4-1995


Service Agencies of the Island

Follow this and additional works at: http://digitalcommons.portlandlibrary.com/peaks_pisn_1995

Recommended Citation

This Book is brought to you for free and open access by the Peaks Island Star at Portland Public Library Digital Commons. It has been accepted for inclusion in Peaks Island Star, 1995 by an authorized administrator of Portland Public Library Digital Commons. For more information, please contact campbell@portland.lib.me.us.
What's Happening at Battery Steele?

In January, 1995, the Peaks Island Land Preserve (PILP) moved quickly to negotiate a contract to purchase Battery Steele with the intent to protect the property for the use and enjoyment of the public. Contrary to popular belief, the existing restrictions on the property permit significant development, including the construction of up to eight residences. PILP intends to restrict the development of the property with a well-defined and strict conservation easement. The easement will not allow residential development or a 150 foot tall windmill, as now permitted by the current restrictions.

The Peaks Island Land Preserve is a non-profit corporation whose members believe that the 14 acre Battery Steele property is an important community asset that should be maintained for public use, and not controlled by a private owner.

Now PILP must raise enough money before June 15, 1995 to complete the purchase contract. The purchase price is $70,000, and an additional amount of $40,000 is needed for clean-up and long-term expenses such as liability insurance, taxes, and maintenance. As of March 1, we have received donations and pledges for about $25,000. If a total of 400 people contributed equally, each would need to contribute about $275 to reach our goal. These contributions comprise a single, long-term investment that will allow the Battery Steele property to be protected for the future use and enjoyment of all Islanders and visitors, without further need for significant funding.

Please join us! Payment of an annual fee of $15.00 will make you a voting member of PILP.

If you have any questions or want to assist us in some way (such as fund-raising), you can contact any of the following members:

Ralph Ashmore (766-2981)  John Whitman (766-2211)
Tom Bohan (766-2483)  Ted Schmidt (766-5556)
Irene Church (766-2533)  Terry Cline (766-2372)
Henry Myers (766-2371)  Albert Presgraves (766-2604)
PEAKS ISLAND HEALTH CENTER
P.O. Box 52
Sterling Avenue
Peaks Island, Maine 04108

(207) 766-2929

NEW
OFFICE HOURS:

Mondays 9:00-4:00  Fridays 10:00-2:00
walk ins welcomed

Dr. Rudenberg will be on leave April and May. Dr. David Kaplan will be in on Mondays from 9:00-4:00, and Dr. Dan Merson will be in on Fridays from 10:00-2:00.

The Peaks Island Dental Clinic will be in on Tuesday April 4th (Hygienist) and on Tuesday April 11th (Dentist). Call 874-1025 and speak to Renna for an appointment.

The Well Child Clinic will be in on Friday April 14th. Call 874-8889

Have a Happy Easter!!

PEAKS ISLAND SENIOR CENTER NEWS

Monday, March 20th, was the first day of Spring, and our Pot-Luck luncheon day. There was plenty to eat, and Art and Peg Astarita took us on a journey to Italy via a beautiful slide show. Thanks, Art and Peg.

Our business part of the gathering included choosing a committee to review and bring our By-Laws up to date; also a Nomination Committee for officers for the 1995-1996 year. Selection for the offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer will be presented at our May 15th Pot-Luck meeting, and voted on by a show of hands.

April 17th, the Monday after Easter, is the date for our April Pot-Luck luncheon. We will start collecting our yearly dues of $3.00 at this meeting; membership runs from June to May. Also, dues can be paid at the Senior Center on days it is open.

Saturday, May 27th, is our Food and Bake sale at the Senior Center. Mark your calendar.

August 14th, the second Monday of the month, is the date of our annual "Lobster Bake" at Greenwood Gardens. Seniors from Yarmouth, Freeport, Falmouth, and Portland will be joining us. Tickets and prices will be the same as last year.

THANK YOU TO Anonymous I and II for contributions toward the printing of this month's STAR. Thank you also to Team II: Virginia Horne, Joan Blake, Judy Piawlock, Vivian Parker, Tom Quigg, Bob Cary, and Paul Johnson, who put together and distributed this month's STAR.

DEADLINE FOR MAY STAR: Tuesday, April 25.
United Nations 50th!

In order to honor the 50th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations and to create a greater awareness of its activities, a group of Peaks Islanders has planned an informational evening at the

Peaks Island School Library
Tuesday, April 11
7:00 pm

The speaker will be Harris Gleckman, international consultant, with additional comments by Peaks resident, Jonathan Jenness. Both men have had many years of UN experience.

There will also be a brief video about the UN and a display of print resources. Please join us and bring a friend. Refreshments will be served.

Peaks Island School
4 Church St.
Peaks Island, Me. 04108

The Fifth Graders had the pleasure of hosting a group of Seventh Graders from the Mount Ararat School School District on March 22nd. The group also included 15 Japanese students visiting the United States. We toured the Fifth Maine and shared some historical facts about the Civil War. Jennifer Callow accompanied us and soon will be sharing her experiences of visiting Shinigawa, Japan, our Sister City. Fifth Graders are looking forward to joining the Book Discussion Group on Tuesday, April 4th, when The Giver will be the focus of literary conversation.

On March 23, the Peaks Island School Gym was transformed into a giant Science Laboratory. Experiments and activities, ranging from chromatography to chemical reactions, were explored by 118 scientists consisting of students, parents and community members. Thanks to Mrs. Deane and the many Staff, Parents and Students, who helped make this evening a success.

THIS IS THE 25th ANNIVERSARY OF EARTH DAY and the Peaks Island School will celebrate with EARTHWEEK form April 10-14. Many activities are scheduled for the After School period (2:30 - 4 pm) each day and an evening Festival for the whole Island community will be held on Monday, April 10th, from 5:30 - 8 pm. Join us for this KICK-OFF EVENT and enjoy the Pot Luck Supper, hands-on activities, skits, songs, and a live Jeopardy-type game. We also hope to record some environmental history concerning the first Earth Day as well as documenting some Peaks Island environmental changes. If you are willing to be interviewed please contact Pat Crowley-Rockwell (766-2528). Community Volunteers, to help lead activities or assist with demonstrations, are also needed and welcomed. Contact Cynthia Cole at school (766-2528).
Pre-School Story Hour:
Wednesdays at 10:15 AM

Some New Books
(This is only a partial listing. Complete listing is on the wall by the door in the library.)

Fiction:
Catherine Cookson  Year of the Virgins  William Coughlin  Heart of Justice
Amanda Cross  Imperfect Spy  Clive Egleton  Death Throes
John LeCarre  Our Game  Naguib Mahfouz  Arabian Nights and Days
Peter Mayle  Dog's Life  Wilbur Smith  Seventh Scroll
Katherine Stone  Pearl Moon  Sanna Yoshimoto  Lizard

Of Special Note: Peaks Island summer resident Paul Erickson has written a non-fiction book,
Daily Life in a Covered Wagon, published by Preservation Press. This book is in our library and
well worth your attention. It tells of a family travelling the Oregon Trail.

Adult Book Discussion
The book group will meet Tuesday, April 4, at 7 PM, in the Community Room to discuss The
Giver by Lois Lowry. We have invited Peaks Island School fifth graders who have read this
book to be our special guests. The book, a Newbery Award winner, is science fiction. Jonas,
the central character, is the designated "receiver of memories" for his community. Adult readers
may want to compare it to Margaret Atwood's, Handmaid's Tale, which our book group read
two years ago. Refreshments. Please join us.

Many Realms of King Arthur
Anyone interested in things Medieval, please do not miss this unusual opportunity. Much work
has gone into hosting this nationally touring exhibition at the Portland Public Library, and the
library staff responsible hope you will enjoy it to the fullest. Brochures for this exhibit and the
many events planned around it are available at our library, and we will have a telling of Sir
Gawain and the Green Knight with music by Pamela Blake at this branch. We have several
versions of the Arthurian legend at our library if you want to bone up. The opening celebration is
Thursday, April 6, 5 to 7 PM at the Portland Public Library. Brochures available at Peaks' branch.

Peaks Island Garden Club

The Peaks Island garden Club will be starting the 1995 season by inviting
interested people to a pot luck dinner to be held April 22 at the Brackett Church Hall from
5:30pm to 7:00pm. A meeting for business will follow at 7:30. Please come and get to
know (and grow) with your fellow gardeners and bring a covered dish to share.
CITY OF PORTLAND
PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION
WELL CHILD CLINIC

APRIL 14, 1995
at the
PEAKS ISLAND HEALTH CENTER

Immunizations and physicals are offered to all Portland children... ages birth through 21 years are eligible. The Well Child Clinic is offered every other month directly on Peaks Island. Please call 874-8889 to schedule an appointment on April 14, or for more information about this service.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
MAINE

PEAKS ISLAND CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER
P.O. Box 7 • Central Avenue • Peaks Island, Maine 04108-0007
207-766-2854

We wish everyone a fine and sunny spring...we are delighted to have sighted some early crocuses.

Thanks to Portland Recreation we enjoyed an ice skating extravaganza when Peaks Island had use of the Portland Ice Area. We were able to participate with our School Age Program during a Public School Early Release Day, with transportation provided by a Portland Recreation Van. On another uptown adventure, we helped present the giant baseball player statue to the Portland Sea Dogs...perhaps some of you noticed us with a stranger than strange passenger that day! We also had a chance to check out an urban playground...thank yous to Denise Marconis for partnering (and driving) with us!

We’ve been experimenting with weight in our science area and exploring different shapes and size. A favorite activity was tracing our bodies on huge paper. We’ve also been learning about sign language and our preschoolers, in particular, are excited to learn how to sign the letters in their names.

PLAYGROUP continues each Wednesday morning, 10:15-11AM. It’s a fun time to drop in and enjoy our space and the company of other children and adults. This is available on a Drop In basis, with no fee involved.

Our FOOD PANTRY remains well stocked and available to any, also on a Drop In basis.

To update you on the status of the Peaks Island Children’s Workshop Building Project: Some of you have wondered why you haven’t noticed any construction happening...the building is currently being wired, with the plumbing and heating systems next in line. Progress continues and so does our fundraising. Donations can still be mailed to the Children’s Workshop at PO Box 7, Peaks Island. To date over 80 individuals have generously contributed to this important project! We are looking forward to an early/mid summer move in date and continue to thank all of you for your continued support of our community’s children. Plans and a current photo are on display at either the library or the Child Development Center, St. Christopher’s Parish Hall.
ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH
Pastor - Father Chris Piselli - Tel. 766-2585
St. Joseph's Convent - Tel. 766-2284

Weekday Masses: 7:30 A.M., St. Joseph's Chapel (except as noted)
Weekend Masses: Saturday 4:00 P.M. and Sunday 9:00 A.M. in Hall
and move back to Church on Palm Sunday
Lenten Devotions: Mass every Wednesday, 7:00 P.M. in Hall
Stations of the Cross every Friday, 7:00 P.M.
in Hall
Holy Week Schedule: Holy Thursday, Mass 7:00 P.M.
Good Friday, 7:00 P.M.
Easter Vigil, Saturday 7:00 P.M.
Ecumenical Service, Sunday 5:00 A.M. on Back Shore
Activities: Bible Study - Tuesday, 7:30 P.M. in Hall
Prayer Group - Thursday, 9:45 A.M., Erico house
Coffee and Social Hour after Mass every Sunday in Hall
Easter Egg Hunt after Easter Sunday Mass limited to
Children 10 years and younger

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

Sundays - 9:00 A.M. - Sunday School
  9:00 A.M. - Choir Rehearsal
  10:00 A.M. - Worship Service
Thurs. - 9:00 A.M. - Bible Study at Senior Center
Apr. 11 - Tues - Noon - Regular U.M. meeting at Mary Dennison's. Bring a sandwich. Welcome Ellie Goodwin (and, hopefully, other friends returning north) back home!
" 13 - Maundy Thursday - 7:00 P.M. - Special Service at the Church.
" 16 - EASTER
  6:00 A.M. - Sunrise Service at Whaleback
  6:45 A.M. - Breakfast in Memorial Hall (Brackett)
  9:00 A.M. - Sunday School
  10:00 A.M. - Easter Worship Service
Remember, if you need transportation, we will happily arrange it for you--anytime. Call Roberta Deane at 766-2782.
Dr. Tim Friel will hold his Island Veterinary Clinic on Saturday, April 29, at the Community Center. Times are as follows:

**General Clinic:**
- Dogs: 11:30-2:00
- Cats: 2:00-3:15

**Rabies-only Clinic:**
- Dogs & Cats: 3:15-4:30 (If the only service your pet needs is a rabies vaccination, this is the time to come.)

Prices will be the same as last year. Dr. Friel requests that for safety reasons, all animals be on leashes—even cats, if possible. Watch for more detailed information about the clinic on Feeney's bulletin board.

The next meeting of the Friends of Peaks Island Animals will be on Tuesday, April 18, at 7 p.m. in the Community Center. All are welcome.

**STAR OF THE SEA
THEATRE AND DANCE**

OUR SINCERE THANKS TO ALL THE DANCERS AND PARENTS WHO PARTICIPATED IN BRINGING A LITTLE JOY AND HAPPY TIMES TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE LOCAL NURSING HOMES, WE ARE WELL RECEIVED AND THEY ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO OUR RETURN. OUR NEXT PERFORMANCE WILL BE AT ST. JOSEPHS MANOR ON APRIL 2ND. IN MAY OUR DANCERS WILL PERFORM AT THE BARON CENTER.

THE SPRING RECITAL WILL BE ON SUNDAY JUNE 25th. AT 7pm. IN THE GREENWOOD GARDEN PLAYHOUSE.

AEROBIC EXERCISE WILL RESUME ON MON. APRIL 3rd AND THURS. APRIL 6th. AT 9.30-10.30am. AT THE STUDIO ON WELCH ST.

STARTING ON APRIL 6th THE BOUTIQUE WILL BE OPEN 3 DAYS A WEEK:
- THURS. 11.00am - 4pm.
- FRIDAY 12noon-4pm.
- SUNDAY 12noon-4pm.

THERE WILL BE NEW KNITTED ITEMS FROM DOT MCTIGUE AND DOREEN, DANCE COSTUMES AND ACCESSORYS, GIFTS AND EASTER BUNNIES.

HAPPY SPRING 
DOREEN AND CO.

**Island Advisory Committee**

Just a reminder that the Island Advisory Committee meets every third Wednesday of each month. If you have any island issues or concerns that you would like to see addressed please let a committee representative know. The Peaks Island representatives are: Kathy Newell 766-2491, Jerry Garman 766-5054 and alternate Tom Bohan 773-4532.

Some upcoming topics are: Education, Portland Island Schools with Francis Frost and Land Use and Zoning on Portland Islands, with Richard Knowland and Samuel Hoffses.

For informational purposes minutes from these meeting are kept in a notebook at the back of the Peaks Island Library and are posted on bulletin boards on the Island and at CBL each month.
Yes! Kripalu Yoga is for Every Body

FREE INTRODUCTORY CLASSES:
Wednesday, April 12, 1995 6:30-8:00 pm
Community Center
(This class will be 1/2 experiential and 1/2 discussion and demonstration)
Monday, April 17, 1995 6:30-8:00 pm
Peaks Island Child Development Center
(Gentle yoga - experience a full yoga class, paced for folks who are either new to yoga or simply want a slow, gentle class). ALL are welcome to one or both of these classes. Bring a towel or blanket, and a cushion. Bring a friend!

8 WEEK SPRING SESSION MAY 1 - JUNE 21:
Mondays 6:30-8:00 pm "Gentle Yoga" at Child Dev. Center
Wednesdays 6:30-8:00 pm "Moderate Yoga" at Comm. Center
Fee: sliding fee scale $50-$65 for the session
Instructor: Rebecca Stephans
Rebecca Stephans has been teaching yoga on Peaks Island for one year. She brings to her teaching a love of movement, an eclectic background and a gentle spirit. She can be reached at 780-6617.

Island Cookin' on the Rocks: Cookbook Update

There's still time to share some of your recipes for the upcoming Peaks Island Health Center Cookbook! To date, we've only received about 40 recipes -- and we need lots more!!

Please jot down your recipes with your name and phone number; we'll call if we have any questions. Mail/drop-off at the Easterling, 100 Pleasant Ave. or at the library. DEADLINE: APRIL 10, 1995

P.S. We're going to print mid-April, so copies will be available 4th of July weekend! A local Peaks Island artist has agreed to design the cover. Please help make this a "community" effort by sending in your recipes!

Casco Bay Garage Patrons

The waiting list has begun for monthly parking spaces. We expect that spaces will become available as winter residents leave the islands, but, like last year, preference will be given to year round parkers. There are 3 waiting lists:
List #1 is for parkers willing to pay 12 months in advance. These parkers will be given a 3% discount and have first claim on available space.
List #2 is for year round parkers willing to pay a security deposit of 3 months fee. This deposit will be used to pay for the months of January, February, and March of 1996. These parkers have second claim to available space.
List #3 has no prepayment or deposit requirements but you must be willing to begin parking immediately when the space becomes available. These parkers have third claim on available space after lists #1 & #2 have been satisfied.
All prepayments for list #1 and deposits for list #2 are non-refundable.
APRIL ACTIVITIES on PEAKS ISLAND
Sponsored by Portland Parks and 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. Please note: The Community Center is in use every Wednesday evening and the first and third Tuesday of the month (evenings). It is also in use the second Tuesday of even-numbered months.

** ISLAND ACTIVITIES - OPEN TO ALL ADULTS **
Pre-registration appreciated as some of these events depend on the weather. Please call Denise at 2970 (ans. machine)

SPRING-TIME SING-A-LONG
(including Irish, old-fashioned tunes and Broadway hits)
Guest Pianist: Jan Sullivan
Tuesday, April 4
1:00 - 2:00 pm
Community Center

SPECIAL EVENT:
"BEN FRANKLIN" VISITS PEAKS ISLAND
Thursday, April 20
11:00 - 12:00 noon
Brackett Memorial Church
Donations requested at the door

**OFF-ISLAND ACTIVITIES for ADULTS**
Pre-registration required for all off-island activities. Please sign sheet that is on the blue door of the Community Building. 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.

ME. MALL or WAL-MART SHOPPING
LUNCH AT THE COUNTRY BUFFET
Wednesday, April 5
Boat: 10:00 am/no later than 3:15 pm return
Cost for Luncheon Buffet: Approx. $6.00

FALMOUTH CONCERT:
BROADWAY HITS
Thursday, April 6
We should have time for ice cream at "our" favorite spot!
Boat: 6:00 pm/9:15 pm return
Cost: $3.00 Seniors/$4.00 Adults

SMTC LUNCHEON
with a "Mystery Stop" beforehand
Wednesday, April 12
10:00 am boat/no later than 3:15 pm return
Luncheon cost: $4.95 - $6.25 plus tip
Deadline to register: April 11

AN AFTERNOON of FUN:
LUNCH and BOWLING
Wednesday, April 26
11:15 am boat/no later than 4:30 pm return
Approx. cost: $5.00 for bowling

COMING IN MAY: Bus Trip to SALEM, MA.
See the House of Seven Gables and the Witch Museum
Wednesday, May 24
Approx. cost: $30.00
Pre-registration required. Deadline to register and to pay is May 15. No refunds after this date unless a replacement can be found.
What Was

At its regular March meeting PINA's Steering Committee, with input from a quartet of other interested islanders, agreed that the City, not a handful of residents, should take responsibility for deciding which street lights to douse or dim. We are requesting that the City clearly label the lights it is recommending for action so that we, as individuals, can respond to the proposals.

Improvements to the baseball field and to the community center are progressing. For instance, fencing for the former has been ordered and one generous donation toward the dugout has been received. Keep your eyes, and purse, open for more dirt on the dugout.

Some fifty islanders have voiced preferences for park bench placements -- Whaleback is the most popular choice. (A copy of detailed recommendations is on file in the library along with complete minutes of the Steering Committee meeting.)

What Will Be

Mark Tuesday, April 11, for the next General Meeting -- usual time (7:30 p.m.), usual place (Community Center). Included on the agenda, as well as regular committee reports, will be updates on lighting, the park benches and deer.

Remember -- membership in PINA is free. What PINA does affects us all. So if you want things done your way, you need to be involved!

General membership meetings are scheduled the 2nd Tuesday of even numbered months. Thus there will be a meeting on June 13 and the annual meeting on August 8.

Steering committee meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of alternate (odd numbered) months: May 9 and July 11.

April Committee Meetings:

By-Laws - April 10 (7 p.m. at Norm Proulx's)

Environment - Watch board at Feeney's for notice!

Community Center - April 19 (7:45 a.m. at the Community Center)

Peaks Island -- your neighborhood;

PINA -- your neighborhood association.

Make it work -- for you!