Service Agencies of the Island
A Tribute to “Betty Mc”
With Love

“Betty Mc” was my longest and dearest friend on Peaks Island. In my estimation she was the true core of the island for all that have known her and loved her for years. She was the “Peaks Island Psychologist” at Feeney’s Market for all. We shared our thoughts, whether they be burdens, happiness, joys, or grief. She was willing to hear it all and give her God “fairing” perspective on life, and we could leave Feeney’s Market with a sense of value and joy in our hearts. That was “Betty Mc.”

She always told me when the Lord was ready for her, she was ready for him, with clear assurance of a new life beyond.

We have lost a true pillar and matriarch of our community, but our Lord has gained a very special angel to look over us all in the name of “Betty Mc.”

The island has suffered a great loss, but through her inspiration, kindness, words of wisdom, and great zest for life, she will live on in our hearts and minds forever.

With love and peace and joy from all that knew and loved her.

Our very special friend – “Betty Mc” – We shall miss you.

Joyce Cass Neal

For those receiving the STAR in the mail who may not know already, Betty McIntyre died in her sleep at home, Friday, October 6.

P.T.O. Special Program “Conflict Resolution Workshop”
November 8, 1995 6:45 p.m. Peaks Island School

The Peaks Island P.T.O. invites you to a special guest speaker on conflict resolution with children and gender differences in today's world. Betty Wurtz of Peace Action Maine and Educators for Social Responsibility will be addressing these critical parenting issues. Anyone who is interested is invited. Childcare will be available. The program is free. All donations will go to Peace Action Maine. We hope to see you there!

Deadline for December STAR:
November 25. Bring or mail ready material to the library. You may put it in the book drop if the library is closed.
Brackett Memorial Church
Rev. Charles Hale

Sunday
9:45 Sunday School
10:00 Morning Worship

Thursday
9:00 am Bible Study at the Senior Center

Attention Women
U.M.W. meets the second Tuesday of each month.
November 14, Please bring a sandwich and meet at Mary Dennison's home for the meeting

We are glad to welcome the Senior Citizen Pot Luck Luncheons back to our Fellowship Hall this month. See their notice for further information.

Coming soon: Our Christmas Gift Fair at the Senior Center
Nov. 19, We invite all to help decorate our Altar with food for donations to those in need this season.
Nov. 22, All are invited to celebrate in a Thanksgiving Worship at 7:00 pm

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
Pastor - Father Costanzo Piselli 766-2585

Mass Schedule:
Saturday 4:00 P.M.
Sunday Rosary 9:00 A.M.
Mass 9:15 A.M.
Daily 7:15 A.M. in Lower Hall

Beano has been discontinued until Spring

The annual Christmas Fair is approaching so please watch for notices.

The Day Care Center has vacated St. Christopher's Parish Hall so the Hall Renovation Committee is already hard at work planning cleaning and remodeling in conjunction with the many activities planned for the full Parish Hall.

On October 17th, St. Christopher's Parish bid a sad farewell to the Sisters of Notre Dame deNamur, who have left the St. Joseph-by-the-Sea Convent. While they will be sorely missed by all, St. Christophers welcomes Father Seamus and Brother Nicolas, Augustinian monks who have moved to the former convent from their previous quarters in St. Francis, Maine. They have named their new home Monastery of the Mother of the Good Shepherd and once settled will be having Masses and are planning an open-house.
Pre-School Story Hour: 
Wednesdays at 10:15 AM

Adult Book Discussion Group will meet at the Senior Center, THIS MONTH ONLY, Tuesday, November 7, at 7 PM. Voting will be taking place in the Community Room that day. Our book will be The Things They Carried. Come if you have read that, In the Lake of the Woods, or anything else by Tim O’Brien. For December, we will read Good Scent From a Strange Mountain by Robert Butler. The book group is open to all and meets the first Tuesday of each month, usually in the community room.

Parents and Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles and any others giving gifts to children: The library has purchased a book, Magazines for Kids and Teens, which has descriptions of more magazines than you ever knew existed. We hope you will find it useful. Also in that vein, strongly recommended by a nine-year-old fourth grader, is a new book, It’s Perfectly Normal, by Robie Harris, illustrated by Ed Emberley, which makes a good follow-up to the sex education classes that fourth and fifth graders have had. Lots of cartoons, great sense of humor, very frank - you may find you could use it to open up communication between you and your child (unless you’re like me and would rather not).

Some New Books*

Fiction:
Ann Beattie Another You
Mary H. Clark Silent Night
Michael Crichton Lost World
Jeffery Deaver Maiden's Grave
Dick Francis Come to Grief
Tony Hillerman Finding Moon
Anne Perry Cain His Brother
Ruth Rendell Semisola
Anne R Siddons Fault Lines
R L Stine Superstitious

Nonfiction:
Carolyn Heilbrun Education of a Woman (Gloria Steinem)
Island Cookin on the Rocks
Theodore James Seaside Gardening
Fred Jandt Using the Internet in your Job Search
Barbara Kingsolver High Tide in Tucson
Ann Rule Dead by Sunset
Nila Smith Speed Reading Made Easy

*(A complete list of new books is on the wall by the door at the library.)

PEAKS ISLAND MUSIC ASSOCIATION

IT's NOT TOO EARLY to think about the Holiday Concert. Peaks Island's popular annual event sponsored by the Peaks Island Music Association will be on Sunday, December 10 this year - an afternoon and an evening concert. Don't forget it while you're making holiday plans! The Peaks Island Chorale, Mando Commandoes (alias???) and Push-Button Brigade are scheduled, along with two new island groups.

Thanks!
Nancy Z.
We offer our absolute thanks to all of you who have contributed good will, good thoughts, volunteer help and donations towards our new child care center. We are here and delighted to be so! We offer extra special thanks to the Walden Family who have given so much of themselves over the last four years to help turn our dream into reality and to Dick Reed (Reed & Co. Architecture) and Tanya Seredin (Mohr & Seredin Landscape Architects, Inc.) for turning those dreams into plans.

Within the next month we will host an informal Open House so everyone can take a peek. We'd like to settle in over the winter and have a GRAND CELEBRATION CEREMONY next spring.

Again, our thanks for your belief in our children.

Star of the Sea Studio

The Christmas Show will be on Sunday, December 3rd at St. Christopher's Parish Hall - 2:30 PM. Lovely gifts on sale as well as refreshments and a Chance Table for your Christmas Shopping.

Adults $3  Children $1

Proceeds to benefit St. Christopher's Parish.

Our Boutique is open on Thursdays 11 AM to 3:30 PM
Saturday and Sundays 12 noon to 4 PM
Many new items in stock. We appreciate your support.

Musically Yours,
Doreen and Co.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS. Monday, Oct. 16th, was our last Pot Luck Luncheon at the Fifth Maine dining room. We celebrated an early "Halloween" with decorations and door prizes.
We decided that Nov. 13th, the second Monday of the month, would be for our next Pot Luck Luncheon at Brackett Memorial Friendship Room as the 3rd Monday is in the same week as Thanksgiving Day.

The women knitting mittens for the Christmas Day Care Party could use help. Peggy Harmon has plenty of yarn she will donate. If you can help out, call 766-2634.

The Annual Christmas Party is Dec. 18th at Brackett Hall. This will be a Christmas Dinner and the Senior Center will supply the turkeys. The members will decide on preparing the trimmings, at the Nov. Luncheon.

It is with a very heavy heart that we inform you that Betty McIntyre passed away in her sleep on Oct. 6th. St. Christopher's Church, where the funeral was held, had a full house with standing room only, even outside. It was a nice day, weatherwise, and attendees all walked up to the Pond Grove Cemetery for the final words. It is still hard to believe that she has gone.

Another islander was lost on Oct. 20th...Willard Goodman, artist.
The mission of the Peaks Island School is to provide a nurturing, challenging environment which will enable each child to become a lifelong learner and contributing citizen.

The Peaks Island School was chosen by the American Red Cross as this year's "Health and Safety School of the Year". This honor was granted to us for our work on first aid with our entire student body. Sarah Albert and Gayl Vail organized numerous community and Coast Guard Volunteers around safety related issues. Thanks to all of you who worked on this project.

We are proud to announce that we have hired Jane Wray as our "After School Enrichment Program" worker. She lives in Portland and has been a lifelong summer resident of Long Island. We are in the process of defining what this year's program may look like. We are hoping to offer our ongoing blocks of activities and some one day activities. So please, come and share your talents with us. If you are willing to share any of your special talents, please contact her at 766-2528.

The Peaks Island School is participating in the "Shaw's Computer Program". If you shop at Shaw's, would you please save your yellow register receipts. There is an envelope placed at Feeney's to collect them. In the spring, we will be able to exchange them for computer equipment and/or software. We are once again saving Campbell Soup labels. Thank you in advance for supporting our children's education.

Peaks Island School is preparing for Children's Book Week, November 13 - 17, 1995. This year's theme is **Bound for Discovery!** Please join us for the following activities as we celebrate reading, discovery, and Peaks Island community.

**November 14 6:30 p.m. "Discover a Taste for Books!"**  
Community Potluck Celebration at the Peaks Island School  
Please bring a dish to share based on a children's book for the potluck. Visit the book fair, see our play "Bound for Discovery" and discover for yourself the joy of reading and eating some children's classics. Everyone welcome!

**November 17 11:15 a.m. The Annual Parade of Characters!**  
You are invited to cheer our parade of book characters as we parade down Island Avenue in our children's book costumes. Following the parade, please be our guest at the school for a final celebration and lunch with the parade participants. Families and community should bring their own lunch. Milk will be available for $.25¢. It's bound to be a good time.

Watch THE LINK for more information on the week's worth of activities. If you can help out, please contact Karen Hawkes (5153).
PEAKS ISLAND GARDEN CLUB
AND COMMUNITY TREE LIGHTING

The Holiday Garden Crafts Sharing and Demonstration will be held on Saturday, December 2, from 1:00 to 3:30 in the Community Center. We invite everyone to drop in to see the seasonal decorations our members and friends have been creating from natural materials. The demonstrators will share their know-how with you. A project for children will be included. People who plan to take part in the demonstration or who wish further information should contact Angie Kelso at 766-2619 between 6:30 and 9:00 p.m. by November 27.

Following the Garden Club exhibition, the Community Tree Lighting will take place at 4:00. That event will be co-sponsored by the Portland Parks and Recreation Department and the Garden Club. And after that everyone is invited to Will's Restaurant, where hot chocolate and cookies will be provided, courtesy of Will's. Mark your calendars now to remind yourself to join the fun and get into a holiday mood.

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766-5606

The Friends of Peaks Island Animals will not meet in November and December; regular meetings will resume in January.

The incidence of rabies in Maine is up nearly five times what it was last year and is expected to increase. With raccoons (chief carriers of the disease) already swimming to Peaks, and visitors bringing pets here from areas where rabies is prevalent, we should not assume that Peaks is safe from this fatal disease. Proof of current rabies vaccination is required at the time dogs are licensed; Maine state law further requires that "the owner or keeper of a cat shall have that cat vaccinated against rabies." If you claim ownership of a cat or are regularly feeding a cat or cats that are not otherwise being cared for, these cats should either be vaccinated against rabies or taken to the animal shelter now, before they are subjected to the hard winter and before rabies season (and mating season) starts again in the spring. Please call us if you need assistance rescuing a cat or getting it to the shelter.
PEAKS ISLAND LIONS CLUB

With their annual Halloween Party for Peaks Island children, the Lions Club concludes its 1995 season - one of its busiest. Starting with its first Lobster Bake on May 12th with the last one of October 13th, the Lions served 6989 meals, including 5453 lobsters. The Lions handled the large numbers through the work and efforts of their members - summer and year-round - and using their new outdoor pavilion and covered barbeque pit. At the end of the season the Lions also added another new out building.

There have also been improvements made to the main building including new stairs and ramp and interior painting. Between now and next season, the Lions will continue to make improvements to all its buildings and to install new water lines to increase capacity.

The Peaks Island Lions wish to thank all Islanders for their support and help.

CASCO BAY ISLAND TRANSIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

7:45 A.M. FRIDAY NOVEMBER 17, 1995
Casco Bay Ferry Terminal Conference Room - Public Urged to Attend

ALSO AT CBITD...

A Route and Schedule Planning Group has been formed at CBITD consisting of members of the Operations Department, boat crew and Operations Committee. Its major purpose will be to examine the "late boat" problem that has sprung up this year and to work to find solutions to this and issues of more smoothly integrating Diamond Cove service into the overall service picture. The group will bring its recommendations to the Board by the end of the year.

A group consisting of Portland School Superintendent Dick Whitmore, King Middle School Assistant Principal Dudley Coyne, CBITD General Manager Pat Christian and Peaks Island parents Barbara Taylor, Rolina Mulkern and Connie Cooley, has joined together this fall to approach the problem of unsupervised Peaks Island students at the ferry terminal and on the boats. A letter is going out to all parents of Peaks Island students outlining what constitutes misbehavior and the process that will be followed when discipline for misbehavior is merited.

PEAKS ISLAND WRITER'S PLAY IN PORTLAND

Island writer Helene Swarts and Karen Douglass present a staged reading of a new play, "THE PARTY" at The Oak St. Theatre on Nov. 13, 14 and 15 at 7:30. Directed by Julie Goell, THE PARTY features several Peaks Is. actors.

Admission Free/Donations accepted.
Deer to Stay Alive in Ninety-Five!

By a solid 65 vote majority (213 to 148) Peaks Islanders opposed to a deer hunt this year had the decisive say. Petition results are being forwarded to the City and the State, and the State is again being urged to take an aerial count of the herd this winter. Without an accurate estimate of the herd size most residents are likely to continue opposing a hunt.

If, after a count is taken, a hunt to protect the herd appears warranted, another island-wide vote will be taken and 1996 plans laid.

A PINA task force, including hunt proponents and opponents and school and daycare representatives, has drawn up tentative regulations for a hunt should one be authorized in the future. In brief, it would have to be held on two consecutive weekdays during school hours. The hunt area would be limited to city/state property (the old reservation) that was at least 300 feet away from any house; homeowners in the area could post "No Trespassing" signs. The area would be clearly marked and all access roads except Seashore Avenue would be closed. Five to six Island hunters would be licensed to participate, using shotguns with slugs, and would have to properly dispose of prey innards at the dump. Hunt dates would be widely publicized.

The City of course would have to amend its "no shooting" law before such a hunt could be held. This, as well as the petition results, assure the deer a peaceful winter.

For many people the brown tail moths pose a bigger problem than do the deer. Jeff Tarling, city arborist, has promised to present detailed spraying plans along with other options by the end of this month. In the meantime long-handled clippers are available so we can clip those nasty nests: see A.J. to borrow them.

Mark These Meetings:

November 1, 8:30 a.m.: Community Center Committee at, of course, the Center
November 14, 7:30 p.m.: PINA Steering Committee
November 21, 7:30 p.m.: Environmental Committee
November 28, 7:30 p.m.: Planning & Land Use
December 5, 7:30 p.m.: Human Services
(Evening meetings are at the Senior Citizens' Center.)

The next PINA General Meeting is December 12 ...
**NOVEMBER 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 Ctr. is in use every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. It is also in use the first and third Tuesday of the month and the second Tuesday of even-numbered months. Please note: For information on putting a display up in the Community Building, please call Denise at 766-2970 (answering machine).

**ISLAND ACTIVITIES - OPEN TO ALL SENIOR ADULTS**

**LET'S PLAN the WINTER**
Wednesday, November 8
1:00 - 2:00 pm
Community Center

Winter will be here before you know it. Share your ideas of activities and programs you'd like to have to get us through the Maine winter. Jot down your ideas on paper so we can discuss them and plan for the months ahead.

**SPECIAL PREVIEW NIGHT - The Party**
Friday, November 10
6:30 pm
Community Center

Staged reading of new play by Helene Swarts and Karen Douglass
Directed by Julie Goell
Featuring P.I. residents Seth Burnham, Paul Kozak, Gunnel Larsdotter, Jim Lash, Tonia Medd, Patricia Newcastle, Ellen Tripp

**SPECIAL COMMUNITY-WIDE EVENT: OPEN TO ALL**

**ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY**
Saturday, December 2
4:00 pm at the Living Tree

Come decorate the tree, visit with Santa, sing some carols and enjoy refreshments
Co-sponsored by P.I.N.A. and the P. I. Garden Club

**OFF-ISLAND ACTIVITIES for ADULTS**

Pre-registration required for all off-island activities. Sign-up sheets are on the blue door of the Community Building. Many people from "in-town" are interested in coming with us on these trips. They will be receiving their notices a few days after the Star comes out. Please register as soon as you can. Don't delay! 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.

**KENNEBUNK MUSEUM TRIP: TAYLOR-BERRY HOUSE & BRICK STORE**
Thursday, November 9
10:00 am boat / 4:30 pm return
Approx. Cost: $4.00

**"MYSTERY" SHOPPING TRIP - (Breakfast too)**
Wednesday, November 15
8:15 am boat / 12:15 pm return
PEAKS ISLAND HEALTH CENTER
STERLING STREET 766-2929
Monday 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Look for Information about Additional Hours to be Posted in the Weeks to Come.
CLOSED FRIDAY NOVEMBER 24 AND WILL BE OPEN MONDAY THE 27TH.

The Flu shot clinic was a great success!! Thanks to the Peaks Island Lions Club, The Health Center Board, our wonderful volunteers: Grace Wright, Eula Ivers, Judy Baldi, Marge Erico and our dedicated Health Center Staff who came in an extra day, we were able to give over 115 flu shots to islanders! THANK YOU EVERYONE!!

Dr. Dorsey of the Cumberland County Foot Care Clinic will be on the island on Tuesday November 7. For an appointment please call 761-3889.
The Peaks Island Dental Clinic will be in on Monday November 13, and Tuesday November 21. For an appointment please call Connie at 874-1025.

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

SPECIAL THANKS

The Casco Bay Health Center Board would like to express its gratitude to you as members of the Peaks Island community for your support in various ways over the past year.

We have received an outpouring of tributes, both large and small, honoring the lives of:

Roland F. Hughes
Bud Perry
Ruth McGonigle
Virginia Adamson
Phyllis LeClair

Kristen Erico
Martha McCain
Betty McIntire
Pat Gardner
Willard Goodman

We have received income (and look forward to more) from Pat Ano’s "Cookin' on the Rocks". It's an attractive and practical cookbook which should be a big seller as a Christmas gift for Islanders and non-islanders alike.

Also this year we received a computer from IBM Corporation thanks to the efforts of former IBM employee and current CBHC Board member and Peaks Islander, Ellie Springer.

The Lions Club donated money to purchase an examination table in memory of Bud Perry. Also, the Lions, with the volunteer efforts of Dr. Rudenberg, her staff and others, recently made it possible for over 100 Peaks Islanders to get free flu shots.

The City of Portland has recently built a new handicap access ramp to the health center’s front door, and our new (donated) heating system will soon be up and running.

Many Islanders, year-round and summer, have contributed to our Annual Fund solicitation and we thank you one and all for helping us to ensure that medical and dental services remain available on Peaks. If you have not yet done so, please consider making your 1995 tax-deductible gift by mailing a check to the Casco Bay Health Center, P.O. Box 52, Peaks Island, Me. 04108.

Current members of the Casco Bay Health Center Board are Jack Anderson, Jane Banguer, Janine Blatt, Richard Bruns, John Feeney, Fay Garman, Charlie Hale, Roberta Jackson-Treasurer, Angie Kelso, Chuck Radis-Vice-President, Ellie Springer, Gene Taylor-Secretary, Kay Taylor-President, and Priscilla Webster.