



Greetings TEIA Members and Friends,

As I write this brief note it is 10 degrees, but it looks like we will have an early spring which is welcome news. I can't wait to be back at TEIA enjoying the beautiful weather, the water and all of the fun activities for both adults and children, shared with good friends and family.

This year as a Board we will continue to think ahead to TEIA's future. We have established a strategic planning committee that is working and thinking hard about how to increase membership, improve the marketing of our many interesting and fun events and how we should operate moving forward as we grow.

Following is information on most of TEIA's programs and highlights of the many activities included in our calendar, as well as a hard copy of the TEIA calendar. The membership form is also attached and fees are the same as last year except for sailing. Please submit to TEIA with your payment by June 20th, 2016.

A big thank you to all of our Board of Governors, volunteers, staff and especially members who make TEIA such a special organization and a fabulous place to spend our summers. We look forward to seeing you soon at TEIA!

Jennifer Puser Brennan, President, TEIA

MEMBERSHIP FORM

The 2016 TEIA Membership Form is included in this mailing. Please complete and return by June 20, 2016 and prior to your use of any TEIA facilities or programs. Membership fees are the same except for sailing. Please see the separate page on sailing class times and fees. Please note that the second page explains the ages for children included in the "Family Membership" category and ages of children included in the "Family Tennis" program.

BOATING

Since 2014, dock fees are \$500.00 per season, each additional mooring is \$500.00 and dinghies and kayaks are \$90 each. Individuals with dinghies who do not have a mooring will have to pay the \$500 dock fee as well as the dinghy fee. This is a clarification and not a change.

Like last year, if your payment is received after June 20th, the fee will be increased \$150 each for the general (dock/launch) and additional mooring fees. TEIA has many large payments that are due early in the year and the penalties for late payments have been put in place to help us be in a better position to pay our debts by requiring on-time payment from members.

Please note that the main floats connected to the dock are usually placed in service by Lionel Plante Associates during the third week in May. They are taken out on the Tuesday following Columbus Day. For more information and/or specificity regarding the rules and for available mooring locations at TEIA please see our web site www.teiaclub.org or contact Rick Whaley at 978-376-0066.

SAILING

TEIA is proud to continue the long tradition of teaching islanders and visitors the joys and skills of sailing on Casco Bay. Children, teens and adults can learn the basics of sailing, enjoy cruising and smart seamanship, and the experience the thrill of friendly competition. The specifics of classes, fees and races are explained in detail at the end of this mailing. Please contact Liz Rollins with any questions you may have: TEIASailing@gmail.com 207-653-5325

SAILING RACES: Ketch A Sail this summer in the open-class fun races at TEIA! Held every other Thursday night from June 30th through August 25th, we will begin the starting sequence at 6pm. Short and informal, these races are open to all sailboats and racers young and old. Don't have a boat? Come down to the TEIA dock early and you'll likely "Ketch A Sail" with someone who would love to have you as crew! Lifejackets are required.

KIDSCAMP AND YOUTH ACTIVITIES

We welcome back Madison Hooper as our youth director for summer 2016. Kids Camp meets from 9-12. This program is open to children from ages 5-8. Children participate in a variety of activities, ranging from outdoor group games, arts and crafts to trips to the library to name just a few. There is an option for attending the whole summer to weekly attendance. This year we look forward to providing parents with a calendar of weekly themes. We have a Pre-Junior program available in the afternoons for children ages 9-12. Students will play group games, listen to music and just have a good time hanging out in a supervised environment. Our Juniors' program is open to children 13-17 and meets on Monday and Friday evenings and the kids along with Maddy will develop their own plans for activities.

We welcome her experience and sense of fun to our youth programs. She will be joined by an enthusiastic group of junior counselors. Please feel free to discuss any ideas, issues or questions with Madison during the summer months. However if there are any questions before or during the season please do not hesitate to contact me. The Youth Committee meets a few times during the summer and we welcome your attendance and input. Please consider joining us in planning great things for the children of the island and beyond. For more information contact Meredith Bell @603-289-4571 or nhbells@gmail.com.

Wednesday will continue to be Movie Night at TEIA. This is a wonderful opportunity for parents to get to socialize with other parents while their children are enjoying a supervised movie. There is also a movie for older kids following the family movie. These Movies will be posted on the bulletin board weekly.

We are also happy to announce that Circus Smirkus will be returning to TEIA in July to offer a week long program allowing children a hands-on circus experience which will wrap up with an exciting demonstration put on by our campers. This is a very popular offering so please consider registering early to ensure your participation. The Youth Committee would like to thank Stephanie Castle and Friends of TEIA for making this opportunity possible.

TENNIS

2016 is shaping up to be another great year for tennis. The first big tournament, Sadie Hawkins, will be held on Sunday July 10 starting at 9:00 a.m. This tournament is a great opportunity to start off the season and meet other tennis players. This year the tournament will be a one day all day event. Remember you must bring a partner, \$5.00 and a can of balls.

Children's lessons will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30-9:15 a.m. and 9:15-10:00 a.m. Tennis lessons will begin the week of July 3rd.

Effective in 2016 the guest fee will be \$10.00 per person when a guest plays with a tennis member. Please note that a tennis family membership covers young people 23 and under only.

FITNESS ROOM

Overlook the water and watch the boats go by as you exercise. Whether you need to exercise for physical therapy or just to stay in shape, we have the exercise room for you at TEIA. There are treadmills, stair masters, stationary bikes, weights, air conditioner, TV and a beautiful view.

Access is keyless from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. from May 20 through Columbus Day. Once you have signed up we will send you the codes to access the Fitness Room. Please let Phyllis know if you have any need to access the room any earlier or later and we will see if this can be accommodated. Exercise room registration information is located on the membership form.

We are always looking for ways to enhance the exercise room experience. Please let Phyllis know if you have any recommendations. Phyllis MacIsaac at 207-766-2300 or email pmacisaac@peaksisland.us

FRIENDS OF TEIA

The FRIENDS OF TEIA is a 501(c)(3) tax exempt charitable organization that was founded in 2002 when we recognized the need to make it more affordable for year-round children to be involved in TEIA's summer programs. FRIENDS is dedicated to offering "camperships" to these island children so that they may have the opportunity to participate in TEIA's summer sailing, tennis, kids camp and preteen programs. We are a community based organization. Through the generosity of Peaks Islanders, TEIA members, and island and mainland businesses, the FRIENDS have provided annual "camperships" to scores of island children who enjoyed learning new skills, perfecting previously learned skills and making new friends.

Have you heard? The **magic of circus**" is coming to TEIA. The Friends of TEIA is thrilled to announce our sponsorship in collaboration with the Junior Youth Program that **Circus Smirkus** will have two of their artists in residence at TEIA for a three day "camp" from Tuesday, July 26th through Thursday, July 28th from 1 to 4 PM. This camp is open to all children who have completed kindergarten through middle school age and are TEIA members. (Junior or family membership). Enrollment is limited to 50 children. Depending on the ages and levels of the children, the artists that come and time limits, activities would include some of the following...balancing acts, juggling, plate spinning, tumbling, human pyramids and more. Contact Stephanie at sealights99@aol.com for information or to enroll.

Last fall the Board of Friends determined that we should again sponsor a Red Cross Babysitting Certification course over the winter months. In June we will post the names of Peaks newest "sitters". To be able to accomplish our mission we depend on your contributions to the annual fall appeal, the proceeds and donations given at the "Color and Pages of Peaks Art Show", and the "Pancake Breakfast" at TEIA.

The wine, food and music for the "Color and Pages of Peaks Art Show" on preview night are provided by donations. We depend on everyone bringing an appetizer for the food table to make this island event as successful as it is each year.

Please look for updates to programs and information on the FRIENDS OF TEIA on the TEIA website, the summer TEIA weekly email newsletter, the STAR, the island Next Door Neighbor email or in the kiosk down front.

To join the growing list of contributors, send your tax deductible donation to FRIENDS OF TEIA, PO Box 87, Peaks Island, ME 04108 or contact Stephanie Castle at sealights99@aol.com. We depend on your gifts, as we could not provide TEIA's summer opportunities to the island children without YOU.

Board Members: Stephanie Castle, Chairperson, Melissa Conrad, Vice Chair, Kathy Hurley, Treasurer, Perry Sutherland, Secretary, Barb Hoppin, Monica Stevenson, Jane Hannigan, Kevin Rocque, Gail Trefethen-Kelly and Mike Richards

TEIA ANNUAL FAIR

SAVE THE DATE! August 6, 2016 - There is something for everyone at the 2016 TEIA Annual Fair. There is so much to see and do. Besides the fun items new and old, you will experience what can only be described as a collision of Rodeo Drive and a Maine Yard Sale. You can try your luck at our Raffle tables, and/or bid at the silent auction. Do the kids need something to do? No problem! There are so many games and prizes outside for the children to enjoy! Think you'll be hungry? Choose between the delicious lobster rolls and "hot-off-the-grill" hamburgers and hot dogs. Make some room for dessert because there is plenty at the Bake Table. Before you leave, don't forget to purchase a TEIA t-shirt, sweatshirt, or hat as a souvenir! We look forward to seeing you there. It is the event of the summer and is one of our most productive fundraisers for the TEIA programs, events, grounds and building we all love and enjoy. Hours are 10:00 am until 1:30 pm.

FAIR DINNER TICKETS

The Annual Fair Dinner is the grand finale of Fair Day. Our master chefs will again be preparing us a delicious meal and our junior club members will be our servers. This annual dinner has been a sellout for years, well before fair day so be sure to plan ahead and reserve your tickets early. Reservations for the 2016 dinner began being made at the conclusion of last year's dinner. You can buy individual tickets or an entire table for 10. Ticket prices this year will be \$20 for adults and \$15 children 10 years and younger. Please remember that the Fair

Dinner is one of TEIA's major fund raisers. If you reserve your seats/table early you must pay for your tickets by the opening of TEIA's 2016 season to hold that reservation. After that payment is due with the tickets. Contact Stephanie at 766 2254 or email at sealights99@aol.com to reserve or purchase your tickets for the dinner. Final bids at the Fair Silent Auction can be made up to the end of the dinner so be ready to outbid your friends and walk away with your treasures.

SCHOONER FARE CONCERT

Mark your calendars and invite your guests to join us for the 32nd annual appearance of SCHOONER FARE at TEIA! The concert will be on Saturday, July, 16th at 7:00 p.m. and Chuck and Steve promise to make it another memorable night of listening to folk music and sea shanties. Ticket prices will remain the same at \$25 for reserved table seats and \$20 for open seating. Contact Melissa Childs at mchilds121@gmail.com or (603) 289-9373, for additional information and/or to purchase tickets.

COMMUNITY THEATER AT TEIA

TEIA Community Theater is proud to bring drama and laughter back to our stage with another play (TBA) directed by Liz Rollins. Open auditions will be Sunday, June 26 at 6pm. Performances will be on July 29 and 30 at 8 pm with a 4 pm matinee on Sunday, July 31. There is much to do on and off the stage – get involved or just come enjoy the show!

COLORS AND PAGES OF PEAKS

The Colors and Pages of Peaks is an annual event that brings together island residents and summer visitors to enjoy the rich tapestry of creativity and talent that exists on Peaks Island. This single event has expanded over the years and now includes a Tuesday Night Lectures Series, the Annual Art Show, introduces the community to island authors, and culminates with the Annual Pancake Breakfast. ALL monies raised during the events are donated to Friends of TEIA to support summer programs for children who are year round residents of Peaks Island, at little to no cost.

Friday July 8, 2016 6 p.m.

Once again TEIA will be filled with island residents and visitors eager to see beautiful works of art and a wide variety of books for children and adults alike. Artists and authors will be present and happy to talk about their work. There will be something for each of us to treasure. All monies raised through art and book commissions go to Friends of TEIA to support access to children's programs. The reception is sponsored by the Friends of TEIA. Your donations for wine and the reception also support the summer programs for Peaks' children.

Pancake Breakfast: Saturday July 9, 2015 8-10:30 a.m.

Come one come all to TEIA's annual Pancake Breakfast. The proceeds from this delicious event will also benefit Friends of TEIA and the children's programs. Art and books will continue to be available for purchase. All of these events are open to the public, so please mark your calendars and invite your friends.

TEIA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Each year TEIA provides a \$1000 academic scholarship to a Peaks Island student planning to attend college in the fall. Application forms will be available through the Peaks Island library or from bahoppin@aol.com after March 15th. TEIA membership is not required and all Island High School seniors are encouraged to apply.

Scholarship applications are due on or before April 15th, 2016 and can be submitted directly to Barbara Hoppin or mailed to her at: 196 Seashore Ave., Peaks Island, ME 04108

IMPORTANT TEIA FUNDRAISERS

SCHOONER FARE CONCERT - July 16, 2016: 7 PM

TEIA FAIR - August 6, 2016: 10 AM – 1:30 PM

FAIR DINNER - August 6, 2016: 6 PM (Reservations Recommended)