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**HOLIDAY GREETINGS!**

We, the editors of the Peaks Island Star, thank you all who helped our publication make it through another year. Once again we find it rewarding that all the organizations and agencies on the Island are willing to contribute their news and calendar dates, supply a correspondent, even though some of the organizations have their own newsletters. They consider it worthwhile to spread the word of their activities to the whole Island community. We try to see that our state representative, city manager and city council representative receive their monthly reports in order that they may keep abreast of Island news. We are in the process of making communication a two-way street by asking City Hall to send us regular communiques on what is happening in the city in its various departments that relate to or could effect life on Peaks Island.

We appreciate -- people who have helped us with the typing -- people at the Day Care Center and young friends who come to spend an hour or so at the Library after school who help with the stapling -- and those of you who have helped with distribution each month. We appreciate the good service given us by Curry Copy Center -- each month putting aside other work that they can help us get the "Star" back to the Island on the next boat.

Finally, to all who have donated to the printing fund. It has added up to almost $500 this year. This month we are indebted to the American Legion, the Lions Club, the Gallaghers, St. Christopher's Women's Council and two generous friends, who, under the name Anonymous.

**ICE HOCKEY PROGRAM**

I would like to continue the hockey program which was started last winter. Due to very uncooperative weather and complete reliance on outdoor ice, we did not progress very far. There was, however, a good turnout on the occasions when we skated.

The program will be a non-competitive, learning program aimed at teaching the beginners and developing existing skills.

There are some necessary items for beginners besides the obvious skates and sticks. A helmet with a cage (faceguard) or mouthpiece will be mandatory.

There will be sign-up slips at the Cockeyed Gull, or you may call me at my home Thursday or Sunday nights before 8 p.m. Bob Baker 766-2864. (COED!)
PEAKS ISLAND LIBRARY NEWS

Holiday good wishes to you all! The Peaks Island Library has received some pre-season gifts. In addition to many fine books and magazines from generous island donors, the Peaks Island Computer Club, with proceeds from its summer classes, has given us a tape recorder and a small printer to go with the Vic Commodore, which they gave earlier. During the vacation period beginning December 20, the Vic Commodore will stay in the Library so that it may be used with the printer, which is too delicate to circulate. It will give everyone a chance to try it out and may be signed-up for on the half hour basis as is our Radio Shack TRS 80. Anyone, young or old, is invited to come and try them out. There are complete instructions, books and magazines, at hand which were also given by the Computer Club. Come and see our Balcony Computer Center.

The Polaroid Company has given the Portland Public Library a number of Polaroid Sun 660 Cameras, which can be circulated to the public. One of them has been assigned to the Peaks Island Library on a permanent basis. It can be borrowed by any person over 17 -- all they have to do is furnish the film (600). If you are having family or friends for the holiday or just any time, borrow our Polaroid and get some good pictures. Come in and ask about it.

Library Hours:  
Tuesday  12 - 8  
Wednesday  10 - 4  
Thursday  5 - 8  
Saturday  10 - 1

Thank you to Janine Hoffman and Ruth Griffin of the Day Care Center, who have made it possible for us to continue our Tuesday afternoon film programs for children by hand-delivering them back to the main library each week. Any children of school age may attend these movies at 3:00 o'clock. They have been specially selected for fun and interest.

PEAKS ISLAND CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER REPORTS

On December 14th the Senior Citizens gave their annual Christmas party for the pre-school children at the Community Center. There was an exchange of gifts and delicious Christmas cookies. Everyone had a wonderful time!

The hayride planned at Stimson Stables was postponed due to inappropriate hayride weather -- rain, rain, RAIN! We will try again in (snowy?) January.

The Center will be having a Christmas party, Friday, December 23 from 10:00 - 12:00. All Day Care children and their parents are invited. Trimming the tree, breaking the pinata, caroling and a buffet lunch are all on the schedule. Please let us know in advance if you plan to attend.

We will be closed Monday, December 26 and Monday, January 2 for the holidays.

Angie's Family Day Care will be closed December 26 through January 2.

HAVE A HAPPY HOLIDAY!

PEAKS FOR PEACE, A DISCUSSION GROUP meets at the Peaks Island Library on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. All Islanders are welcome to attend.

SPECIAL NOTE Helen Pease, who will be 88 on Tuesday, Dec. 22, received Christmas greetings from President and Nancy Regan. Best wishes from Peaks Islanders, too!

MOTHER'S CHRISTMAS COFFEE - Wed. Dec. 21 - 10 a.m. - noon - Brackett Church

NEW ISLAND MOTHERS WELCOME - BABY-SITTING SERVICE.
THE PEAKS ISLAND SCHOOL NOTES

A BUSY WEEK

Monday evening, December 19 at 7:00 p.m. Holiday Music Program at the Gym. Everyone Welcome.

Tuesday afternoon, December 20 at 1:00 p.m. Joan and Lew Beckford will present a dramatization of the story "The Light at Tern Rock". It will last 40 minutes at the School Gym.

Wednesday, December 21 at 9:00 a.m. David Newfeld will present a program of mime and juggling - a one hour performance.

Third graders have been compiling a book about Peaks Island, which is being published, printed and to be sold to the public at McDermott's Store. The children have had a fine time interviewing Islanders and taking pictures and are proud of their Island home. Other classes having making decorations, making cookies and will be having classroom celebrations.

Christmas holidays start December 22 and last through January 3. Best wishes for the holidays and the New Year!

BRACKETT MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Christmas Eve Service at 7:00 p.m. All Welcome!

Are you interested in learning more about the Bible or in discussing your interpretations? Anyone is invited to attend either the two Bible Study groups: Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. at the Parsonage with child care available at the church. The Wednesday evening group (7:30 at the Parsonage) will be discussing the book of Revelations during December.

Ballroom Dancing classes begin January 10 at 7:00 p.m. and run for the next five Tuesdays at the Church Hall. Come join the fun.

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH EVENTS

Christmas Services:
Saturday, December 24 Mass at 4:00 p.m.
Midnight Mass
Sunday morning, December 25 Mass at 10:00 a.m.

Christmas Eve OPEN HOUSE at St. Joseph's-by-the-Sea 8 - 10 p.m. ALL WELCOME

Tuesday evening, January 17th Hobby Show in St. Christopher's Hall. Deadline for making reservations to show is January 6. Call 766-2264. Items will be for sale and refreshments will be served.

FRIENDS MEETING: each Sunday at Betty Van Gork's next Senior Center at 10:45.

AMERICAN LEGION NOTE

The officers and membership of the American Legion, Randall-MacVane Post#142 take this opportunity to wish each and everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year full of good health, comfort and Peace. To all those who participated in our annual "Turkey Shoot"; had it not been for your thoughtful consideration, the program could not have been as highly successful as it was; to you we extend a special Holiday greeting of "Well Done", much happiness and Peace. American Legion Post #142
Doug MacVane, Commander

LEGION-LIONS CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY Saturday afternoon, December 24 1 - 3 p.m.
Legion Hall, Welch Street. All children welcome! Don't forget (as if you would!): SANTA WILL BE THERE!