



GOULDSBORO NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2018

SELECTMEN/TOWN MANAGER- We would like to thank all those who made this year's annual community tree lighting ceremony a great success. In particular we would like to again thank Richard Diehl of Tree Solutions who assisted us in decorating and trimming the tree. Despite some wet weather we had a great turnout for the event and hope to see everyone back next year. The Gouldsboro Select Board has recently taken an official position opposing the entrance fee hike at Acadia National Park including the Schoodic District. We would encourage all citizens to contact the Park Service and our Federal elected Representatives and Senators to encourage them to also oppose this steep entrance fee increase. Town Manager, Bryan Kaenrath, will be holding monthly open office hours on Thursday January 25th from 3-5pm. Any citizen is welcome to come and express their thoughts, views or complaints of town government!

TOWN CLERK- Dog Licenses were due by December 31, 2017 but the State of Maine gives a one month grace period. After January 31, 2018 a fine of \$25 will be due along with the registration fee on any unregistered dogs. If you no longer have a dog that was registered last year, please call us at 963-5589 and let us know so we can take your name off the list. The office will be closed Monday, January 1st in observance of the New Year's holiday and Monday, January 15th for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. We would like to

Recycling is picked up on Wednesdays and Trash on Thursdays. Please have both curb side by 7:00AM. MAKE SURE IT IS VISIBLE ON THE APPROACH OF THE TRUCK. SECURE ANY ITEMS FROM WIND & RAIN. PLEASE DO NOT PUT RECYCLABLES IN A BLACK OR WHITE BAG. NEEDS TO BE A CLEAR OR TRANSLUCENT BAG VISIBLE TO THE DRIVERS WHO PICK IT UP.

RSU 24 SCHOOL BOARD- Season's greetings from RSU #24. A reminder that all RSU schools will be on vacation from December 23 to January 1. School will resume on January 2, 2018. With the winter weather upon us, if you are in need to know whether school will be impacted by the weather, please check our district website at www.rsu24.org and/or our Facebook page (Regional School Unit No. 24) OR check out the local television stations (WABI, WLZ) as well as the local radio stations (WNSX, WZON, WKIT, WZLO). The Sumner Memorial High School new building project continues to move forward. We are in the process of soliciting community feedback via meetings that have taken place or will take place at each of our schools. As of December 21, meetings have taken place at the Cave Hill School, the Peninsula School and the high school. If you are interested in attending the community meeting at either Mountain View (1/3/18) or at Ella Lewis (1/8/18), please contact the school directly. If you have any general questions about the new high school building process, don't hesitate to contact the superintendent's office at 422-2017 or email us at superintendent@rsu24.org. The RSU wishes you a happy and healthy 2018.

SHELLFISH COMMITTEE- The next Shellfish Meeting is January 10th 2018 at 6PM at the Gouldsboro Town Office.

SCHOODIC INSTITUTE- **FREE PUBLIC EVENTS: MOVIES at MOORE - January 9, 2018 : 2:00 PM matinee. The Great Alone:** The life of champion dog sled racer Lance Mackey. Open to the public. Moore Auditorium. Popcorn provided. **BROWN BAG LUNCH - January 18, 2018 : 12 Noon - 1 PM. What we know & don't know about the prehistory of Maine:** Dr. Richard Will, archaeologist and author, discusses his perspective on what and how we learn about the past from archeology. No registration needed. Bring your lunch. Moore Auditorium. We want to hear from you! Have an idea for a community program or event? Tell us what you'd like to see! You can connect with us at: info@SchoodicInstitute.org. Visit www.SchoodicInstitute.org.

VETERANS COMMITTEE- The Gouldsboro Veterans Committee will be taking a winter break and will not meet in January. They will meet again in April.

SUMNER MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL- Sumner Memorial High School's Sports Boosters and the Tigers Cross-Country/Indoor-Outdoor Track teams and coaches thank all Schoodic Peninsula area community members for supporting their recent campaign to raise funds to acquire sorely warm-up suits. The bottle drive yielded \$399.99 while \$950 was raised in private donations and a \$600 grant secured by Acadia Trust's Eleanor F. Stich Recreational Trust. Special thanks to Sumner Cross-Country alum Mike Colson of Gouldsboro, John and Judy Young of Gouldsboro Point, Roger & Lea Lane of Gouldsboro and Michael and Chantelle Jenney of Winthrop for their generous support. A special thank you, too, to Holly Smith of Gouldsboro & Chester Pike's galley for stockpiling returnables for several months for the effort. The Sumner Sports Boosters will continue to receive returnables for its programs at the Gouldsboro Bottle Redemption Center as well as the cart parked at back of the Sumner campus.

HARDY'S FRIENDS- We were happy to help the Acadia Women's Club and the Peninsula School with their Christmas deliveries. Thank you Glenn Grant. And thank you to all of the community members who have supported both our work on behalf of the family pets and our fundraising efforts in 2017.

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MITTEN MAGIC 2017- On Friday December 22, about 160 students at the Peninsula School enjoyed a holiday treat, as they got to choose their very own handmade mittens or hats. They thoroughly enjoyed selecting and trying on the colorful items from the mitten tree which traveled on a rolling cart from classroom to classroom. We started with mittens for the tiny hands of the first graders, and completed the event with the eighth graders selecting knitted hats. This is only possible because we live in a community of generous and talented knitters and crocheters. We are never quite sure how many mittens will appear by December, but most of the students enjoy what has become an annual treat. This is the first year we have been able to distribute something to each of the grades Pre-K through 8th grade. The amazing neighbors of ours make the cozy mittens and hats throughout the year to be sure that our children enjoy a warm winter season. Thank you to each and every one of those involved in the making of, collecting of, and distribution of these marvelous gifts. Hearts as well as hands and heads are warmed by this joyous event. -Nancy Hill

CODE ENFORCEMENT: New Building Permits Issued – December 5, 2017 to December 21, 2017

NEW BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED – December 2017		
NAME	ADDRESS	PROJECT TYPE
Stephen & Yvonne Wilkinson	7 Seths Cross	Deck
Haven Ross Sr.	289 S. Gouldsboro Road	Add on Deck & Ramp
Paul Stewart	159 Paul Bunyan Road	Metal Roof over Deck
Lewis Stanely	11 Stanely Street	Shed
Peter Valencia	22 Old Route 1	Building
Gary & Rosemary Levin	611 Corea Road	Change Of Use

DORCAS LIBRARY- The library will be closed on Monday, January 1st and Monday, January 15th. New programs in January: Musical Tuesdays, 5:30-7pm beginning January 23; Shakespeare Exploration, begins January 27 at 2:30pm. See the library website or visit the library for our full events schedule. The library is always in need of circulation desk volunteers. The library is always in need of circulation desk volunteers, and winter is a good opportunity to learn the ropes. Volunteers normally commit to work two three-hour shifts each month. Stop by the library to sign up! And winter is a good opportunity to learn the ropes. Volunteers normally commit to work two three-hour shifts each month. Stop by the library to sign up! The Dorcas Library is starting to plan facility improvements to address issues with space utilization, aging infrastructure, and program expansion needs. If you have (or anyone you know has) experience with facility planning and would like to help, please contact Faith Lane at: 207 963 4027 or dorcaslibrary1@gmail.com. **ADULT PROGRAMS @ Dorcas - Tuesdays @ 1:30-2:30pm – Tech Tuesdays!** Extend your borrowing ability through the Maine State Library CloudLibrary system. Use the full Ancestry.com subscription at the library to find records of your ancestors. [Suggested donation \$4 per Ancestry session.] **Tuesdays @ 5:30-7pm – Dorcas Musical Jam.** Welcoming new and experienced musicians and singers as we explore making joyful noises together. Bring instruments [if you have them], willingness to have fun, and your sense of humor! All ages welcome! **Thursdays @ 2pm – Crafts & Conversation.** Great conversations and the best view in the world while we work. This quarter we will make caps to send to cancer treatment centers in Maine. In my case, I will make tube scarves, because I know actually how to knit those! **Thursdays @ 4:30-6pm – RSU 24 Adult Education.** Phil Wormuth provides tutoring and educational guidance for adult learners every week at the Dorcas Library! **Saturday, JAN 13 @ 10:30am – Writer’s Workshop.** Join us to share your writing and explore topics of concern to other local writers. **Saturday, JAN 13 @ 12:30pm – Ways of Knowing Discussion.** Curious about the many ways of understanding our world? This open discussion is for everyone! **Saturday, JAN 20 @ 10:30am – Poets’ Gathering.** Love writing or reading poetry? Join us! **Saturday, JAN 20 @ 12:30pm – Dorcas Civics Discussion.** Join us as we discuss Constitutional Amendments. **Saturday, JAN 27 @ 2:30pm – Shakespeare for Everyone.** Join us this spring as we watch lectures and videos from the great universities and theater companies of the world, read and discuss plays and poems, and talk about Shakespeare's history and world. **YOUTH PROGRAMS @ Dorcas - Tuesdays & Thursdays @ 3:15-5pm – STEAM Team.** Videography, Robotics, Programming... bring your ideas and let’s explore!

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS

JANUARY 1 ST	*TOWN OFFICE CLOSED*	ALL DAY
JANUARY 2 ND	PLANNING BOARD	6PM
JANUARY 10 TH	SHELLFISH MEETING	6PM
JANUARY 11 TH	BOARD OF SELECTMEN	5PM
JANUARY 15 TH	*TOWN OFFICE CLOSED*	ALL DAY
JANUARY 16 TH	PLANNING BOARD	6PM
JANUARY 17 TH	HARBOR COMMITTEE	6PM
JANUARY 25 TH	BOARD OF SELECTMEN	5PM

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE- The National Park Service announced December 19th, 2017 that the public will be invited to experience all national parks, including Acadia National Park, without entrance fees, on four days in 2018. The entrance fee-free days are: **January 15th:** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, **April 21st:** First Day of National Park Week, **September 22nd:** National Public Lands Day, **November 11th:** Veterans Day. An annual pass to Acadia costs \$50. The annual \$80 America the Beautiful National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass allows unlimited entrance to more than 2,000 federal recreational areas, including all national parks that charge an entrance fee. There are also free or discounted passes available for senior citizens, current members of the military, families of fourth grade students, and disabled citizens. For more information please visit www.nps.gov/acad or call 207-288-3338. Sign up for the Acadia National Park monthly newsletter by emailing acadia_information@nps.gov.

