



GOULDSBORO NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2016



SELECTMEN/TOWN MANAGER

We would like to thank all those who joined us for the ceremony to welcome back the *SS Queen Victoria Bell* to Gouldsboro. A special thanks also to the staff at Peninsula School for being a critical part of making this great event possible.

A committee has been formed to make recommendations on the best uses of the generous bequest of Jeremy Strater. The committee will likely meet at least a few times in the early part of this year. Written comments from the public on potential uses of the funds are still welcomed. Please submit all correspondence to the Gouldsboro Town Office.

Our 2016/2017 budget season is underway with the first organizational meeting of the Budget Committee being held on January 13. Our next meeting will be February 17 with department presentations taking place in mid-March. Work will continue into April and May. Meetings will be held on every Wednesday at 6 P.M. during March and April in the meeting room at the town office.

CODE ENFORCEMENT: Permit Activity for January 2016

K. DENSMORE	632 GOULDSBORO POINT ROAD	RENEW COTTAGE FOUNDATION
M. HIBBARD	610 WEST BAY ROAD	CONSTRUCT NEW 832 S.F. HOUSE – DEMOLISH OLD

TOWN CLERK

Starting February 1, there will be a mandatory, state-imposed fine of \$25 for each unregistered dog. With income tax time coming up, you might like to know that on your car registration, there are two columns on the bottom right and the column on the left shows the amount for your local excise tax.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Please call the Sheriff's Department at 667-7575 for all issues and non-emergencies. This will immediately initiate a paper trail and get you the quickest response. To report an emergency, call 911.

SHELLFISH COMMITTEE

Changes to Stave Island Conservation Area - Stave Island has been separated from Stave Island Bar, making two conservation areas. Point Francis has been reopened from now until June 30, 2016. There has been a change in the amount of clams that can be harvested on Stave Island Bar from three bushels to one bushel. Please call the town office for further details.



LOBSTER FESTIVAL COMMITTEE

As the Lobster Festival is fast approaching, there is one issue that carries over from year to year and that is parking. The Festival Committee is looking for local residents and/or businesses to allow festival goers a place to park. There is also an account at the Gouldsboro Redemption Center that benefits the festival parade. If you are interested in helping, please attend the next meeting on February 11, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Winter Harbor Town Office or email the Schoodic Area Chamber of Commerce at schoodic.chamber.commerce@gmail.com.

GOULDSBORO REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE

The G.R.C. will hold a public meeting at the Town Office at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, February 13 for all interested Republicans to discuss the upcoming county caucus. The county Caucus will be held on Saturday, March 5 at the Ellsworth High School. All Republicans are encouraged to attend. For additional information, call Ray Jones at 546-7498.

GOULDSBORO DEMOCRAT CAUCUS

Gouldsboro Democrats will caucus on Sunday, March 6 from 1:00-3:00 P.M. at the Peninsula School. Mark your calendar. More details will follow in the March newsletter.

GOULDSBORO CITIZENS' PLANNING GROUP MEETING

The Citizens' Planning Group that met several times last fall to discuss Gouldsboro's future will meet next on Friday, February 19 at 4:00 P.M. at the town office meeting room. All residents are welcome to attend. Top of the agenda is to draft a citizens' questionnaire dealing with town needs. Selectman Roger Bowen will convene the meeting.

ELEANOR WIDENER DIXON MEMORIAL CLINIC

You are invited to attend a community forum on Monday, March 7 at 6:00 P.M. at the Eleanor Widener Dixon Memorial Clinic. The Maine Shared Health Needs Assessment and Planning Process (SHNAPP) Project has completed a major milestone in the 2015 Shared Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA). The Shared CHNA Report for Hancock County represents several months of analyzing data from many sources, including the online Stakeholder Survey conducted in May-June 2015. Findings specific to Hancock County will be highlighted for the public and community members will be invited to share input. Besides hearing community input, we will learn about local resources that are available and get suggestions for how to address identified issues. Light refreshments will be provided. Using these data results, both hospitals and public health councils will develop and implement a health improvement plan, with the goal of improving community health and guiding future decision-making based on the strengths and needs of the community. Community member input is critical to this process. Pre-registration is requested do please call 664-5337 and leave a message to RSVP.

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SCHOODIC FRIENDS IN ACTION

Schoodic Friends in Action is looking for volunteers to assist our elderly and disabled residents to live independently with dignity and a strong quality of life. Schoodic Friends in Action will be active in the communities of Sullivan, Gouldsboro, Winter Harbor, Sorrento, Franklin and Steuben. We need kind, caring volunteers willing to help with services including rides, light chores, running errands (like library or vet) and making well-check phone calls, etc. If you are interested, we will send you an application form. We will then provide you with training, on-going support and education opportunities. For more information or an application, please call us at 422-2405 or email us at schoodicfia@gmail.com. Looking forward to hearing from you!
Christina and Holly, Schoodic Friends in Action



SCHOODIC INSTITUTE EVENTS

Winter Birding and Brunch at Schoodic | February 6, 2016 from 9:00-11:00 A.M.

Join Bird Ecology Program Director, Seth Benz, for ‘Winter Birds on Water and Land’ – Birding and Brunch. This program begins in the classroom with instruction from 9:00-9:30 A.M. followed by an hour and a half hour tour visiting hot spots along the Schoodic Peninsula searching for winter waterfowl and land birds. Bring binoculars and dress for the weather. Plan on walking short distances from walking areas. Spotting scopes will be provided. Please follow signs on campus and park in North parking lot, then meet in Schooner Commons Lounge. Following the bird tour, join us for a delicious brunch at 11:00 A.M. in Schooner Commons. To register, please call Michelle at 207-288-1356.

Acadia Winter Festival | February 26, 2016 - March 6, 2016

Celebrate Acadia National Park’s Centennial, winter in Maine, and our natural and community resources. Schoodic Point and Mount Desert Island. 10 days in two locations with over 50 events. Visit www.AcadiaWinterFestival.org to register. Family fun with indoor and outdoor activities! Many events FREE and open to the public!

Movies at Moore - March of the Penguins | February 28, 2016 – Showtime 1:00 P.M.

Bring your family and friends for an afternoon at the movies! This movie is rated G. Admission: \$3.00 Concessions available. Moore Auditorium, Schoodic Institute (follow signs on campus). **View all our events and register at www.schoodicinstitute.org/events.**

LAST FRIDAY COFFEEHOUSE

Chris Ross and the North will be at Hammond Hall in Winter Harbor Friday, February 26 at 7:00 P.M. \$15 is the suggested donation. Great Desserts and locally roasted coffee, too! For more information, call 963-2569 or go to www.schoodicartsforall.org. **This performance is in partnership with The Acadia National Park Winter Festival.**

CURIE-US CREW ROBOTICS TEAM FUNDRAISERS

Curie-Us Crew Robotics Team, made up of six girls from Winter Harbor and Gouldsboro, are holding a few fundraisers to earn airfare and accommodations for a trip to the FIRST LEGO League North American Open Championship in San Diego, California this May. Any support would be greatly appreciated! On Friday, February 26 there will be a public supper, “Italian Night”, at the Winter Harbor Masonic Lodge from 5:00-6:30 P.M. Cost for adults is \$8 and children \$4. There will be a Bottle Drive on Saturday, February 13. Please leave your bottles at the end of your drive and the team will gladly pick them up. Find them on Facebook as Curie-Us Crew or call 963-2126 with questions. Thank you!

DORCAS LIBRARY (963-4027)

Every Thursday @ 4:00 P.M. – STEAMERS – Exploring Robotics Charlie Pomaski offers instruction in robotic design and programming. Join us for some fun as we explore building robots with found objects. Recommended for ages 12 and up.

First Tuesdays [FEB 2] @ 6:30 P.M. – Game Night A new game will be taught by our game expert Pat Summerer. As always, feel free to bring your own favorite board game to share. Suggestions? Call Pat at 963-7182.

NEW EVENT! Second Tuesdays [FEB 9] @ 1:30 P.M. – The Dorcas Chatroom & Café Read any good books lately? Come to the library to share your thoughts! Bring your handicrafts, or try your hand at our adult coloring books.

NEW EVENT! Second Saturdays [FEB 13] @ 10:30 A.M. – Writer’s Workshop If you are a new or experienced writer, please drop in to share encouragement, friendly critique, resources, and writing prompts.

NEW EVENT! Third Tuesdays [FEB 16] @ 11:30 A.M. – Healthy Acadia Presentation *The Other Side of Cannabis*. This documentary film is an independent project created by ordinary citizens with no political or economic affiliations/interests, other than bringing attention to the negative effects of marijuana on our youth.

Third Fridays [FEB 19] @ 7:00 P.M. – Adult’s Night Out! [Movie Night@Dorcas] Pizza snacks available beginning at 6:30 P.M., or enjoy hot beverages from the coffee/tea bar. People who attend will have the opportunity to pick the next month’s movie selection!

Fourth Saturdays [FEB 27] @ 10:30 A.M. – Stories, Songs & Fun Kids participate in sharing stories, singing songs, and creating a work of art! *In February, we’ll talk about presidents and what we would do if we could make all the rules!* Recommended for ages 2+.

Fourth Tuesdays [JAN 26] & [FEB 23] @ 4 P.M. – Exploring Genealogy Dorcas Library now has a full subscription to **Ancestry.com!** We explore ways to research our family history using a variety of online and print resources.

Last Saturdays [JAN 30] & [FEB 27] @ 3:30 P.M. – Matinee Film Series & Discussions Enjoy Frank Capra’s films *It Happened One Night*, *Mr. Smith Goes to Washington*, and *You Can’t Take It with You*.

Third Wednesdays [next meeting MAR 16] @ 3 P.M. – Dorcas Book Discussion Dorcas Library’s book discussion is on hiatus until March! The book selection for March is *The Moor’s Account*, by Laila Lalami.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS & MEETINGS (FEBRUARY 2016)

TUESDAY	2 ND	PLANNING BOARD MEETING – TOWN OFFICE	6:00 PM
SATURDAY	6 TH	BENEFIT SUPPER FOR MAUREEN HALL – COMMUNITY CENTER	4:00-6:00 PM
WEDNESDAY	10 TH	SHELLFISH MEETING – TOWN OFFICE	6:00 PM
THURSDAY	11 TH	SELECTMEN’S MEETING – TOWN OFFICE	6:00 PM
SATURDAY	13 TH	REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE MEETING – TOWN OFFICE	9:00 AM
TUESDAY	16 TH	PLANNING BOARD – TOWN OFFICE	6:00 PM
WEDNESDAY	17 TH	HARBOR COMMITTEE – TOWN OFFICE	6:00 PM
WEDNESDAY	17 TH	BUDGET COMMITTEE – TOWN OFFICE	6:00 PM
THURSDAY	18 TH	HISTORICAL SOCIETY – TOWN OFFICE	2:00 PM
FRIDAY	19 TH	CITIZENS’ PLANNING GROUP – TOWN OFFICE	4:00 PM
TUESDAY	23 RD	ROAD COMMITTEE – TOWN OFFICE	6:00 PM
THURSDAY	25 TH	SELECTMEN’S MEETING – TOWN OFFICE	6:00 PM

**Trash is picked up every Thursday and must be curbside by 7:00 A.M.
Recycling is picked up every Wednesday and must be curbside by 7:00 A.M.**

