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Calendar of Events for August

1. Peaks Island Garden Club meeting at Brackett Church 7:30 PM
   Penny Auction at the Fifth Maine 7 PM

2. Art Show and Sale at the Eighth Maine 5-8 PM

3. TEIA Annual Fair and silent auction: 10 AM-4 PM; Supper: 6 PM

4. Fifth Maine Arts & Crafts Sale 10 AM-2 PM

5. Lions Club Variety Show 8 PM

6. P.I. Dental Clinic at the P.I. Health Center Day
   (Call 874-1025 for appointment)
   Summer Reading Program Family Picnic 6:30 PM
   Talk by Dr. Joel Eastman: "Maine during WW II" 7 PM
   at the Fifth Maine
   PINA General Meeting at the Community Center 7:45 PM

7. P.I. Music Association Concert at Fifth Maine 8 PM

8. C.B.I. Transit District meeting at Community Ctr. 7:45 PM

9. Friends of Peaks Island Library Annual Meeting 7 PM

10. Well Child Clinic at the P.I. Health Center Day
    (Call 874-8869 for appointment)

11. Lions Club FAMILY PICNIC Noon to 1 PM
    Open House with guided tours, ice cream social
    at the Eighth Maine 2-4 PM, 6-8 PM
    TEIA Wine-tasting; bring hors d'oeuvres; all welcome 6 PM

12. Julia Oehmig: "The Chamberlain Phenomenon" at 5th Me. 7 PM

13. P.I. Music Association Concert at Fifth Maine 8 PM

14. Pancake Breakfast at the Fifth Maine 8-11 AM
Peaks Island Clamshell Race

On July 4th the second running of the Peak Island Clamshell race attracted 86 runners and walkers. In keeping with the philosophy that success in life flows directly from merely showing up, Jennifer Manzo and Molly Radis won the award for the youngest total age (13), A. Jensen and F. Le Fevre won the oldest total age (138), and Kay Taylor and David Penalver won the greatest age difference between team members. (How many years was that Kay?). The Jansen/Fevre team also finished first in the show wearing category by choosing CLOGS rather than Nike or Reebok.

The first women's team of Halley DeDominici and Deborah De Dominici cruised in with a time of 14 minutes and 32 seconds, the first mixed team of Daniela Daggy and Robert Daggy broke the tape in 11 minutes and 12 seconds, and the over-all winners Paul Knox and A. Peter Lindeboom stopped the clock in a record 9 minutes and 45 seconds. (Next year if they return to defend their title they've promised to wear ankle weights).

Many thanks to Downing's Candy store for the gift certificates for our winners and to the volunteer race monitors, sign-up people, and poster makers who made this race such a success. Over $125 was raised to support the Health Center.

See you next July 4th.

Chuck Radis

SENIOR CENTER NEWS-

August 10th will be the last day to purchase tickets for the August 14th Lobster Bake at Greenwood Gardens. They are on sale at membership special prices between 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. at the Peaks Island Senior Center. Come in and reserve your tickets for lobster, steak, or chicken dinners. First come...first served...while they last!

We had 28 members present at our June 17th Pot-luck Luncheon which was good, considering it rained most of the day.

Ellie Goodwin read the By-laws with a few changes and the members present voted unanimously to accept them.

A 1000 piece Jig-saw puzzle has been started at the Center. Stop in and add some to it. Our Bake sale was a great success, thanks to the members who baked in the hot weather prior to July 15th. We grossed $155, plus donations making a total of $185, for the Meals On Wheels Program.

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Thank you to Marjorie and Richard Erico for a contribution toward the printing of this month's STAR.
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With great regret we report that St. Christopher's has been notified by the Sisters of Notre Dame that the Convent will be closing and the Sisters will be leaving Peaks Island by the end of the summer. St. Joseph-by-the-Sea and its lovely inhabitants have been an integral part of the Peaks Island community for fifty-five years and will be sorely missed by each and every Islander. A reception in their honor is being planned and will be announced.

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
Pastor - Father Costanzo Piselli  766-2585
Covent - Sisters of Notre Dame  766-2284

Mass Schedule:
Saturday  4:00 P.M.
Sunday  9:15 A.M.
       8:00 A.M. Long Island
       11:00 A.M. Great Diamond
Daily  7:30 A.M. at Convent

PEAKS ISLAND LIONS CLUB

Coming Peaks Island Events:
August 7th and 8th - Peaks Island Variety Show
August 19th - Peaks Island Lions Club FAMILY DAY!

Lobster, Steak, Chicken - Games
Contact any member or the Club (766-2100) for tickets.
The Peaks Island Lions Club recently donated $1000 to the Health Center in memory of Bud Perry for purchase of a new examination table.

EIGHTH MAINE NOTES

Our association is experiencing modest growth due to Civil War epics on TV and greater interest in family roots. New families who are direct descendents of several veterans have joined in the past two years and more long-time family members are now active. Attendance at our Reunion in June was greater than any since the late 1920's and filled our rooms to capacity. Upkeep of this memorial building depends upon donations from members and the public, room rentals with cooking facilities provided and fund raisers. The latter include the Art Show and Sale (August 4th), a raffle with four cash prizes or a weekend get-away (drawn August 6th) and an Ice Cream Social and open house with guided tours on August 19th, and sale of gift items from the table. Our season runs from about June 15th to September 15th. A limited number of rooms are available to the public. People or groups may visit and tour the building. Advance notice is appreciated.

Our phone number is: 766-5086, Off season: (814) 237-3165.
THE PEAKS ISLAND GARDEN CLUB

The next meeting of the Peaks Island Garden Club will be held on Tuesday, August 1st at 7:30 PM at the Brackett Memorial Church. The Garden Club is open to all Peaks Island residents. We are very interested in hearing your ideas for projects, programs, and education. Please join us for our next meeting.

Brackett Memorial Church

Rev. Charles Hale, Pastor

Sunday Morning Worship: 10A.M.
All are invited to join us for worship and fellowship, activity table for children during worship
Need a ride? Call 766-5054 or 766-5013

Thursday Morning Bible Study, 9 A.M. at the Senior Center
Everyone is invited to join us exploring the Bible

HOLY TRINITY CHAPEL

Beginning July 2nd, Episcopal Eucharists will be celebrated each Sunday during July and August at 10:15 am in St. Christopher's Roman Catholic Church on Central Avenue. All are welcome.

THANK YOU

Richard and Marjorie Erico, Kim and Steven MacIsaac, Paul and Heather Erico, and Kendra O'Connell want to thank all who offered prayers and were so supportive during Kristin's short illness. For the outpouring of sympathy, the beautiful fruit, flowers, cards, mass cards, enrollments, meals, pastries, telephone call, visits and donations in her memory, we are truly grateful.
The Peaks Island Music Association will present two Wednesday Night Concerts during August at the Fifth Maine Community Center, Seashore Avenue.

On Wednesday, August 9, Peaks musicians Miriam Faux, piano, Starr Demitre, piano, and Nick Broadwater, violin, offer a varied program including piano duets of Dvořák’s Slavonic Dances, works by Vivaldi, Brahms, Svendsen and Kreisler, and featuring a performance by guest pianist, Erin Bayly.

In the final concert of the season, on Wednesday, August 23, the Peter Donnelly “Jazz” Trio—Bob Bevans, Guitar, Wayne Albion, Bass, and Peter Donnelly, Piano—will soothe you with the mellow, swinging music of the ‘30s, ‘40s and ‘50s, in a program featuring special guest vocalist Dorothea Demitre Ludwig singing songs that Rudy Vallée made famous.

All Concerts begin at 8:00 P.M. Donations requested at the door: $3.00 Adults, $1.00 Children under twelve. For more information call 766-4496, or 766-5845.

STAR OF THE SEA
STUDIO’S

MON. AND TUES. AUGUST 7th AND 8th, THE PEAKS ISLAND LIONS CLUB WILL HAVE THEIR VARIETY SHOW, AT 8PM, IN GREENWOOD GARDENS. MANY LOCAL SINGERS WILL PERFORM, ALSO MUSIC SELECTIONS, SOME OF OUR DANCERS PLUS A MAGIC PRESENTATION, LOOKS LIKE A GREAT SHOW, DON’T MISS IT.

WE HAD A CHANCE TO GIVE A DANCE PROGRAM OF JAZZ AND COUNTRY LINE DANCE ON LONG ISLAND FOR THE YOUNG CHILDREN THERE IN JULY, WE HAVE TWO MORE VISITS SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST. EVERY ONE HAD A GREAT TIME. WE WERE WELL RECEIVED.

OUR FALL SCHEDULE FOR 1995-1996 WILL START ON WED. SEPT. 6th. AT THE RIVERTON COMMUNITY CENTER, PORTLAND (AGES 4 THROUGH ADULT). THIS IS OUR 8th YEAR HERE.

PEAKS STUDIO WILL START ON TUES. SEPT. 13th. AGES 4 THROUGH ADULT. TUITION IS $15. PER STUDENT PER MONTH, CALL FOR FAMILY SPECIALS.

AEROBIC EXERCISES, MON. AND THURS. 9:30-10:30 am. $14. PER MONTH.

STAR OF THE SEA BOUTIQUE IS OPEN EVERY DAY EXCEPT WED. MANY NEW ITEMS, PLUS NEW SWEATERS.

THE DANCE STUDIO’S AND BOUTIQUE SALES ARE ALL NONE PROFIT. THEY SUPPORT OUR THEATRE FUND AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS, PLUS ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE LOCAL NURSING HOMES AND HOSPITALS.

WE SINCERELY APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT.

MUSICALLY YOURS
DOREEN AND CO.
Many thanks to all of our friends and neighbors who contributed to our recent campaign to fund the restoration of our memorial windows. Although we are still a bit short of our goal, your generosity has allowed us to begin this important project. Phase I, replicating 8 missing panes, has been completed. Phase II, reglazing of all panes, is now underway and is scheduled to be completed by fall. Phase III, the installation of protective exterior deadlight windows, will be undertaken as funds allow.

The new exhibit in our Peaks Island Room, "An Island At War: The Peaks Island Military Reservation" has been well received. We urge those of you who have not yet seen this informative exhibit to stop by. In conjunction with the exhibit Dr. Joel Eastman from the University of Southern Maine will present "Homefront Down East: Maine During World War II" on August 8 at 7 PM. Joel's talks are always lively and interesting so mark August 8 on your calendars!

The Fifth Maine would like to hear from people interested in doing historical research and outreach programs with schools, civic groups etc. Anyone interested in volunteering for these or any other projects at the Fifth Maine should call Kim at 766-5514 or stop by the building between 11 and 4 any day.

PEAKS ISLAND LAND PRESERVE

On Wednesday, July 19, the Peaks Island Land Preserve took title to the Battery Steele property. At the closing we paid $34,000 to the Star Foundation, bringing to $44,000 the total amount paid to Star. We still owe Star $26,000, which we are obligated to pay on September 19, 1995. Our financial situation is as follows:

Funds raised to date: $48,701
Unfilled pledges: 3,995
Loan from City of Portland: 35,000
Direct Battery Steele Acquisition Expenditures: 44,000
Indirect Expenditures: 64,000
Funds required to complete purchase: 26,000

If possible, we would like to complete the purchase without using the $35,000 available through the City's loan. Therefore, our immediate fundraising goal is $25,000. This amount will provide both the funds due to Star on September 19, 1995 and a small cushion to cover the costs associated with cleanup, administrative matters and taxes.
PINA MATTERS

1. The PINA General Meeting will be held on August 8, 1995 at 7:30 PM at St. Christopher’s Parish Hall. The election of three PINA Steering Committee Members and recommendations for changes in the PINA bylaws are the major agenda topics.

2. The following is a summary of the major items that were discussed at the June 13th Steering Committee meeting:

   • **Aerial Spraying:** The City is circulating a petition to authorize aerial spraying for the brown tail moth. The Steering Committee wanted to be sure that the City designates what chemical would be used. If spraying is to be done, the Environment Committee will recommend that City owned properties be sprayed as well as inhabited areas. The pervasive attitude of the Environmental Committee is that the city did not fulfill its obligations with regard to the brown tale moth control procedures. Commitments made by the City in the early spring were not fulfilled which allowed the situation to further deteriorate.

   • **Ball Field:** The City really missed a change with this one, according to Human Services Committee chair Mike Richards. Mike and the majority of the individuals that use the field are very upset with the City for its existing condition. The entire infield grass was removed, contrary to what was requested by Mike, rendering the field unusable for the rest of the baseball season. Mike also indicated that the City did not follow-up on the commitment to mow the field and did not listen to recommendations when constructing the fencing (which had to be done three times before it was done correctly). Mike will meet with the coaches and other interested parties to determine what is required to remedy the condition of the field.

   • **Sidewalks:** President John Flynn indicated that the bid for the long-awaited Welch Street and Island Avenue projects will be out July and August, respectively. Construction will begin some time in August on Welch Street and in September on Island Avenue. Let’s hope the City will not delay any longer as both of these projects are long overdue.

   • **Miscellaneous:**

     1. The City Council’s annual tour will be held sometime this month with the date to be announced by President John Flynn.

     2. The Attorney General has written a letter indicating that there are funds available for a community project. Thoughts and ideas anyone???

     3. Torrington Point Sewer: What is going on????? Betty Heller and Kay Taylor will contact the City for an update.
AUGUST 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. The Community Center is in use every Tuesday and Thursday evening through mid-August. Please note: For information on putting a display up in the Community Building, please call Denise at 766-2970 (answering machine).

• ON-ISLAND ACTIVITIES - OPEN TO ALL •

(Children must be accompanied by an adult)

SHARE YOUR FAVORITE ZUCCHINI RECIPES
(& see the many photos taken this year)
Thursday, August 10
10:15 am at the Community Center
Bring samples to share and the recipe itself!

NATURE ART CRAFTS
Instructor: Ann Hinderer
Thursday, August 17
10:00 - 11:00 am
Fee: $3.00 (for supplies)
Pre-registration required as space is limited.
No artistic talent needed! Supply list available upon registration

**OFF-ISLAND ACTIVITIES for ADULTS**
Preregistration required for all off-island activities. Please sign sheet that is on Denise’s door in 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.
Please call Denise at 766-2970 if you have any questions.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

SEASHORE TROLLEY MUSEUM
TROLLEY RIDE and OLD TIME CIRCUS
(BYO picnic lunch to eat on our private trolley)
Tuesday, August 15
10:45 am boat/5:30 pm boat
Approx. cost: $10.00
(Parents: Group rates available through Denise, but no transportation provided)
Deadline to register: August 10

SKATING PARTY at the ICE ARENA
Thursday, August 17
12:45 pm boat/3:15 pm return
Cost: $1.00 per person - rentals free!
Children must be accompanied by an adult.
Limited transportation available.
Deadline to register: August 16

BABYSITTING COURSE
(min. age: 11 years old)
August 21, 22, 23
Must attend all 3 hours in order to be certified. Please call Denise for hours.
Cost: $14.00 per participant
Payment must be made by August 17

"THE MUSIC MAKERS" at MILL CREEK
(Music of World War II era)
Wednesday, August 16
6:00 pm boat/9:15 pm return
FREE! Bring your own picnic
Deadline to register: August 14

DIAMOND COVE: LUNCH AND TOUR
Thursday, August 24
9:45 am boat/return time to be determined
Deadline to register: August 23

CASCO BAY CLOGGERS-SMILING HILL FARM
Tuesday, August 29
6:00 pm boat/9:15 pm return
FREE! Bring your own picnic
Deadline to register: August 24

FREEPORT SHOPPING TRIP
Thursday, August 31
9:45 am boat/3:15 pm return
Deadline to register: August 24
CITY-RELATED PROBLEM?

George Flaherty, Manager of Island Affairs for the City of Portland, is on Peaks each Wednesday, 7:45-2:45, to meet with individuals or groups to talk about any City-related issue you may have. At any time you may call him at his office at 756-8288; he will return your call. On Wednesdays, you may call him at 874-8419; this number rings on Peaks. Or, if he is not out talking to people, you may find him at the public safety building.

Friends of the Peaks Island Branch Library

Thank you to all Friends who worked for the Book Sale, and thanks to all who supported the Friends of the Library through book donations, book purchases, and membership dues.

"Make new friends but keep the old..." As we remind FRIENDS in the Peaks community that it's time to renew their memberships, we'd like to extend the invitation to join to newcomers and other Peaks Islanders who have not yet become a Friend of the Peaks Island Library.

We are a group of Peaks residents, both summer and year-round, whose common goal is to support our Peaks branch of the Public Library any way we can. Current officers of FRIENDS (1994-5) are Kay Taylor-President, Carla Hults-Secretary, and Roberta Deane-Treasurer.

The July used book sale is our big event of the year; funds raised from memberships and book sales have allowed us to purchase a computer for the Library. We recently assumed sponsorship for the copier and for publication of the STAR. We also organized a way to purchase a set of books of the US states for the Library. Many Islanders purchased "a state" for $20 and donated the book to the Library, often in honor of a friend or family member. Our next goal is to purchase some biographies for the young people's collection. We'd appreciate your support.

Please return this form and membership dues in a sealed envelope by mail or in person to the Library: Friends of the Peaks Island Library, c/o P.I. Library, 129 Island Avenue, Peaks Island 04108 Thank you!

FRIENDS OF THE PEAKS ISLAND LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP 1995-96

NAME ________________________ P.I. PHONE ________
P.I. ADDRESS ________________________________
WINTER ADDRESS ________________________________
MEMBERSHIP DUES: _______ INDIVIDUAL ($1.00) _______ FAMILY ($3.00) _______ NUMBER IN FAMILY
Welcome to our summer friends and visitors. This has been a busy year at the library. During the year ending June 30, 1995, we have circulated 25,000 items, an 11% increase over last year. Six years ago, the count was about 16,000 for the year. So if the library seems more crowded to you, it is, but we hope to extend the same service and ask for your patience if it takes a little longer.

Thank you to the Friends of the Peaks Island Library for all they have done for us in the last year: sponsoring the purchase of the America the Beautiful series of books on the states for our library, purchasing extra copies of books that our book group is reading, approving the purchase of an additional hard drive for our Macintosh computer, and countless other volunteer activities. Thank you especially to Kay Taylor, president, who has always kept things going, seeing that we have some fun along with the work. We hope to see all our Friends at their annual meeting, August 14.

Upcoming programs at the library:
Summer Reading Program Family Picnic - Tuesday, August 8, 6:30 PM
Come celebrate the end of the summer reading program! You bring a picnic supper and something to sit on (we'll be on the Child Development Center playground across the street, weather permitting). We'll provide lemonade, cookies, and watermelon. Those who have reached their Summer Reading goals (be sure to turn in your reading list by Saturday, August 5) will receive certificates. Parents, please come with your children.

Friends of the Library Annual Meeting - Monday, August 14, 7 PM
After a brief business meeting to elect officers, you will meet five Peaks Islanders who have had books published this year: Paul Erickson, Helene Swarts, Richard Holst, Kevin Hawkes, and Anne Sibley O'Brien. Refreshments will follow. Children may attend only with an adult. Please join us and show support for our local authors and our library.

Adult Book Discussion Group - Tuesday, September 5, 7 PM
We will discuss Foreign Affairs, a novel by Alison Lurie, which won the Pulitzer Prize in 1984. It is available in paperback and at the library. Other books we will be reading: Things They Carried by Tim O'Brien, Good Scent From a Strange Mountain by Robert Butler, Stone Diaries by Carol Shields. Also under consideration: Wuthering Heights by Emily Bronte, Mother's Love by Mary Morris, Their Eyes Were Watching God by Zora Neale Hurston, The Awakening by Kate Chopin, and House of the Spirits by Isabel Allende. Please join us. First Tuesday of each month at 7 PM.

A reply one year about receiving the STAR.

Of course I want to continue my STAR! Peaks has been a part of my life since I arrived in a clothes basket at the age of 4 months.

If you would like the STAR mailed to you Sept. to June,
Please send $5.00 with your name and mailing address to:

PEAKS ISLAND STAR
c/o Peaks Island Library
129 Island Avenue
Peaks Island, ME 04108
Our thanks to Nancy 3. Hoffman for her performance of Highlights from THE MIKADO to benefit the Peaks Island Children's Workshop Building Project. The project is entering its final phase of completion and we hope to make our big move by early September. We've had a great crew of volunteer parents for interior painting as well as volunteers from UNUM...if you have any spare time and would like to volunteer we have more painting, windows to wash, etc...give Janine Blatt a call. The Children's Workshop has raised just over $324,000 to date:

- Portland HCD Program: $175,000
- Private Foundations: $38,500
- Individual Contributions: $13,500
- Business Contributions: $6,375
- Fundraising Events: $6,000
- Coastal Enterprise, Inc./Loan: $85,000

with a final goal of $335,000...contributions continue to be accepted with much appreciation. Many generations of Peaks Island Children will benefit from this new facility and we thank all of you for your support and words of encouragement.

Our summer school age program has received United Way Campership funds to enable us to take weekly off island field trips. The funds have been used to rent a van and pay for boat tickets. The Center has been a United Way member agency since the late 1970's. As the United Way Campaign gets under way, we'd like you to be assured that United Way dollars are well at work in our community.

Thanks to all of you who contribute to our ongoing bottle drive at Feeney's by leaving your slips in the jar up front.

Our weekly Community Playgroup continues each Wednesday morning, 10:15-11AM...a time for parents/infants/toddlers to enjoy our playspace. No fee or registration is involved...simply drop in and enjoy! Our Food Pantry also remains available, Mon-Fri, 7AM-6PM.

Due to the myriad of logistics and time involved with the building project, we will not be holding our traditional Children's Festival this August. Instead, we will be hosting a gala event this fall to celebrate our move and our traditional festival will be back next summer.
PEAKS ISLAND HEALTH CENTER
STERLING STREET
766-2929

SUMMER HOURS:
Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 9:00a.m.-2:00p.m.
Dr. Elizabeth Rudenberg
Tuesdays 1:00 p.m - 7:00 p.m.
Thursdays 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Mercy Hospital Physician Assistants

WALK-INS ARE WELCOMED!

The Peaks Island Dental Clinic will be in on Tuesday August 8. Both the dentist and hygienist will be in. To make an appointment, please call Rena at 874-1025

The Well Child Clinic will be in on Friday August 18. For an appointment please call 874-8869.

THE HOT WEATHER HAS ARRIVED !!
Please remember that it is important to stay cool! The hottest times of the day are between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Vigorous activities should be avoided during these hours when possible. On hot days it is especially important to cool our bodies with fluids. Children and the elderly should be encouraged to drink lots of fluids - water is great, and kids love popsicles! If you have a chronic medical problem such as a heart condition, please check with your doctor about drinking extra fluids. For more information on Heat-Related illness a handout is available at the Health Center.

DON'T FORGET THE SUNSCREEN!!

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Deadline for Sept. STAR: Friday, August 25th.
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