CASCO BAY ISLAND TRANSIT DISTRICT
DIRECTORS' MEETING

7:45 A.M. FRIDAY MARCH 15, 1996

Casco Bay Ferry Terminal Conference Room

Open to discussion at this meeting: The list of rate hike options developed by the CBITD Rate Structure Committee and the revenue value of each, including -- in descending order of favor:

1. RAISING SUMMER AUTO FARES TO PEAKS ISLAND
2. RAISING THE COST OF THE WEEKEND DAYTRIPPER TICKET
3. RAISING THE COST OF SINGLE TICKETS IN SUMMER
4. AN ACROSS-THE-BOARD RATE HIKE
5. A WINTER RATE HIKE

COME SHARE YOUR VIEWS!

Join us for a performance by THE PEAKS ISLAND CHILDREN'S CHORUS, directed by Jan Thomas, and TAPPIN' Students and friends of Billie Johnston SUNDAY, MARCH 10th at Brackett Memorial Church Hall at 2:30pm. Donations are welcome and proceeds will benefit the church.
The major topic of discussion at the 2/13/96 PINA meeting was the BROWNTAIL MOTH. City Arborist Jeff Tarling and Dick Bradbury from the Maine State Forest Service presented a spraying plan for Peaks and fielded questions from the audience.

Because over two hundred petitions for spraying were received with only 2 or 3 negatives, letters of intent to spray will be sent to all affected property owners. Those who do not wish to be sprayed will not be sprayed. Sometimes this may mean that adjoining properties will not be sprayed either. There will be another PINA meeting on April 9, before the spraying, to take a more detailed look at the plan.

The areas chosen for spraying, roughly 1) Torrington Point back to the water tower, 2) Ferry Landing to the school and 3) along Island Ave. from the school to Trefethen, were chosen because they are heavily infested and don't include wetlands. Some of the questions asked were:

WHEN WILL WE BE SPRAYED? It must be done early in the season, before larvae are large, probably between May 7 and before Memorial Day. The Island will be notified well in advance. It will be done as early in the morning as possible, at a high tide to dilute any drift over the ocean. The spraying should be completed by 6:00 Am.

WHAT WILL BE USED? Dimilin is a chemical which is as close to non-toxic to humans and animals as any to be found. It is routinely used on commercial mushrooms. The amount of chemical used is light compared to what would be used if people sprayed individually. Dimilin is not recommended for spraying from the ground. The City will maintain a 100' buffer from the high tide line and will not spray near wetlands.

WHAT DO YOU RECOMMEND FOR THOSE NOT IN THE SPRAY AREA? 1. Clip all the webs you can reach. Now is the time to do it. Put them in the trash or submerge them in soapy water. The City is trying to get Americorps volunteers to clip along the backshore. 2. Check with your local arborist for tree injections or spraying from a truck. Join with neighbors. Get several estimates.

HOW EFFECTIVE IS THE SPRAYING? We'll have a summer without (or with minor) itching. Spraying will probably have to be repeated next year. Great Diamond was satisfied with spray results last year but needs it again this year.

Dick Bradbury from the State Forest Service commented that over the last 15 years he has often opposed spraying in Maine, but because this is a serious threat to people physically, he is recommending it. He probably would not favor spraying if it were for the gypsy moth.

There will be a PINA Steering Committee Meeting on Tuesday, March 12 at 7:30 PM at the Sr. Center, and a General Meeting on Tuesday, April 9 at 7:30 PM at the Community Center. Join us.
BRACKETT MEMORIAL CHURCH

18:00 Sunday morning worship services. Coffee hour following.
Please join us!

Potluck Luncheon March 17th!
Come join our celebration of One Great Hour of Sharing as we tie a quilt to send to Church World Service. We will hear Syluan Smith (from Boston) speak on her recent short-term missionary stay in Zaire. She'll have pictures and stories to share about our church's UMCOR presence and ministry in refugee camps.
The potluck will begin after the regular Sunday morning worship service (around 11:15). Everyone is invited (you can come for only the potluck also). Bring a dish to share and join us for a special fellowship time. For information, call Roberta Deane 7662782.

CHANGE IN CHURCH SCHOOL TIMES:
9:00 -- Fourth graders and older will meet for study with Rev. Dame
9:30 -- All children gather in Memorial Hall for songs and worship.
Younger children's classes to follow this.
All island children are invited to attend!

Peaks Island School has sent 19 Friendship Boxes to children around the world through the American Red Cross. Thanks to all islanders who made contributions to this effort.

PEAKS ISLAND SENIOR CENTER NEWS
We won't have a March Pot-luck Luncheon because of St. Patrick's Day dinners Saturday, March 16th at Brackett Church, and Sunday, March 17th at St. Christopher's. It would be asking too much of the women to prepare food for a "Pot-luck" meal Monday the 18th.

We had a wonderful trip to New Zealand via Art and Peg Astarita's slide show after our luncheon February 12th. Twenty-nine members attended the Valentine's Pot-luck and three lucky members won Feeney's gift certificates.

We missed having Marge Davis and Virginia Paton, both were off the Island. Marge is back home now and Virginia should be back in time for our next get together.

Mildred "DeDe" Casey is in a rehab convalescence home recovering from a bad multiple fracture of the left arm in a fall at home. You can write to her at Senter Homestead, P.O.Box 790, Windham, Maine 04062, tel. 872-7967.
Mother of the Good Shepherd  
Monastery by the Sea

In the month of March the Monastery will be conducting: two classes, two days of recollection, one men’s retreat and a novena, they are as follows:

10:30 am to 11:30 am on Tuesday March 12th and Tuesday March 26th the final presentations by Father Seamus, O.A.S. entitled "Monasticism, it's gift to the spiritual life, and it's life of prayer in the Church".

Thursday March 14th there will be exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament all day in the Monastery, from the conclusion of the 8:00 am Mass until the conclusion of Evening Prayer at 5:30 pm. with Benediction. Those who are interested in signing up for an hour of adoration are asked to either register on the sign-up-sheet posted on the bulletin board outside the Monastery Chapel or to phone the Monastery.

On Thursday March 28th the Monastery will have a Lenten day of recollection. The day will begin at 10:15 am and conclude 2:30 pm it will include: the celebration of Mass, conferences, and lunch. Suggested donation $20.00, Senior Citizen, free will offering. Please phone the Monastery to register.

A Men’s retreat will be conducted at the Monastery from Friday March 22nd to Sunday March 24th entitled "Alone before the Cross" Suggested donation $95.00

A novena to St. Joseph

The novena prayers to St. Joseph will be prayed before the daily Mass in the Monastery’s Chapel from march 10th to the feast of St. Joseph, March 19th.

Please take note of our Easter Triduum Schedule
Holy Thursday April 4th, Mass of the Lord’s Supper 6:30 pm April 5th Good Friday The Lord’s Passion 3:00 pm Sunday April 7th, (Easter Sunday) The Easter Vigil 3:00 am (Daylight saving time. please note that April 7th begins daylight saving time, please turn your clock ahead on Saturday evening before going to bed.)

Our Usual times of Mass and Services follows Mass and Prayer Schedule

EUCHARISTIC SACRIFICE

Sunday 10:30 am  
Monday 8:00 am  
Tuesday 8:00 am  
Wednesday 5:00pm  
Thursday 8:00 am  
Friday 8:00 am  
Saturday 9:00 am
MORNING PRAYER

Sunday 8:00 am
Monday 7:20 am (with Office of Readings)
Tuesday 7:40 am
Wednesday 7:40 am
Thursday 7:40 am
Friday 7:40 am
Saturday 8:40 am

EVENING PRAYER

Sunday 5:00 pm (with Eucharistic Benediction)
Monday 5:30 pm
Tuesday 5:30 pm
Wednesday 5:45 pm
Thursday 5:30 pm
Friday 5:30 pm
Saturday 5:30 pm

Our entire schedule may be found on the bulletin board outside the Chapel.

Since we, like yourself, live on Peaks Island and are subject to a ferry schedule, and since we are so few in number, the times of our prayers may need to be altered from time to time. Please feel free to telephone our Monastery, using our voice mail before coming to the Chapel to see if there is a change in the time of Mass or prayers. You may phone us at: 766-2717 (and push #3 to hear of a possible change.) Thank you for your understanding.

The Servants of God of St. Augustine

SAINT CHRISTOPHER’S CHURCH
PEAKS ISLAND, ME

Pastor: Rev. Costanzo J. Piselli (tel. 766 2585)
Council President: Peter Donnelly (tel. 766 5971)

MASSES*
Saturday: 4 pm (preceded by Rosary at 3:45)
Sunday: 9:15 am (Rosary at 9; refreshments and fellowship after Mass)
Weekdays: 7:30 am (no Mass on Thursdays currently)
* Until Spring all services are being held in the Parish Hall.
  (Parishioners, who are unable to attend Mass may receive Communion at home by making arrangements through Claire Cary at 766 5548. Parishioners interested in being Eucharistic Ministers or Lectors should call Claire also.)

UP COMING EVENTS
During Lent, Stations of the Cross are being conducted Friday’s at 6:30 pm, and beginning Monday, March 4th at 1:30 pm, Fr. Piselli is conducting a Bible study program in the rectory (all are welcome).
**SAINT PATRICKS DINNER** March 17th 5:30--7 pm in the Parish Hall; Adults, $7. Children (ages 5 to 12) $3. Take outs may be ordered by calling Judy Piawlock at 766 2109 no later than March 16th.

CC/cv
We know that spring is close by...we've had some delightful afternoons digging for worms! We've also helped some forsythia and narcissus bloom early and the color is enchanting on those cloudy days!

We hope you'll join us for:

**1st ANNUAL EXHIBIT SALE**
**YOUNG ARTISTS OF PEAKS**

**Saturday March 23rd 4 to 7pm**

**PEAKS ISLAND CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER**
**BUY AN EARLY PICASSO & SUPPORT THE ARTS!**

**MUSIC by the BILL COOLEY BAND**
**REFRESHMENTS & DOOR PRIZES**

Portland Museum of Art passes & Bailey's Island cruise tickets

**QUESTIONS? IDEAS! or to VOLUNTEER CALL 766-2854**

We spent a staff inservice day redesigning our classrooms, moving lofts and hanging parachutes...as we continue to find new and funner ways to settle in our space, we continue to thank all of you who have made this wonderful building possible. Our official Celebration Ceremony will be held in early...there will be more news of this in the months to come.

Our Food Pantry remains available for any who may find themselves in need of supplemental food...just give a call first.

We would like to hear from individuals interested in substituting on an occasional basis...you must be at least 18 and have an interest or experience working with groups of young children in a play oriented early childhood environment.

**STAR Notes**

Deadline for April STAR is Monday, March 25. Thank you to all regular contributors for being so timely in turning in your articles. It makes getting the STAR together so much easier for all the volunteers. And thank you especially to Joan Blake and Judy Piawlock, who coordinate the teams of volunteers to make sure each job is done each month.

Thank you to Fay and Jerry Garman for their contribution toward the printing of this month's STAR.
VOLUNTEER TUTORS NEEDED FOR READING
SUPPORT PROGRAM
at the PEAKS ISLAND SCHOOL

Early in April, the Peaks Island School is planning to inaugurate a reading
support program called RAP, Reading Advancement Program. This program is
seeking a small core of volunteer tutors who are willing to spend one half hour
a day listening to selected students in grades 3-5 read and helping with basic
vocabulary words and independent reading skills.

Presumpscot School has been using the RAP program for three years with
great success. Both students and teachers have made positive comments about
their experiences with the program.

The "ideal" for Peaks Island would be to have one ongoing tutor for each child
in the program, each tutor meeting with the same student on a daily basis for
about two months. BUT we will be happy to have tutors who can volunteer two
to three times a week during April and May.

The School plans to have a training session the last week in March for those
interested in becoming volunteer tutors.

Please call Ira Waltz or Cynthia Cole (766-2528) if you are interested and
want more information.

Volunteers Needed

The Peaks Island STAR needs some people who would be willing
to gather interesting bits of information that could be typed up
and ready to use as fillers for the STAR. From time to time a space
such as this one is empty, and it would be fun to have pieces of
different lengths about the history of different island organizations
or buildings or people or events to put in the STAR when there is
space. If you can help, please speak to Judy Piawlock, Joan Blake,
Roseann Walsh, or Priscilla Webster. We even have some samples of
the type of material just to get you going.

Women's History Month

March is Women's History Month, and to spur your interest, Ann
Hinderer has done a display of women who have made history on
the inside window at the library (where the Peaks Islanders
Recommend books they have enjoyed usually are). Come test your
knowledge — and maybe read about some new people.
Pre-School Story Hour:  
Wednesdays at 10:15 AM

Adult Book Discussion Group - Tuesday, March 5, at 7 PM. This month we will move our meeting to the Senior Center unless Portland’s presidential primary is cancelled. We are still waiting to hear. The book is Emma by Jane Austen. Please join us.

In April, we will have our annual read-together with Mrs. Gross’s class at the Peaks Island School. This year’s book will be Zlata’s Diary, a Child’s Life in Sarajevo. Anyone of any age who has read the book, please join us for that meeting, April 2, at 7 PM in the Community Room.

The on-line public catalogue and internet server are available now for your use. If you use the computer catalogue and find what you want, congratulations! However, if you do not find what you want, please ask Roseann Walsh or me. We are delighted to help, and there is no shame in asking. The worst thing is not to find what you want when the library has it.

Do you have - clean banana boxes with lids that fit? And if you have no banana boxes, would you be able to donate some time teaching others to use the Internet at the library, possibly Tuesday nights? If you can help with either of these requests, please let me know.

-Priscilla Webster

PEAKS ISLAND HEALTH CENTER
STERLING STREET  766-2929
Monday 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Tuesday March 5, Dr. Dorsey from the Cumberland County Foot Clinic will be in. Please call 761-3889 for an appointment.

Friday March 8, The Hygienist from the Dental Clinic will be in, also another day this month with the Dentist that has not been scheduled yet. Please call 874-1025 for an appointment, ask for Connie.

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!!
ATTENTION !! ATTENTION !! ATTENTION !!

All Peaks Island ARTISANS.

The ISLAND INSTITUTE is offering some of their storefront space at their new office location on Main Street in Rockland. It is hoped that a gallery can be established, under the umbrella of the Island Institute, to be run completely by a Cooperative of Maine Island artisans.

A standing committee has been formed to look into the feasibility of a cooperative gallery. They are now in the planning stages and would like to begin compiling a list of interested artists/craft persons from each of the Maine islands.

If you are interested in participating in the Islanders Cooperative, would you kindly send information about your art/craft including your name, address and telephone number to: HERB PARSONS. P. O.Box 501, North Haven ME 04853.

If you would like to know more information about the proposed Cooperative please contact one of your Peaks Island representatives, Claire Fillietaz at 766-2220 or Suellen Begley Roberts at 766-2161.

Friends of Peaks Island Animals • 5 boulder rd. • peaks island • me. • 04108

766-5606/766-5742

The next meeting of the Friends of Peaks Island Animals will be on Tuesday, March 19, at 7 p.m., in the Community Center. All are welcome.

We are in need of people with expertise in the care of wild and tame birds to whom we can refer people seeking advice or emergency aid for injured birds. If you can help, please let us know.
MARCH ACTIVITIES ON PEAKS ISLAND
Sponsored by Portland Parks & Recreation

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. The Community Center is in use every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. It is also in use the first and third Tuesday of the month and the second Tuesday of even-numbered months. Please note: For information on putting a display up in the Community Building, please call Denise at 766-2970 (answering machine).

SPECIAL ON-ISLAND ACTIVITY: CELEBRATE SPRING WITH CRAFTS
Instructor: Ann Hinderer

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**OFF-ISLAND ACTIVITIES FOR ADULTS**

Pre-registration is required for all off-island activities. Sign-up sheets are on the blue door of the Community Building. Many people from "in-town" are interested in coming with us on these trips. They will be receiving their notices a few days after the Star comes out. Please register as soon as you can. Don't delay! 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.

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Attention people who want to be CPR certified: If you are interested in taking a CPR course on the island, please contact Denise at 766-2970. Officer Mike Barter may be available as the instructor.

Attention Parents, Grandparents, and Children: Please check The Link and the Community Bulletin Board for special activities on March 13 (Skating Party at the Portland Ice Arena) and on March 15 (Narrow Gauge Railroad).