

TOWN OF GOULDSBORO



LARRY PETERSON PHOTOS

ANNUAL REPORT 2015

TRIBUTE TO JEREMY STRATER

We wanted to acknowledge the generous gift given to the Town of Gouldsboro by Jeremy Strater. He passed away in 2015 and bequeathed to the town a sum of \$250,000. This is an unprecedented and much appreciated gift. A committee has been formed to help determine the final disposition of the funds and the options will be presented to the Board of Selectmen. His wishes were “to create a reserve fund to be disbursed at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen, as needed, for priorities established by the various Town committees, to serve the health, education, and welfare of residents of Gouldsboro”.

Mr. Strater had been a member of the Planning Board for many years back in the early 2000’s acting as the secretary for that committee.

Most of us remember him as the driving force behind the “Last Friday Coffeehouse”, a monthly event that filled Hammond Hall with music and good times. He worked tirelessly to bring in entertainment and keep everyone singing and smiling.

We thank you, Jeremy.



GOULDSBORO BOSTON POST CANE HOLDER 2010-2015

ELAINE A. LOWELL

February 1, 1915 – December 12, 2015

Elaine was born in Steuben and moved to Prospect Harbor when she married George Lowell on October 3, 1933. She worked for Stinson Canning Company for many years until medical issues caused her to retire early.

She was an active member of the S.O.S. Club, which provided a yearly dinner and entertainment for “the Old Folks”. As a loyal member of the Pythian Sisters she traveled all over the state and St. John, N.B. to their conventions. Another interest was her Tracy family genealogy.

Elaine was very proud to have received the Boston Post Cane.

Plants and flowers were a passion for Elaine. She delighted in roses and carnations, but lilacs were her favorite. In her last years watching the birds and deer in her yard gave her a great deal of pleasure.

She is greatly missed by all her family who loved her dearly.



WORLD WAR II VETERANS REMEMBERED



ALLISON "PAPPY" BISHOP

AUGUST 6, 1923 – MARCH 30, 2015

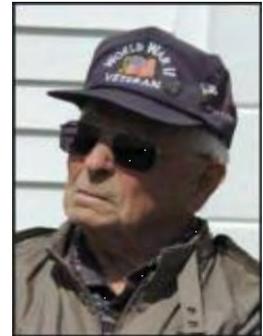


Allison was born in Corea. He married Corinne "Lassie" Dyer in 1948. Together they raised a daughter and two sons. He served three plus years during World War II in the US Navy stationed aboard ship in the South Pacific as a Quartermaster 3rd class. He was proud of his service to the country and shared many experiences with others. After the war, Allison was a lobster fisherman until the early 1900's. He served on many committees and boards in the Town, the School Committee, and involvement in the Maine Lobsterman's Association and the Governor's Lobster Advisory council. His was a familiar face that is remembered by all.



AVERY "POP" CHIPMAN

AUGUST 2, 1921 – MAY 29, 2015



Avery was born in Milbridge and moved to Bunker's Harbor in 1940. He married Estelle Church in 1942 and was married 71 years at the time of her passing. They had four children. He served three years plus in the US Army as an infantryman during World War II. After the war, Avery was a lobster fisherman until 1963 when he became a security guard and then a supervisor at the Navy Base on Schoodic Point. He retired in 1986. Avery was always proud of his military service and took pride in his country. He was interested and active in Town affairs. He is remembered and missed by all who knew him.



Allison and Avery were very close friends for many years and both
Enjoyed participating in the Gouldsboro Memorial Day Parade.

ODE TO FORMER EMPLOYEES

Last spring and early summer, as I prepared for my retirement I focused on projects preparing the town for its upcoming natural growth and financial stability. I think the town is heading in a positive direction and hope community members will continue to be part of this great place.

Maureen, Hall, whom I worked with longer than any other person during my time at the town office, retired in August. Maureen contributed a tremendous amount of stability and character to the office and community during her tenure. In her early years she worked part time in the assessor's office. She later moved to the clerk's office as a full time employee and eventually became the office supervisor. She always supported her staff and was literally "the first" person to offer to help on any occasion. She was instrumental in the Memorial Day celebration, all and any benefit dinners to help folks in the community, working extra hours when needed, pitched in to do anything that was ever needed, and supported and introduced many new programs and services in the town office. She was a huge asset with integrity and honorable morals and ethics.

Glenn Grant was the police chief during most of my time as town manager. We were fortunate to have someone of his expertise enhance our police department. Glenn implemented many professional pieces to the department and the office, but always remembered small community policing. He also worked and volunteered for many projects and special needs programs. He shared a tremendous amount of time and effort whenever there was an opportunity. He came to Gouldsboro as a part time patrol officer and later became our police chief. The department was in need of direction and organizing and Glenn jumped in and never stopped trying to make the department more professional and connected to the community. Glenn was a generous and genuine asset and appreciated by many for his dedication to Gouldsboro and our friends and neighbors. He retired as police chief in August of 2015.

It was a sad day when John Fuhrman passed on in March. He acted as our Code Enforcement Officer for over ten years and had a gentle way of working with folks and still enforcing hundreds of state and municipal regulations. John would visit with people to help most any time of the day and he was always available by phone. He was a great asset to the office as well as and I believe everyone who worked with him appreciated his sparky personality and great humor.

On a parting note, I appreciate everyone (way to many to mention) who helped make my time in Gouldsboro wonderful. There were days of ups and downs, but the never ending support of board members, employees and townspeople always helped let the sun shine in. Thank you.

Respectfully, Yvonne P. Wilkinson (Eve)



TOWN OF GOULDSBORO
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS 2015



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TOWN OFFICIALS AND BOARDS

All elected terms of office expire as of the Town Meeting in the year stated.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

SELECTMEN

Dana Rice, Chair	Term Expires 2017
Susan Bagley	Term Expires 2016
James McLean	Term Expires 2016
William Thayer	Term Expires 2018
Roger Bowen	Term Expires 2018

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Dwight Rodgers, Chair	Term Expires 2016
Fred Cook	Term Expires 2016
Janet Michaud	Term Expires 2018
Michelle Jellison	Term Expires 2018
Raymond Jones	Term Expires 2018
Mary-Ann Higgins	Term Expires 2017
Thomasina Watson	Term Expires 2017
Becky Follette	Term Expires 2017
Dave Seward	Term Expires 2017

ALTERNATES: Mel Jackson, Ken Bahm, Deb Bisson

PLANNING BOARD

Raymond Jones, Chair	Term Expires 2016
David Wilcock	Term Expires 2016
Thomasina Watson	Term Expires 2016
Ken Bahm	Term Expires 2017
Jeffrey Grant	Term Expires 2017

ALTERNATES: Ken Thibault, Paul Stewart

RSU REPRESENTATIVE

Alison Johnson	Term Expires 2018
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APPOINTED OFFICIALS

ASSESSOR

Gary Geaghan
Cindy Lowe, Assistant

BOARD OF APPEALS

Barbara Bateman
Dale Church
Mike Hall
Kate McCloud
Jon Young

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Mert Chipman
Melvin Jackson

CIVIL EMERGENCY

PREPAREDNESS DIRECTOR

Peter McKenzie

**CODE ENFORCEMENT
OFFICER**

John Fuhrman (Jan.-March)
Ed Brackett (March-Present)

E-911 COORDINATOR

James Watson

**EMERGENCY PLAN
COORDINATOR**

Peter McKenzie

EMS SERVICES

Tatum McLean, Director
Ken McCartney, Assistant

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Tatum McLean, Chief
Larry Young, Assistant

**HANCOCK COUNTY
PLANNING COMMISSION**

Raymond Jones
Thomasina Watson, Alternate

HARBOR COMMITTEE

John Chipman, Sr.
Jason Follette
Frank Hammond
Christopher Urquhart
Pat Weaver
Amos Kelley, Alternate

HARBOR MASTER

Dana Rice
Michael Hunt, Deputy

HEALTH OFFICER

Tatum McLean

PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Charles Peterson

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Glenn Grant, Chief
(January-August)
Paul Gamble, Chief
(August-December)
Don Gibson (Jan.-Dec.)
Jeffrey Bishop (Jan.-Aug.)
Tyler Dunbar
Ken Schuurman (Aug.-Dec.)

**RECREATION
COMMITTEE**

Jodi Weaver, Chair
Bobby Bernier
Alison Bunch
Amanda Temple
Abigail Hunt, Alternate
Kirsten Tenney, Alternate

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

Bryan Kaenrath, Deputy
(August-Present)
Yvonne Wilkinson, Registrar
(January-August)
Cheri Robinson, Registrar
(August-Present)
Maureen Hall, Deputy
(January-August)

ROAD COMMITTEE

Roger Dean
James Watson

ROAD COMMISSIONER

James Watson

SHELLFISH WARDEN

Michael Pinkham
Glen Jordan, Assistant

SHELLFISH COMMITTEE

Johnathan Renwick, Chair
Ella Merchant, Secretary
Sherman Merchant
P.J. Presnell
Ken Eaton
Hollis Smith, Alternate
Alan Church, Alternate

**SCHOODIC BYWAY
COMMITTEE**

Barbara Bowen
Dick Fisher

SIDEWALK COMMITTEE

Dick Fisher
Andrew Straz
Susan Burke
Barbara Bowen

SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

Raymond Jones, Chair
Mary-Ann Higgins
Jerry Kron
Annetje Meyer
Janet Michaud
Rebecca O'Keefe
Patrick Weaver
David Wilcock

VETERAN'S COMMITTEE

Larry Peterson
Barbara Bianchi
Paul Bianchi
Michael Levin
Mark Sobczak
Ernie West
Rosemary West

**225TH CELEBRATION
COMMITTEE**

Beatrice Buckley
Nancy Caswell
Sheila Daley
Barbara Rice
Cindy Villanueva
Rosemary West
Allen Workman

**TOWN MANAGER, TREASURER,
OVERSEER OF THE POOR, TAX
COLLECTOR, EXCISE TAX
COLLECTOR**

Yvonne Wilkinson (Jan.-August)
Bryan Kaenrath (Aug.-Present)

**DEPUTY CLERKS & DEPUTY
TAX COLLECTORS**

Maureen Hall (Jan.-Aug.)
Cheri Robinson (Aug. - Present)
Roni Saul
Rodie Kaiser (Oct.-Present)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

We are pleased to offer you the 2015 annual Town Report. As we have done in past years, this entire report has been compiled, printed and put together by our tremendous town office staff. Our town office has seen the addition of many new faces this past year and we are happy to report that we have a strong new team onboard.

The Town of Gouldsboro's finances remain very stable as reported by our most recent audit. We also have been able to maintain our recommended operating surplus. Despite challenging budget times and ever increasing costs to the town, we have been able to keep our mil rate relatively stable and limit any increases as much as possible. We are keenly aware of the impact property taxes have on our citizens and are ever mindful of being fiscally prudent and keeping costs and expenses down.

Keeping our roads and buildings in good condition is always a challenge. Our 2015 road projects included paving on Peninsula, Grand Marsh Bay, Joy and Paul Bunyan Roads. In addition, patching, brushing, culvert replacement and sign work are constant ongoing projects. We extend our thanks to our road commissioner and all of the contractors we work with for their hard work in keeping our roads safe and well maintained.

We must recognize Jeremy Strater for the most generous gift bequeathed to the town in the amount of \$250,000. In an effort to responsibly determine the best course of action with these funds, a committee of nine citizens was formed to make a series of recommendations to the Board of Selectmen. The committee has spent many hours meeting and sifting through various citizen generated proposals and we expect them to submit a written report sometime in the late spring or early summer of 2016.

Our gratitude should also be expressed to all of our town boards and committees who put in a great many hours serving this community. This year the Planning Board as well as the Budget, Shellfish, Solid Waste, Recreation, Road, Sidewalk, Harbor, Appeals and Buildings & Grounds Committees all tackled projects with the common goal of making our town an even better place. Noteworthy accomplishments include a total revision of our shellfish ordinance and the floodplain management ordinance.

The Prospect Harbor sidewalk project approved by voters at a previous town meeting is nearing the final planning stages and is scheduled to begin construction by the spring of 2017. There have been many hours of hard work and collaboration put into this project by our sidewalk committee, town manager and Maine DOT. Our thanks go out to all of them for their efforts to keep this project on track.

Finally, we remain very optimistic about Gouldsboro's future. We have much to be thankful for and should all remember that we are fortunate to live in this beautiful, caring and vibrant community. There is a reason so many from away come to visit-we clearly have something special to offer. We hope you continue to take an active part in making Gouldsboro all that we are today and it has been our pleasure to serve you in that effort.

Respectfully submitted:

Dana Rice, William Thayer, Susan Bagely, James McLean and Roger Bowen

TOWN MANAGER

I was honored to have been chosen to serve as your town manager in July 2015. It has been an assignment both challenging and rewarding and I leave the office each day grateful to have been given the chance to play a role in leading our community. Including myself, over the past year the Gouldsboro Town Office has seen a number of staffing changes and new faces on the scene. We saw the retirements of Eve Wilkinson, Glenn Grant, Roni Saul, Maureen Hall, Gary Grovogel and of course the passing of John Fuhrman. We thank them all for their service and years of dedication to the town.

Although we saw this tremendous group move on, I am very happy to say that our new town office team is off to an excellent start and has hit the ground running. Shortly after I began, Cheri Robinson was promoted from her deputy clerk position to office supervisor. She has taken everything in stride and has shown an ability to handle any challenge thrown her way. Filling Cheri's former deputy clerk position is Rodie Kaiser who has been a true asset and has brought with her a skill set well suited for our office. Our newest deputy clerk, Pam Merritt, began in mid-April of this year following Roni's retirement. We are glad to have her cheerful personality and excellent customer service abilities on our team.

Tyler Dunbar, our new police chief also assumed his new position in mid-April of this year after previously serving as our full time patrol officer. Tyler is a Gouldsboro native and brings great professionalism to the department with a true ambition of service to the town. Tate McLean was hired as the first Gouldsboro-Winter Harbor joint fire chief in October 2015. We applaud Tate in his efforts with this new position and are excited by the successful collaboration between our two towns. Finally, Ed Brackett replaced John Fuhrman in early 2015 and we have been impressed by his thorough and thoughtful approach, as well as the dedication he has shown to his position. I am honored to work with these individuals everyday and admire their commitment to our collective efforts to make our town everything that it is today.

The Town of Gouldsboro has much to be proud of and our future shows great promise. Our lobster industry has seen another healthy year and Maine Fair Trade is projected to increase production, once again bringing the need to hire more workers. Exciting projects such as the potential aquaculture ventures in Corea are still also in the works. The Schoodic Woods Campground opened in Fall 2015 and will undoubtedly be bringing increased traffic through our area and in turn more tourism dollars for local businesses. I am also happy to say our town remains in very good financial health. Our municipal budget is stable with only very limited increases in some departments and decreases in others-yes, decreases! I am committed to seeing our mil rate and property tax remain as low as possible in a time when many of our citizens, especially seniors, face everyday financial challenges.

In closing, it remains an honor to serve in this position and work with so many of you in making our town a better and more prosperous place. Please consider my door always open for any concerns or issues you would like to discuss. I am here to listen, help solve problems and get results. It has been a great experience to meet so many of our residents and I extend my thanks for all that you do to make Gouldsboro a unique and special place to call home.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan T. Kaenrath
Town Manager

TOWN CLERK 2015

Annual Statistics

<u>Licenses Issued</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Motor Vehicle	2,350	2,266	2366	2434
Boats	370	365	351	358
Snowmobile & ATV's	200	181	225	161
Hunting & Fishing	355	318	361	312
Dogs	340	366	469	364

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

JULY 1 st	Shellfish licenses available
AUGUST	Property tax bills mailed
OCTOBER 15 th	Dog licenses go on sale
OCTOBER 31 st	First property tax payment due
DECEMBER 31 st	Dog licenses due
DECEMBER 31 st	Boat registrations expire (state and documented)
FEBRUARY 1 st	Late fees charged for unregistered dogs (\$25.00)
FEBRUARY 28 th	Trailer registrations expire (over 2,000 pounds)
MARCH	Motorcycle registrations due
MARCH 31 st	Second property tax payment due
APRIL 15 th	Transfer station stickers go on sale
APRIL 30 th	Transfer station stickers expire
JUNE 30 th	ATV & snowmobile registrations expire

You may register your dog at the Town Office or online. Dogs must be registered by December 31st each year. You need your dog's latest rabies certificate and spay/neuter certificate if applicable. The cost is \$11.00, or \$6.00 for spayed/neutered dogs. Dogs may be re-registered on line @ https://www1.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/dog_license/index.pl.

VEHICLE REGISTRATION

To re-register a vehicle: bring current proof of insurance and current mileage. Vehicles may be re-registered on line @ maine.gov/online/bmv/rapid-renewal .

For a NEWLY PURCHASED vehicle registration: bring current proof of insurance, current mileage, bill of sale that includes the VIN and date of sale (dealer sales will include sales tax paid), and previous title if the vehicle is 1995 or newer.

FYI-Your excise tax is based on the Manufacturers Suggested Retail Price at the time the vehicle was new, not what you paid for it. This is a Maine state law.

On a private sale of any vehicle, you are required by the State to pay sales tax at the time of registration.

ATV/BOATS/SNOWMOBILES

To register a snowmobile or an ATV: bring bill of sale that includes the vin/serial number.

To register a boat: bring bill of sale that includes the vin/serial number; horsepower, length of boat, year made and whether it is salt or fresh water. *Having the old registration is helpful.*

On a private sale of any vehicle, you are required by the State to pay sales tax at the time of registration.

*****ATVs/Boats/Snowmobiles/Hunting-Fishing Licenses***** can all be done online at:

<https://www5.informe.org/online>

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TOWN OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 8:00am to 4:00pm; Wednesday 8:00am to 6:00pm.

The Town Office will be closed on the following holidays:

New Year's Day	Labor Day
Martin Luther King's Birthday	Columbus Day
President's Day	Veteran's Day
Patriot's Day	Thanksgiving Day
Memorial Day	Day after Thanksgiving
Independence Day	Christmas Day

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

Maine State Police	1-800-432-7381
Hancock County Sheriff	(207) 667-7575
Gouldsboro Clinic	(207) 963-4066
Ambulance & Emergency Services	911
Town Office	(207) 963-5589 FAX (207) 963-2986
Peninsula School	(207) 963-2003
Community Center	(207) 963-7582
Burning Permits	(207) 963-5589
Town Office email	town.office@gouldsborotown.com
Town Manager email	town.manager@gouldsborotown.com
Newsletter email	news.letter@gouldsborotown.com
Web Site	www.gouldsborotown.com

TOWN OFFICE MAILING ADDRESS:

P.O. Box 68, Prospect Harbor, Maine 04669

TO REPORT A **FIRE OR MEDICAL EMERGENCY CALL 911**

Give your name, location, 911 street address and type of emergency. If we cannot locate you, we cannot help you. If possible, station someone by the road to assist emergency personnel in finding you. Your assistance with this request will result in a quicker response to your emergency.

POLICE DEPARTMENT EMERGENCY – **CALL 911**

During normal business hours, for non-emergencies, call the Town Office at (207) 963-5589. After hours and on weekends call:

Hancock County Regional Communication Center (RCC) at (207) 667-7575
Gouldsboro Town Office (recorded instructions) at (207) 963-5589

DAYS TO REMEMBER:

Board of Selectmen Meetings	Alternate Thursdays, Town Office, 6:00pm.
Planning Board Meetings	First & Third Tuesdays, Town Office 6:00pm.
Shellfish Committee Meetings	Second Wednesday, Town Office 6:00pm.
Harbor Committee Meeting	Third Wednesday, Town Office 6:00pm.
Road Committee Meeting	Last Tuesday, Route 1 DOT site 6:00pm.
Garbage Pick-Up*	Every Thursday (Please have out by 7:00am.
Recycling Pick-Up*	Every Wednesday (Please have out by 7:00am.

**Garbage and Recycling are always picked up on the scheduled day even if it falls on a holiday.*



MARRIAGES 2015

Kenneth Bahm and David Brass January 2
Erica Wallace and Eric Parkin January 13
Renee Alexander and Brian Hayward February 14
Michael Faulkingham and Sarah Moore April 27
Irving Rainey and Keith Miller May 31
Gary Martin and Candace Rolfe June 14
Thomas Hibbard and Teshah Closson July 18
Cheyenne O'Rourke and Michael Bernier August 29
Robyn Colson-McLean and Timothy Walton October 17
Joshua Turner and Kara Sass November 14
Clarence Hardwick and Debra Armstrong November 28

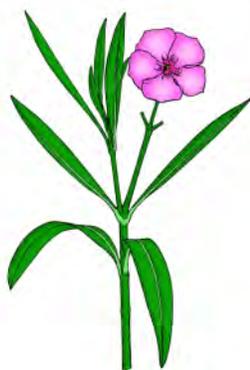
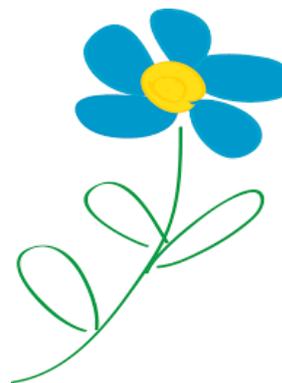


BIRTHS 2015

There were 17 new citizens born to residents of the town.

WE BID FAREWELL TO THESE CITIZENS IN 2015

MARY MOSHIER - 64 - JANUARY 1
BETTY CORSEY - 75 - JANUARY 15
JEREMY STRATER - 70 - FEBRUARY 2
FLORENCE STONE - 92 - FEBRUARY 12
ELINOR VASSEY - 92 - FEBRUARY 24
WAYNE MOORE - 68 - MARCH 21
ALLISON BISHOP - 91 - MARCH 30
CHARLES DAVIS, SR. - 84 - APRIL 8
EUGENE BURGE - 50 - MAY 12
AVERY CHIPMAN - 93 - MAY 29
LELA PASSMORE - 98 - JUNE 13
DOROTHY HUTCHINGS - 98 - JUNE 29
SHARON RAYBURN - 63 - JUNE 28



DEBORAH PICARD - 50 - JULY 9
NEILA YOUNG - 93 - JULY 20
MARY FAULKINGHAM - 78 - AUGUST 11
JOHN WILLIAMS - 69 - AUGUST 16
EVA FAULKINGHAM - 100 - AUGUST 18
ELIZABETH GRACE - 86 - OCTOBER 2
EVELYN COOK - 68 - OCTOBER 3
ROBERT SAWYER - 76 - NOVEMBER 22
ELAINE LOWELL - 100 - DECEMBER 12
GERALDINE MARTIN - 89 - DECEMBER 15
ARTHUR COMTOIS - 91 - DECEMBER 16
NANA YOUNG - 79 - DECEMBER 18
SCOTT JELLISON - 49 - DECEMBER 19
ROBERT HEDGER - 80 - DECEMBER 22
HERBERT CHIPMAN - 78 - DECEMBER 24
KENNETH EATON - 61 - DECEMBER 25
HJALMAR ANDERSON - 71 - DECEMBER 29

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

April 1st is the day property taxes are assessed every year. Property is assessed to the owner of record and new construction projects are assessed annually by the percent of completion on April 1st. The tax maps are updated as of April 1st. Applications for tax exemption (Veterans Exemption, Homestead Exemption, Blind Exemption, Tree Growth, Farmland, Working Waterfront and Open Space) must be filed with the assessor on or before April 1st. Applications are available at the assessor's office.

The second year of the quarterly field review is complete. I have reviewed about half of the developed real estate in Gouldsboro. Adjustments are based on an exterior field review. There are some increases due to the addition of sheds, wood decks etc., but fewer than expected.

Values are still, on average, slightly (105%) above market value. There has been little change over the last three years. My fellow assessors in York and Cumberland County tell me that the real estate market has recovered in southern Maine. There are still too many properties for sale and too many vacant lots available for development in this area.

My assistant, Cindy Lowe, is learning quickly. We have bought a sketching program and, over time, sketches and pictures will be a part of each developed account. Thank you Cindy.

Office hours are 8 am to 12 pm Tuesday and Friday and 8 to 3 on Thursday. If you have any questions please call (207-963-5589).

Sincerely,
Gary R. Geaghan CMA CG311
Assessor

FIVE YEAR VALUATION COMPARISONS

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
State Valuation	396,600,000	389,150,000	394,900,000	414,050,000	421,850,000
Increase	7,450,000	-5,750,000	-19,150,000	-7,800,000	-16,500,000
% Of increase	1.9%	-1.4%	-4.6	-1.87%	-3.8%
Town Valuation	414,685,600	411,881,000	409,344,100	406,753,100	405,613,400
Increase	2,804,600	2,527,000	2,591,000	1,139,700	-2,270,000
% of increase	.7%	.6%	.6%	.3%	-.6%
Net Assessment	3,504,093	3,418,533	3,249,804	3,233,692	3,224,627
% of change	2.4%	5%	.3%	.3%	.5%



2015 TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUPPLEMENTAL TAXES ISSUED BY THE ASSESSOR:

Birch Harbor, LLC	\$264.77	Issued to correct owner
Birch Harbor, LLC	\$253.61	Issued to correct owner

ABATEMENTS GRANTED OR REJECTED BY THE ASSESSOR:

Wireless Partners, LLC	\$2645.70	Permit issued but construction not begun until 10/2015
Tracy Reunion	\$41.50	Excise on trailer
George & Kim Hooper	\$702.20	House burned 2014, new one occupied 2015
Carol & Justin Roman	\$9462.00	Building incomplete
Clarissa Atkinson	\$114.54	Inspection of interior resulted in reduction
Bruce & Janice Yasgur	\$4.98	Shed removed
Charles & Christopher Olson	\$161.85	Property vandalized
Connie & Victor Wescott	\$130.31	Addition torn down



TAX YEAR RATES

YEAR	MIL RATE	VALUATION	INTEREST RATE	TAX COMMITMENT
2015/2016	\$8.45/\$1000	\$414,685,600	7%	\$3,504,093.32
2014/2015	\$8.30/\$1000	\$411,871,400	7%	\$3,418,532.62
2013/2014	\$7.95/\$1000	\$408,780,400	7%	\$3,249,804.18
2012/2013	\$7.95/\$1000	\$406,753,100	7%	\$3,233,692.63
2011/2012	\$7.95/\$1000	\$411,842,400	7%	\$3,224,631.95
2010/2011	\$7.95/\$1000	\$403,443,800	7%	\$3,207,378.21
2009/2010	\$8.00/\$1000	\$405,041,181	9%	\$3,240,329.45
2008/2009	\$7.40/\$1000	\$405,348,101	11%	\$2,999,575.95
2007/2008	\$7.60/\$1000	\$397,599,626	12%	\$2,942,237.23
2006/2007	\$7.60/\$1000	\$394,222,346	8%	\$2,996,089.83
2005/2006	\$11.00/\$1000	\$262,698,121	7.75%	\$2,843,028.00
2004/2005	\$13.20/\$1000	\$191,476,836	7%	\$2,527,494.90
2003/2004	\$16.20/\$1000	\$152,207,255	7%	\$2,465,757.53
2002/2003	\$15.50/\$1000	\$148,206,965	8.50%	\$2,297,207.96
2001/2002	\$15.61/\$1000	\$147,860,884	11.50%	\$2,258,285.96
2000/2001	\$13.72/\$1000	\$144,266,341	10.75%	\$1,938,174.20
1999/2000	\$13.72/\$1000	\$140,977,647	10%	\$1,890,517.76
1998/1999	\$13.82/\$1000	\$138,162,291	10.75%	\$1,865,940.34
1997/1998	\$12.94/\$1000	\$136,352,148	10.50%	\$1,766,729.49
1996/1997	\$13.14/\$1000	\$135,494,921	10.75%	\$1,780,403.00
1995/1996	\$12.21/\$1000	\$133,759,282	10%	\$1,633,201.86
1994/1995	\$12.64/\$1000	\$133,046,795	10%	\$1,681,711.00
1993/1994	\$10.21/\$1000	\$130,123,669	10%	\$1,328,574.00
1992/1993	\$10.17/\$1000	\$126,436,423	10%	\$1,285,859.00
1991/1992	\$10.17/\$1000	\$124,372,321	12%	\$1,218,849.00
1990/1991	\$10.30/\$1000	\$116,870,630	12%	\$1,203,739.00
1989/1990	\$8.20/\$1000	\$118,673,193	12%	\$973,120.19
1988/1989	\$8.26/\$1000	\$114,580,200	11%	\$946,432.38
1987/1988	\$11.30/\$1000	\$65,033,135	11%	\$734,875.21
1986/1987	\$11.40/\$1000	\$55,250,216	13.50%	\$629,853.34
1985 Calendar Year	\$13.00/\$1000	\$40,189,990	14%	\$545,989.22
See Auditor's Note	\$4.00/\$1000	\$40,189,990		\$160,759.75
1984 Calendar Year	\$14.50/\$1000	\$38,094,340	15%	\$552,367.45

2014 OUTSTANDING TAXES
as of 05/24/2016

354	BRADSTREET, MALCOLM & COLLEEN	\$630.54
271	BYERS, ELIZABETH - LT & BARROW, ALLEN	\$431.12
993	BYRNE, MICHAEL J. & BRIDGET M.	\$303.36
1477	BYRNE, MICHAEL J. & BRIDGET M.	\$3,929.42
262	COLSON, BONNIE	\$697.72
725	COTTON, LORA LEE &, GRAY, ROBERT	\$976.94
1995	CRABTREE, TRACEY & YOUNG, KELLY, RANDY, TRAVIS	\$2,108.12
2371	CRABTREE, TRACEY & YOUNG, KELLY, RANDY, TRAVIS	\$248.65
2062	CRABTREE, TRACEY & YOUNG, KELLY, RANDY, TRAVIS	\$1,385.23
1961	CROCKETT, MARVIN L. III & NINA	\$910.25
550	DARIS, BRENDA & MICHAEL	\$744.46
521	DEMARAIS, LYNN	\$2,287.39
2254	EPPEN, RONALD S. & LAURA A.W.	\$1,645.01
157	FILLER, VLADEK & ARGUETTA, ISABELLA	\$464.00
948	FIRST HORIZON HOME LOANS	\$850.29
1178	FOURNIER, MELISSA - P/R	\$1,208.31
726	GRAY, ROBERT & COTTON, LAURA	\$566.67
1008	KNOWLES, CAROL & PATRICK	\$992.84
2225	KNOWLES, LESLIE	\$172.68
2151	KNUDSEN, CURTIS & CATHLEEN	\$684.50
2076	LEE, LAURIE	\$986.72
1225	MORSE, LEWIS & LOIS	\$290.02
2044	RUFFNER, SUSAN M.	\$708.85
307	SCOTT, AVERY	\$924.13
2050	SCOTT, RANDY & DEBORAH	\$1,355.46
1345	SEAL, ROBERT - TRUSTEE, KATHERINE SEAL TRUST	\$821.05
694	SEAL, ROBERT - TRUSTEE, KATHERINE SEAL TRUST	\$1,069.44
1766	SOPER, SUSAN	\$1,162.04
983	STIRRETT, DAVID	\$789.00
1728	TEDESCO, GEORGE E.	\$1,472.85
1838	VILLANUEVA, JUAN & CYNTHIA	\$281.46
2058	VILLANUEVA, JUAN & CYNTHIA	\$201.80
2042	YOUNG, IDA MAY - P/R	\$1,290.90
	Total for 37 accounts:	\$32,591.22



RESERVES AS OF 04/30/2016		
BRIDGHAM TOWN POOR	\$2,214	public assistance
BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS	\$8,816	all buildlings/grounds extensive repairs & maintenance
CRUISER	\$46,827	purchase cruisers and/or major repairs
EMS	\$5,475	emergency responder supplies, equipment & pay WH stipends
FIRE EQUIPMENT	\$98,152	purchase fire equipment
FOREST FIRE/CIVIL EMERGENCY	\$11,782	forest fire & civil emergency
HARBOR	\$22,812	harbor repairs/projects
JONES POND CABIN REPLACEMENT	\$42,478	cabin replacement
LAND PURCHASE	\$21,621	deeds, survey, purchases
LEGAL	\$3,658	legal expenses
PAVING	\$78,157	paving
PUBLIC WORKS	\$18,125	any public works projects, expenses or equipment
RECREATION	\$12,800	recreational capital projects
SHELLFISH	\$16,186	shellfish conservation, boat & equipment
TOTAL RESERVE BALANCES	\$389,103	



CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE

It has been a very interesting first year as the Town Code Enforcement Officer. The finalization of the FEMA floodplain appeal has kept things quite busy.

Year	Permits	Revenue
2013	43	\$4,480
2014	78	\$5,983
2015	82	\$6,410

If this year continues as it started we will again exceed the number of permits issued over the previous year with new business startups already exceeding the last two (2) years. These are good indicators of a strong and vibrant community. I have become FEMA certified which is the first step into the entry of a program to help reduce flood insurance premiums for our residents. This is scheduled to be in place by year's end.

I would like to thank all those who have provided guidance and support in the past year. The transition into this position wouldn't have been possible without the help from Cindy, Cheri, Roni and Rodie. I especially want to thank Cindy whose patience and organization often times humbles me. First Eve and now Bryan has helped me to keep on track and not let the new position overwhelm.

What truly makes the CEO Office work is the voluntary participation of the residents. Taking part in working within the Land Use Ordinances displays an appreciation for the work done in preparing our Town's Comprehensive Plan and a mutual respect for our community and neighbors.

Respectfully Submitted,

Edward F. Brackett
Code Enforcement Officer



PLANNING BOARD

This has been a quiet year for subdivisions and other land developments. During this past year the Board approved three site plans; Seaside Landscaping on Route 1, Gramp's Seafood in Birch Harbor and Multi-housing for Fair Trade Lobster in Prospect Harbor.

At Town Meeting June 2015, the town approved housekeeping amendments on four ordinances; Land Use, Shoreland, Site Plan, and Subdivision. We have been working on updating to the State recommended changes, the Shoreland, Land Use, and Flood Plain ordinances. FEMA has finally released updated maps for Gouldsboro and has made recommendations (if applicable to Gouldsboro) for updating / correcting our ordinance.

During the past year, Verizon has erected cell towers along Route 1 from Ellsworth to Calais. Gouldsboro has a new tower on old Route 1 and Verizon has activated the tower in Prospect Harbor.

SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

As reported in last year's town report, the town's recycling program changed to NO SORT / SINGLE STREAM curbside collection effective July 1st 2015. The town no longer uses Coastal Recycling, but sends recyclables to the Old Town Transfer Station.

Not having to spend the efforts to sort the material has significantly increased the amounts removed from the weekly solid waste collection and increased that sent out for recycling. In the last six months, July through December, the Town sent 209 tons of solid waste to PERC, a reduction from the previous 2 years of 250 and 244 tons. It should also be noted that an increase in the physical volume of recyclables also reflects this change.

Since the 2009 implementation of the Tag program for garbage and during the seven years in between, the town has saved a cumulative total of \$244,000 in PERC tipping fee costs alone. This past year, as in each of the prior Tag program years, an additional \$45,000 in tag sales revenue has helped offset our solid waste costs including hauling.

During the past summer, we held two shoreline cleanup programs and are currently planning to hold more this summer. In addition, we are looking into working with Winter Harbor with regards to shoreline cleanup.

A special reserve account was set up in the town budget for the Transfer Station and a second burn pad was constructed at the Transfer Station in 2015.

As always, the Committee wishes to thank everyone for their efforts in making our town the cleanest and greenest Downeast.



Photo by Liz Bridges

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

I would like to first thank our Road Committee for all their great help. This year we did some paving on Paul Bunyan, Grand Marsh Bay, Peninsula and Joy Roads. Culverts are always being replaced and ditching and brushing are on-going projects.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Watson
Road Commissioner



“Before”



“After”

TOWN OF GOULDSBORO ORDINANCES

Copies available online @ www.gouldsborotown.com

Assessor	Automobile Graveyard & Junkyard
Barking Dog	Board of Appeals
Budget	Civil Emergency Preparedness
Comprehensive Plan	Conservation Commission
E-911	Fire Department
Fire Permits	Floodplain Management
General Assistance	Height Moratorium
Hazardous Waste	Harbor Management
Land Use	License Fee & Permit
Parking	Pawnbroker
Planning Board	Recall of Elected Officials
Recreation Committee	Shellfish Conservation
Shoreland Zoning	Site Plan Review
Solid Waste and Recycling	Special Amusement Permit
Subdivision	

Town of Gouldsboro Charter, adopted 1789

GOULDSBORO SHELLFISH

I am about to start my third year as the Town of Gouldsboro Shellfish Warden. The price of clams hovered around \$4 a pound for a while this summer, which I think is an all-time high for a pound of clams paid to a harvester. This made it very tempting for unlicensed diggers to find a place to harvest clams meaning I had to be very diligent to keep unlicensed diggers from harvesting in town.

The Shellfish Committee and the diggers completed several conservation projects in 2015. One such project was moving clams for the closed area in Prospect Harbor to the Stave Island Bar where we planted clams back into the mud. We also took clams from the closed area in Birch Harbor twice and planted them in Newman Cove on Paul Bunyan Shores. We have several projects scheduled for 2016 including, but not limited to, setting green crab traps, planting farm raised seed, setting traps and placing nets to hopefully capture wild clam spat.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that the flats belong to all the residents of Gouldsboro. I have a cell phone that you can call for information or to report anything that looks out of place, like someone digging where they shouldn't or when they shouldn't. PLEASE CALL 669-5359.

Finally, I want to say thank you to the property owners who allow the diggers access to the shore across their property or the use of their driveways.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael A. Pinkham
Gouldsboro Shellfish Warden





GOULDSBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2015

This has been a very exciting year. The members and citizens have had a paid Chief staffing Gouldsboro Station 1 during the day with a very flexible schedule to meet the needs of the department and the citizens.

In 2015, the fire department responded to 197 calls, throughout the Schoodic region. These calls involved trees on power lines, motor vehicles crashes, medical calls and assisting our neighbors in surrounding towns. Unfortunately our ranks have diminished over the past decade. This is a nationwide issue with all fire departments. We are very fortunate to have a good working relationship with our surrounding towns which allows mutual aid to one another.

We currently have three members going through the Hancock County Fire Fighter Academy. These members voluntary gave up their time with family and friends every other weekend since January to attend this vigorous training. They will be certified Fire Fighter I & II after completion of the course in June.

The Gouldsboro and Winter Harbor First Responders that respond to most of the calls are devoted EMTs and Fire Fighters. They are Licensed Emergency Medical Technicians with the State of Maine. This year their mandatory CEH (Continuous Education Hours) have increased from thirty-two hours every three years to fifty-two hours every three years. This is to ensure that the EMS providers responding to your home for a medical emergency are able to provide the highest quality medical attention, at very short notice, without you leaving your home. Last year Gouldsboro Fire Department moved up to the Advanced EMT level which now provides us with the ability to intervene earlier in a medical event and provide certain medications if needed.

As for our rolls, we have five new members and nine junior firefighters. This brings our total to 20 active firefighters that respond all hours of the day and night in different combinations depending upon availability.

Respectfully submitted,

Tatum McLean, Chief

Tel. 963-5582 Cell 266-7908

Email: gouldsborofd@gmail.com

gouldsboroems@yahoo.com

Ken McCartney, Asst. Chief



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GOULDSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Dear Gouldsboro Residents,

The Gouldsboro Police Department continues in its efforts to keep the Town a safe and peaceful community in which to reside.

The department participated in the National Drug Take Back Program. Citizens are encouraged to drop off any unused/expired prescription drugs to the Gouldsboro Police Department. If you can't make it in to the Police Department, please call and we will come and pick up your unused/expired drugs.

Citizens can still fill out a property check request form, write out a witness statement form or make a citizens complaint online. Go to the address listed below and click on Police Department: <http://www.gouldsborotown.com/>

The Department has received many complaints of consumer fraud/phone scams over the past year. Please do not give out any personal information, account information, social security number etc.

We would also like to invite you to check out our facebook page. We try to post storm advisories, road conditions, lost or found animals, fraud or scams we hear about plus a lot more.

Respectfully submitted,
Chief Glenn K. Grant (207) 963-5580
Email: glennkgrant@yahoo.com

Department Members: Chief Glenn K. Grant (January-August)
 Chief Paul Gamble (September-December)
 Officer Paul Gamble (January-August)
 Officer Tyler Dunbar
 Officer Don Gibson (January-mid December)
 Officer Jeffrey Bishop (January-August)
 Officer Kenneth Schuurman (August-December)

Shellfish Warden: Michael Pinkham



POLICE ACTIVITIES REPORT FOR 2015

TOTAL CALLS FOR 2015: 773

ANIMAL CONTROL ACTIVITIES:

COMPLAINTS- 31 SUMMONSES – 1 WARNINGS – 30

SHELLFISH WARDEN ACTIVITIES:

SUMMONSES 4 - WARNINGS – 8

ALARMS	21	ARRESTS	41	ASSAULTS	1
BAD CHECKS	5	BURGLARIES	8	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	7
DOMESTICS	7	HARRASSMENT	22	DISORDERLY	4
MISCELLANEOUS	10	OUI	12	THEFTS	30
TRESPASS	11	SUBPEONAS	3	ROAD HAZARD	4
PROTECTION ORDERS	16	UNSECURED BUILDING	1	CRIMINAL THREATENING	4
ASSIST LAW AGENCY	64	SUSP. VEH/PERSON	23	ASSIST FIRE DEPARTMENT	20
JUVENILE	3	ASSIST MOTORIST	12	MISSING PERSON SEARCH	1
OPER W/O LICENSE	1	DEATH/UNATTENDED	3	CITIZEN ASSIST	69
911 HANG UP	143	OAS	15		

TRAFFIC CONTROL ACTIVITIES:

ACCIDENTS: 51 SUMMONSES: 89 WARNINGS: 367



GOULDSBORO VETERAN'S COMMITTEE 2015 – 2016



“We Salute All Who Served”

The Veterans Committee, which began in 2014, continues to gain momentum. In October, Larry Peterson stepped down as Chairman after holding the office for one year. Ernie West (US Navy, Ret.) was elected Chairman. At that time it was agreed that the position would be held for one year only. It was also agreed that membership would be offered to veterans in Winter Harbor as well. All area veterans are invited to become participants.

Notable changes over the past year include:

Sadness in the passing of two of our World War II veterans: Avery Chipman and Allison Bishop.

Warren Blair volunteered his time and expertise to create plaques to honor the remaining World War II veterans.

Attractive signs were made locally to denote entering Gouldsboro from Route 1 East and Route 1 West.

Mark Sobczak has created a FaceBook page for our veterans to communicate.

Veterans can contact the Dorcas Library staff to help facilitate in obtaining information pertaining to veterans.

Local volunteers and committees continued to provide an excellent dinner for all veterans on November 11, 2015. Skip Sprague spoke of his tour on NAS Adak, Alaska in the 1980’s. The WWII plaques were on display at this time. The plaque for Edna Gerrish was presented to her later by the Town Manager, Bryan Kaenrath, and Chairman, Ernie West.



Photos courtesy of Larry Peterson



TOWN SERVICES – THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Mailing address: Town of Gouldsboro
PO Box 68
Prospect Harbor, ME 04669
Physical address: 59 Main Street
Prospect Harbor, ME 04669

Phone: (207) 963-5589
Fax: (207) 963-2986
Website: www.gouldsborotown.com

Birth, death and marriage certificates are issued at the town office. ID must be provided and a form filled out before obtaining the documents. Please call 963-5589 to make sure someone is available to certify your document. You can also get certificates on line at: <http://www.vitalrec.com/me.html>.

Curbside Recycling pick-up is Wednesday (must be out by 7:00am).

Curbside Trash pick-up is Thursday (must be out by 7:00am). Trash tags are required for pick-up. The tags are \$1.50 each and available at Mc's Market, Young's Market, Anderson Hardware and the Town Office. Trash missing a full tag or partial tag will NOT be picked up. Also, cash in an envelope or an IOU attached to a bag is NOT acceptable. Maximum weight limit for one bag is 40 pounds.

The Transfer Station is open Friday from 12:00pm-4:00pm and Sunday from 10:00am-4:00pm. Stickers are available at the Town Office for \$10.00 and are renewable by April 30th each year.

Burn permits are issued (weather permitting) at the town office during regular business hours. Permits can also be obtained for a fee online at <http://www.maine.gov/informe/municipal/burn-permit/index.html>.

The Dorcas Library is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 1:00pm-7:00pm and Saturday 10:00am-4:00pm.

The Women's Club and the Gouldsboro Community Center (gym) are available for private functions for a fee. (more information on our website)

Tax bills are sent out ONCE a year with two coupons on the bottom; one for the October 31st payment and another for the March 31st payment. Interest begins to accrue on November 1st and April 1st.

The Tax Assessor is in on Thursday 8:00am-4:00pm. The Tax Assessor's Assistant is in the office Tuesday and Friday from 8:00am-12:00pm and Thursday from 8:00am-3:00pm.

The Code Enforcement Officer is in the office Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00am-12:00 noon. Please call for an appointment.

Vehicle registration - When registering a vehicle (first time or a renewal) you must show proof of current insurance (state requirement). Even a duplicate registration requires a current insurance card. Online - maine.gov/online/bmv/rapid-renewal.

Newsletter submissions - If you want to submit something for the monthly newsletter, the deadline is the 21st of each month. Submit to: news.letter@gouldsborotown.com.

Selectmen's meetings are held every other Thursday at 6:00pm during the year. The public is encouraged to attend. Agendas and minutes are on our website.

Notary Publics - We have 3 notaries in the office for your convenience. There is no fee for this service.

Passport applications are processed here between the hours of 8:00am and 3:00pm. We have passport application forms available and can also take the passport picture.



Town of
GOULDSBORO
HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Gouldsboro Historical Society (GHS) oversees the restoration and maintenance of two historic buildings, the decommissioned West Bay Church, now home to community gatherings and our famous Bean Suppers, and the Old Town House Museum, which houses our antique collections and historic documents. Be sure to visit our website: Gouldsborohistory.org ; and like us on our newly revamped Facebook page. By volunteering to help you become an integral part of Gouldsboro's Downeast community. Of course, restoration and maintenance of the buildings is a never-ending set of projects. With regard to the Old Town House Museum, as a result of partial funding from the Town of Gouldsboro, we were able to have the exterior painted this year and the old millstone was removed to a more secure place so that the parking lot could be graded and smoothed out, providing safer reentry onto busy Route One. Plans are now in process to upgrade the West Bay Church building to serve as a repository for perishable records and documents by providing a climate controlled archival environment and to install heating so that year round meeting space will be available for educational programs during the school year.

The Society continues to receive donations and bequests which are our lifeblood and for which we are extremely grateful. One unusual gift, received last Fall, is a 45"W x 29"H oil painting of an iconic Schoodic seascape by local artist Syd Browne. The board decided to award this delightful work to the holder of a donation stub drawn from a hat. The ten dollar donation tickets will be on sale at all the GHS events, including the programs from May to October, the Summer Bean Suppers at the West Bay Church, and the Old Town House Museum.

The 2015 GHS programs, held the first Monday of every month from May to October, were well attended and well received. We began in May with author Tom Walsh's account of his novel, *Erin's Hope: The Voyage of the Irish Rebellion's Oneship Rebellion*, followed in June by Town of Gouldsboro Selectman Dana Rice's historical account, *Lobster Pounds of the Schoodic Peninsula*. Then in July, Colby Young, with comments by GHS board member Dale Woodward and his son in law, gave a first hand account of Young Brothers' Boat Building Operation. On August 3rd, a time slot favored by historian Charles A. Joy, presented "John Black, an Unsung Story", *The Life of Col. John Black*. In August, Bill Darling gave us an inside view of the transformation of the old Stinson plant, titled: *Maine Fair Trade Lobster Packing Facility*. The season's final talk, "A Changed World: Gouldsboro, Steuben, and Cherryfield, participants in the California Gold Rush, 1849-1850, was presented by Maine historian Jan Eakins.

The Society's programs take place either at the Museum, where visitors can see the ongoing displays and new acquisitions, or at the newly rededicated and repainted Young-Webber Hall at the West Bay Church, the location of the Bean Suppers, which take place the 3rd Saturday of July, August, and September. These suppers are memorable not only for the homemade pies from Downeast Maine's finest home bakers, but for the put up beets and pickles and "fixins" from hand-me down recipes.

We increased the number of calendars printed this year, but still managed to keep up with the growing demand. The historical pictures on these calendars are a joy to look at and the ladies tell me they make good stocking stuffers. We appreciate your interest in preserving our collective heritage and thank you for your continued support in time and treasure.

One final note: some of you may be aware of a relative who might have put away some family pictures or letters or newspaper clippings perhaps in an upstairs room or attic thinking they'd be out of harm's way and would be of interest later on. The cruel truth of the matter is, especially on the coast, that sea air can combine with the chemicals used to produce the documents or pictures and can destroy the very purpose one had in putting them away for safe-keeping. We are in the process of expanding our climate controlled capabilities, and urge you to contact any board member, or especially our curator, Mary Lou Hodge, (963-7155), should you have any questions about the safety of such artifacts. We would be happy to copy any of the photographs on a one copy for the donor, one copy for our collection basis.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Newman, President

SIDEWALK COMMITTEE 2016

Maine DOT has scheduled the construction of the town's sidewalk from the corner of the Peninsula School drive to Dorcas Library for March-April 2017. The design to improve safety and accessibility is the same one that the voters approved at the 2014 annual town meeting. This project was made possible by a Federal Safe Routes to School grant of \$265,000 and will be DOT administered.

Committee Members:

Barbara Bowen

Andrew Straz

Bonnie Kane

Roxanne Renwick

Dick Fisher

Karen Wilcock

Susan Burke

Mike Summerer

Eve Wilkinson



DORCAS LIBRARY

Dorcas Library has, over the course of 2015, seen many changes. The first and the most consequential has been the hiring of a Library Director in the person of Faith Lane. Some of the changes are part of a process that began several years ago with the hiring of a library consultant (this with funding from the Maine Community Foundation) who produced a very useful set of recommendations for improving Dorcas. Other changes have been at the suggestion of either our new Director or the Library Board of Trustees.

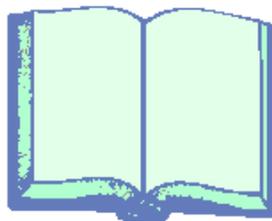
Programs and community gatherings have proliferated. The new Genealogy Workshop offered by Faith has proven very popular. We have also been able to offer a STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) program for town youth, and we continue to have a game night, a movie night and programs featuring invited speakers. We have begun to decorate our walls with changing exhibits of local art, with the first show having come from young artists at the Peninsula School. We were able to bring a Maine Humanities Council program series entitled 'World in Your Library' to Dorcas and the Winter Harbor Library. This series involved two speakers on Foreign policy and one on artificial intelligence and robotics.

During 2015, we were very pleased to have co-hosted two community events with the Town of Gouldsboro: a welcome reception for the new Town Manager and the first of what we hope will be an annual holiday tree lighting celebration.

We at Dorcas have much to be thankful for from the community we serve and that supports us. We continue to rely heavily on the energy and generosity of our many volunteers. We are very grateful to the Town of Gouldsboro for contributing to Dorcas this year, and we are also grateful to the Schoodic Community Fund, the Maine Humanities Council, Home Depot, the employees of Bar Harbor Bank and Trust, and all of our patrons and friends for their contributions.

As we have mentioned in previous town reports, the Maine State Library offers an estimated valuation of services offered by the libraries in the state using what they call a value calculator. Each library provides counts of their services (and for some categories there are estimates) and the numbers are plugged into the State Library calculator. The value determined for Dorcas in 2015 was \$197,137: of this \$155,865 was associated with the circulation of library materials plus the filling of interlibrary loan requests and the use of downloaded materials; and \$41,272 was associated with programs and classes, computer use, and other library offerings.

Visit us on-line at: www.dorcas.lib.me.us



HARDY'S FRIENDS/HARDY'S HOUSE

Hardy's Friends answered 102 calls in 2015 from Gouldsboro and Winter Harbor residents requesting temporary assistance with cat and dog food, supplies, medicine or veterinary assistance for their family pets. Thanks to individual donations and community support for our fund raising events (a Jazz Night Benefit at the Pickled Wrinkle, the "Prepare for Winter Raffle," our annual yard sale, bottle redemption at the South Gouldsboro Redemption Center and canister collections) we were able to help all of them. We also received a \$1,000 grant from the Canine Care Helping Hand Fund to be used to assist dog owners on a one time only basis with unexpected veterinary expenses.



By the fall of 2015 the small crew shack on the town property on Route 1 had been completely transformed into Hardy's House, a safe, clean temporary holding facility for stray dogs and cats picked up by the town animal control officers. The Schoodic Community Fund 2014 grant of \$1500 allowed us to begin the work, and donations in memory of Winter Harbor summer resident and life-long animal lover, Isabella LaTourette, assured the interior completion. In addition to Brown's Appliance, Maine Pet and Aquarium, South Gouldsboro Redemption and many individual contributors, we are grateful to Jason Tracey, Jim McLean, Doug McVay, Pat Knowles, Paul Gamble, and Joe DePasquale for their work on Hardy's House. Officers now have the option of bringing stray animals to Hardy's House rather than transporting them to Ellsworth, saving the towns the cost of surrendering the animals elsewhere, travel back and forth, and police time away from the community. As of March 1 the two dogs, four cats and four kittens taken to Hardy's House have saved the towns approximately \$600 in fees, travel expenses and personnel time. And all were either returned to owners, taken to Forgotten Felines or the Ark, or settled in new homes.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Burke
Glenn Grant
Bill Leonardi



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Sally Leighton, Principal

Ramona Bennett, Secretary

Dear Citizens,

I am pleased to have this opportunity to tell you about some of our accomplishments and projects this year at the Peninsula School.

Our teachers and students continue the implementation of Proficiency Based education. This is a mind shift in the way we instruct our students and they are handling the change very well. Last year grades 6-8 made the change and this year grades 3-5 have been added. We are looking forward to next year and adding K-2 for a complete implementation. This approach allows our students many and varied opportunities for meeting standards and really learning material before advancing to another level.

Each fall, Jane White, the Middle level Science teacher, takes grade 7 to SERC for 2 overnights and 3 days of hands on study of our environment. Students really enjoy this activity.

Sarah Norwood, our Middle level Social Studies teacher, plans the annual Take A Vet To School Day around Veteran's Day and all involved look forward to this each year.

During the school year we have completed the Spelling Bee, The National Geography Bee and most recently the classroom speech contests. The school wide speech contest will be held the week before April break.

Our sports seasons were very successful. The soccer team was awarded the Sportsmanship Banner, the girls' basketball team was awarded the Sportsmanship Banner, the boys' basketball team won the RSU 24 Championship and the cheerleaders won second place in their division at Bangor.

Our PreK-2 and Intermediate grades will be taking a variety of field trips as the weather improves. Some of the trips include the Carroll Homestead on MDI, and Acadia National Park.

Marielle Edgcomb is planning another Math Day this Spring. She began this activity last year and our students loved it.

Thanks to our very generous and hardworking PTC, we will be completing dug outs for the baseball and softball fields when the weather allows.

We are currently involved in the state mandated testing for Reading and Math and hope to be complete by April 8. Our 3-8 students are working hard and taking it seriously.

As of this moment, our Promotion Exercise are planned for June 13. This date will depend on whether we have any more snow days.

In closing, I would like to thank all of the citizens for their support for and interest in our wonderful school. We appreciate all that you do for us and encourage you all to join us in all of our activities.

Sally Leighton
Principal



PENINSULA SCHOOL
Principal, Sally Leighton

TEACHER	GRADE	ENROLLMENT
Celine Martin	Pre-K	14
Roxanne Renwick	Kindergarten	12
Katie Parker	1	19
Rose Arnett	2	18
Susan Tenan	3	18
Jeffrey Young	4	21
Priscilla McFarland	5	22
Joanne Rosenfeld	6	17
Jane White	7	10
Sarah Norwood	7	12
Marielle Edgecomb	8	16
		TOTAL 188

Emily Hutchinson	Art
Jeff Waldrop	Music
Lisa Blanchette	Music
Sherry Blais	Physical Education
Phyllis Pruet	Special Education
Mary Knowlton	Guidance
Barbara Bricker	Title I
Bonnie Kane	Library

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	Christine Simmons	Kathryn Wayman
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Dear Citizens of Gouldsboro:

At Sumner Memorial High School, we have experienced another exciting year. This marks our second year of proficiency-based education. We have also launched a new progress monitoring system to track student assessments called Mastery Connect. Another addition this year, has been the “tagging system” we have put in place for students called, EdYOUSched. This system allows teachers to tag (call back) students during our guided study period for extra support. We also tag students for after school support. We are able to offer this due to our fortune of having a 21st Century Grant. We offer two late buses to ensure that all students have access.

We have continued to promote School Pride! Our Student Voice group has led this charge. The Student Voice Group is comprised of class officers: four from each grade, nine through twelve. This group meets with the Principal every Thursday to share ideas to improve school pride, discuss student life at Sumner, and to have input on decisions that affect the student population. This past year, students have shared ideas to transition eighth graders to high school, plan Homecoming and Teacher Appreciation, tackle disciplinary issues, and help with Pam Harmon Arts and Achievement Day.

The staff at Sumner has been innovative in designing curriculum and programs to fit our unique population’s needs. We offer many online college and high school classes. This year we piloted the Virtual Academy, which offers many online courses that we do not offer at Sumner.

Over the past few years, we have expanded our Pathway’s Programs. Pathways teamed up with SMHS Marine Trades this year both on paper and off. Using similar criteria for applications, interviews, and student handbooks and agreements, students in these programs experienced project based learning, expeditionary learning, and many other relevant learning experiences.

This past fall, all Pathways/Marine Trade students participated in overnight leadership training at Tanglewood, which culminated in them attending the Common Ground Fair as student volunteers for four hours. It was the event that prompted these students to deem themselves the "Pathways Family." As members of 4-H, and with financial assistance from 21st Century funds, this “beyond the walls” learning was possible and a great way to start the year.

Recently, this same group spent three days and two nights at SERC learning, Marine Ecology and Chemistry, Weather, GPS and Compass Orienteering, and completed Service Learning Projects while on campus. With the sponsorship of the SERC organization and 21st Century funds, this learning excursion took place with no cost to RSU 24.

Individually, students are building lobster traps, learning to knit bait bags; and, they have become student leaders for the Pam Harmon Arts Festival Day, studying to become a Maine Guide, earning hours toward lobster fishing licenses, and studying in real life settings as interns. It is with the commitment and support of our local communities, that the Pathways' Programs continue to thrive and serve the students at Sumner Memorial High School.

Sumner Memorial High School continues to flourish. Thank you, citizens of Gouldsboro for your continued support!

Respectfully,
Marianne DeRaps

RSU 24



Regional School Unit No. 24 serves children in nine Hancock County and Washington County communities. The district provides the educational services for five schools and 978 students including general administration, centralized business services, food service, transportation, technology support and integration, and special education programming. Regional School Unit No. 24 employs 230 local citizens in a full range of professional and support positions. Funding for the district comes from several sources. State funding, determined by an Essential Programs and Services formula, bases state aid on local property valuations and the number of resident students. Regional School Unit No. 24 received \$2,181,395 in state funding for the present fiscal year accounting for 14.2% of our \$15,417,473 budget. The Town of Gouldsboro contributed 22.2% of the local cost of education. In addition to these sources, the district receives federal funding for several categories of services and also takes every opportunity to apply for grant funding to supplement educational programming.

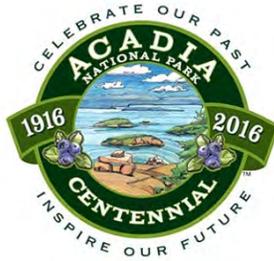
Regional School Unit No. 24 provides for the education of 195 students who reside in Gouldsboro. Forty-five secondary students attend Sumner Memorial High School. Five of these secondary students also attend Hancock County Technical Center for part of each day. Peninsula School enrolls 141 Gouldsboro students in grades pre-kindergarten through eight. Five students at the elementary level attend other RSU 24 schools and four attend schools in other districts.



The faculty, staff and students at Peninsula School continue the challenging work of transforming the programming to Proficiency Based Education. The implementation of PBE benefits students in many ways, particularly allowing them to work on the standards until they are really achieved. Additionally, it provides flexible scheduling for those who can advance beyond the traditional grade level. We now offer an after school program, thanks to a federal 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant.

Thank you to the many community volunteers who support our students and programs through assisting in our schools, helping with fundraising for our student activities and attending our many school events. A special thank you to the Peninsula PTC for their fundraising efforts, as they have raised the necessary funds to build both baseball and softball dugouts.

Michael Eastman
Superintendent RSU #24



ACADIA NATIONAL PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION

Congress created the Acadia National Park Advisory Commission in 1986 to consult with the National Park Service on matters relating to the management and development of the park. As Gouldsboro's representative on the Commission, my focus for this report is primarily on the Schoodic portion of the Park.

After 12 years of insightful leadership, Park Superintendent Sheridan Steele retired from Government service in the fall of 2015 and in early 2016 we welcomed new Superintendent Kevin Schneider from Grand Tetons National Park. The end of 2015 also brought closure to a long career of ensuring a safe and quality visitor experience in Schoodic with the departure of Park Ranger Bill Weidner - though he and his family will continue to reside in town. His responsibilities will now be carried out by Ranger Dylan Mroszczyk-McDonald, assisted by both a full time and part time ranger.

The Community and the Commission learned together in November 2015 about the annexation of 1,441-acres including the Schoodic Woods Campground into the border of Acadia National Park, citing 1929 boundary legislation. While the formal inclusion of this generously donated property was widely supported, there was great concern regarding the reliance on legislation that appeared to both set a dangerous precedence and conflict with newer legislation established in 1986. Therefore, the Commission unanimously requested that the Maine Congressional delegation and National Park Service draft legislation that would allow the acquisition of Schoodic Woods, in fee, and confirm the intent of the 1986 boundary legislation.

There was an estimated 228,000 recreational visits to the Schoodic portion of Acadia National Park in 2015. This is expected to increase with the first full operational season of the new Schoodic Woods Campground in 2016. Substantial financial support was provided by the original donor of the property for campground start up and an endowment will ultimately be in place for operating the site in perpetuity. The Campground is open from Memorial Day to Columbus Day. Some of the 97 camp sites will be closed for a period of time to allow for vegetation growth which was severely limited when the sites were established in late fall. Also, this year Acadia National Park was the first park in the nation to provide the option of purchasing visitor passes online.

Given the increase in visitation and the newly established biking and hiking trails, both the Advisory Commission and the National Park submitted letters to the Department of Transportation voicing support for the Town Of Gouldsboro request to elevate priority status for a project to widen portions of Routes 186 and 195 to more safely accommodate the combination of vehicular, pedestrian and bike traffic.

On the facilities side, repairs to the exterior of Rockefeller building will conclude this summer with improvements to masonry and the wooden lintels. Roof conditions were worse than initially anticipated so efforts will continue to find long term solutions. The next planned phase in 2017 for this building is plumbing upgrades.

We are in the midst of the Acadia National Park Centennial celebration, with events occurring on Schoodic Peninsula and Mount Desert Island. Check out specific activities at www.acadiacentennial2016.org. The Commission traditionally holds its fall meeting at Schoodic and I will submit a reminder for inclusion in the town newsletter for those interested in attending. I am proud to continue serving our town and look forward to addressing the challenges the park and community face in the coming year.

Jackie Johnston, Vice Chair
Acadia National Park Advisory Commission

Acadian Community Woman's Club 2015-2016 Annual Report

The Acadian Community Woman's Club is a seventy-seven year old civic organization serving the towns of Gouldsboro and Winter Harbor. The bulk of the club's efforts are centered on fundraising for the Community Aid and Scholarship Funds. The monies raised enable the club to annually award a \$1000.00 college scholarship, multiple summer camp scholarships and provide assistance through the Community Aid Fund. The latter's many purposes include but are not limited to the purchase of oil, utility bills, providing grocery and gas cards, and clothing for area children. It is also from this fund that the A.C.W.C has been able to purchase gifts and grocery cards for struggling families during the holiday season.

There are also a few enrichment projects taken on by the club each year: the Memorial Day Ceremony in Winter Harbor, maintenance and upkeep of the Memorial Garden by the Winter Harbor Gym, and the planters by the Winter Harbor Post Office. The club is in the process of setting up a similar garden in Prospect Harbor under the Peninsula School sign. Look for it in the spring. The A.C.W.C. has organized the Schoodic Sisters team that has participated for several years in the the Susan G. Komen-Race for the Cure held on the Bangor Waterfront every September. In 2016 we will be working with the Beth C. Wright Foundation and participate in their race/walk this spring.

Anyone interested in applying for the college scholarship applications are available in the Guidance Office at Sumner Memorial High School. Applicants must be residents of Gouldsboro or Winter Harbor and may be graduating seniors, traditional or non-traditional college students. Summer camp scholarship applications are available at the Peninsula Grammar School. 2014 was the first year that the club made summer camp scholarships available. It was the result of a new fundraiser the club tried, a 5k road race held on Mother's Day in Prospect Harbor. It was a huge success and will now be an annual event.

Another fairly new project implemented by the club for the second consecutive holiday season was an "Angel" tree displayed at the Pickled Wrinkle Pub in Birch Harbor. The A.C.W.C. is extremely grateful to the pub's owners, Jesse and Sarah Christensen, for allowing us the use of the space. It was overwhelming how generous the patrons of the pub were in fulfilling the wishes on the tree. We also want to thank our communities' local law enforcement officers who anonymously deliver the gifts each year.

The A.C.W.C. continues to thrive, survive and serve its communities because of the ongoing support from the residents of Schoodic Peninsula. The club's members owe their families, friends and neighbors a huge debt of gratitude for their contributions to our causes. It is all of us working together that keep our little corner of the world a very special place.

If there are any community members with suggestions, donations or if you would like to become a member of the A.C.W.C, please contact me or another club member. We welcome your feedback and interest. Thank you for your time.

Respectfully submitted,
Jodi Weaver, President

2015 SCHOODIC SCENIC BYWAY CORRIDOR COMMITTEE

The Corridor Management Committee of Schoodic National Scenic Byway is happy to report on our progress in 2015 and the start of 2016.

Visitor Facilities and Information

- Completion of the granite exhibit at Gordon's Wharf in Sullivan. This wonderful exhibit welcomes visitors to the edge of Taunton's Bay. Special thanks to Larry Johannesman, Obadiah Buell, and Gary Edwards for their efforts with this project.
- Continued work on Gouldsboro-Prospect Harbor Kid's Quest site.
- Designs for the Kid's Quest wayfinding signs have been completed.
- Interpretive signs for Winter Harbor-Camp Moore have been manufactured.
- An interpretive sign for Sullivan-Summer Memorial Park and Long Cove has been designed and manufactured.
- An interpretive sign for Hancock-Tidal Falls has been designed.
- A new bicycle rack at the Hancock Waterfront Trail has been installed. A big thank you to Bill and Polly Ceckler for their help with this!
- Acadia National Park opened the Schoodic Woods Campground, with hiking and biking trail systems and a visitor center.
- Acadia National Park announced that they will be monitoring visitor passes in 2016.
- Downeast Transportation committed to 30-minute bus service for Winter Harbor, Schoodic Woods, and Schoodic Point.
- Frenchman Bay Conservancy completed additional hiking trails in the Byway vicinity.

Planning for Future Improvements and Projects

- The manufacture and installation of signs that have completed the design phase is proposed.
- Several improvements will be made to the gateway area at Taunton Bay, including a new train exhibit for the Kid's Quest display to be made using unused MDOT equipment, and new sidewalks, landscaping, and a kiosk.
- Improvements are planned for the downtown greenspace in Winter Harbor, including, landscaping, parking, and a kiosk.
- Additional work at the Gordon's Wharf site, including interpretive signage and a flagstone surface.

Funding

- A \$15,000 grant was received from the Betterment Fund for the Ped, Pedal, Paddle program.
- A grant for technical assistance was received from the National Park Service's Rivers, Trails, and Conservation program, to be used in 2016.

Public Participation

- We are currently in the process of planning for involvement in Acadia National Park's year-long Centennial celebration. If you have ideas about events or ways your community could be involved, please let us know!
 - The Schoodic Byway Brochure continues to promote natural, historic, cultural and recreational assets along the byway. The brochures are distributed through Maine Visitor Centers.
 - Further reductions in national and state funds for byway programs places greater importance on municipal and other contributions to continue improvements along the byway. Thanks to all that have given support.
- We thank the select boards, planning boards, staff, historical societies, Chamber of Commerce, Maine Coast Heritage Trust, Friends of Taunton Bay, Frenchman Bay Conservancy and other organizations for their support. We thank the Hancock County Planning Commission, the Maine Department of Transportation and Acadia National Park for their technical and financial support.

The Schoodic National Scenic Byway Corridor Committee is a collaboration of Hancock, Sullivan, Gouldsboro, Winter Harbor and Acadia National Park to protect and promote this scenic corridor. Area residents are always welcome to attend byway meetings. You can learn more at schoodicbyway.org or by calling the Hancock County Planning Commission at 667-7131.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Shanahan, Chairperson



Seaweed Secrets AT SAND COVE

Flip over some seaweed and see who is hiding.
Rockweed is the name for seaweed that holds tightly to the shoreline rocks. At high tide, sea water covers it and small gas-filled bumps on the blades help it float and spread out to create a habitat for small fish. At low tide, the flexible rockweed lies flat and makes a perfect hiding place for crabs, periwinkles and other creatures to stay cool, wet and protected. Rockweed is edible but most animals don't like it. Pieces break off, decay and become food for filter-feeders like mussels, scallops and barnacles.

Why are the rocks so slippery?
Thin layers of blue-green algae, a very tiny seaweed, coat the rocks at Sand Cove. Why don't periwinkle snails slip on the rocks like you do? One sticky foot holds tight while they scrape up a lunch of algae with their tooth-covered tongue-like radula. Periwinkles keep safe inside thick round shells when ocean waves toss them about like marbles.

Acadian Hermit Crabs find shelter under the rockweed

Look below the surface
Crouch by the edge of tide pools to see tiny bug-like amphipods dart among the colorful seaweeds, hermit crabs scuttler, and maybe even a baby lobster. The crusty coating on rocks and shells are living algae and barnacles.

Camp Moore
Generations of Boy Scouts have enjoyed the outdoors at Sand Cove thanks to the daughter of John G. Moore, the donor of Schoodic Point. In 1930, she donated this land to the town for use by the scouts. The original log cabin, built by volunteers, still stands nearby.

Find the strandline
A dark line of drying seaweed is left behind after high tide. Watch for Least Sandpipers using their bills to forage for beach boppers and bugs inhabiting the stranded seaweed. Come October, strandline snacks fuel these little birds on a non-stop flight to their winter homes in South America.

Find periwinkles on the rocks

Look for a Sandpiper grabbing a snack in the seaweed

SCHOODIC COMMUNITY FUND 2015



The Board of the Schoodic Community Fund thanks the more than 200 residents who contributed in 2015. Special thanks go to the late Jeremy Strater of West Gouldsboro whose very generous bequest helped to bring SCF's endowment to over \$450,000. In September 2015 SCF was able to award nearly \$15,000 in grants to: Dorcas Library (\$900), Maine Coast Regional Health to provide dental care to Schoodic residents (\$1,000), Sumner Memorial High School for Schoodic students (\$500), the Gouldsboro Historical Society to restore the Corea cemetery (\$2000), the Winter Harbor Public Library (\$1,050), and the Peninsula School (\$9,340) for iPads, snacks, an electronic scoreboard, and the Principal's Discretionary Fund.

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**2015 Annual Report
for the Town of Gouldsboro**

About Schoodic Institute

Schoodic Institute engages the public in science research and life-long learning experiences through innovative programs and partnerships from its outstanding Acadia National Park setting and unique coastal Maine facilities.

The Institute builds understanding and appreciation for the complexity of the natural world and our place within it, and enriches the experience of residents and visitors to the Acadia region. The Institute supports science and education initiatives throughout the Park and the region and partners with the National Park Service to manage the Schoodic Education and Research Center campus. The Institute is also grateful to partner with a wide range of other organizations.

Schoodic Institute Activities and Accomplishments in 2015:

Ecosystem Science:

Facilitating and Developing Research Activities

- Facilitated permits for 88 Acadia National Park research projects. This was the third straight year of setting new records for the amount of research activity in Acadia.
- Collaborated to bring citizen science datasets together and create visualizations to aid researchers, educators, and resource managers.
- Hosted the 25th Annual North American Dendroecological Fieldweek.
- Hosted an international conference of oceanographers that study dynamics of ocean currents.
- Collaborated with other Gulf of Maine field stations to develop common approaches.
- Expanded fall migration monitoring of raptors, seabirds, and songbirds.
- Acquired a sensor for monitoring of ocean pH, temperature, and chemistry.

Citizen Science – Engaging the Public in Research

- Helped launch the new international Citizen Science Association.
- Created an online training course for people wishing to develop citizen science programs.
- Developed training videos for the Dragonfly Mercury project, now at 50 national parks.
- Facilitated Acadia's 13th annual BioBlitz.
- Led teams of teen and adult science volunteers from EarthWatch, advancing research on ocean acidification and phenology.
- Citizen Science projects in 2015 included SeaWatch at Schoodic Point, HawkWatch on Cadillac Mountain, songbird migration monitoring at Frazer Point, and projects monitoring phenological (or seasonal timing) changes in the intertidal zone and in upland habitats.

Connecting Science, Conservation, and Resource Stewardship

- Hosted the Acadia National Park Science Symposium, the Down East Research and Education Network conference, the Northeast Region Migration Monitoring Network, and a three day climate change scenario planning workshop with Acadia National Park.

Inspirational Learning:

Reaching Students:

- Partnered with Acadia to offer the 3-day Schoodic Education Adventure to over 800 students from 22 Maine schools - including the Peninsula School - along with 3 out of state schools.
- Through Acadia Learning, brought science into classrooms and students into the outdoors at 13 Maine schools collecting snowpack data and investigating climate change.
- Hosted OceansWide Marine Science Camps and provided scholarships to local students.

Supporting Teachers and Advancing Education:

- Led teacher professional development workshops and courses, including Advanced Placement Summer Institutes and Princeton University's QUEST science teacher program.
- Completed 5 years with the Maine Physical Sciences Partnership for grade 6-9 science teaching and began evaluating a program to improve science teaching in 1,000 Pre-K – 5 classrooms.
- Assisted school districts with curriculum development and making use of assessment data.
- Received an EPA Environmental Merit Award as part of the Environmental Living and Learning for Maine Students (ELLMS) collaborative, and hosted an educator summit.

Lifelong Learning:

- Piloted the Schoodic Winter Festival and began planning the 2016 Acadia Winter Festival.
- Led multi-day birding ecotours in partnership with the Maine Birding Trail.
- Offered family activities such as spring Junior Ranger Day and International Migratory Bird Day, and fall Eek of Ecology.
- Invited guests on a benefit cruise sponsored by Bar Harbor Whale Watch.
- Offered public seminars, discussions, and brown bag lunches.
- Hosted university courses, local and regional education programs, and nonprofit meetings.

Inspiration through Art:

- Hosted 17 Acadia Artists-in-Residence, art exhibits, workshops, and retreats ranging from one-on-one instruction to a retreat for 100 plein air painters.

Schoodic Marine Center:

In late 2015 Schoodic Institute created a new subsidiary, Schoodic Marine Center, which negotiated a longterm lease of the Winter Harbor Marina. This effort is intended to ensure the property remains available for access to and from the ocean for research, education, transportation, and other uses. The Schoodic Marine Center planning process will involve seeking input and engagement from community members in 2016.

Conclusion

Everything we do is made possible by many partners and all of our supporters. *We are particularly grateful for community support and our many volunteers.* Schoodic Institute encourages public engagement and feedback. We look forward to hearing from you. Please visit our website at www.schoodicinstitute.org subscribe to our email newsletter, and follow us on [Facebook](#) to receive updates on upcoming events and programs. Our full list of annual donors will be published in our annual report (which will also be available online).

Thank you for your support!

Schoodic Peninsula



The Schoodic Peninsula offers a wide array of opportunities for discovering Maine's rugged coast without all the congestion of Mount Desert Island. Whether exploring on foot, by bike, or by car, there is something for everyone.

Getting Around

A six-mile (10 km), one-way loop road offers views of lighthouses, seabirds, and forested islands. Vehicle turnouts that provide opportunities to stop and enjoy the scenery. Stopping on the road and parking outside of designated pull-offs are prohibited.

Arey Cove Road leads to Schoodic Point, a windswept, rocky point providing spectacular views of Mount Desert Island.

Much of Schoodic Loop Road is one-way. RVs are permitted only on the section of Schoodic Loop Road that accesses Schoodic Woods Campground. Unless otherwise posted, the speed limit is 35 mph (56 km/hr).

During the summer season (late June–Columbus Day) Island Explorer buses provide free transportation in and around the peninsula. The bus drivers stop when waved down by visitors and buses are equipped with bicycle racks.

Bicycling

Enjoy riding the Schoodic Loop Road and the 8.3 miles (13.4 km) of bike paths! Bicyclists must obey the one-way traffic flow on the road and are encouraged to use free Island Explorer buses and bike paths. Steep and winding bike paths provide spectacular views.

Safety tips:

- Riding single-file is recommended as bike paths are narrow and are often hilly with blind curves.
- Yield to walkers and notify others in advance of passing.
- Please be alert to emergency response and maintenance vehicles may be traveling on the bike paths.
- Keep an eye on children in your group,
- Keep speeds down,
- Intersection numbers are posted at each junction. Keep track of where you are and where you're going.

Camping

Tent, hike-in, group, and RV sites (with hookups) are available at the Schoodic Woods Campground. Visit the Schoodic Woods Ranger Station for information on reservations, site availability, and pricing.

Hiking

Alder Trail

easy, 0.6 miles (1 km)

Traveling amongst premier birding habitat, this trail leads from Blueberry Hill parking area to the start of Schoodic Head Trail.

Anvil Trail

moderate, 1.1 miles (1.8 km)

Rocky and steep sections mark this trail up the southeastern side of Schoodic Head.

Buck Cove Mountain Trail

moderate, 3.2 miles (5.1 km)

Beginning near the group sites in Schoodic Woods, this trail passes through forests and highbush blueberries to summit Buck Cove Mountain and continue up the north face of Schoodic Head.

East Trail

moderate, 0.5 miles (0.8 km)

Ascending the east face of Schoodic Head, this trail has steep sections that will require some scrambling.

Lower Harbor Trail

easy, 1.5 miles (2.4 km)

Following the coastline this trail wanders through pine forests, offering the possibility of viewing sea birds.

Schoodic Head Trail

moderate, 0.6 miles (1 km)

This rocky trail summits Schoodic Head from the end of Alder Trail.

Sundew Trail

easy, 0.7 miles (1.1 km)

This nature trail travels through dense forests near the coastline on the Schoodic Education and Research Center campus.

Programs

Park ranger programs are offered seasonally. See the Schoodic Woods Ranger Station for more information.

Entrance Fees

A visit to Acadia National Park requires a park entrance pass. The sale of the passes allows to the park to provide the services you expect. Passes are available at the Schoodic Woods Ranger Station.

Explore Safely

Emergency response will take more time than you anticipate, and cell phone coverage is spotty at best. If exploring the park alone, notify a friend or family member of your plans before setting out or leave a note behind in your car. When traveling with others, attempt to keep everyone in your group within eyesight. Always carry water and a park map, stay off the loose gravel near cliff edges.

Pets

While in the park and within the campground, pets must remain on a leash no longer than six feet (1.8 m) for the protection of your pet, other visitors, and wildlife.

Shoreline

Wet rocks along the shoreline are treacherous, especially when covered in rockweed. When exploring these areas, always maintain three points of contact and beware of waves.

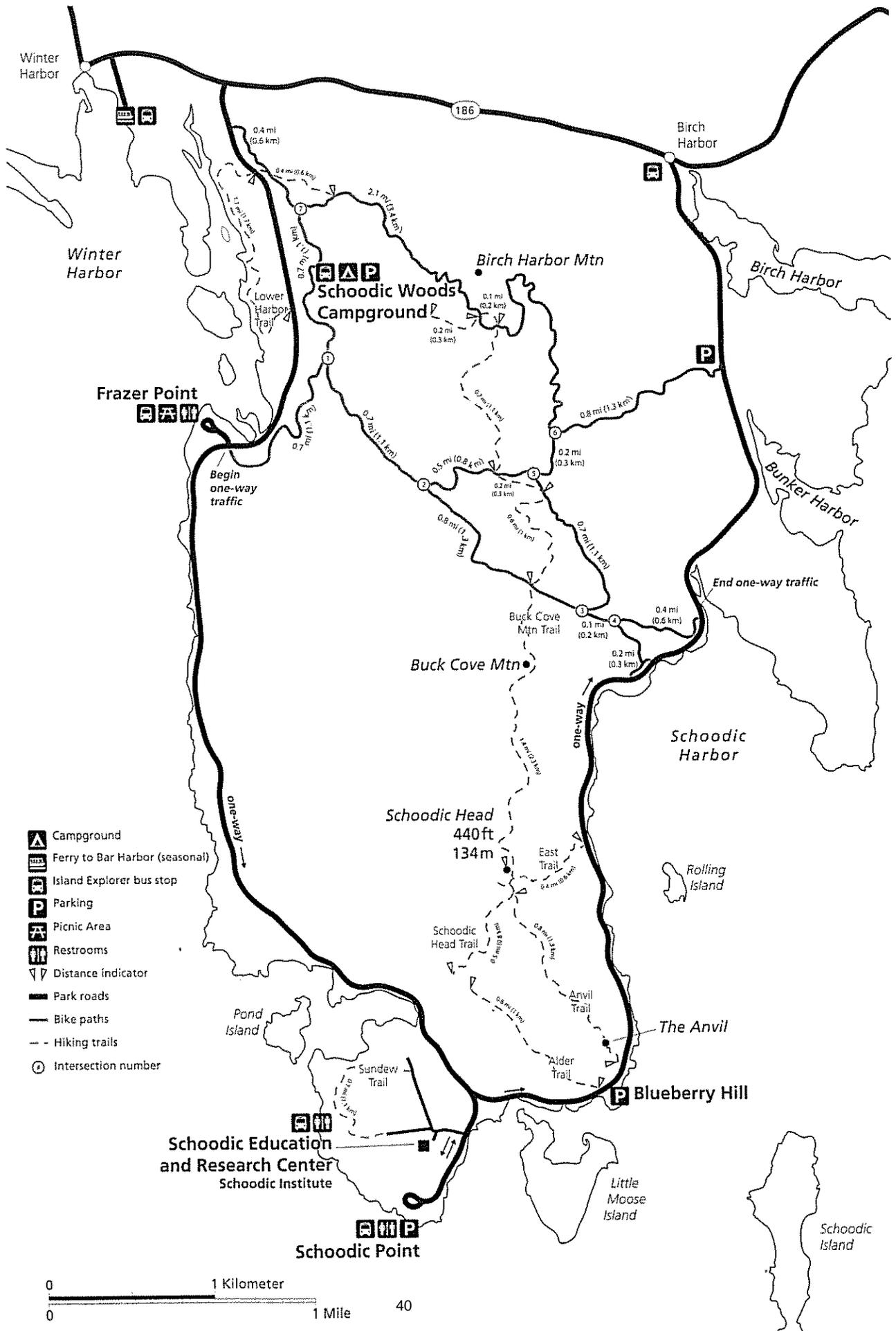
Protect Wildlife

Do not feed animals or leave food unsecured anywhere within the park. Feeding wildlife habituates animals and causes park staff to remove beggar animals that become a nuisance.

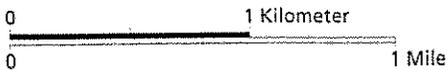
Schoodic Institute

Schoodic Institute supports science and education initiatives throughout the park and the region. Interactive exhibits are available in the Rockefeller Hall Welcome Center. www.schoodicinstitute.org

Schoodic Trail System Map



- Campground
- Ferry to Bar Harbor (seasonal)
- Island Explorer bus stop
- Parking
- Picnic Area
- Restrooms
- Distance indicator
- Park roads
- Bike paths
- Hiking trails
- Intersection number



Cemetery Master Data Base 2015

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<i>Cemetery Trusts</i>		<i>Location</i>				4/30/2016	
BEECH HILL							
Sargent, Epps H.	Trust	Beech Hill-"Our Cemetery"	1942	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50	
Sargent, Simpson (by Ralph Allan)	Trust	Beech Hill-"Our Cemetery"	1982	\$300.00	\$316.25	\$1.58	
Total				\$400.00	\$416.25	\$2.08	
BIRCH HARBOR							
Bishop, Allison & Corinne	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	2015	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$2.06	
Cole, Arthur & Aida	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1990	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$2.50	
Crane, Henry E.	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1971	\$500.00	\$635.97	\$3.18	
Davis, Lilla. C.	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1950	\$100.00	\$126.88	\$0.63	
Forsmark, Olof	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1995	\$250.00	\$261.55	\$1.31	
Getchell, Harold & Avis	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1990	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00	
Hancock, Florence J.	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1976	\$300.00	\$380.84	\$1.90	
Joy, Carlton & Emma	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1990	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.75	
Joy, Maxwell & Vonita	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1990	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.75	
Kane, John & Amanda	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1974	\$100.00	\$127.03	\$0.64	
Lewis, Ray	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1990	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50	
McKay, Zelma	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1990	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$2.50	
Nash, Frelon & Avis	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1995	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50	
Sargent, Grace	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1990	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$1.50	
Stanley, Gordon	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1993	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50	
Stanley, Roy & Mabel	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1995	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50	
Stevens, Emma Rice	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1997	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50	
Stricker, Esther	Trust	Birch Harbor Cemetery	1990	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00	
Total				\$4,250.00	\$4,532.27	\$22.22	
COREA							
Bridges, Elisha W.	Trust	Corea Cemetery	1931	\$100.00	\$120.63	\$0.60	
Bridges, Erwin & Mary	Trust	Corea Cemetery	2010	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.25	
Clark, Arthur	Trust	Corea Cemetery	1985	\$200.00	\$246.78	\$1.23	
Conley, Louis & Norma	Trust	Corea Cemetery	1981	\$300.00	\$439.67	\$2.20	
Crowley, Emma	Trust	Corea Cemetery	1946	\$200.00	\$278.03	\$1.39	
Crowley, Ephriam & Harvard E.	Trust	Corea Cemetery	2010	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00	
Crowley, Florence & Marena	Trust	Corea Cemetery	1969	\$200.00	\$254.21	\$1.27	
Crowley, Monroe E.	Trust	Corea Cemetery	2010	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00	
Ginn, Bessie B.	Trust	Corea Cemetery	1958	\$687.54	\$897.47	\$4.49	
Lutes, Thomas Q. & Ellen A.	Trust	Corea Cemetery	2013	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00	
Ray, Robert & Kathleen	Trust	Corea Cemetery	2006	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00	
Scofield, Roy & Hattie	Trust	Corea Cemetery	1999	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50	
Urquhart, Derwood	Trust	Corea Cemetery	2000	\$200.00	\$100.00	\$0.50	
Urquhart, Howard & Eleanor	Trust	Corea Cemetery	1999	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00	
Wasgatt, Harry & Katie	Trust	Corea Cemetery	1974	\$200.00	\$399.24	\$2.00	
Woodward, Helen Crowley	Trust	Corea Cemetery	2009	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$5.00	
Young, Elisha	Trust	Corea Cemetery	1967	\$100.00	\$122.42	\$0.60	
Total				\$4,337.54	\$5,008.45	\$25.03	

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OLD MAIDS HILL						
Libby, Joseph (great-grandfather)	Trust	Old Maids Hill Cemetery	1972	\$60.00	\$117.68	\$0.58
Libby, Samuel(great-great-grandfather)	Trust	Old Maids Hill Cemetery	1972	\$60.00	\$117.68	\$0.58
Total				\$120.00	\$235.36	\$1.16
PROSPECT HARBOR						
Alley, Erastus, Viola & Roger	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1990	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Backman, Fulton & Ethyl	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1993	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Bickford, Fred	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1996	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Bridges, Elisha	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1963	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00
Bryant, Carl	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1982	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$1.50
Cole & Noonan	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1966	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00
Cole, Ellery & Guy	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1964	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Cole, James Woodbury	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1963	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Deasey, Daniel	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1970	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00
Dodge, Nellie C.	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1945	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Farley, Irving	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1977	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00
Hamilton, Alfred M.	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1927	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Handy, Joseph	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1970	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00
Hinckley & Sprague Lots	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1969	\$100.00	\$199.50	\$1.00
Jordan, Angie	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	2003	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Jordan, Lawrence, Jr.	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1983	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Larabee, Dr. Charles C. & Fay F.	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1938	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Libby, Daniel (son)	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1972	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$0.30
Merriam, Ann Van Ness	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1968	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.75
Moore, Byron M.	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1958	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00
Moore, Gilbert L.	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1978	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.75
Moore, Samual Oscar	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1961	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$2.50
Noonan, John	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1977	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00
Peters, Carl	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1964	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.25
Phalen, Charlotte Robertson	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1968	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.75
Ray, Justice	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1974	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Robinson, Ezra	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1970	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Seavey, Fred M. & Galen	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1941	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$2.00
Seavey, William	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1981	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00
Sewall, Jane	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1966	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Stinson, Calvin L., Sr.	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1958	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00
Strout, Arthur L.	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1948	\$151.25	\$151.25	\$0.75
Sullivan, Eugene	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1992	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Sullivan, Ruth Arline	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1992	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Tracy, Alden, Sr. & Annie	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1992	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Tracy, Alden & Pamela	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	2005	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00
Tracy, Calvin & Sarah	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1992	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Tracy, Issac & Edith	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1992	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Tracy, Marcellus & Emma	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1992	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50

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Urquhart, Howard & Ida	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1999	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Wass, Alfred	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1967	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.75
Whitaker, Iva	Trust	Propsect Harbor Cemetery	1968	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.75
Total				\$6,311.25	\$6,410.75	\$32.05
SOUTH GOULDSBORO						
Bullard, Sophronia	Trust	South Gouldsboro Cemetery	1947	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00
Bunker, James M.	Trust	South Gouldsboro Cemetery	1946	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Bunker, James W., Leonora & Family	Trust	South Gouldsboro Cemetery	1930	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$1.50
Bunker, Uriah & Hannah	Trust	South Gouldsboro Cemetery	1956	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Colwell & Bickford	Trust	South Gouldsboro Cemetery	1987	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$2.00
Hanna, George & Florence & family	Trust	South Gouldsboro Cemetery	1990	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$1.25
Hooper & Daley Lots	Trust	South Gouldsboro Cemetery	1974	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Johnson, Gussie (Hanna Trust)	Trust	South Gouldsboro Cemetery	1990	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$1.25
Colwell, Carrie	Trust	South Gouldsboro Cemetery	1993	\$420.00	\$420.00	\$2.10
Total				\$2,120.00	\$2,120.00	\$10.60
LAKEVIEW						
Chick, Calvin & Etta	Trust	W. Gouldsboro-Lakeview	1931	\$100.00	\$120.63	\$0.60
Soderholtz, Eric, E.	Trust	W. Gouldsboro-Lakeview	1961	\$500.00	\$635.72	\$3.16
Tracy, Clarrissa	Trust	W. Gouldsboro-Lakeview	2012	\$880.00	\$880.00	\$4.40
Young, John, Jr. & Vida	Trust	W. Gouldsboro-Lakeview	1974	\$100.00	\$127.07	\$0.64
Total				\$1,580.00	\$1,763.42	\$8.80
WEST BAY						
Batson, Alton A.	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1994	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Buckley, Robert	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1985	\$100.00	\$123.29	\$0.62
Coffin, Leigh & Gladys	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1968	\$100.00	\$131.52	\$0.66
Dow, Frederick C.	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1998	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Dow, Marcia G.	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1998	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Duniver, Franklin	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1983	\$200.00	\$263.35	\$1.32
Duniver, Thomas	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1985	\$200.00	\$246.78	\$1.23
Guptill, Curtis	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1948	\$100.00	\$113.58	\$0.57
Guptill, Hayden C.	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1951	\$100.00	\$113.58	\$0.57
Guptill, Philip W.	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1983	\$100.00	\$127.00	\$0.64
Haycock, Guy	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	2009	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$2.50
Libby, Daniel (grandfather)	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1972	\$60.00	\$112.25	\$0.56
Libby, Samuel W. (father)	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1972	\$60.00	\$112.25	\$0.56
Louder, Pamela R.	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	2007	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Newman, Iris	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1969	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Rolfe, Abbie	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1997	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Rolfe, Carlton	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1997	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.50
Spurling, Allan, Leveretta & Walter	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1959	\$300.00	\$502.67	\$2.51
Spurling, Marcia	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	2006	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00
Tracy, Howard	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1983	\$300.00	\$385.82	\$1.92
Tracy, Willard L. & Abbie	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1951	\$500.00	\$694.05	\$3.45

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Tuttle, Allan	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1985	\$200.00	\$246.78	\$1.23
Whitaker, Amanda	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1939	\$100.00	\$113.58	\$0.57
Whitaker, John & Gertrude	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1990	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$5.00
Whitaker, Millard & Orrin	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1990	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$5.00
Young, Bertha & Elisha, Sr.	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1988	\$300.00	\$348.21	\$1.74
Young, Henrietta	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1988	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00
Young, John S., Sr., Mr. & Mrs.	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1954	\$100.00	\$246.61	\$1.23
Young, Theodore, Nellie & Family	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	1978	\$5,000.00	\$5,304.32	\$26.50
Young, Tracy & Frances	Trust	West Bay Cemetery	2013	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$50.00
Total				\$21,420.00	\$22,785.64	\$113.88
GRAND TOTAL				\$40,538.79	\$43,272.14	\$215.82
<i>Non-Distributed Trust Funds</i>						
Ministerial & School Fund	Trust		1940	\$285.00	\$575.73	\$2.87
Young, Henry G.	Trust	Gouldsboro-H. Young Family	1953	\$200.00	\$449.09	\$2.24
Rosebrook, Cecil & Linley	Trust	Gouldsboro-Hillcrest	1969	\$300.00	\$496.71	\$2.48
Rollins, Beulah B.f/Bunker family lots	Trust	S. Gouldsboro-Bunker Family	1977	\$1,000.00	\$2,088.63	\$10.44
Wood Family	Trust	W. Gouldsboro-Wood Family	1978	\$4,000.00	\$9,191.95	\$45.95
GRAND TOTAL				\$5,785.00	\$12,802.11	\$63.98

THIRD PARTY REQUESTS

AMERICAN RED CROSS/PINE TREE CHAPTER	2401 Congress Street	Portland, ME 04102	874-1192
BETH WRIGHT CANCER RESOURCE CENTER	PO Box 322	Ellsworth, ME 04605	
CHILD & FAMILY OPPORTUNITIES	18 Avery Lane PO Box 648	Ellsworth, ME 04605	667-2995
DORCAS LIBRARY ASSOCIATION	PO Box 167	Prospect Harbor, ME 04669	963-4027
DOWNEAST TRANSPORTATION/ ISLAND TRANSPORTATION	PO Box 914	Ellsworth, ME 04605	667-5796
ELEANOR WIDENER DIXON CLINIC/MAINE COAST HOSPITAL	37 Clinic Road	Gouldsboro, ME 04607	963-4066
ELLSWORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY	20 State Street	Ellsworth, ME 04605	667-6363
EMMAUS HOMELESS SHELTER	PO Box 811	Ellsworth, ME 04605	667-3962
HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS OF HANCOCK COUNTY	14 McKenzie Avenue	Ellsworth, ME 04605	667-2531
LIFE LINE FOOD PANTRY	769 So. Gouldsboro Road	Gouldsboro, ME 04607	
LOAVES AND FISHES FOOD PANTRY	PO Box 1672	Ellsworth, ME 04605	667-4363
WIC NUTRITION PROGRAM	248 State St. Suite 3A, Box 10	Ellsworth, ME 04605	
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Paul R. LePage
GOVERNOR

Dear Citizens of Gouldsboro:

Maine has a long tradition of civil participation in both state and local government, and I thank you for being informed and involved citizens.

My vision for Maine is prosperity, not poverty. For this reason, one of my top priorities is the reduction and eventual elimination of the income tax. Some are pushing to raise the minimum wage, but I want Mainers to earn a maximum wage. Reducing the income tax is the biggest and most immediate pay raise for all hard-working Mainers.

Not only does an income tax cut put more money back in your pockets, but it will also attract businesses that can offer good-paying careers to keep our young people here in Maine. It shows the nation that we are serious about wanting people and businesses to come—and stay—in Maine.

Another of my priorities is to lower the cost of student debt in Maine. If young people are struggling with too much student debt, they are unable to afford homes or vehicles. We are now offering programs to help them lower their debt, stay in Maine, begin their careers and start families.

To provide good-paying jobs for our young people, we must also work hard to reduce our energy costs. High energy costs are a major factor in driving out manufacturers, mills and other businesses that need low-cost electricity. I am committed to lowering the cost of energy, not only to attract job creators, but also to allow Maine people to heat and power their homes affordably and effectively.

And finally, we are making progress to address the drug pandemic in our state. It is my most important duty to keep the Maine people safe. While education, treatment and prevention efforts are important, we must get the dealers off the streets. I am pleased the Legislature has finally agreed to fund my proposal for more drug agents to stem the supply of deadly opiates flowing into our communities, but our law enforcement agencies are still understaffed. We must do more.

It is a pleasure serving as your Governor. If ever I can be of assistance to you or if you have any questions or suggestions, I encourage you to contact my office by calling 287-3531 or by visiting our website at www.maine.gov/governor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul R. LePage".

Paul R. LePage
Governor



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January 2016

Dear Neighbors and Friends,

We have now begun the Second Session of the 127th Legislature. I am honored for the opportunity to continue serving the people of District 136 in the House of Representatives as Maine citizens continue to face many challenges. I look forward to working with fellow legislators, along with the Governor, to find solutions to the long-term problems that our state and our citizen's face. My goal is to ensure we have an effective and efficient government that handles your taxpayer money responsibly.

There are issues that must be addressed this legislative session, like lowering the cost of energy for businesses and homeowners, fighting the scourge of illegal drugs and continuing to create an economic climate where jobs are created and businesses thrive. I will also continue to be an advocate for our senior citizens and our states most vulnerable population, those friends and neighbors who have severe developmental disabilities or mental illnesses and struggle to find support and services.

Upon returning to the Second Session of the 127th Maine Legislature, I will continue to serve on the Health and Human Services Committee. This panel will be faced with many decisions that will affect residents of our district and across the State of Maine. I look forward to continuing the work of this committee.

I encourage you to visit the Legislature's website, <http://www.maine.gov/legis>, for up-to-date information, status of bills, public hearing dates and roll call votes on legislation. If you would like to sign up to receive my e-newsletter, please send an e-mail to Richard.Malaby@legislature.maine.gov. If you have any concerns about your State Government do not hesitate to share them with me.

Sincerely,

Richard Malaby

State Representative

District 136 Gouldsboro, Hancock, Mariaville, Osborn, Sorrento, Steuben, Sullivan, Waltham and Winter Harbor, plus the unorganized territories of East Hancock (part) and Fletchers Landing Township



Dear Friends and Neighbors:

I am grateful that you've selected me to represent you in the Maine Senate. I am honored that you've put your trust in me and I will continue to work tirelessly for the betterment of you and your neighbors, as well as for the great State of Maine. Please let me provide you with a recap of the first session of the 127th Legislature as well as my hopes for the second session, which begins in January 2016.

One of the most important items on our to-do list is clear: our state needs more jobs at all levels of the pay scale, so it is our responsibility and my solemn promise to work to expand economic opportunity for all Mainers. To this end, my fellow legislators and I accomplished a great deal during the first session of the 127th Legislature.

We passed a biennial budget that ensured that more Maine families received a tax cut than did in the "largest tax cut in Maine history" in 2011. That same budget stopped taxes on military pensions, so those who have given all that a person can give can feel welcomed and at home in our state. We restructured portions of our welfare system, increasing funding for nursing homes, and put far more funding towards eliminating waitlists for services for brain-injured and intellectually disabled Mainers.

I'm really looking forward to watching how the significant changes we've already made will better the everyday lives of Mainers. I wanted to serve in Augusta because I believe that, while I'm here, I can have an impact on the direction of our district and state. Because of this belief, passing vital legislation (and, sometimes, stopping bad legislation) has remained one of my top priorities.

As you know, more changes are necessary. In 2016, during the second session of the legislature, we need to make progress towards addressing the cost of energy in this state. There are a number of bills that have been proposed that would change the way our state's energy system works, and I look forward to putting my support behind legislation that would lower your energy costs. I also believe that working to provide support to areas hard-hit by recent mill closings should be a focus of the 2016 session. Fighting the war of drugs here in Maine will also be a top priority for lawmakers and myself. Several bills have been proposed that will aid officers in combating the drug epidemic taking place in Maine. We must come together and attack this epidemic through stronger enforcement, appropriate education and effective rehabilitation. I am sponsoring one of the several bills this session to address this serious problem.

You have my sincere thanks for allowing me to represent you in Augusta. Please feel free to contact me at 207-287-1505 or at senatorburns@myfairpoint.net if you have comments or questions, or if you would like assistance in navigating our State's bureaucracy.

Sincerely,

David C. Burns
State Senator

Town of Gouldsboro
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Prospect Harbor, ME 04669

Dear Friends,

This past year—my first as your Congressman in the U.S. House of Representatives—I am proud to have supported Maine families, local businesses and communities by working hard with Republicans and Democrats to promote policies that will preserve and create jobs and lower energy costs. I have worked to ensure our Veterans and active military members have the services they have earned and deserve, protected the individual rights and liberties they have fought for, and strengthened our national security to keep Americans safe and free.

I have fought tooth and nail to protect and create jobs for Maine. I stood up against the Washington political establishment, including Congressional leadership, to oppose granting fast-track authority to the President, a policy that allows him to facilitate massive international trade agreements that are unfair to American businesses, especially those in Maine. I am also extremely proud to have led the charge in successfully ending unfair and job-killing Canadian subsidies and to win a major victory for Maine by pushing into law a provision that will continue the FDA's use of paper inserts, efforts that combined to preserve hundreds of traditional Maine papermaking jobs.

As a proud member of the Military Veterans Caucus, I have been fighting for our Veterans by supporting several bills to increase funding for Veterans' health programs and hold the VA accountable. I also am proud to have introduced my own bill—the Helping Our Rural Veterans Receive Health Care Act—to give our rural Veterans easier access to their earned health care services by letting local hospitals care for them instead of VA centers far from home. I extend my thanks to all who have served.

In this first year, I also had one of my own bills signed into law. My critical and bipartisan Child Support Assistance Act will help children and their families receive legally due support in a timelier manner from delinquent parents. My District offices also helped hundreds of Maine families resolve issues with federal agencies and get the answers, benefits and services they deserved.

There is much more work to be done. Our Great State and Nation face many critical challenges. Please know that I am working hard, every day, to serve you and that I will continue to work here at home and in Washington for our families, local businesses and communities.

If you ever have any concerns or if I can provide assistance, please contact my Congressional Offices in Bangor (942-0583), Lewiston (784-0768), Presque Isle (764-1968) and Washington, DC (202-225-6306), or visit my website at poliquin.house.gov. It is an honor to represent you and our fellow Mainers in Congress.

Best wishes,



Bruce Poliquin
Member of Congress

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Dear Friends of Gouldsboro:

It has been a privilege to serve the State of Maine since being sworn into the U.S. Senate.

Much of my time in Washington this past year has been devoted to the Senate Armed Services Committee and the Select Committee on Intelligence. Protecting our homeland and the people of Maine from terrorism and violence remains one of my top priorities. Through my work on the Armed Services Committee, I was able to secure several provisions in the 2016 National Defense Authorization Act that benefit Maine. The legislation authorizes the construction of an additional DDG-51 Arleigh Burke Class Destroyer that could be built at Bath Iron Works and expands the HUBZone program to stimulate economic growth at former military installations like the former Brunswick Naval Air Station.

Returning control to teachers, school districts, and states has also been a primary concern of mine. I am encouraged that the Every Student Succeeds Act has become law. It eliminates the burdensome requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act and ensures access to a quality education for all students. A provision I helped author in the bill will give states the opportunity to pilot the use of their own proficiency-based assessments in lieu of federally-mandated standardized tests. Also included in the bill are several measures I secured to promote local input, fund education technology initiatives, and explore new strategies to increase student access to the internet outside of school.

Communities across Maine have taken bold action to improve their broadband connectivity, and I have been proud to foster federal support for these types of projects. My amendments to the Every Student Succeeds Act will promote the type of work already occurring in Washington County, where students who lack broadband access are able to check out mobile hotspots from their local libraries. Additionally, a bill I co-sponsored, the Community Broadband Act, helped pave the way for the FCC to enact rules protecting the ability of municipalities to invest in better broadband. I am excited by Maine's leadership on this important economic development issue and will continue to support local efforts in this area.

After extensive negotiations, the Senate passed a five-year transportation bill that will increase highway and transit funding in Maine and provide stability to improve our transportation infrastructure. The legislation contains provisions I cosponsored to cut red tape and improve predictability and timeliness by streamlining the federal permitting process for large infrastructure projects. Also incorporated in this bill are my provisions to relieve financial regulations on Maine's community banks and credit unions and to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank, a critical tool that supports communities and small business across the state.

Following my inquiries in the Energy and Natural Resources Committee, the National Park Service has announced they will begin exploring strategies to allow park visitors to purchase electronic passes online and will pilot the program at Acadia National Park. These passes would improve access to our nation's most treasured landscapes and would generate resources for years to come. I remain deeply engaged in preserving Maine's natural beauty and strengthening our outdoor recreation economy.

It is with solemn responsibility that I have focused my energy addressing the opioid epidemic in Maine. This work includes convening roundtables with a wide-range of health care and law enforcement professionals to combat addiction; introducing a proposal to safely dispose of excess prescription drugs; cosponsoring a

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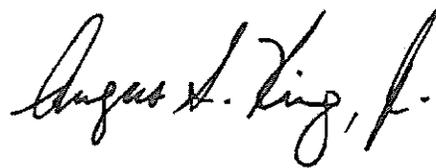
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Senate-passed bill that addresses mothers struggling with addiction and the alarming effect it has on newborns; cosponsoring the TREAT Act, which expands the ability of medical specialists to provide life-saving medication-assisted therapies for patients battling heroin and prescription drug addiction; and calling on the Commander of U.S. Southern Command to increase efforts to stop the flow of heroin at our southern border.

I like to think of Maine as a big small town – and in a small town, the leaders are accessible and eager to listen. In that spirit, I've made it a priority to stay connected with people from all over Maine who e-mail, write, and call with suggestions or questions. If I can ever assist in your interaction with a federal agency, or you have thoughts, concerns, or personal input on a matter that is currently before Congress I hope you will contact me, let me know where you stand, and engage in this critical part of democracy. Please call my toll-free line at **1-800-432-1599** or one of my offices: Augusta (207) 622-8292, Presque Isle (207) 764-5124, Scarborough (207) 883-1588, or Washington, D.C. (202) 224-5344. You can also write me on our website at www.king.senate.gov/contact.

As always, I am honored to represent the people of Maine and look forward to working with you for the betterment of our great state.

Sincerely,



Angus S. King, Jr.
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Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the United States Senate. I am grateful for the trust the people of our State have placed in me and welcome this opportunity to share some key accomplishments from 2015.

Growing the economy by encouraging job creation was and remains my top priority. The tax-relief bill signed into law at the close of last year contains three key provisions I authored to help foster job creation and provide small businesses with the certainty they need to invest, grow, and, most important, hire new workers. Another provision I authored that became law last year gives a boost to both Maine's economy and traffic safety. This provision permanently changed the federal law that previously had forced the heaviest trucks onto our country roads and downtown streets, rather than allowing them to use Maine's federal Interstates. In addition, I was glad to help secure another significant award for the University of Maine's deepwater offshore wind initiative, which has the potential to advance an emerging industry and create thousands of good jobs in our state.

Maine's historic contributions to our nation's defense must continue. In 2015, I secured funding toward a much-needed additional Navy destroyer, likely to be built at Bath Iron Works. Modernization projects at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard that I have long advocated for were also completed, as were projects for the Maine National Guard.

I was also deeply involved in crafting the new education reform law to better empower states and communities in setting educational policy for their students. The law also extends a program I co-authored that provides additional assistance to rural schools, which has greatly benefitted our state. A \$250 tax deduction I authored in 2002 for teachers who spend their own money on classroom supplies was also made permanent last year.

As a result of a scientific evaluation of the nutritional value of potatoes required by a law that I wrote, the wholesome fresh potato finally was included in the federal WIC nutrition program. I also worked on other issues important to Maine's farmers and growers, including research on wild blueberries and pollinating bees.

As Chairman of the Housing Appropriations Subcommittee, I have made combating veterans' homelessness a priority. This year's housing funding law includes \$60 million for 8,000 new supportive housing vouchers for homeless veterans. Since this program began in 2008, the number of homeless veterans nationwide has dropped by one third. Maine has received nearly 200 vouchers to support homeless veterans.

Last year, I became Chairman of the Senate Aging Committee. My top three priorities for the committee are retirement security, investing more in biomedical research, and fighting fraud and financial abuses targeting our nation's seniors. I advocated for the \$2 billion increase in funding for the National Institutes of Health to advance research on such diseases as diabetes and Alzheimer's. The Senate also unanimously passed my bill to support family caregivers. The Aging Committee's toll-free hotline (1-855-303-9470) makes it easier for senior citizens to report suspected fraud and receive assistance and has already received more than 1,000 calls.

A Maine value that always guides me is our unsurpassed work ethic. As 2015 ended, I cast my 6,072nd consecutive vote, continuing my record of never missing a roll-call vote since my Senate service began in 1997.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve Hancock County and Maine in the United States Senate. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact my Bangor state office at 207 945-0417, or visit my website at www.collins.senate.gov. May 2016 be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Selectmen
Town of Gouldsboro
Gouldsboro, Maine

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Gouldsboro, Maine, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of

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accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Gouldsboro, Maine as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 4 through 10 and 33 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Gouldsboro, Maine's basic financial statements. The combining and individual non-major fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual non-major fund financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and related directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

RHR Smith & Company

Buxton, Maine
February 25, 2016

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
JUNE 30, 2015**

(UNAUDITED)

The following management's discussion and analysis of the Town of Gouldsboro, Maine's financial performance provides an overview of the Town's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. Please read it in conjunction with the Town's financial statements.

Financial Statement Overview

The Town of Gouldsboro's basic financial statements include the following components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also includes required supplementary information which consists of the general fund budgetary comparison schedule, and other supplementary information which includes combining and other schedules.

Basic Financial Statements

The basic financial statements include financial information in two differing views: the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements. These basic financial statements also include the notes to financial statements that explain in more detail certain information in the financial statements and also provide the user with the accounting policies used in the preparation of the financial statements.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements provide a broad view of the Town's operations in a manner that is similar to private businesses. These statements provide both short-term as well as long-term information in regards to the Town's financial position. These financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. This measurement focus takes into account all revenues and expenses associated with the fiscal year regardless of when cash is received or paid. The government-wide financial statements include the following two statements:

The Statement of Net Position – this statement presents *all* of the government's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources with the difference being reported as net position.

The Statement of Activities – this statement presents information that shows how the government's net position changed during the period. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows.

Both of the above mentioned financial statements have one column for the Town's type of activity. The type of activity presented for the Town of Gouldsboro is:

- *Governmental activities* – The activities in this section are mostly supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (federal and state grants). Most of the Town's basic services are reported in governmental activities, which include general government, public safety, public works, education, health and sanitation and other unclassified.

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town of Gouldsboro, like other local governments uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with financial related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Town of Gouldsboro are categorized as one fund type: governmental funds.

Governmental funds: All of the basic services provided by the Town are financed through governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported in governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, the governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources. They also focus on the balance of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information will be useful in evaluating the government's near-term financing requirements. This approach is known as the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this approach revenues are recorded when cash is received or when susceptible to accrual. Expenditures are recorded when liabilities are incurred and due. These statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Town's finances to assist in determining whether there will be adequate financial resources available to meet the current needs of the Town.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities. These reconciliations are presented on the page immediately following each governmental fund financial statement.

The Town of Gouldsboro presents only two columns in the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances. The Town's major governmental fund is the general fund. All other funds are shown as nonmajor and are combined in the "Nonmajor Funds" column on these statements.

The general fund is the only fund for which the Town legally adopted a budget. The Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Budgetary Basis – Budget and Actual – General Fund provides a comparison of the original and final budget and the actual expenditures for the current year.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the Government-Wide and the Fund Financial Statements. The Notes to Financial Statements can be found following the Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities.

Required Supplementary Information

The basic financial statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information, which includes a schedule of Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Budgetary Basis – Budget and Actual – General Fund.

Other Supplementary Information

Other supplementary information follows the required supplementary information. These combining and other schedules provide information in regards to nonmajor funds, capital asset activity and other detailed budgetary information for the general fund.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

Our analysis below focuses on the net position, and changes in net position of the Town's governmental activities. The Town's total net position decreased by \$139,824 from \$3,953,118 to \$3,813,294.

Unrestricted net position - the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements - decreased by \$96,713 from \$1,802,175 to a balance of \$1,705,462 at the end of this year.

Table 1
Town of Gouldsboro, Maine
Net Position
June 30,

Assets	2015	2014
Current Assets	\$ 1,839,290	\$ 1,927,571
Capital Assets	2,008,559	2,049,455
Total Assets	3,847,849	3,977,026
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities	25,903	11,003
Long-term Debt Outstanding	5,010	8,030
Total Liabilities	30,913	19,033
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Prepaid Taxes	3,642	4,875
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	3,642	4,875
Net Position		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	2,008,559	2,049,455
Restricted: General fund	50,514	52,736
Endowment funds	48,759	48,752
Unrestricted	1,705,462	1,802,175
Total Net Position	\$ 3,813,294	\$ 3,953,118

Table 2
Town of Gouldsboro, Maine
Changes in Net Position
For the Years Ended June 30,

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Revenues		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 77,381	\$ 83,753
Operating grants and contributions	-	531,546
Capital grants and contributions	47,546	51,711
General revenues:		
Taxes	3,416,112	3,248,543
Grants and contributions not restricted to programs	540,762	409,972
Investment income	2,872	8,294
Reimbursements	14,703	13,792
Interest/fees on taxes	14,491	15,510
Other income	4,511	16,195
Total Revenues	<u>4,118,378</u>	<u>4,379,316</u>
Expenses		
General government	309,080	309,236
Services/committees	77,673	72,533
Town property	59,483	52,381
Public safety	312,953	299,552
Public works	350,218	252,281
Health/sanitation	221,962	215,002
Education	2,487,531	2,401,980
County tax	158,309	158,061
Unclassified	88,279	570,447
Special projects	97,827	54,972
Unallocated depreciation (Note 4)	94,887	111,357
Total Expenses	<u>4,258,202</u>	<u>4,497,802</u>
Change in Net Position	(139,824)	(118,486)
Net Position - July 1,	<u>3,953,118</u>	<u>4,071,604</u>
Net Position - June 30	<u>\$ 3,813,294</u>	<u>\$ 3,953,118</u>

Revenues and Expenses

Revenues for the Town's governmental activities decreased by \$260,938, while total expenses decreased by \$239,600. The decrease in revenues and expenses is due to the receipt and expense of several large grants in the prior year that did not occur in the current year. Most other items were within reasonable ranges from the prior year.

Financial Analysis of the Town's Fund Statements

Governmental funds: The financial reporting focus of the Town's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information may be useful in assessing the Town's financial requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's financial position at the end of the year, and the net resources available for spending.

Table 3
Town of Gouldsboro, Maine
Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
June 30,

	2015	2014
General Fund:		
Nonspendable	\$ 6,795	\$ -
Restricted	50,514	52,736
Committed	181,215	304,655
Unassigned	1,044,776	1,037,257
Total General Fund	\$ 1,283,300	\$ 1,394,648
 Nonmajor Funds:		
Restricted	\$ 48,759	\$ 48,752
Committed	388,804	382,993
Unassigned	10,882	-
Total Nonmajor Funds	\$ 448,445	\$ 431,745

The general fund total fund balance decreased by \$111,348 from the prior fiscal year. The non-major fund balances increased by \$16,700 from the prior fiscal year. Most of the decrease in the general fund came as a result of the use of fund balances in the 2015 budget.

Budgetary Highlights

There was no difference between the original and final budget for the general fund, with the exception of some applied revenues and fund balances for grants and special projects.

The general fund actual revenues exceeded budgeted revenues by \$91,974.

Most of the excess revenues were a result of excise and property taxes and other intergovernmental revenue.

The general fund actual expenditures were under budget by \$109,082. The following expenditures were under budget which accounts for most of the balance:

Public works	\$ 60,013
General government	\$ 12,894
Overlay	\$ 12,437

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

As of June 30, 2015, the net book value of capital assets recorded by the Town decreased by \$40,896 from the prior year. This was due to depreciation of \$206,599 less purchases of \$165,703.

Table 4
Town of Gouldsboro, Maine
Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)
June 30,

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Infrastructure	\$ 970,780	\$ 1,011,633
Land/construction in progress	680,400	680,400
Land improvements	100,203	-
Buildings and improvements	13,174	64,732
Machinery and equipment	58,337	74,032
Vehicles	185,665	218,658
Total	<u>\$ 2,008,559</u>	<u>\$ 2,049,455</u>

Currently Known Facts, Decisions, or Conditions

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

The Town has steadily maintained a sufficient undesignated fund balance to sustain government operations for a period of approximately two to three months, while also maintaining reserve accounts for future capital and program needs.

Contacting the Town's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the Town's finances and to show the Town's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Town Finance Dept. at P.O. Box 68, Prospect Harbor, ME 04669-0068.

STATEMENT A

TOWN OF GOULDSBORO, MAINE

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2015

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
ASSETS	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,731,867
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles):	
Taxes	1,465
Liens	99,163
Tax acquired property	6,795
Total current assets	<u>1,839,290</u>
Noncurrent assets:	
Capital assets:	
Land, infrastructure, and other assets not being depreciated	680,400
Buildings/equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	1,328,159
Total noncurrent assets	<u>2,008,559</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 3,847,849</u>
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 23,858
Payroll related liabilities	986
Other liabilities	1,059
Total current liabilities	<u>25,903</u>
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Noncurrent portion of long-term obligations:	
Accrued compensated absences	5,010
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>5,010</u>
Total liabilities	<u>30,913</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Prepaid taxes	3,642
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>3,642</u>
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	2,008,559
Restricted: General fund	50,514
Endowment funds	48,759
Unrestricted	1,705,462
Total net position	<u>3,813,294</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and net position	<u>\$ 3,847,849</u>

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF GOULDSBORO, MAINE
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

STATEMENT B

<u>Functions/Programs</u>	Program Revenues			<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position</u>	
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants & Contributions	Capital Grants & Contributions	Governmental Activities
Governmental activities:					
General government	\$ 309,080	\$ 35,241	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (273,839)
Services / committees	77,673	-	-	-	(77,673)
Town property	59,483	-	-	-	(59,483)
Public safety	312,953	-	-	-	(312,953)
Public works	350,218	-	-	35,440	(314,778)
Health / sanitation	221,962	42,140	-	-	(179,822)
Education	2,487,531	-	-	-	(2,487,531)
County tax	158,309	-	-	-	(158,309)
Unclassified	88,279	-	-	-	(88,279)
Capital outlay / projects	97,827	-	-	12,106	(85,721)
Unallocated depreciation (Note 4)	94,887	-	-	-	(94,887)
Total governmental activities	\$ 4,258,202	\$ 77,381	\$ -	\$ 47,546	(4,133,275)

STATEMENT B (CONTINUED)
TOWN OF GOULDSBORO, MAINE

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	Governmental Activities
Changes in net position:	
Net (expense) revenue	(4,133,275)
General revenues:	
Taxes:	
Property taxes	3,416,112
Excise taxes	365,731
Intergovernmental revenue unallocated	175,031
Investment income	2,872
Other income	33,705
Total general revenues	3,993,451
Change in net position	(139,824)
NET POSITION - JULY 1	3,953,118
NET POSITION - JUNE 30	\$ 3,813,294

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TOWN OF GOULDSBORO, MAINE

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2015

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Nonmajor Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,287,646	\$ 444,221	\$ 1,731,867
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles):			
Taxes	1,465	-	1,465
Liens	99,163	-	99,163
Tax acquired property	6,795	-	6,795
Due from other funds	4,312	8,536	12,848
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,399,381</u>	<u>\$ 452,757</u>	<u>\$ 1,852,138</u>
LIABILITIES:			
Accounts payable	\$ 23,858	\$ -	\$ 23,858
Payroll and related payables	986	-	986
Other liabilities	1,059	-	1,059
Due to other funds	8,536	4,312	12,848
Total liabilities	<u>34,439</u>	<u>4,312</u>	<u>38,751</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
Prepaid taxes	3,642	-	3,642
Deferred revenue	78,000	-	78,000
Total liabilities	<u>81,642</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>81,642</u>
FUND BALANCES:			
Nonspendable	6,795	-	6,795
Restricted	50,514	48,759	99,273
Committed	181,215	388,804	570,019
Unassigned	1,044,776	10,882	1,055,658
Total fund balances	<u>1,283,300</u>	<u>448,445</u>	<u>1,731,745</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	<u>\$ 1,399,381</u>	<u>\$ 452,757</u>	<u>\$ 1,852,138</u>

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STATEMENT D

TOWN OF GOULDSBORO, MAINE

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2015

	Total Governmental Funds
Total Fund Balances	\$ 1,731,745
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds, net of accumulated depreciation	2,008,559
Taxes and liens deferred to future periods do not get deferred in the governmental activities statement	78,000
Long-term liabilities shown below, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds shown above:	
Accrued compensated absences	(5,010)
Net position of governmental activities	\$ 3,813,294

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TOWN OF GOULDSBORO, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	General Fund	Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Taxes:			
Property	\$ 3,423,412	\$ -	\$ 3,423,412
Excise	365,731	-	365,731
Intergovernmental	163,955	58,622	222,577
Charges for services	77,381	-	77,381
Investment income	2,872	-	2,872
Reimbursements	14,703	-	14,703
Interest/fees on taxes	14,491	-	14,491
Other income	4,339	172	4,511
Total revenues	<u>4,066,884</u>	<u>58,794</u>	<u>4,125,678</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	269,431	-	269,431
Services/committees	77,673	-	77,673
Town property	59,483	-	59,483
Public safety	257,028	-	257,028
Public works	350,218	-	350,218
Health/sanitation	216,497	-	216,497
Education	2,487,531	-	2,487,531
County tax	158,309	-	158,309
Unclassified	88,279	-	88,279
Special projects	15,799	240,078	255,877
Total expenditures	<u>3,980,248</u>	<u>240,078</u>	<u>4,220,326</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>86,636</u>	<u>(181,284)</u>	<u>(94,648)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	-	197,984	197,984
Transfers (out)	(197,984)	-	(197,984)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(197,984)</u>	<u>197,984</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	(111,348)	16,700	(94,648)
FUND BALANCES, JULY 1	<u>1,394,648</u>	<u>431,745</u>	<u>1,826,393</u>
FUND BALANCES, JUNE 30	<u>\$ 1,283,300</u>	<u>\$ 448,445</u>	<u>\$ 1,731,745</u>

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TOWN OF GOULDSBORO, MAINE

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
 CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (Statement E)	<u>\$ (94,648)</u>
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities (Statement B) are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures while governmental report depreciation expense to allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets:	
Capital asset purchases capitalized	165,703
Depreciation expense	<u>(206,599)</u>
	<u>(40,896)</u>
Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources as revenues in the funds:	
Taxes and liens receivable	<u>(7,300)</u>
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds:	
Accrued compensated absences	<u>3,020</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities (Statement B)	<u><u>\$ (139,824)</u></u>

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TOWN OF GOULDSBORO, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE – BUDGETARY BASIS
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Budgetary Fund Balance, July 1	\$ 1,394,648	\$ 1,394,648	\$ 1,394,648	-
Resources (Inflows):				
Taxes:				
Property	3,418,533	3,418,533	3,423,412	4,879
Excise	318,000	318,000	365,731	47,731
Intergovernmental:				
State revenue sharing	32,000	32,000	29,431	(2,569)
Local road assistance	38,500	38,500	35,440	(3,060)
Homestead reimbursement	22,569	22,569	23,143	574
MRC dividends	13,000	13,000	12,106	(894)
Other grants	-	-	55,148	55,148
Tree growth	7,400	7,400	7,044	(356)
Veteran's reimbursement	1,700	1,700	1,643	(57)
Charges for services	81,400	81,400	77,381	(4,019)
Investment income	3,000	3,000	2,872	(128)
Reimbursements	-	16,508	14,703	(1,805)
Interest / fees on taxes	15,500	15,500	14,491	(1,009)
Other income	6,800	6,800	4,339	(2,461)
Amounts Available for Appropriation	<u>5,353,050</u>	<u>5,369,558</u>	<u>5,461,532</u>	<u>91,974</u>
Charges to Appropriation (Outflows):				
General government	282,325	282,325	269,431	12,894
Services / committees	89,429	89,429	77,673	11,756
Town property	59,790	59,790	59,483	307
Public safety	268,377	268,377	257,028	11,349
Public works	410,231	410,231	350,218	60,013
Health / sanitation	215,622	215,622	216,497	(875)
Education	2,487,531	2,487,531	2,487,531	-
County tax	158,309	158,309	158,309	-
Unclassified	4,000	88,279	88,279	-
Special projects	17,000	17,000	15,799	1,201
Overlay	12,437	12,437	-	12,437
Transfers	179,000	197,984	197,984	-
Total Charges to Appropriation	<u>4,184,051</u>	<u>4,287,314</u>	<u>4,178,232</u>	<u>109,082</u>
Budgetary Fund Balance, June 30	<u>\$ 1,168,999</u>	<u>\$ 1,082,244</u>	<u>\$ 1,283,300</u>	<u>\$ 201,056</u>

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NOTES:

MAINE MODERATORS MANUAL RULES OF PROCEDURE
(Revised 1980)

Type of Motion	Second Required	Debatable	Amendable	Majority Vote	Recon- sidered	Other
Adjourn	yes	no	no	yes	no	D
Amend	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	D
Appeal	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	A
Limit Debate	yes	no	yes	2/3	yes	
Voting Method	yes	no	no	yes	no	A
Main Motion	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	D
Nominations	no	no	no	N/A	no	
Postpone to Time Certain	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	D
Previous Question	yes	no	no	2/3	no	D
Recess or Adjourn	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	D
Reconsider	yes	yes	no	yes	no	A, B
Take up Out of Order	yes	yes	no	2/3	no	
Withdraw a Motion	no	no	no	yes	C	

Yes- This action is required or permitted.

No- This action cannot be taken or is unnecessary.

A- This motion may be made when another motion has the floor.

B- This motion may only be made by a person who voted on the prevailing side.

C- A negative vote only on this motion may be reconsidered.

D- See Priority of Motions:

Priority of motions is a matter of precedence; in other words, what motions may and may not be made when other questions are before the meeting.



MAINE MODERATORS RULES OF PROCEDURE

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MAIN MOTION

This is the lowest order of precedence and may not be made when any other question is before the house. It yields to all other motions.

- **AMENDMENT**
This is technically a subsidiary motion and must be disposed of before the main motion is taken up for voting purposes.
- **POSTPONED TO TIME CERTAIN**
This motion refers to the subject matter under discussion and not the town meeting itself. It takes precedence over either the main motion or amendment and has the effect of delaying action for a period of time.
- **PREVIOUS QUESTION**
This is a subsidiary question that has the effect of muting debate. When this motion is made it must be voted upon immediately and it is not subject to debate.
- **RECESS**
This is a privileged motion that is always in order even when another subject is before the house. If this motion interrupts an item of business, it must be acted upon immediately. On the other hand, if it is to grant time for meals, for counting ballots or for some other purpose, it is just like any other main motion and is debatable under these circumstances.
- **MOTION TO ADJOURN**
The motion to adjourn is always a privileged motion except when its effect is to permanently dissolve the meeting. Thus, if the motion to adjourn is made before the business of this town meeting has all been transacted and no provision is made for meeting at a later time to finish the business, then this motion loses its priority and becomes debatable. If provision is made to meet at a later time to finish the town meeting business, then the motion retains its privilege and is not debatable and must be voted upon immediately. To prevent the misuse of either one of these motions, the moderator should clearly explain to the voters what the effect of the vote on the motion would be. If the motion to adjourn is made at the end of the transaction of business, it retains its privilege and in its sine die form is not debatable, it is not amendable, and obviously cannot be reconsidered.



RECORD OF ARTICLES APPROVED TO CONTINUE UNTIL REVOKED

June 21, 1999- Annual Town Meeting

ARTICLE 60 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to take whatever actions are necessary for the Town to become a member of the Maine Municipal Association Property and Casualty Pool Program, including but not limited to the execution of any contract required for such membership and the payment of any required fees or charges. The authority granted herein shall be continued until revoked.

ARTICLE 61 – To see if the Town will vote to appropriate all Boat Excise Taxes to the Harbor Reserve Fund and to continue such practice until specifically revoked.

June 19, 2000 – Annual Town Meeting

ARTICLE 24 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to take whatever actions are necessary for the Town to become a member of the Schoodic Area League of Towns (SALT), including but not limited to the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding for such membership and the payment of minor operating costs. The Selectmen recommend a sum no larger than \$100 to be taken from the administration account to cover minor operating costs. The authority granted herein shall be continued until revoked.

ARTICLE 44 – To see if the Town will authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayments of taxes and to vote to pay 0% interest on said payments. The authority granted herein shall be continued until revoked.

ARTICLE 45 – To see if the Town will authorize the Tax Collector to pay interest to any taxpayer who makes an overpayment of taxes, pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A., Section 506-A, at a rate of 8% per annum. The authority granted herein shall be continued until revoked.

ARTICLE 49 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell Town-owned equipment when they determine such property to be of no further value to the Town and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to return the funds to the appropriate municipal department. The authority granted herein shall be continued until revoked.

ARTICLE 50 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept, on behalf of the Town, unconditional gifts of property and/or donations which they feel are in the Town's best interest to accept. The authority granted herein shall be continued until revoked.

ARTICLE 51 – To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept donations of money or private, state or federal grants for the purpose of supplementing a specific appropriation already made in order to reduce the Town's tax assessment or long-term debt. The authority granted herein shall be continued until revoked.

ARTICLE 52 – To see if the Town will vote to have unexpended balances and overdrafts in all accounts at the end of the fiscal year, except those which remain by law or are deemed necessary by the Board of Selectmen, transferred to Unappropriated Surplus. The authority granted herein shall be continued until revoked.

ARTICLE 53 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept and expend any miscellaneous revenues received during Fiscal Year 2001 and that such revenues received by each department shall only be expended by that department. The authority granted herein shall be continued until revoked.

June 12, 2007 – Annual Town Meeting

ARTICLE 18 – To see if the Town will vote to appropriate all unexpended expense funds at the end of the fiscal year (current and future years) from the Fire Department account to the Fire Equipment Reserve. The authority granted herein shall be continued until revoked.

June 8, 2010 – Annual Town Meeting

ARTICLE 17 – To see if the Town will vote to appropriate all fees received by the Constable’s Department to the Constable Cruiser Purchase Reserve Fund (current and future years) to be used for purchase and major repair of cruisers.

ARTICLE 18 –To see if the Town will vote to appropriate all unexpended revenues (current and future years) from the Recreation Committee to the Recreation Committee Reserve.

June 14, 2011 - Annual Town Meeting

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any unexpended funds (current and future years) from the Paving Expense Account to the Paving Reserve.

June 12, 2012-Annual Town Meeting

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will allow the Board of Selectmen to authorize the Treasurer to waive automatic lien foreclosures when it is in the best interest of the Town. The authority granted herein shall be continued until revoked.

June 10, 2014 – Annual Town Meeting

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell and/or dispose of any property acquired by tax lien after first offering the property to the previous owners for payment of all back taxes, fees and interest, and , if they decline, advertising by sealed bids of the same **or realtor** for permanent disposal, and to allow the Selectmen to authorize the Town Treasurer to execute a municipal quitclaim deed for such property and to dsposit the net proceeds over costs and taxes owed from such sale into the Land Purchase Reserve Account. The authority granted herein shall be continued until revoked.

**TOWN OF GOULDSBORO
2016 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

Hancock County

State of Maine

To: Tyler Dunbar, Constable, Town of Gouldsboro

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Gouldsboro in said County of Hancock, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Gouldsboro Community Center on Route 195, Pond Road, Gouldsboro on Tuesday, the fourteenth (14) day of June, A. D. 2016 at Eight O'clock (8:00 AM) in the forenoon, then and there to act on Articles numbered 1 and 2.

You are also to notify and warn said voters to meet at the Peninsula School in Prospect Harbor, Gouldsboro on Wednesday, the fifteenth (15) day of June, A. D. 2016 at Seven o'clock (7:00 PM) in the evening, then and there to act on Articles numbered 3 through 30, all of said Articles being set out below, to wit:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To elect the following Town Officials by secret ballot:

Three-Year Term: Two Selectmen

Three-Year Term: Three Planning Board Members

MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE ELECTION

ARTICLE 3. To choose the following members of the Budget Committee for the ensuing years:

Three-Year Term: Dwight Rodgers, Fred Cook, Dave Seward

Two-Year Term: One open position

One-Year Term: One open position

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$286,463 for the General Administration Department of the municipal budget for the period of July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$93,987 for the Services and Committees Department of the municipal budget for the period of July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$54,075 for the Town Property Department of the municipal budget for the period of July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$311,047 for the Public Safety Department of the municipal budget for the period of July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$523,791 for the Public Works Department of the municipal budget for the period of July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.

OTHER MUNICIPAL FINANCIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the Legal Reserve.

*The audited balance in this account as of June 30, 2015, is \$2,910
The balance as of April 30, 2016 is \$10,687
The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.*

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for the Fire Equipment Reserve.

*The audited balance in this account as of June 30, 2015, is \$98,272
The balance as of April 30, 2016 is \$118,453
The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.*

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the Jones Pond Cabin Replacement Reserve.

*The audited balance in this account as of June 30, 2015 is \$42,512
The balance as of April 30, 2016 is \$52,568
The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.*

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the Buildings and Grounds Reserve.

*The audited balance in this account as of June 30, 2015 is \$8,201
The balance as of April 30, 2016 is \$13,341
The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.*

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 for the Paving Reserve.

*The audited balance in this account as of June 30, 2015 is \$78,231
The balance as of April 30, 2016 is \$40,683
The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.*

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to create a Community Cemetery Reserve for ongoing cemetery maintenance and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,000 for the Transfer Station Reserve.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$6,000 for the Dorcas Library.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appropriate a maximum of \$57,000 from the Education Reserve to offset educational expenses, if necessary.

*The audited balance as of June 30, 2015 is \$181,215
The balance as of April 30, 2016 is \$57,123
The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.*

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a maximum of \$150,000 from Undesignated Fund Balance (surplus) to offset taxes, if necessary.

*The audited balance as of June 30, 2015 is \$1,044,776.
The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.*

THIRD PARTY AND OUTSIDE AGENCY WARRANT ARTICLES

The following organizations requested contributions from the Town of Gouldsboro for Fiscal Year 2015/16: American Red Cross \$550, Downeast Transportation \$600, Ellsworth Public Library \$2900, Emmaus Homeless Shelter \$1737, Hospice Volunteers Hancock County \$800, Life Line Food Pantry \$1,000, Maine Coast Memorial Hospital Dixon Clinic \$600, Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry \$745, WIC Program \$2,040, Yesterday's Children \$300 Total amount requested: \$11,272. Total recommended: \$4,400

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the \$4,400 for the following organizations:

- the sum of \$350 for Downeast Health Services
- the sum of \$500 for Child and Family Opportunities
- the sum of \$800 for Hospice of Hancock County
- the sum of \$700 for Lifeline Ministries Food Pantry
- the sum of \$600 for Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry
- the sum of \$250 for Yesterday's Children
- the sum of \$350 for the Emmaus Homeless Shelter
- the sum of \$250 for the American Red Cross
- the sum of \$600 for Eleanor Widener Dixon Memorial Clinic

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will raise general funds to donate to tax-exempt organizations (charities) during the next budget cycle.

OTHER WARRANT ARTICLES

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to have the Fiscal Year 2016/2017 taxes due in two installments: ½ to be due on or before October 31, 2016 and the other ½ to be due on or before March 31, 2017 and to have interest charged at the annual rate of 7% on any taxes unpaid after the due dates.

The Board of Selectmen recommends approval.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to retain the right to control the harvesting of alewives.

The Board of Selectmen recommends approval.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any snowmobile refunds from the State of Maine to the Airline Riders Snowmobile Club.

The Board of Selectmen recommends approval.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept donations by the Ray Scholarship Fund for the benefit of Gouldsboro students at Sumner High School.

The Board of Selectmen recommends approval.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to approve amendments to the Land Use Ordinance.

The Board of Selectmen and Planning Board recommend approval.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to approve amendments to the Shellfish Ordinance.

The Board of Selectmen and Shellfish Committee recommend approval.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to approve amendments to the Shoreland Ordinance.

The Board of Selectmen and Planning Board recommend approval.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to approve amendments to the Floodplain Ordinance.
The Board of Selectmen and Planning Board recommend approval.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town of Gouldsboro will vote to remain with PERC or enter into a contract with MRC/Fiberight, Inc. for municipal solid waste disposal.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to set the next Town Meeting as the second Tuesday in June 2017, to start at 8:00 AM.

The Registrar of Voters, or Deputy, hereby gives notice that she will be in session at the Community Center on the Pond Road from 8:00 AM until 8:00 PM on the day of the election, Tuesday, June 14, 2016, for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of registered voters.

A FINAL COPY OF THE WARRANT WILL BE POSTED BY JUNE 7TH AND BE AVAILABLE AT TOWN MEETING. IT WILL ALSO BE POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE – www.gouldsborotown.com

The Gouldsboro Solid Waste Committee sponsored two successful Shoreline Clean-ups in 2015.



In the spirit of recycling, if you don't want to keep your 2015 Town report, please bring it back to the Town Office so someone else can read it. Thank you.

GOULDSBORO ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

VOTING TUESDAY, JUNE 14th
AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

8:00am - 8:00pm



Winter 2015

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15th
OPEN TOWN MEETING
AT THE PENINSULA SCHOOL

7:00pm