
Service Agencies of the Island
PEAKS ISLAND NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NOTES

A general meeting of P.I.N.A was held on October 19, 1992 with 35 members in attendance and steering committee members.

Fay Garmen reported the dog show mentioned previously has been put on hold due to insurability of such an event. A community Christmas Tree ceremony is planned and we will hear more about these plans. Plans for a basketball court on the Island is now being discussed. The Community Services Committee meets on the third Wednesday of every month. All are welcomed.

John Flynn reported the Sewage Treatment Plant is moving ahead and the project will be closing up for the winter soon and the Island will be getting back the parking lot. The wharf projects are moving forward. Phase I will be moving uptown for the fabrication of the steel units soon. The project will continue in the spring with expected completion in June. Phase II plans are 80% final and will go out for bid in November. A meeting will be held in C.B.I.T.D. Conference Room at 3:00 on Thursday, November 5th. Any questions or concerns on the passenger wharf or Welch Street should be addressed as time is getting very short to voice your concerns.

A concern was raised regarding the capping of the dump. The City Liaison Committee will look into this. This committee will also inquire about on-street parking for island residents on the Portland side.

The Environmental Committee is working on a program for Islanders to compost leaves, etc. Anyone wishing to start composting should contact Betty Heller. A site has been set aside at the dump for this purpose and will be opened during regular operating hours. Although concern about the deer population has been raised we are not at a point where the State would be willing to step in. The cost of a birth control method is very expensive and they will not consider it until we can show depredation of our forests. We will continue to monitor this problem. The Environmental Committee thanked the public for help in Coastal Clean-Up.
The Public Safety Committee has met with Lt. Mark Cole, head of the Island Services. This meeting was to outline the mission of the police on the island. This was a very good meeting opening lines of communication between the Police Dept. and P.I.N.A.

A motion was made and passed to have P.I.N.A. withdraw from being involved in a discussion between the Day Care and D.H.R.S.

A meeting with your City officials will take place on October 29th. PLEASE COME!!!!!!

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Senior Citizens

The Thanksgiving luncheon of the Peaks Island Senior Citizens will follow the noon business meeting on November 16. At this meeting plans for the December Christmas party will be finalized.

We will need to know for sure by this meeting how many mittens we can count on to distribute at the Christmas party. It is likely that we will need more than the 25 pairs distributed last year. Mittens may be left in the side entry at Gretchen Hall's (20 Lower A St.) at any time; call 766-3381 if you would like yarn.

Have you noticed? The Peaks Island school is back at brightening the corner at the Senior Center. Thanks to the First Grade, everyone who comes in enjoys a shower of October's bright color, that, strangely enough, turns out to be apples!

At their September meeting the Peaks Island Senior Citizens voted a thousand dollars each for winter fuel to St. Christopher's Church, and to Bracket Memorial, as well as $50 to the Heart Fund. Thirteen members were present at the October meeting.

Thanks to Denise Macaronas, we are the proud hosts to visitors from the mainland. She thinks our back shore is worth sharing (which it is); and arranges trips to the island, with our Senior Center their home-away-from-home. Island cars available in the daytime carry the visitors for their glimpse of our back shore.

We welcome Mary Evelyn Hults to our roll of volunteers; she will see that the Senior Center is open on Friday afternoons from one to three.

Sister Ann Augusta sees that the Center is open to all on Mondays from ten AM, to two in the afternoon. Her particular concern is for those who may have labored up the hill from the boat, and need to sit and rest before they go on.

Jan Sullivan is taking a well-deserved break from seeing that the Senior Center is open on Wednesday afternoons. But she is not promising not to be there. Some of us remember the days when Phylis LeClair, and Ruth Woodbury, before that, put in longer days than they were paid for, just to keep the Center open for us all. On a volunteer basis, there is no hope of filling their shoes. If you can't promise two hours every week, you may have an occasional free afternoon. Call Gretchen Hall at 766-3381.

Meetings at 4:30 on first and third Tuesdays continue at the Senior Center for anyone interested in what is going on beside the Welch Street dock. Drawings of the completed sewage treatment facility are in the window at the Senior Center.
Book Discussion Group
Tuesday, November 3, at 7 pm, the adult book discussion group will meet at the library. For that meeting, Jane Smiley’s Thousand Acres will be the topic. At that meeting, we will pick the next book, so watch for signs at the library and on Feeney’s board if you think you might like to join us.

To join, all you have to do is read the book and come. You do not have to be there every time. If the book appeals to you, read it and join us, the first Tuesday of the month at 7 pm. The only thing we decided last month is that books chosen should be available in paperback. Jan Thomas is the coordinator for the group, so speak to her if you have questions.

Rosellen Brown         Before and After
                     (will be a movie with Meryl Streep)
Olive Burns           Leaving Cold Sassy
Gay Courter           Midwife’s Advice
David Duncan          Brothers K
Diana Gabaldon         Dragonfly in Amber
Armistead Maupin      Maybe the Moon
Ruth Rendell          Kissing the Gunner’s Daughter
Sidney Sheldon        Stars Shine Down
Robert Waller          Bridges of Madison Ct
Tom Wicker             Donovan’s Wife

New Nonfiction
Cambridge Encyclopedia of Ornithology
Schuyler Chapin        Leonard Bernstein
James Gluck            Genius: Life and Science of Richard Feynman
Yves Montand           You See, I Haven’t Forgotten
Wanda Norstrom         American Artist in Africa, 1937
Roger Phillips         Mushrooms of North America

New Fiction
Peter Ackroyd          English Music

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STARC OF THE SEA
THEATRE AND DANCE CO.

ON SATURDAY NOV. 21st WE WILL HAVE A FOOD AND GIFT SALE FROM 10--3pm. AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER. PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT OUR NON-ProFIT PROGRAMS; ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE COMMUNITY, NURSING HOMES, ST. JUDES CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL, (DANNY THOMES PROGRAM), AND THE MAINE CHILDREN’S CANCER RESEARCH CENTER IN PORTLAND, AND COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS.

DUE TO FINANCIAL PROBLEMS, WE HAVE TO GIVE UP OUR STUDIO LOCATION ON WELCH ST. HOWEVER WE WILL CONTINUE WITH ALL OUR PROGRAMS. STARTING IN JAN. 1993 WE WILL HAVE A NEW LOCATION. MORE NEWS LATER ON THIS CHANGE.

OUR DANCERS ARE REHEARSING FOR OUR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM, FOR ST.
CHRISTOPHERS CHRISTMAS FAIR WITH CRAFTS AND REFRESHMENTS, ALL THIS ON SUNDAY DECEMBER 6th. DOORS OPEN AT 1:30pm. SHOW STARTS AT 2:30pm. THE THEME, "SOUNDS OF A COUNTRY CHRISTMAS". DON'T FORGET SAT. NOV. 21st, GREAT SALES FROM OUR BOUTIQUE AND HOLIDAY FOOD TABLE.

WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT
MUSICALLY YOURS
DOREEN MCCANN & CO.
PORTLAND RECREATION ON PEAKS ISLAND
NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES

IF YOU WOULD LIKE 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 THERE, PLEASE CALL 874-8793 DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS.

ADULT ACTIVITIES: OPEN TO ALL ADULTS

Every Tuesday
Men's Basketball
6:30-8:30 pm School gym
$2.00 drop-in fee

Every Wednesday
Coed Volleyball (recreational)
7:00-9:00 pm School gym
$2.00 drop-in fee

NOVEMBER 4 - Wednesday
Board & Card Games
1:00-2:30 pm Com. Ctr.
This is a "drop-in" program. Come when you want to and play your old favorites like Checkers, Chinese checkers, Scrabble, etc.

NOVEMBER 10 - Tuesday
Share Ideas/Photos
1:00-2:30 pm Com. Ctr.
Let's make plans together for the long winter ahead! All suggestions are welcome. If you have photos of any of the trips we've taken, come share them!

OFF-ISLAND ACTIVITIES

Pre-registration required for all off-island activities. Senior adults are given top priority. Non-seniors may register on a space available basis. Sign-up sheets are at the Sr. Center (open M-F, 10:00-11:00 am; call ahead if coming in the afternoon: 2545). Registrations left on the answering machine CANNOT be guaranteed. Space is limited. A minimum of 8 people is required. If you have any questions, please call Denise at 2970.

NOVEMBER 18 - Wednesday
Kittery Shopping
8:15 am boat/3:15 return
There will be a stop for lunch

NOVEMBER 24 - Tuesday
Wal-Mart & Lunch
10:00 am boat/return mid-afternoon

After School Program: Grades 1-5
Thursday afternoons from 2:45 - 4:00 pm. See The Link for details about Gr. 1-5 as well as special Kindergarten drop-in sessions

Teen Program: Grades 6-12
Monday and Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:30 pm. at the Com. Ctr. $2.00 registration

Note to all seniors: Portland Recreation may be able to get concert tickets for the Portland Symphony Pops series (Sunday afternoons). If you would like to be notified about availability, please call Denise at 2970. These will be available at the very last minute. No transportation.
Fair weather prevailed as the Coast Guard hosted a trip to their South Portland base for Peaks, Long, and Cliff Island students, staff and volunteer parents aboard The Jefferson, 110 on September 29th. Coast Guard personnel presented information about search and rescue, first aid measures, use of the foul weather boat as well as procedures and materials for the clean-up of oil spills. Of particular interest was the demonstration of flares used during search and rescue missions.

As part of the Portland Partnership, Coast Guard volunteers visit Peaks Island classrooms each month sharing their expertise. For the month of October navigation was the focus and presentations by Alex and Craig were superb.

Jerry Pallotta, author of a series of alphabet books, visited Peaks Island School on October 22nd. Long and Cliff teachers, students and volunteer parents joined us for the day as did parents and community members of Peaks Island.

Mr. Pallotta began writing alphabet books with an information text in 1986 and published the first three himself. The Ocean Alphabet Book he wrote especially for the New England Aquarium in Boston. (A galley print of this book may be seen in the Peaks Island School library). He shared personal interests and experiences related to how he selects topics for his books and encouraged children to write alphabet books based on their island experiences.

Because most of his books are related to the plant and animal world they are shipped to aquariums and national parks across the United States. He has been able to name his illustrator for each book thus far.

Please feel free to visit the school library and see the following collection:

The Ocean Alphabet Book
The Icky Bug Alphabet Book
The Flower Alphabet Book
Yucky Reptile Book
The Frog Alphabet Book
Going Lobstering

The Dinosaur Alphabet Book
Underwater Alphabet Book
Furry Alphabet Book
The Bird Alphabet Book
Victory Garden Alphabet Book
The Icky Bug Counting Book
Have you noticed our new playground structure? Many thanks are due to Lois Tiedekin who began a fundraising drive a year ago and helped to coordinate a work crew to assemble the climber. And more thanks to the crew who spent a Saturday in the rain...it was a sight to behold! A reminder to all parents...ALL CHILDREN MUST BE SUPERVISED IN THE PLAYGROUND. We'd like to remind the community that the playground (on the corner of Island and Sterling) is part of the Child Care Center program. There are guidelines for use posted on the front fence. The Center maintains ratios of adult/children as required by the State Child Care Licensing Division. Any child under 16 years old and not with an adult must be counted as part of these ratios. The Center becomes responsible for all unsupervised children in the playground while we are there. We must ask that visiting children be accompanied by an adult. We also ask that the community be sensitive to our group needs in the playground. Please check with the staff to make sure it is a good time to join us. We enjoy visitors but we also need to be sensitive to the needs of the children in our care. Thanks for all your help.

We'd like to bid a fond farewell to Sandy Conlogue, who has been a member of our teaching staff for the past year. At the same time, we welcome Angie Kelso back to our teaching staff.

We've been busy making tissue paper ghosts and witches and watching our paper pumpkin patch growing in the Block area...we're almost ready to pick them and turn them into Jack o lanterns. Our School Age crew has created a haunted house and a wonderful scarecrow. Can you guess what holiday we've been celebrating?

Our Community Playgroup continues each Wednesday morning from 10:15-11AM...this is a time for parents to come and enjoy our playspace with their infants/toddlers and enjoy the company of others.

Our thanks to those who continue to contribute their Bottle Return money at Feeney's market. The total for our fiscal year ending on September 30 was $390!!! This helps to offset our food costs...just ask to have your bottle return slips credited to the Child Care Center account.

We have another fundraising opportunity offered by Kids' Stuff, the resale clothing store in the Mall Plaza. If you sell clothes to their store, they will pay you the full value along with sending our center 5% of the purchase price. We have coupons to take there, so if you shop or sell at Kids' Stuff please stop by and pick up a coupon and more information about this opportunity. Thanks.
BRACKETT MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Church St. 766-5013
Rev. R. Hale,
Worship and Sunday School: 10 am
Wednesday morning Bible Study, 9 am, Senior Center
Nov. 25- 7 pm Thanksgiving Service Brackett Church.

St. Christopher's Catholic Church
Central Ave. 766-2585
Rev. Normand Carrier, Pastor

Masses: Weekend - Peaks Island - Sat. 4:30 pm, Sunday, 9 am
Weekday - St. Joseph-By-The-Sea, 7:30 am
Christmas Mass - TBA in December
Activities: Sundays - Coffee and cake in the Parish Hall after Mass
Wednesdays - Bible Study, 9am, Senior Center
      Beano - 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall
Thursdays - Prayer Group 9:45 am at Marge Erico's. For prayers
      call 6-2844, 2502, 2641 or St. Joseph's 2284
50/50 Club - $5 a month or $50 per year, win half of the pot. Call Joyce
O'Brien 6-2001 for more information.
RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION: Grade 1, Wed., 3 pm at Diane Mulkern's or Roseann
Walsh; Grades 2-4 at Pat CR's; Grades 6-8 with Sr. Rosina in the lower Parish
Hall Sundays after Mass; Grades 9-12 after Mass at the Rectory with Father
Carrier
CHRISTMAS FAIR: Sun., Dec. 6, 1:30 in the Parish Hall. Gift tables, candy,
knitted articles, refreshments, doorprize. Donation at the door - $3 Adults,
$1.50 Children. Entertain by Star of The Sea Theater pupils.
PARISH CONCERNS: Contact Judy 2109, Sr. Rosina 2284, Rectory 2585
DEC 13 - Parish Council Meeting after Mass in the Parish Hall
DEC. 6 - Annual Christmas Fair & Entertainment
** Donations for Food Pantry may be left in appropriate box or basket in the
Church. Your donations may help many.

FOR FURTHER NOTICES REGARDING OTHER EVENTS PLEASE CHECK THE WEEKLY BULLETIN

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PEAKS ISLAND FRIENDS WORSHIP (QUAKERS)
Every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. we have a Friends Meeting for Worship on the
island. Friends are also known as Quakers. Everyone is welcome to attend.
We meet at Betty Van Wyck's home at 41 Adams St. Directions: Go up
Welch St., cross Island Ave. and continue to top of the hill. Turn right on
Adams St.: look for a blue house with a white picket fence. We hope you
will join us.

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DEADLINE for the December Issue of the Star is
Wednesday.... November 25th.
PEAKS ISLAND HEALTH CENTER
P.O. Box 52
Sterling Avenue
Peaks Island, Maine 04108

(207) 766-2929

Monday 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.
Wednesday 8:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.
Thursday 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.
Friday 8:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

Please call 766-2929 to make an appointment. Thank you for your support.

LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS & EVENTS

Bean Supper will be held 5-7 P.M. on November 7th at the Post. Beans, hot dogs, cole slaw, desserts and beverages will be served. Tickets- $4.00 for adults and $2.50 for children. For tickets please call Monique Levesque (2220), Rita Johnson (2910) or Patty Kilmartin (2597)

$1.00 raffle tickets are being sold by the Auxiliary and proceeds will be used to establish Scholarship Fund for students on islands, particularly Junior Legionnaires, and children of Auxiliary and Legion members. Drawing for raffle will be at Bean Supper and prize is 1 $100 gift certificate for FEENEY'S MARKET.

Auxiliary is also chartering a bus to go shopping at the CHRISTMAS TREE SHOP in Saugus, Mass., and QUINCY MARKET on Saturday, Dec. 12th. Trip is available on a first come first serve basis. Cost is $13.00 and a check guarantees you a seat. Check should be mailed to Monique Levesque, 13 Greenwood St., Peaks Island.

Next Meeting: 1:00 P.M. November 1st

*** NOTICE ***

* A representative of the Fuel Assistance Program will be at the Senior Center on Friday, November 13, from ten to three. Anyone who may qualify for this program is urged to take this opportunity to sign up.*

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! ! ! The Annual Peaks Island Music Association Holiday Concert is planned for Sunday, December 20 in the afternoon. Ask anyone - it's a "Don't Miss" occasion!

Nancy Hoffman, who submits the items of the Music Association to the "Star" also has two essays published in October in the MAINE PROGRESSIVE and a poem on Peaks Island, which you may enjoy reading at the Peaks Island Branch Library.

Donations to this month's printing of the STAR were made by M. Elizabeth Hamilton and Anon I, II and III....Thank you very much.