Adults invited too!
4 and 5 year olds accompanied by an adult are welcome
Spring-time crafts
Wednesday, March 23
12:30 - 1:15 pm at the Community Center

TEEN PROGRAM: GRADES 6 - 12
Monday and Thursday evenings
6:30 - 8:30 pm at the Community Center
Open Gym at P.I. School:
Thursdays - March 3 & 24
Special Event:
Portland Pirates' Game
Wednesday - March 16
A limited number of tickets are available.
Open to those teens who have paid their $2.00 registration fee.
To register, please contact Patty Kamp at 2791.
Please note: There will be no Drop-in on March 14 or March 17

GRADES 1 through 5 - "Drop-In"
Thursday afternoons
March 3, 10, 17, and 31
2:45 - 4:00 pm at the Community Center
Please note: No program on March 24

Basketball and Volleyball
Basketball Program
Tuesday evening - 6:30 - 8:30 pm
P.I. School Gym
$2.00 Drop-in fee

Volleyball Program
Wednesday evening - 7:00 - 9:00 pm
P.I. School Gym
$2.00 Drop-in fee
Note: No volleyball on March 16

THE PEAKS ISLAND SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION IS HAVING THEIR FIRST MEETING SUNDAY MARCH 20TH IN THE PEAKS ISLAND COMMUNITY ROOM AT 2 P.M. THE ASSOCIATION IS OPEN TO ANYONE WHO ATTENDED OR WORKED AT PEAKS ISLAND SCHOOL.
THIS IS AN ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING. BRING YOUR IDEAS! REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED. ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT KATHY NEWELL (766-2491), KIM MACISAAC (766-2308), OR STEVE PEDERSEN (766-5010).
PORTLAND RECREATION on PEAKS ISLAND - MARCH SCHEDULE

To reserve the Community Room, you must contact Denise (766-2970) at least two days in advance. Do not leave a message on the machine. If Denise is not available, please call 874-8793 during regular business hours. Please note: The Community Center is in use Monday and Thursday evenings as well as the first Tuesday of every month.

** ISLAND ACTIVITIES - OPEN TO ALL ADULTS **

** AN AFTERNOON OF CARD GAMES **
Wednesday, March 2
1:00 - 3:00 pm at the Senior Center
Learn how to play “Frustration”- taught by Betty McIntyre

** "IT'S ALL GREEK TO ME" **
Monday, March 21
1:00 pm at Brackett Memorial Church*
Denise shares slides & customs of Greece
* To attend Senior Citizen Greek Luncheon at noon, please contact Grace Wright at 2635

** PLANTS FROM SEED **
Thursday, March 10
10:00 - 11:00 am at the Community Center
Instructors: Angie and Jon Kelso

** IT'S PICNIC TIME! **
Wednesday, March 23
2:00 pm at the Community Center
Bring your picnic basket filled with your lunch. Please bring recipes to share. Let’s all celebrate SPRING! No ants please!

** IRISH SING-A-LONG **
Wednesday, March 16
2:00 pm at the Community Center
Join the fun! Sing Irish tunes and bring your favorite Irish food (and recipes) to share

** EGG DECORATING **
Wednesday, March 30
1:00 pm at the Sr. Center
Share your family secrets! Bring your own supplies. Call Denise to register (2970)

** OFF-ISLAND ACTIVITIES FOR ADULTS **
Pre-registration required for all off-island activities. Senior adults are given top priority. Non-seniors may register on a space available basis. Sign-up sheets are at the Sr. Center. Please call 766-2545 for Sr. Ctr. hours. Registrations left on the answering machine CANNOT be guaranteed. Space is limited. A minimum of 8 people is required, unless otherwise stated. If you have any questions, please call Denise at 766-2970.

**IT'S SPRING TIME** (hopefully)!

** N.E. FLOWER SHOW - BOSTON **
Wednesday, March 9
Boat: 7:15 am/5:30 pm return
Cost: $25.00 Pre-registration required
Call 874-8870 (Carol McClure) to register

** FALLMOUTH SHOPPING - LUNCH TOO! SKILLIN’S, RICH’S and ALL FOR A DOLLAR **
Wednesday, March 9
Boat: 10:00 am/no later than 4:30 pm return

** KOTZSCHMAR ORGAN CONCERT & LUNCH **
Tuesday, March 15
Boat: 11:15 am boat/3:15 return
Cost: $3.00 (does not include lunch)
Concert is at noon - lunch after concert

** MAPLE SUGAR HOUSE and LUNCH **
Thursday, March 24 (Call for times)
Cost: $2.50 (does not include lunch)
Pre-registration required by March 21
News from the Peaks Island Library
129 Island Avenue
Tel. 766-5540

Open: Tues: 2-8
*Wed: 10-4
*Story Hour: 10:15
Fri: 10-2
Sat: 9-1

Some New Books
(A complete list is posted in the library)

Fiction:
Piers Anthony  Chaos Mode
Anita Brookner  Dolly
Carolyn Chute  Merry Men
Richard Condon  Prizi's Money
Robin Cook  Fatal Cure
Jude Deveraux  Invitation
Dean Koontz  Winter Moon
Marge Piercy  Longings of Women
Lawrence Sanders  McNally's Caper
LaVyrle Spencer  Family Blessings
Danielle Steel  Accident
Sue Townsend  Queen and I
John Updike  Brazil: a Novel
Roger Zelazny  Wilderness

Nonfiction:
Barbara Chainey  Essential Quilter
Sarah and Elizabeth  Having Our Say
Delany  Vacations in the Maritimes
Laurie Fullerton  Baskemaking
Island Journal Vol. 10  Basketmaking
Kay Johnson  Fear of Physics
Lawrence Krauss  Edward Hopper's New England

Books on Cassette:
Beryl Markham  West With the Night
Norman MacLean  River Running Through

Of Note:
The Library has purchased a new book by
Captain William J. Frappier, Steamboat
Yesterdays on Casco Bay: The Steamboat Era
in Maine's Calendar Island Region, with a gift
in memory of James Hitt, a longtime summer
resident of Peaks Island. This book is a nice
addition to our local history collection. Thank
you to the donor and to the family for
requesting gifts to the library.

Book Discussion
The Book Discussion Group will meet
Tuesday, March 2, 7 PM. March's book:
Madness of a Seduced Woman by Susan
Fromberg Schaeffer. (April's book: Road
From Coorain by Jill Ker Conway.) Please
join us.

Anyone With Extra Bags, Please?
Many people appreciate having a plastic bag to
carry their library books home in wet weather.
If you or anyone you know has extras from
time to time, please bring them to the library.
We would be glad to get them.

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The Friends of Peaks Island Animals will hold its regular
meeting on Tuesday, March 8, at the Senior Center. The public is
invited to attend. Also, now is the time to spay/neuter cats--
before the spring litters arrive; we have information on
obtaining these services at reduced rates. Please call us at
766-5616.
Between September and December, more than 30 people volunteered to help with classroom or school-wide activities. These volunteers tutored individual students; prepared classroom materials, held reading conferences with small groups, helped teachers keep records, wrapped birthday gifts and baked cakes. They also provided assistance for special events such as the School Board lunch and the Music festival. School Principal, Ira Waltz, and Nancy Connolly, Director of the Portland Partnership Program, conducted a volunteer training session in October for about a dozen parents; this is available on video tape. During the Fall semester, volunteer contributions added up to more than 600 hours of work for the school - and this number did not include the parent and community volunteers who helped at such special events as Halloween Night.

1994 has gotten off to a great start! Helen Wallace, our Foster Grandparent, continues as a faithful member of the school team, working at every grade level. Our Coast Guard partners come to the school every month to assist in a variety of ways in all the classrooms. The Island PTO meets monthly to plan, promote, and organize community and school activities, and parents also attend School Improvement or Action Team meetings.

The School's new Volunteer Coordinator, Cynthia Cole, is collecting and compiling information from a volunteer survey distributed recently which listed specific projects teachers want help with. She is also working with PTO President, Laurie Cox, to develop a Volunteer Advisory Board who will provide ideas for a Volunteer Handbook, an improved record-keeping system of volunteer hours, a screening process, orientation and training for volunteers, and volunteer recognition activities.

Some major projects which will require volunteer assistance this spring include a school landscaping project, a recycling program, collection and presentation of a Peaks Island Oral History, orienteering and trail-making, an Island road race in May and a Coast Guard Day in early June. We have a full schedule!

If you have not yet returned the Volunteer Survey form, please do leave it off at the School.
WE VALUE THE GIFT OF YOUR TIME AT THE SCHOOL!

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LUNCH WITH PEAKS ISLAND SCHOOL KIDS - The PTO in conjunction with the Peaks Island School staff will hold it's next lunch-time get together on Monday, March 7. Peaks Island School kids are encouraged to invite a guest (friend, neighbor, siblings, parents, grandparents, caregivers, etc.) to have lunch with them at school that day and to meet school staff and other guests. We will be holding these lunches once a month until the end of school. Future dates include: Tuesday, April 5  Thursday, May 5  Friday, June 3
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!
ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
Father Bob Paskey, S.J.

Weekday Mass: 7:30 A.M @ St. Joseph's Chapel
Weekend:
Saturday, 4:00 P.M.
Sunday, 9:00 A.M.

Activities:
Coffee and cake after Mass on Sunday
Annual St. Patrick's Corned Beef Supper and Party, March 17th
Regular Parish Council Meeting, Sunday March 13 after Mass
Memorial Mass and Service for Father Normand Carrier, 7:00 P.M.
Monday, February 28th

BRACKETT MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Pastor - Rev. Charles Hale - Tel. 766-5013

Sundays - 9:00 A.M. - Sunday School
10:00 A.M. - Worship Service
1:00 P.M. - Bible Study at Parsonage

Wednesdays - 6:15 P.M. - AA Meeting in Fellowship Hall

Thursdays - 9:00 A.M. - Bible Study at Senior Center

March 15 - 12:00 Noon - Regular UMW meeting at Mary Dennison's. Bring a sandwich.
Please note change: 3rd Tuesday this month (only).
Wait until next month! April--snow will be gone (sure!?) and things will hum, and we'll be alive with activities!

Facilitator Training
for Maine Council of Churches
Sponsored Study Circles

at the
Brackett Memorial Church
Fellowship Hall

Saturday, April 9, 1994
9am-3pm

NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE:
This training is open to everyone interested
You do not need to become a facilitator to be trained

For further information call:
766-5013
SENIOR CITIZENS

There will be a seminar on "RETIRED" at one on March 14, at St. Christopher's Hall.

Denise has shared some of her mother’s Greek recipes with Senior Citizens who will prepare dishes from them for the pot luck luncheon on March 21st, at Brackett Church hall at noon. Pot luck that may not be Greek-inspired will also be welcome.

Denise will share with us also her Greek-inspired sing-along, and show her slides on Greece.

Thirty six Senior Citizens enjoyed the posters and valentines sent by the children of Peaks Island, at their Valentines Day luncheon on February 14th.

Mr. Fred Plipton of the Southern Maine Agency on Aging, and his assistant Lois told us of impending changes in the Meals-on-Wheels program. There will be further discussion of the problems relating to Meals-on-Wheels on Peaks Island, in the appropriate committee of the Peaks Island Neighborhood Association, in an effort to find a feasible way to maintain a Meals-on-Wheels program on Peaks Island.

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STAR OF THE SEA THEATER

THE COUNTRY LINE DANCING WILL RESUME ON THURSDAY MARCH 3rd. AT 6:00 pm. IN ST. CHRISTOPHERS HALL. FOLLOWING AT 7pm., FOR ½ HOUR, OUR FIRST(1st) SINGING CHORUS WILL START REHEARSING FOR OUR UP COMING MUSICAL "MY FAIR LADY" TO BE PRESENTED ON SUNDAY JUNE 26th. IN GREENWOOD GARDENS PLAYHOUSE.
DANCE CLASSES EVERY TUESDAY STARTING AT 3:30pm. TO 7pm. AEROBIC EXERCISE EVERY MONDAY AND THURSDAY AT 9:30 am. IN THE STUDIO.
OUR BOUTIQUE WILL SOON BE OPEN WITH NEW ITEMS. WATCH FOR POSTERS.
EASTER IS OUR GOAL.

MUSICALLY YOURS
DOREEN AND CO.

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Donations to this months printing of the STAR were received from Kay and Gene Taylor, Anon. I and II. Thank you very much.
Whoever would have thought that a sleigh ride could be cancelled due to snow!? But indeed, our joint venture with Portland Recreation faced adverse road conditions to the sled at Norton Farms...it will be rescheduled as a Hayride during April school vacation...then again, it could still be a sleigh ride!

Our Food Pantry remains well stocked...it is available for anyone in need of extra food. Simply stop in between 7AM-6PM, Mon-Fri, or give a call and we'll deliver.

We apologize for a few cancellations of our Wednesday morning Community Playgroup...it resumes and continues each Wednesday morning from 10:15-11AM...a great way to get out and enjoy some company. This is a drop in program with no fee or registration...just come and have fun with your infant or toddler.

Thanks to all of you who continue to donate your Bottle Returns to our account at Feeney's Market...it is indeed appreciated.

As we continue to develop and enhance our programming for the children of our community, we have embarked on a long term Diversity Project. We are creating a Diversity Calendar that we will continue to add to with each new awareness of a special day and would welcome hearing from the community about special days/events which are important to you.

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**Peaks Island Health Center**

**Winter Hours:**

*(beginning Monday, November 29)*

**Monday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm**
**Thursday, 3 to 8 pm**

◆ Call 766-2929 for an appointment
◆ Walk-ins welcome