



TOWN CLERK- The Town Office will be closing at Noon on Christmas Eve, December 24, 2024 and will be closed December 25 & 26, 2024 in observance of the Christmas holiday.

- Thank you to all who helped and volunteered their time at the November Election. We appreciate you!
- ***We will be offering Acadia National Park passes beginning December 2, 2024. The passes are \$35 each ~ half price of the annual fee of \$70. These are only available until December 31, 2024.***
- All dogs MUST be licensed by December 31, 2024 by state law. \$25 late fee starts February 1, 2025.
- 2025 Documented Boat stickers are now available! If you are delinquent with your Documented Boat registrations, please be sure to come pay those. Letters will be sent out to those who have not yet paid.
- You can now purchase hunting and fishing licenses for 2025!
- There will be a workshop held with the Comp Plan Committee and the Select Board on December 19, 2024 starting at 5PM at the Town Office to discuss the Comprehensive Plan. All are welcome to attend!
- **Help celebrate Gouldsboro's third annual peninsula-wide "Operation Light Up the Town" and decorate your homesteads with holiday lights. Residents can stroll through town and enjoy the holiday spirit with their families and friends December 23, 24 + 25. Let's light up the town during the holidays!**

FIRE PREVENTION POSTER CONTEST- The members of Winter Harbor Fire Department are excited to announce the following students as winners for our Fire Prevention Poster Contest. Pippa Lewis Grade 5 and Caysyn Colson Grade 1. Their posters are hanging in the Winter Harbor fire station for all to see. As winners they also get a ride to school in a fire truck. Thank you to all the students that participated. They made it very hard to choose winners.

DORCAS LIBRARY- The library will be closed Tuesday, December 24th and December 31st for Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. We are currently collecting warm weather wear and disposable diapers (children and adult) for our annual December Gifting to the Schoodic Food Pantry. Children's Story Hour with Liz will be held Thursday, December 12th & 19th at 10:15AM. Homeschoolers are welcome! The Writers with Merry Post meet Thursday, December 5th at 2PM. Knitting and Needlework with Cyndi is Thursday, December 5th & 19th at 2PM. Qigong at the Dorcas+ building takes place every Monday from 9 – 10AM. New Group: Quilting & Sewing group will not meet this month. They will resume their Wednesday meetings the second week in January, 9AM – 4PM, at the Plus building. Bring a brown bag lunch. We have lots of new books and DVDs. Check our website for titles. Happy Holidays to all!

VETERANS' COMMITTEE- The Gouldsboro Veterans Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, December 3rd at 1PM in the meeting room of the town office followed by a holiday party. Come join us for holiday treats and light conversation. The committee would like to thank all the veterans, family members and other guests who attended the annual Veterans Day Dinner to honor our area veterans. A huge thank you also goes to the volunteers who came to prepare and serve the food. We really appreciate your loyal help.

We are now gathering the Angel Tree names for gifts for our veterans. You can submit a name in the envelope at the town office entry way or at Anderson Hardware on Route One. The names need to be submitted by November 30th along with the name, address and phone number of the veteran and what \$25 gift card you want them to receive. The tags will be on the tree at Anderson's on December 2nd for the community to come select a tag and purchase the gift. Gifts need to be returned to Anderson's by December 18th for Christmas delivery. The veteran you choose to receive a gift can be based on need or just a way of showing your appreciation to that veteran.

The memorial bricks are still available for purchase until the end of December. Applications are at the town office and payment can be made to the Gouldsboro Veterans Committee by cash or check for \$75. The bricks will be placed in the spring of 2025. The committee will be taking the usual winter hiatus starting in January. We will resume meetings on April 1, 2025. If a veteran needs any assistance during this hiatus, please contact the town office and they will get you in contact with chairman, Jim Guest. We would like to acknowledge the recent passing of a local veteran, Captain Ben Newman, MC, USNR (ret) of Winter Harbor. We salute you for your service to our country and community. The committee wishes to thank the community for their continued support and we wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season and a healthy and Happy New Year.

PENINSULA PTA- The Peninsula School Parent Teacher Association will be hosting a Holiday Craft Fair and Jackpot table on Thursday, December 5th, from 4 – 7PM, in the Winter Harbor Gym. Table rentals will be \$30. Reserve your spot now! Call at Gabby Grant (207)664-4651 or email gagrants@rsu24.org to register. Thank you for the PAW-SOME support!

2024 MITTEN TREE- The season is upon us to think of keeping our children warm. Handmade mittens of sizes for K-4 students are needed by early December. The holiday treat of children getting to select their own mittens from the tree at the Peninsula School is always looked forward to. The exact date for the school party is yet to be set, but it will be during that last week approaching the holiday break. Please attach each pair with a little piece of yarn at the "top" end, so the students can easily try them on for fit, after selecting what they like. Please contact Nancy Hill or Cyndy Godwin for pick-up, or deliver to the Gouldsboro Town Office. It would be greatly appreciated if you would note your name with any mittens dropped off so that a child and/or Nancy and Cyndy can thank you.

CODE ENFORCEMENT- <i>New building permits issued</i>		
NAME	ADDRESS	PROJECT TYPE
Schoodic Food Pantry	829 Route One	Shed
Bob Steffel	387 Paul Bunyan Road	Addition
Chase Breyan	233 Route One	Driveway /Stone Wall

ACADIAN COMMUNITY WOMAN’S CLUB- ANNUAL Chili, Chowder, and SOUP-ER Supper will be held on HOLIDAY SHOPPING NIGHT - Thursday, December 5th, from 4:30 – 6:30PM at the Winter Harbor Masonic Hall, 29 School Street. There will be a variety of homemade chilis, chowders, soups, cornbread, rolls and desserts. *Adults: \$12 — Kids \$8*. Proceeds will benefit the Community Aid Fund. Also, this month—the ACWC’s annual Angel Tree will be up the first week in December at the Pickled Wrinkle. Come select a tag to purchase an item to help a local family in need—please drop off donated items to the Pickled Wrinkle by Sunday, December 15th. The ACWC has a new VENMO account, @ACWCMaine. Thank you for your continued support of both causes!

RSU 24- It is hard to believe that we are looking at Thanksgiving break and that our holiday vacation is just around the corner. For your information, students will be out of school during the week of November 25th. In addition, December 20th is the last day of school before the holiday vacation and students don't have to return until Thursday, January 2nd. Like many schools across our state and country, student attendance is an issue. Our schools are working hard to communicate the importance of students attending school AND the negative impact when they do not. If you are a parent, we ask that you please partner with your child's school to make sure that they are at school every school day. Winter weather is just around the corner and with that comes the need to cancel or delay the start of school or to release students and staff early. For parents, we will communicate using our Infinite Campus Messenger system which sends the message to the cell phone numbers and emails that we have on file. We also contact and post on the local media stations and Facebook. A reminder that a delayed start on a Friday will result in a full student day, as there is no early release. Winter sports are underway at the middle and high school. The coaches will be committing a great deal of time and energy this winter to provide an extra-curricular learning opportunity for our students! Thank you for your continued support of the school district.

CALENDAR OF TOWN EVENTS AND MEETINGS FOR DECEMBER

DECEMBER 2 nd	MONDAY	COMP PLAN COMMITTEE @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
DECEMBER 3 rd	TUESDAY	VETS COMMITTEE @ TOWN OFFICE	1PM
DECEMBER 3 rd	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
DECEMBER 4 th	WEDNESDAY	BUDGET COMMITTEE @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
DECEMBER 5 th	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
DECEMBER 9 th	MONDAY	COASTAL RESILIENCE @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
DECEMBER 17 th	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
DECEMBER 19 th	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
DECEMBER 24 th	TUESDAY	*TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSING EARLY IN OBSERVANCE OF CHRISTMAS EVE*	12PM
DECEMBER 25 th & 26 th	WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY	*TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE TO THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY*	ALL DAY



Operation Light Up the Town



DECEMBER 23, 24 & 25

Help celebrate Gouldsboro's THIRD annual event and decorate your homesteads with holiday lights. Stroll through town and enjoy the holiday spirit with your family and friends. Let's light the town up this holiday!





CHRISTMAS

COOKIE

DECORATING

SUGAR COOKIES
AND
HOT COCOA

4PM-6PM

FRIDAY
20TH
DECEMBER

GOULDSBORO
REC. CENTER
679 POND ROAD

\$5.00

A PERSON
SUGGESTED
DONATION

THE ACADIAN COMMUNITY WOMAN'S CLUB

CHILI, CHOWDER, AND SOUP-ER

THURSDAY
DECEMBER 5
4:30-6:30 PM

SUPPER
ADULTS \$12.00

KIDS \$8.00

VARIETY OF HOMEMADE CHILIS,
CHOWDERS, SOUPS, CORNBREAD,
ROLLS AND DESSERTS!

WINTER HARBOR MASONIC HALL- 29 SCHOOL STREET

@ACWCMaine



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PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE COMMUNITY AID FUND



SUMNER



SPORTS BOOSTERS



**SCAN QR CODE TO ADD US
ON FACEBOOK!**

Ways you can help

01.

Make a baked good or crockpot meal for one of our games/meets.

02.

Volunteer at the concession stand during one of our games/meets or at any of our events.

03.

Join Boosters

04.

Follow us on Facebook and share our posts.