
Service Agencies of the Island

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Since the last article there is not too much to report. The private telephone line was reconnected; so that we again have the capability to reach the firebarn by dialing 911 or direct.

The reason that we have one person to cover the Island at certain times of the day is the number of calls received on the 911 line during those times. There were very few emergency calls...therefore, the City to cut back expenses decided to cut back on manpower downhere.

The City has expressed a willingness to come to the Island and meet with the callmen and concerned businessmen. We will keep you posted! It is still important that we keep the pressure on the City for adequate coverage at all times. Call Frank Amoroso (775-5451) or Joseph Casale (772-3193) and tell them how you feel.

RENEW: EMPOWERMENT BY THE SPIRIT

There will be a movie at St. Christopher's Hall on Saturday, November 23rd to celebrate the end of our third session at 7:30 p.m. There has been a wonderful response from both Brackett Memorial and St. Christopher's churches during this session.

The film is entitled" Packy" starring Bob Newhart and Jack Klugman. The theme explores the humanness of God with God portrayed by Bob Newhart and Jack Klugman as a salesman who has recently died and gone to heaven. All islanders are encouraged to join us for this film. There will be refreshments immediately following the film.

ANYONE WHO HAS AN ISLAND "STORY" FOR THE COVER OF THE PEAKS ISLAND STAR IS ASKED TO CONTACT LOUISE CAPIZZO OR IRENE FITZGERALD. EACH MONTH WE TRY TO CHOOSE A TOPIC OF INTEREST WHICH REFLECTS EITHER CURRENT OR SOCIAL EVENTS. POLITICAL ISSUES ARE DISCOURAGED.
ATTENTION: The school staff had a surprise waiting for them as they arrived for work one morning recently: a box of kittens with a note asking for a home. Surprisingly, and fortunately, finding homes was not a problem. However, finding homes for kittens is not what the school is for. A parent would understandably be concerned if time was taken away from instruction for this purpose; and imagine if a child came home from school with a kitten because we were desperate for homes! Rest assured, Mom and Dad, this will not happen. We hope this is a one-time occurrence. We hope the person who thought this was a sensible(?) or clever(?) solution to a kitten boom will have their cat taken care of or will take the responsibility for the kittens themselves. Next time, if there is a next time, the animal shelter gets the kittens via Public Safety.

Last month's school calendar was highlighted by two exciting happenings - the arrival of the new playground and the PTO Halloween Carnival. The playground, built by Kai Jacob of Kennebunk, and financed by HCD and PTO monies is awaiting landscaping work. In the meantime, it is being enjoyed by children of many ages.

The carnival was "wicked awesome" and enjoyed by a large crowd of families. It was wonderful fun. Responsible for its success are many people especially Lucy Klinginer, Jane MacDermott, Gayl Vail, Susan Benner, Patty Camp and Shar Siswick. A grateful thank you to all.

Parent conferences recently marked the end of the first quarter of school. All students have attended concerts by the P.S.O.; the 4th & 5th grades visited the Portland Museum of Art to see the Native American Painting exhibit in conjunction with the study of Native Americans. Presently, the students are involved in Project Sharing, collecting food items for Project F.E.E.D., a food pantry at Woodsfords Church. This project is aimed at doing our part to help the hungry of the world- a little closer to home.

PEAKS ISLAND DAY CARE

The Child Care Center will be holding an open house on Tuesday, December 3rd from 7 - 8 P.M. Please come and meet our staff. See our space, and hear about our projects.

Remember our playgroup: Wednesday 10:15 - 11:00 a.m. for parents and children (0 - 3yrs). All are invited and it's a lot of fun.

We'd like to welcome our newest staff member, Aileen Godat.
Happy Thanksgiving!

NEWS FROM BRACKETT CHURCH

Sunday morning worship  10:00 a.m.  coffee hour follows, child care provided.

December 7 Saturday Christmas Fair  10 - 12 at the Community Building. Bake Sale. Inexpensive gifts for Christmas. Children welcome to do their shopping! Donations accepted. Sponsored by Evening Circle, Brackett Memorial Church.

Special Sunday Services:

December 8  Hanging of the greens
December 15  Special Christmas choir music
December 15  Chrismons service
December 22  3 p.m. a special cooperative parish service at Washington Avenue Church in Portland with combined choirs of Chestnut Street Church, Clark Memorial, Peaks Island Brackett Memorial and Washington Avenue Church.
December 24  Candlelight service

News from St. Christopher's Church

November 26  Women's Council Christmas party with an exchange of gifts
December 8  Christmas Coffee: entertainment, raffles, door prizes for children and adults
December 11  Senior Citizens Christmas party. Party will be held at the Senior Citizens Center. Child Care children will be the guests and will receive gifts and goodies. Center members will also exchange Christmas gifts.

MASS:  9:00 a.m. Sunday and 4:00 p.m. Saturday

There will be a Thanksgiving service on Wednesday, November 27th at 7:30 p.m. (right after the regular 7:00 p.m. Mass).
STAR OF THE SEA THEATER

The Star of the Sea Theater's new production "Christmas around the world" will be performed at St. Christopher's Christmas Coffee, December 8th sponsored by the Women's Council.

Joining us will be Island students from Barbara Goelman's School of Ballet. Sister Ann Augusta SNP is making a mural for the background scenery. The Women's Council will have many gifts for sale.

The entertainment begins at 2:15p.m. followed by refreshments.

Our new after school Special Kids Aerobic and Mime class is a big success. Marylynn is doing a super job.

Don't forget our musical gifts on sale in MacDermott's store. There are chances on sale there for a wind-up musical jewelry box. Chances are $.25 or 5 for $1. The drawing will be held on December 16th.

We are planning a Christmas Tea on December 16th at 3:30p.m. with a special film and recital. The film is on the first parish hall of St. Christopher's, with past recitals of Island children. The Christmas Tea will be held in the McCann House on Greenwood Street. Reservations would be appreciated.

Donations to benefit the theatrical and scholarship fund are always appreciated.

Happy Holidays! Musically Yours, Doreen McCann

NEWS FROM THE PEAKS ISLAND TAXI

The Peaks Island Taxi will not be running on Thanksgiving Day from 12:25 - 6:00 p.m. I will take people to the 12:25 p.m. boat. I will be returning from town on the 5:30 p.m.

You all know that the taxi is on its last legs. I have been trying to secure some funding assistance to purchase a used vehicle. In the meantime, I need to get a bank loan for the financing at present. The bank requires 20% down and 80% is financed. You also know that the business does not generate sufficient cash to have the deposit on hand. I need your help. If anyone can assist me, please call 766-5591 (home) or 766-2777 (answering service) and I will get back to you.

I also would appreciate it if you could coordinate trips around the Island close to scheduled boat trips. This not only saves me gas money but it also frees me up to be-
productive around the house (and to sneak a nap or two!). Operating the taxi from 5:30 a.m. to 11:50 p.m. makes for a long day for me. I could also use the afternoon break between boats to catch up on some needed exercise.

DON'T FORGET TO USE THE BEEPER NUMBER DIRECT: 761-3088. Dial the beeper number. Wait for the "beep", then tell me who you are, where you are, and what boat you are going to or coming from. There will be no one on the other end for you to talk to... it is a direct voice relay to the beeper which I have in my possession always. The Taxi is charged for each and every call that is logged through 766-2777. So anyone who dials the beeper direct (761-3088), saves the taxi and me some money. CALL THE BEEPER TWO TIMES TO ENSURE THAT I RECEIVE THE MESSAGE.

NEWS FROM PEAKS ISLAND LIBRARY

The Book Discussion Group starts Wednesday, December 4th at 7 T. Anyone interested is welcome. Please read the book Ironweed by William Kennedy before you come.

We have the following list of titles from the New York Times Best Seller List:

- Texas......James Michener
- Galapagos......Kurt Vonnegut
- Lucky......Jackie Collins
- The accidental tourist...Anne Tyler
- Skeleton crew...Stephen King
- The two Mrs.Grenvilles...Dominick Dunne
- World's Fair...Doctorow
- Immigrant's daughter....Howard Fast
- Elvis and me...Priscilla Presley
- Dancing in the light....Shirley MacLaine

We also have another donation of magazines from the Halls. To name a few: Connoisseur, Country Journal, Early American Life and Architectural Digest. Come in and browse.

Story Hour
Wednesday 10:15

Library Hours
Tues. 12-8    Thur. 9-6
Wed. 10-4    Sat. 10-1

Donations to the STAR printing this month: W. Lombard, Marion Hughes, Lions Club, Ruth Woodbury and B. King. Thank you.

THE ISLANDS HEALTH CENTER

Our current schedule is as follows:

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Remember our 24-hour emergency number 766-2929
Keep this number close to your phone

The Peaks Island Dental Clinic, Dr. Robert Lundin, is open on Mondays, 10:00 - 7:00 pm   Call Mondays for appointments 766-3343