



The Prudence Wave

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Intriguing islander

Marie Johnston

By Gianna, PISF 3rd grader

Do you boys and girls want to know about a wonderful lady named Marie Johnston? Well if you do then listen up. So you gotta know Marie by now, I mean this March she will now be living here for eight years. I asked her what does she like about the island and what does she not like and she said she likes the trail walks and she likes apple tree. She does not like the coyotes at all. She has 3 great danes. (Bonnie, Clyde, Sampson) When I asked her if it is easy having 3 great danes she said it is much easier than having 4. So then I asked how many great danes did she have total including the ones she has now, and she said 9. Now we obviously know she was

born in Scotland but what part?... GLASGOW. In Scotland Marie was one of 31 people to take an accelerated nursing course. She was 31 when she moved from Scotland to America. In 1985 Marie worked at UNH and was the first women's body building coach on the east coast. Some of the games she played when she was little were hockey (as a right inner), long distance running, and she was a cross country champion for 2 years. Also, she has one sister (Eveland) .Marie's favorite color is a shade of rose. She loves Chinese food. She also likes to play monopoly. She works a lot and goes for trail walks a lot. Marie and I both love rainbows. That is Marie! I hope you get to meet her.

The Elements of Photography

By Nevaeh, PISF

The Early Years:

There are 3 facts that really pop out during the earliest years of photography. One is that the 'discoverer' of photography, Nicephore Niepce (pronounced Neep-sea), was the first to make a permanent image. Another is that the first portrait studio opened up in Paris in 1853. And lastly, colour photography began in 1868.

Retro Chic:

In 1900, Kodak came up with the Box Brownie Camera. The Brownie is the name of a long-running popular series of simple and inexpensive cameras made by *Eastman Kodak* (Kodak cameras). The Brownie popularized low-cost photography and introduced the concept of the snapshot. In 1931, Harold Edgerton began 'strobe photography'. Strobe photography is the study of using strobe lighting in a picture, which will show the movement of one in a simple picture.

Colorful Days:

Now, color is important, as we all know. Especially color film! And, color film didn't come out until the 1960s. Polaroid didn't begin until 1980, and even then it had a short run, because it went bankrupt in 2000. Maybe this was because camera phones came out in the early 2000s in Japan. Polaroid denotes a type of camera with internal processing that produces a finished print rapidly after each exposure.

The Experiment:

A few weeks ago, Steph and I decided that we were going to build our own camera! This camera is called a pinhole camera. We built it out of a coffee can, some black paint and black construction paper. We use a special paper called sun-print paper. For those who don't know, a pinhole camera is just what it sounds like, a camera with a pinhole aperture and no lens. We built the camera within two weeks, and tried to take our own pictures. When we set it out on a sunny day, trying to capture a picture of Aribella's stuffed dog, we disappointingly got no results once we dipped the paper into water. Nothing but a blank piece of paper. We tried a few more times, and to our disappointment, still, we had nothing.

Activities with Photography:

So, maybe our pinhole camera didn't work, but that doesn't mean we didn't try again, or try different activities. Here's a fun activity to try at home. Buy some sun-print paper from your local craft store, and place an object on it. Leave the object and paper in the sunlight until the paper turns white. Then, remove the object and place the sun-print into water. Wait 3-10 minutes, and then pull the strip or sheet of paper out. Grab a dry piece of paper towel and dab it until the paper is damp. Don't be afraid to do different things either, such as two or more objects on the paper, or leaving it in the water a bit longer.

Stone Dock Reconstruction

By Marina PISF 12th grader

The stone dock was built back in 1874-1875. It was first built so steamboats could bring building supplies to build houses in Prudence Park, which was founded by W.E Barrett, George W. Williams, Cyrus Aldrich, and Charles Potter. W. E. Barrett and George Williams worked together. Cyrus Aldrich was the brother of Sarah who owned the Farnham Farm and Charles Potter who ran the Prudence Inn. They wanted to establish a summer colony for Providence business people and their extended families. Later, after the houses were built, the steamboats would bring the families and their friends to Prudence. Three steamboats stopped at this dock, City of Newport (1875-1915), Bay Queen (1875-1903), and Mount Hope (1888-1918). The dock was built of stone with a wooden pier at the very end. There were also wooden supports all around the stone part of the dock to keep the stones in place. A depot was built at the same time for people to wait for the steamboats and also to house Prudence's first post office. In 1918, the steamboats stopped coming to Prudence Park. People were getting to and from Prudence by taking the Prudence Ferry from Bristol. By that time, the stone dock was pretty much abandoned and in 1938, the wooden part of the dock was destroyed by a hurricane.

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Over the past years, the stone dock has fallen apart. It started to cave in and some of the rocks fell off. Now, the plan is to restore it. The project to restore this dock was first promoted by Mary Lawrence, who was a resident of Prudence Park. In her will, Mary gave the Conservancy money to help with this project. A few years ago, Bill Jiacovelli, Billy Silvia, and Matt Rossi got together and discussed how to start the restoration project. The Conservancy received the permits in February, 2014. This project will be done in two phases. The first phase is to check out the rocks that have fallen into the water and get an idea of how many are available to be put back into the dock. Hopefully, this phase will be done by the spring of 2015. When this phase is complete, the Conservancy will be able to get an estimate on how much it will cost to restore the stone dock. The initial estimate is 80,000 dollars; the money will be raised from donations from islanders and from grants from charitable organizations. The Conservancy hopes to start the construction of this project in the fall of 2015 and have the dock completed in the spring of 2016.

The PISF Website

is now up and running! Visit us at

www.prudenceislandschool.org

Dear Readers,

For my next film project I will be in need of old home video footage from the 1960's and 70's on Prudence. Any footage you have had digitized and are willing to lend to me would be greatly appreciated! Please send to the school's email (theprudencewave@aol.com) or bring it to the school.

Thank you,

Clare, PISF 12th Grader

FLYING SANTA!!!!



WHERE: PI LIGHTHOUSE

WHEN: DECEMBER 14th

TIME: TO BE DETERMINED

SUBJECT TO CHANGE IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER

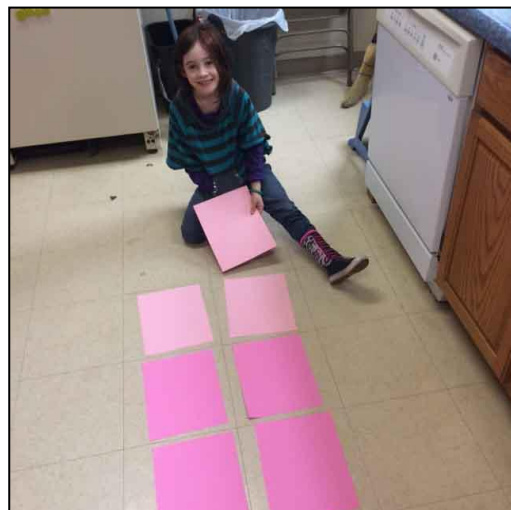
Wish List

Paper towels

Whiteout

If you would like to donate any of these items, please contact

Steph Jenness at
theprudencewave@aol.com



Julianna's Fashion Column

Christmas Fashion



Do You Hear What I Hear? Ah yes, the sound of wonderful fashion advice coming your way. Read on for the tips of a lifetime, and Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas.

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas and that means... *drumroll please* ugly Christmas sweaters! That's right. It's the Most

Wonderful Time of The Year. (Totally kidding, we all know that summer is the superior season)

- Pair your sweater with mom jeans and rough up the edges of your sleeves for a lived in look (that was sarcastic advice, never do this. Ever)

I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas: wearing white after Labor Day may have a bad rap, but all white in winter can look *trés chic* as long as it's done right. Just try sticking to off-whites, creams and beiges - as crisper whites are harder to pull off in the winter months.

Silver and gold: don't be afraid to mix your jewelry! That former fashion "don't" is now a definite fashion "do".

Baby, it's Cold Outside! Make sure you pair your outfit with a hat and gloves, and also a scarf. Maybe two scarves, who knows? It's *freezing*.

Walking in a Winter Wonderland: If you're still holding on to your summer sandals then you are in serious need of a newsflash. No, really, the local news called to inform you that it's snowing. And if snow doesn't convince you to go out and pick up a pair of some warm winter boots, are you by any chance a fan of the movie "Frozen"? If so, here's an ironically worded suggestion - let it *snow*.

So there you have it. Follow these simple tips and your Christmas fashion will, without a doubt, (Jingle Bell) rock!



**The Farnham Farm Presents
A Holiday Potluck
@ Hope Brown Center
6 pm
Saturday, December 13**



**Enjoy a festive Potluck of holiday favorites
followed by a sing-a-long led by island musicians!
Seating is limited - for reservations please contact:
Rose Giarusso at 401-683-2940 or egro5@msn.com**



Christmas Show

By Aribella, PISF 2nd grader

Raya, Gianna, and I are going to do a ballet dance recital for Christmas. We have two songs. Lindsay is teaching us the dances and we started learning our dances in September. We're going to make costumes ourselves. We will finish the recital by playing recorders. We have two songs. One of the song names is "Red Candy Canes".

You can come to see the show Monday, December 22 at 3:15 at the schoolhouse. I hope you can make it!



PIVFD Water Drill

By Clare, PISF 12th Grader

On Saturday November 8th the Prudence Island Volunteer Fire Department had a practice drill where they moved large quantities of water in preparation for a real fire emergency. I was asked to film the event and compile the footage for future evaluation. The day long escapade began at ten in the morning. The crew set up at three different stations: fill, dump, and pump stations. The first station was the fill station where they took water from the huge blue water tank near Bacon Farm. They filled the incoming tanker trucks with water to be driven to the dump site. At the dump station they had set up two large pool-like containers that they constantly filled with the incoming water. They took that water and ran it through hoses up to the pump station. There they sprayed the water into the nearby brush, or the “fire”.

Overall, from my observations and limited knowledge of fire tactics that is, I would say this drill was a success. I can’t say much for the mechanics of what they did, but it sure did look good. It really was interesting to see how the crew operates. They work together so well. It’s almost as if they’ve all known each other for ages or something. I went into this not knowing what to expect. In fact I didn’t have any clue what they were doing for a while because they were moving so fast and seamlessly. When I finally figured out what was going on I was impressed and proud to call the PIVFD my emergency response team. Plus I got a delicious lunch out of it at the end of the day, which was a great bonus.



Tanker Unloads Water
at Dump Site

Hosing at
Attack Site “Fire”



THIRD ANNUAL MEAT PIE & QUICHE SALE

From the students of the PI School



Cost: \$20 each

To be Delivered: December 18

To Order: Call or email Linda

683-2059

Lmosher278@verizon.net

Please order by December 10

Meat pies and quiche will be delivered fresh from the oven.

They may be refrigerated or frozen.

Julianna's Joke of the Month



Julianna at the RISD Art Museum

*Made by the Bay
Jewelry*

Made with island sea glass



401-450-5342
By Susan Mazur

Periwinkle Printing

Screenprinted Fashions



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Eliza Volkmann 401-742-4641

Christmas Around the World

By Raya, PISF 4th grader

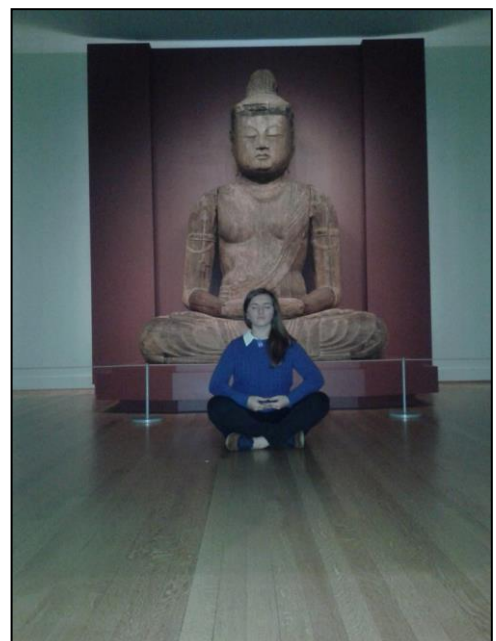
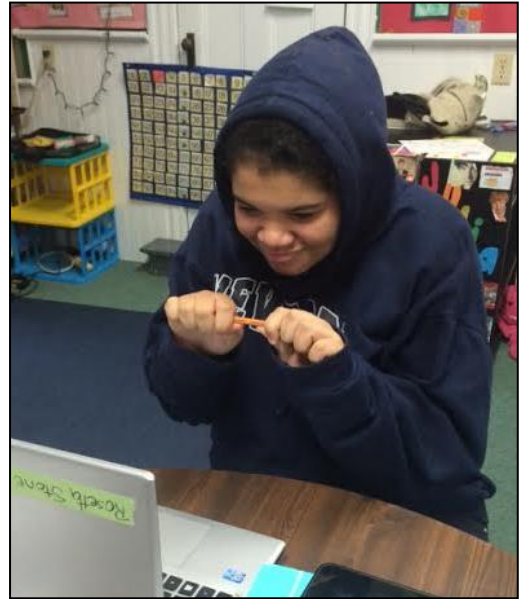
This year in history we're learning about the continents. So far we're learning about Australia and Africa so we thought you might want to know what Christmas is like there.

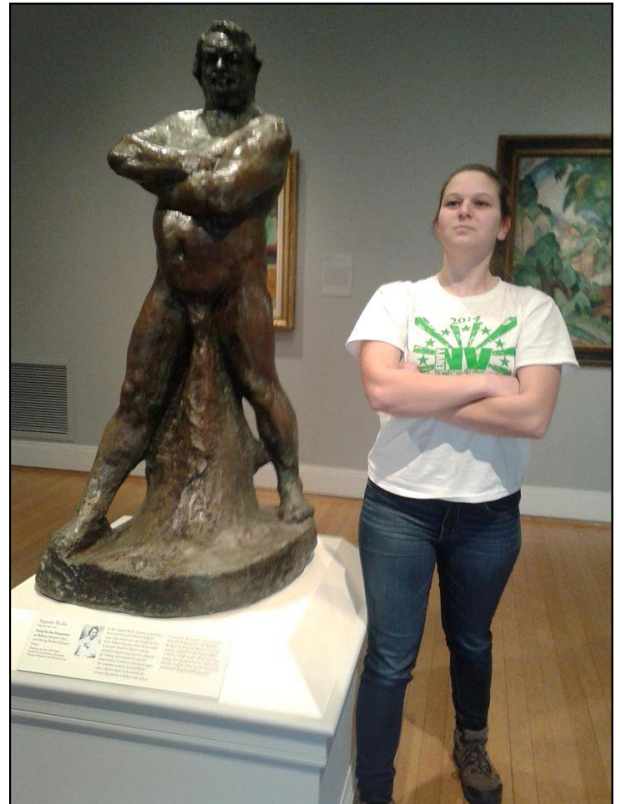
In Australia people like to decorate with Christmas bush. Christmas bush is a small green tree with cream colored flowers. They love to decorate with light displays. One street in Sydney raises money for charity with their amazing light displays! For Christmas dinner they would have a cold Christmas dinner or a barbeque with sea food. When Santa gets to Australia he lets his reindeer rest and uses six kangaroos! Christmas is a summer holiday in Australia and parts of Africa!

In Egypt only 15% of the country celebrates Christmas, because only 15% are Christians. Their Christmas is celebrated on January 7th! On Christmas Eve concerts and plays go on past midnight! Here's a surprising fact. They don't exchange presents! For dinner they have chicken, pork, and much more. For dessert they eat kahk, which is a sweet biscuit. In Mali some people spend 30 hours in church! No presents are exchanged there either. Did you know that in Nigeria people visit their grandparents? People in Nigeria also love to have Christmas parties! Instead of real Christmas trees they have fake Christmas trees. A traditional Christmas dinner would consist of beef, goat, chicken, and much more. On Christmas day people give out presents and Christmas cards. In South Africa some people go camping on Christmas! People also eat outside on Christmas Eve there. For dessert they eat Christmas pudding.

I really enjoyed learning about Christmas in Australia and Africa, and I hope you did too!







**Merry Christmas
& Happy New Year!**