



GOULDSBORO NEWSLETTER

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SELECTMEN/TOWN MANAGER: The SS Queen Victoria bell will once again be traveling. The Canadian Museum for Human Rights will have the bell on loan for the upcoming winter in an exhibit similar to the previous one used by the Canadian Museum of History. The Town of Gouldsboro will be charging a rental fee of \$2000 per month for the loan.

The Maine Department of Transportation recently did a visual inspection of the Prospect Harbor sidewalk project and is still anticipating construction to begin in the early spring of 2017. Many thanks to the sidewalk committee and others involved for their continued work to make this project happen.

We would like to welcome Fire Chief Tate McLean as our new Jones Pond Caretaker. We thank him for his willingness to serve the town in this additional role and are confident he will do a great job!

TOWN CLERK: Every year, at the annual town meeting, the citizens vote when to charge interest on unpaid taxes. With one installment due on Oct. 31st and the next on March 31st, the interest starts accumulating on Nov. 1st and April 1st –There are two coupons on the bill, one for each payment. Bills are sent once a year. Taxes can be paid at any time during the year. If it is easier for you to pay once a month, that works for us, too! We want it to be as easy for you as possible. If you think the policies need to be changed or want to be a participant in our town decisions and government, please come to the annual town meeting and let your voice be heard. If you've had an address change please be sure to contact the town office so we can make updates and get correspondence to you in a timely manner.

*****Just a reminder the town office will be closed for the Labor Day on September 5th*****

VETERANS COMMITTEE: All United States Citizens have relatives, friends and neighbors who have been in the United States military and are now veterans. Many of these citizens have served in United States service organizations themselves. All Schoodic Peninsula residents who wish to express their appreciation for the service rendered by these veterans and who may have feelings and ideas about how the Gouldsboro Veterans Committee can approach local Veteran's concerns are invited to become members of the Committee. You can provide beneficial attention to situations that effect local Veterans. The Committee meets the first Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the Gouldsboro Town Office meeting room.

HARDY'S FRIENDS: It's not too late to donate your gently used furniture and household items to our September 10th yard sale. Call Susan at 963-7444 or Glenn at 266-9699 to arrange for pick up. The proceeds from this year's sale will benefit the Hardy's Friends Scholarship awarded to a Sumner Memorial High School graduate going on to study veterinary medicine. Mark your calendar and plan to join the fun at the Gouldsboro sand lot (old MDOT lot) on Route 1 between Pond Road and West Bay Road between 8:00 and 1:00 on Saturday, September 10.

SCHOODIC SCENIC BYWAY NEWS: As you may already know the Bicycle Coalition of Maine will bring their annual Bike Maine, week long bicycle tour to our region in September. This event will bring 400 riders and 75 volunteers. The starting and ending location is Schoodic Institute at Acadia National Park. The events begin on Saturday, September 10th and continue into the morning of Sunday, September 11. Riders will depart Schoodic on the 11th heading for Jonesport. Riders will end their tour with a lunch at Schoodic Institute at Acadia National Park on Saturday, September 17. Be cautious when driving as we have not seen this many riders in our region before. This is an event which hopes to prove beneficial to area businesses. Certainly we have a great audience in 475 additional visitors. On the afternoon and evening of September 10th local artists and farmers are invited to bring their wares to Schoodic Institute for a small market. We are hoping for 10-15 vendors. This should be handmade crafts or locally grown produce, fish, jams, jellies and the like. This HUGE event also requires us to join forces to make it a success. We hope that many of you will be interested in and excited to volunteer some of your time to help how you can. If you are interested in participating in the market and/or volunteering your time to help please call town coordinator, Peter Drinkwater at 207/963-7927. We appreciate your support in advance.

GOULDSBORO HISTORICAL SOCIETY: The Gouldsboro Historical Society Museum on Route 1 will be open on September 3rd and 10th from 2:00- 4:00PM. Monday September 12th @ 7:00PM in the G.H.S Museum (452 US Rt 1) AUTO WARS- Opening Mount Desert Island to Cars. Presented by Raney Bench, Director of the Seal Cove Auto Museum. All welcome! For more info call 963-7217. September 17th 4:30-6:30 PM @ West Bay Church (88 Old Route 1) BEAN SUPPER AND BAKE SALE, for more information call 904-704-9359.

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CODE ENFORCEMENT: This month our two interim Code Enforcement Officers, Roger Dean and Jerry Kron, met with FEMA’s regional specialist on flood plain determinations. According to the FEMA representative, banks are insistent on flood insurance not so much to protect their loan loss in a flood but, independent of flood occurrence, to protect themselves from fines imposed by banking regulators. Many banks take the most conservative position possible, considering the flood insurance is required if any part of the lot is within the flood plain. So what to do? FEMA recommends homeowners apply for a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA), even if you don’t think you need one now. According to FEMA, LOMA is one of only two ways a bank may move away from its requirement for flood insurance. The other is if the bank’s own independent assessment agency (e.g. surveyor) verifies that your structure is outside the flood plain.

8-2 through 8-23, 2016 Building Permits

8-2-2016	Robert Morin	586 Gouldsboro Pt. Rd.	Pier Repair
8-2-2016	Pat Boggs	56 Roaring Brook Rd	Additions
8-9-2016	Brian Eaton	96 Whitten Rd	Garage
8-16-2016	Jo-Anne Keene & R Boyce	136 Whitten Rd	Garage & Addition
8-22-2016	John Farnsworth	96 Chicken Mill Rd	Screened Porch
8-23-2016	Mike Kelly	47 Young’s Point Road	Seawall & Wharf repair

DORCAS LIBRARY:

SPECIAL FAMILY EVENTS - Sunday SEP 11 @ 3pm – Hawk Henries, Native American Flute-maker & Musician. **Coming in October...** Steampunk Halloween Party for the whole community! Get your costumes ready!

ADULT PROGRAMS- Every Thursday 4:30-6pm – Returns SEP 22. Adult Education Assistance from RSU 24’s Phil Wormuth. If someone you know needs help to finish their GED or HiSET exam, or needs help with other adult basic literacy topics, please tell them about this program.

Second & Fourth Tuesdays [SEP 13]; [SEP 27]; [OCT 11]; [OCT 18] @ 2:30pm – Exploring Genealogy Whether you are an experienced researcher or a “relative newcomer” you are always welcome!

Second Saturdays [SEP 10]; [OCT 8]; [NOV 12] @ 10:30am – Writer’s Workshop Write and share 300 words on a topic of your choice.

Third Wednesdays [SEP 21]; [OCT 19]; [NOV 16] @ 3pm – Dorcas Book Discussion

The selection for September is *In the Café of Lost Youth* by Patrick Modiano. November’s book will be *The Sympathizer* by Viet Thanh Nguyen. All interested readers are invited.

Third Saturdays [SEP 17]; [OCT 15]; [NOV 19] @ 10:30am – Poets’ Gathering

If you write poetry, or enjoy reading and sharing poetry, join us! September’s theme: A ‘beat poetry’ question: Where am I ‘at’ in my space? Young people welcome.

Fourth Thursdays [SEP 22]; [OCT 27]; [NOV 17] @ 6pm – TEDxDorcasLibrary -TED is a nonprofit devoted to spreading ideas, usually in the form of short, powerful talks (18 minutes or less). TED began in 1984 as a conference where Technology, Entertainment and Design converged, and today covers almost all topics — from science to business to global issues. *Ideas worth sharing!*

YOUTH PROGRAMS-Tuesday Afterschool Program: STEAM Readers & Writers [Homeschoolers Welcome!] — For kids ages 11+ who enjoy reading, writing, and talking about books and STEAM topics. Books, materials, and snacks will be provided for each participant. Our first book will be *The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate* by Jacqueline Kelly. **Limit 10. Please call the library to sign up for this event. (207) 963-4027.**

Thursday Afterschool Program: STEAM Exploration [Homeschoolers Welcome!] — For kids ages 10+ who are interested in STEAM topics (science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics). Hands on activities and games. Materials and snacks will be provided. September and October we will play with secret codes and secret languages. **Limit 10. Please call the library to sign up. (207) 963-4027.**

First Saturdays [SEP 3]; [OCT 1]; [NOV 5] @ 10:30am – Young Writers – Ages 10-15 For young aspiring writers. **Last Saturdays [AUG 27]; [SEP 24]; [OCT 29] @ 10:30am Stories with Liz!** Stories, Poems, Songs, Movement and Fun for Families with Preschoolers with our special storyteller, Liz Moran! Organic snacks and drinks provided.

SCHOODIC INSTITUTE – EVENTS

FREE EVENTS			REGISTER FOR CAMPS, COURSES, EXPEDITIONS AND WORKSHOPS	
Sept. 1 st	11-2PM	Duncan Martin exhibit: “Into A Large Place”	Sept. 23 rd -25 th	<i>Venture Outside Holistic Retreat- “SHORE”</i>
Sept. 7 th	9:00 am	ANP Schoodic District Shoreline Clean-up @Frazier’s Point	Sept.24 th or 25 th	<i>Capture the Night: Photography Workshop with Brent Ander</i>
Sept.12 th	3:30-4:30PM	Safe Encounters with the Out-of-Doors	View all events online: www.schoodicinstitute.org/events	
Sept. 15 th	12:00-1:00PM	Brown Bag Lunch Series “Schoodic Point: History on the Edge of Acadia National Park”		

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS/EVENTS AND IMPORTANT SCHOOL DATES

September 5, 2016	Town Office closed- LABOR DAY	All day
September 6, 2016	Planning Board Meeting	6PM
September 8, 2015`	Board of Selectmen Meeting	6PM
September 12, 2016	Acadia National Park Advisory Commission @ Schoodic Institute	1PM
September 14, 2016	Open House @ Peninsula School	5PM
September 14, 2016	Shellfish Committee	6PM
September 20, 2016	Planning Board Meeting	6PM
September 21, 2016	Harbor Committee	6PM
September 21, 2016	PTC Meeting @Peninsula School	6PM
September 22, 2016	Board of Selectmen Meeting	6PM
September 27, 2016	Road Committee	6PM
September 30, 2016	Last Friday Coffee House- Martin Grosswendt & Susan Salem-Schiltz- Hammond Hall	7PM