# 2010 ANNUAL REPORT

## THE PEAKS ISLAND FUND Connecting People Who Care with Causes that Matter

PeaksIslandFund.org

## 2010 GRANT AWARDS

#### **Acorn Productions**

has been awarded \$1,000 to support a presentation of Shakespeare's *Cymbeline* at Battery Steele during the June 2011 Peaks-Fest celebration.

## Children's Museum & Theater of Maine

will present a marine science program for students and a summer program for Peaks Island families with a \$2,625 grant.

## Fifth Maine Museum and Eighth Maine Association

will receive \$2,550 to support sesquicentennial activities during the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Civil War.

## The Friends of TEIA

are developing a Counselor-in-Training (CIT) program for 2011 and will receive \$2,000 to support this effort on behalf of island youths.

#### Homestart

moves closer to construction of 3 affordable homes on Peaks and will receive \$3,000 contingent on winning a \$350,000 grant from Maine State Housing.

## Peaks Island CERT Team

gets \$5,000 to acquire of 4 emergency generators in response to requests resulting from power outages during recent storms.

## The Peaks Island Children's Workshop

will receive \$9,828 to support an Island Apprentice Youth Initiative, addressing needs of youth ages 11-20. It also received \$22,000 in January 2010 to support its economic development plan for *Island Adventure Camps*.

## The Peaks Island Elementary School

has been awarded \$2,465 for 22 Camp Kiev scholarships and \$1,225 for equipment and improvements to literacy programs.

# TOTAL GRANTS AWARDED: \$29,693

THE GRANTING PROCESS

As available grant money grows, choosing recipients of grants becomes more complex. Occassionaly consideration of proposals will extend beyond the traditional summer cycle.

In 2010 two grants totalling nearly \$30,000, involving the Peaks Island Children's Workshop and the Peaks Island Elementary School, are under extended review. The Peaks Island Fund will announce additional grants as these decisions are made.

## PEAKS ISLAND FUND CONTRIBUTORS JANUARY 1, 2009 — AUGUST 10, 2010

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The Peaks Island Fund is made up of year round and seasonal residents of Peaks Island, Maine. These are the neighbors and friends who commit time to responding to the emerging needs of Peaks by the creation and management of a permanent endowment that benefits this island community:

Brad Burkholder Stephaie Castle Nancy Flynn Bob Hannigan Kathy Hurley Jim Lausier Reta Morrill Aaron Schuit Tom Snyder Perry Sutherland Mary Terry Bill Zimmerman



## RESPONDING TO THE EMERGING NEEDS OF PEAKS ISLAND

It is no secret that preserving autonomous, year round, island communities has become more difficult over the past 50 years. In 1950, 100 such communities existed along the Maine coast. Today only 14 remain. The Peaks Island Fund has been created to respond to what many studies, including those by the Island Institute and the Brookings Institute, identify as three critical elements for sustaining communities on islands:

- strong schools that attract families,
- economic development that creates jobs
- and affordable housing for a diverse population.

In addition to funding some short term capital and equipment projects and programs requested by island charities, the 2009-10 grants are shifting some attention and making significant financial grants to more complex projects related to the three challenges identified above.

More than ever, Peaks Island schools and non-profits need the commitment of year-round and seasonal residents who value this island community's way of life. There are no easy solutions to the issues Peaks faces, but with the support of large and small gifts from the entire community, we can afford to find the answers that preserve this island life. Please become a part of this set of solutions by joining this endowment for Peaks Island.

# PEAKS ISLAND FUND LEGACY SOCIETY

The PIF is pleased to announce the creation of the Legacy Society to recognize and encourage the development of estate gifts to the permanent endowment for the island. All island residents, year round and seasonal, are encouraged to do the same as a means of building greater autonomy for the island's schools and charitable organizations. The PIF is most grateful to these folks for their commitment to the island endowment and has established a goal of adding 20 new legacy members in 2010. To learn more about becoming a part of the Legacy Society, please contact Pam Cleghorn at 761-2440.

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## PEAKS ISLAND MEMORIAL FUND July 31, 2010

The Peaks Island Fund is proud to offer island residents a way to recognize and honor deceased friends and family for whom Peaks Island held special meaning during their lifetimes. It is always with mixed emotions that we receive these gifts. Over 300 island residents and friends have contributed to this fund thereby creating a tribute to the memory of the good people listed below:

> Hugh T. Barker Jr. Liane Beebe Bernice Burkholder Dot Curran Catherine Dinan **Richard Erico** Paul and Marge Fagan John and Lorraine Feeney Dot and John Flynn Joseph Francis Flynn Laura Greenwell Catherine Hannigan Margaret Harmon Evans Huber Carissa Ireland William D. Jones Walter Krause Robert F. Lausier Thomas and Marion Lavery Mary Leslie Douglas MacVane Irina McEntee George Mehos Shin Soon Num Emily Palfrey Thomas Quigg Elizabeth Pancoast Reynolds Walter Schneller Matthew R. Simmons William Staples Ben E. Sutherland Donald C. Thompson Christina Winter Kathryn Zimmerman

# PEAKS ISLAND FUND ENCOURAGES DONOR ADVISED FUNDS INSTEAD OF PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS

The Peaks Island Fund encourages residents and friends to seize the opportunity to influence this community during their lifetimes by creating "Donor Advised Funds." This is perhaps the most interesting and gratifying type of work accomplished by an organization like the Peaks Island Fund. The Donor Advised Fund is like having a Private Foundation without the expenses or administrative issues. Created with gifts of cash, stocks, real estate or other assets, the Donor Advised Fund allows the donor to oversee the use of the charitable gifts during his or her lifetime, directing income earned by the fund to charities and causes chosen by the donor. It also provides the donor with a wonderful means of educating children or grandchildren about the importance of effective philanthropy to the long-term health of a community.

Donor Advised Funds require a unique partnership to work, and we are fortunate to have forged that partnership with the Maine Community Foundation (MaineCF). The MaineCF is the parent organization for PIF, offering administration, grantmaking advice, and fund development services to PIF. The MaineCF is a statewide organization that helps communities all across Maine grow endowments for future funding of the existing and emerging needs of Maine's residents. Establishing a "Donor Advised Fund" is not complicated and is within the financial means of many. Check it out at the PIF or MaineCF websites or contact Pam Cleghorn at the Community Foundation, 761-2440.

#### Island Adventure Camp

In the fall of 2009, the Peaks Island Fund discussed ideas for stimulating economic development and job creation on the island. It convened meetings of island summer camp directors, island non-profits and community leaders to discuss a pilot program to attract more campers to Peaks. Seeing support for this initiative, in January 2010, the PIF provided \$22,000 to fund staffing and a marketing plan for promoting summer day camps on behalf of all interested island camp programs. The Peaks Island Children's Workshop acted as the fiscal sponsor and was the keystone for administration. A number of valuable collaborative efforts have emerged from these efforts. This summer the Island Adventure Camps have created a model of things to come. New camps have been created and additional camp programs are in the works for 2011. Transportation to and from the island has been coordinated to safely bring more kids from the Portland area to Peaks Island. Parents are expressing interest in more programs for their children and some are suggesting programs for themselves, further promoting the island's reputation as "Summer Camp for Adults" as well as kids.

#### **Capital Projects**

Brackett Church; Casco Bay Health Center; PI School; PI Music Association; Island Non-Profits

PIF has been notified of completion of capital improvements and acquisitions by Brackett (roof repairs), CBHC (wiring for linking electronic patient records), PI Elementary (computer and ball chairs), PIMA (grand piano equipment), and all non-profits (shared digital projector).

## The Greening of Peaks Island PEAT Solar Powered Compactor; The PI Community Garden; The Wind Group

Several years ago the PIF suggested that it would fund solutions to the growing problem of litter in the heavily traveled areas of the island and especially around the ferry dock. Led by Maryanne Mitchell and aided by local artists and her fiscal sponsor, the Peaks Environmental Action Team, recycling bins and a solar powered compactor have been placed at strategic points around the island.

During 2009-10 PEAT has also acted as fiscal sponsor for the successful launch of the community garden through the hard work of Justin Palmer, Jubal Kessler, and their volunteers. The PIF provided "seed" money for this new initiative.

Sam Saltonstall and a dedicated and patient group of volunteers have promoted a wind power energy solution for Peaks for several years. The PIF provided some start-up support for an ambitious test project that is finally under construction now in August of 2010.

## **Program Support**

Fifth Maine Museum; Friends of TEIA; Homestart; Peaks Island Children's Workshop; PI School

Your PIF grants helped provide new classroom activities for elementary and middle schoolers, sailing camp scholarships to make certain that any island child can learn to sail, ongoing support for affordable housing efforts, staff and board development at the child care center, and field trips and after school enrichment for the PI Elementary children led by June Bergh.

## HOW TO GIVE TO PEAKS ISLAND

Gifts of all sizes are what make the Peaks Island Fund a true community resource. We hope that everyone feels a connection to the PIF by contributing to it. This perpetual endowment has grown from \$10 gifts as well as \$10,000 gifts. They have come from your friends and neighbors, the same people who evaluate grant requests each year and decide how to do the most good with the funds available.

Anyone who appreciates life on Peaks knows that it has come about as a result of the good works and foresight of former residents and friends. The Peaks Island Fund gives everyone a chance to join that legacy of generosity.

Consider what you might be able to leave behind for the good of the community. Is it 10%, 20%...maybe 50% of your net worth after taking care of your family? By simply calling the Maine Community Foundation and asking to speak about an estate gift to Peaks Island, you can assure yourself that some portion of your kind feelings toward Peaks will survive to provide a lasting benefit and example to those who follow.

Estate gifts and bequests are simple to set

community in annual and estate gifts to help grow the Peaks Island Fund... linking people who care with causes that matter: **PeaksIslandFund.org** c/o The Maine Community Foundation One Monument Way - Suite 200 Portland, Maine 04101 207.761.2440

Please consider joining all of the

up. And if you prefer to distribute your estate while you are still alive, The Maine CF and PIF are happy to help with that as well.

Please consider supporting the future of the community by giving annual and estate gifts to help grow the Peaks Island Fund... linking people who care with causes that matter.

## MAINE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FUND STATEMENT

January I, 2009 to December 31, 2009 – Peaks Island Fund Funding Type: Advise · Spending Type: Invested/Income and Principal Maine Community



#### **FUND ACTIVITY**

Beginning Balance as of: 1/1/2009	412,150.53
Contributions	20,527.25
Investment Activity	
Interest and Dividends	5,480.74
Realized and Unrealized Growth Net	
of Investment Management Fees	87,436.57
Fundraising Revenue	0.00
Other Revenues and Grant Refunds	0.00
Disbursements	
Grants and Scholarships	(29,900.00)
Special Program Expenses	(0.00)
MCF Administrative Fees	(6,359.00)
Fundraising Expenses	0.00
Transfers	25,500.00
Ending Balance on: 12/31/2009	\$514,836.09

#### **GRANT BUDGET SUMMARY**

The amount available for distribution includes:

- Carryover balance from the previous year
- Current year budget
- Contributions or fund raising proceeds received during the current year that are identified for distribution in the current year.
- Void or return of grant checks issued in previous years
- · Less grants paid during the current year

Available for Distribution 12/31/2008	\$51,319.29
Grant Budget for 2008	8,710.00
Total Available as of: 1/1/2009	\$27,405.39
Total Available as of: 6/30/2010	\$60,029.29



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