Gouldsboro News



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TOWN CLERK- The Town Office will be closed Monday, May 26th in observance of Memorial Day.

The final budget workshop will be held at the regularly-scheduled Select Board meeting on May 8th. Please remember we welcome community members to our public Select Board/Budget workshop.

In 2023, the legislature mandated that the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) replace all chickadee plates starting May 1, 2025. Chickadee plates have aged, entered various states of disrepair, and lost their reflectivity. Over a single year, 1,200,000 chickadee plates, which is 71% of all license plates in Maine, will be replaced by Pine Tree or No Tree license plates. Please be aware, if you do have chickadee plates and don't mind getting the new plates, you will not be able to register in advance. Please be sure you come in the month your registration expires as we have limited inventory. If you have reserved your plate, please be sure you bring the letter from the State and your new plates to process your registration in the month your registration is due. We cannot process your registration without both items.

🔅 Absentee ballots for Municipal and RSU elections will be available at the Town Office starting May 12th.

The current transfer station passes are good through June 30, 2025. New stickers will be available beginning of June. If you have punch cards with punches left to use, they do not expire. Passes cost \$1 and punch cards \$25. Both the pass and the punch card are <u>required</u> when attending the Transfer Station. If you have questions, please call the Town Office at (207) 963-5589.

* All town roads have been unposted as of April 17, 2025! Travel and transport can return back to normal - just in time for spring projects to begin! Thank you for your patience.

🏂 Looking to submit a piece in the monthly newsletter? Submissions are due by the 21st of each month.

** Check out our Facebook page to stay up to date with any town reminders, links to online services we offer, and much more! https://www.facebook.com/gouldsborotown/.



GOULDSBORO POLICE DEPT- Now that the weather is warming up, we should begin to see more activity with bicycles. Please use caution.

<u>SCHOODIC SHINES ANNUAL ROADSIDE CLEANUP</u>- Thank you to all those who participated in this year's Schoodic Shines Roadside Cleanup and a special thank you to our trash haulers that made more stops than usual! Schoodic truly Shines!!!

GOULDSBORO HISTORICAL SOCIETY- The Gouldsboro Historical Society will present "The Oyster Farm on Mill Pond," featuring Joe Young of Schoodic Sea Farm, Corea. Presentation will be held at 7PM, Monday May 5th, at the Society's headquarters located at 88 Old Route One, Gouldsboro. Pre-Columbian native Americans harvested shellfish including oysters on the Schoodic Peninsula. That tradition continues in a new form today as a former lobsterman grows and successfully sells oyster in Gouldsboro Bay. The public is invited.

<u>TRADE DAY</u>- The Schoodic Area Chamber of Commerce is making plans to enjoy Trade Day on May 17, 2025. Selling and finding those special bargains makes the day fun for everyone. Please make your preparations for your own yard sale and help make this a worthwhile event. Start your day with a blueberry pancake breakfast from 7-11AM at the Winter Harbor Masonic Hall. Dorcas Library will open their Attic Treasures + Sale from 10AM-4PM featuring antiques, crafts, plants and pastries. The Winter Harbor Library will be holding an antique book sale in their parking lot from 9-2PM. You are also invited to bring your yard sale items to the Winter Harbor Town Office parking lot and sell from your car trunk from 8-2PM. For more information, call and/or text Janette at (207) 653-1802.

SCHOODIC WOODS CAMPGROUND- Have some spare time? Schoodic Woods Campground is looking for help providing information to visitors at Schoodic Woods Campground. We are looking for help for the following days: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday or Saturday from 10 - 2PM. Just one day a week or a few would be wonderful. The ideal candidate will be responsible for the following:

- ~ Welcoming visitors as a friendly steward of the National Park Service
- ~ Providing Park orientation, trip planning, and trail information to the public at Schoodic Woods Campground
- ~ Providing information and safety messages to the public
- ~ Advising Park staff of potential resource threats
- ~ Ensuring safe work practices and actively promoting workplace safety
- ~ Continuing to expand knowledge of park resources through a variety of sources (reading, websites, and on-the-job training
- ~ Swearing in Junior Rangers
- ~ Swearing in Park Rangers, and other duties as assigned and mutually agreed upon If interested, please email <u>katie_daigle@nps.gov</u>.

<u>VETERANS' COMMITTEE</u>- The next meeting of the Gouldsboro Veterans' Committee will be on Tuesday, May 6th at 1PM in the meeting room of the town office. We will be finalizing the Memorial Day plans and discussing the summer raffle. This committee recognizes the passing of a local veteran, Linwood Koehling. We salute him for his service to our country and community.

2025 MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY- The Town of Gouldsboro's Memorial Day Ceremony will take place on Memorial Day, 26th of May 2025, at 10:30AM. The ceremony will be held at the Gouldsboro Veterans' Memorial at the Prospect Harbor Women's Club next to the Town Office. If inclement weather, the service will be held inside the building. The speaker will be Gouldsboro resident Beth Parks. Everyone is welcome to attend and be part of remembering our fallen veterans.

<u>SCHOODIC FOOD PANTRY</u>- We are grateful to the Gouldsboro and Winter Harbor Town Offices, Winter Harbor Provisions, Mc's Market, Steuben Country Store and Young's Market for featuring our donation canisters prominently on their counters. The newest businesses to welcome our canisters are the Milbridge House in Milbridge and TunkJoy Bakery in Steuben, which also has a food collection basket. We support them and hope you will too.

Stamp out Hunger – Annually, the second Saturday in May, the National Association of letter carriers and their postal customers participate in the NALC Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive- the largest one-day food drive in the nation. Since inception 30 years ago, this initiative has collected and donated nearly two billion pounds of food. This year, the food drive takes place on Saturday, May 10th, 2025. The post offices of Prospect Harbor, Corea, Birch Harbor, and Gouldsboro have graciously agreed to partner with the Schoodic Food Pantry for the first time to collect non-perishable food donations on May 10th. All donations will stay in our community! (The Winter Harbor Post Office staff is on vacation as of the submission dead line - TBD.) If you have a PO Box, plastic donation bags will be available starting May 3rd to place a donation in and return to your post office. If you receive your mail at home, you are welcome to put your donation in any plastic bag and either hang it from your mailbox, place it inside your box or on the ground next to the box, post office by 9AM on May 10th or bring it to your local post office. By using plastic bags, we hope to keep any donations dry. If you wish to donate, please remember non-perishable, no glass, check expiration dates, & new and sealed personal care items are welcome too! No matter how small or large, your donations will be greatly appreciated. Volunteers from the Schoodic Food Pantry will collect the donations from your local post offices and deliver directly to the food pantry.

COASTAL RESILIENCE- Gouldsboro's Coastal Resilience Committee will convene a meeting in the Peninsula School cafeteria on Saturday, May 17th at 1PM to consider how to make the town's working waterfront property in Prospect Harbor, Bunkers Harbor, and South Gouldsboro more resistant to sea-level rise and severe storms and more useful to fishermen and other users. The town will use input from this meeting to begin a study of the cost and feasibility of improvements to the town's waterfront infrastructure in these harbors. We encourage anyone working in or living around these harbors to attend. For more information see www.gouldsboroshore.me.

<u>SOUTH GOULDSBORO CEMETERY ASSOCITATIONS</u>- Holding their annual meeting at the Gouldsboro Town Office meeting room Sunday, May 18th at 2PM. All interested parties are encouraged to join.

<u>SCHOODIC NATIONAL SCENIC BYWAY 25 YEAR CELEBRATION</u>- On June 14, 2025 at the Sullivan Recreation Center, 10 – 2PM, The byway committee invite local business, organizations, artisans and food trucks to set up a tent or tables (inside or out doors). A suggested \$10 and food truck \$20 donation be made to the Recreation Center. If interested, contact Barbara Shanahan (207) 479-2699 or Peter Drinkwater (207) 460-1458.

<u>SCHOODIC COMMUNITY FUND</u>- The Schoodic Community Fund is now accepting grant applications which will be considered by our advisory committee this summer and awarded in September. All peninsula non-profits, schools, and municipalities are encouraged to apply. Applications are due by June 1st and can be downloaded from the SCF website: http://www.schoodiccommunityfund.org. Contact Tim Fisher with any questions at timliza@gmail.com or call (207) 546-6658.

<u>CODE ENFORCEMENT</u>- Any permanent structure requires a permit. This includes garage, expansions, additions, sheds, etc. or any work within the shoreland.

CODE ENFORCEMENT- New building permits issued			
NAME	ADDRESS	PROJECT TYPE	
Gopi Jararlamundi	86 Main Street	Patio/walkway/deck demo	
Daniel Lang	36 Summer Harbor Road	Modular Home	
Jamie Watson	266 East Schoodic Drive	Demo/New Residence	
Rick Hawkins	173 Paul Bunyan Road	Demo - Garage	

<u>DORCAS LIBRARY</u>- Attic Treasures Plus opens officially for the season on Trade Day, Saturday, May 17th, from 10AM to 4PM. There will be lots of items for sale, as well as plants and baked goods. We are still accepting donations of used items or fine handicrafts from local crafters. Attic Treasures will also be open May 24th and May

31st from 10AM – 4PM. The annual tomato plant sale will be held in early June. Children's Story Hour will be held Thursday, May 8th and May 22nd at 10:15AM. The Writers Group meets Thursday, May 8th at 1PM. Knitting and Needlework with Cyndi is Thursday, May 8th and May 22nd at 2PM. Qigong at the Dorcas+ building takes place every Monday from 9 – 10AM. Quilting & Sewing will not meet in May and June. There will be a rug class on Wednesday, August 13th.

ACWC- The Acadian Community Women's Club will be hosting a Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday, May 26, 2025 at 9:30AM in Winter Harbor at the Veteran's Memorial on Harbor Road (next to the W.H. Gym). Refreshments will be served immediately after the ceremony in the W.H. Masonic Hall on School Street. A friendly reminder — it is SCHOLARSHIP SEASON for the ACWC — the College Scholarship application deadline is May 1st, 2025. This scholarship is available to graduating seniors, alumni, or adults continuing their education beyond high school and may be applied to 4-year, 2-year, technical and certificate programs. Students residing in Gouldsboro or Winter Harbor are eligible to apply. The ACWC also offers *Summer Camp Scholarships* to children from Gouldsboro and Winter Harbor who wish to attend a 2025 summer camp. This includes day camps, overnight camps, scout camps, sports camps, church camps, EDGE camp, Schoodic Arts for All workshops, etc. — ALL LOCAL CHILDREN ARE WELCOME TO APPLY. The deadline to apply is June 1, 2025. In an effort to help as many kids as possible, camp scholarship amounts will vary based on financial need and available funds. The club will make awards until funds are depleted. Applications for *BOTH* scholarships are available at the Charles M. Sumner Learning Campus, the Peninsula School, as well as the Gouldsboro and Winter Harbor town offices.

RSU 24- June 12th is the last day for students at Mountain View, Ella Lewis, Sumner and the Adult Education Program. We will dismiss from Sumner at 11:30AM and all grammar school buses will depart as soon as buses are loaded at the grammar schools. June 13th is the last day for students at Cave Hill and Peninsula and we will release students at 11:30AM and summer vacation will begin for our schools. For those planning ahead, the Sumner Memorial High School class night is Tuesday, June 3rd and graduation is Thursday, June 5th. Sumner Middle School will hold its 8th grade promotion on June 9th. The Adult Education Certificate Ceremony is June 4th and Adult Education Graduation is the 11th. The members of the RSU Budget and Finance Committee completed their work reviewing the various budgets. The full budget (Adult Education/PK-12) was presented to the Board of Directors on April 15th and the budget was approved to move forward to the District Budget Meeting which will take place on May 28th at Sumner beginning at 6:30PM. Information on the FY 2026 budget can be found on the district webpage (rsu24.org), on the left hand side. The final step in the budget process is the Budget Referendum held on June 10th held at your local voting stations. Please know that we have a number of anticipated positions open for next school year. Please check our website to find the most up-to-date list of vacancies. Sumner High School has seven Hancock Technical County students who medaled at the state Skills USA Competition. This event allowed students to demonstrate their skills in their respective trades and compete for medals. Congratulations to the following students:

Reese Bryant - Culinary Arts — Bronze
Bekah Perry-Lind - Health Occupations — Silver
Senric Hanna - Diesel Technology — Gold
Brennan Beattie - Biomedical Science — Gold
Callie Chase - Early Childhood Education — Gold
Abby Billings - Business Leadership & Hospitality — Gold
Ashlynne Horn - Business Leadership & Hospitality — Gold

Students winning gold medals are moving on to the National Skills USA competition held in Atlanta, Georgia at the end of June. We wish them the best of luck!

CALENDAR OF TOWN EVENTS AND MEETINGS FOR MAY

MAY 5 th	MONDAY	COASTAL RESILIENCE @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
MAY 6 th	TUESDAY	VETERANS' COMMITTEE @ TOWN OFFICE	1PM
MAY 6 th	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
MAY 8th	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE BUDGET MEETING TO FOLLOW	5PM
MAY 12th	MONDAY	ABSENTEE BALLOTS AVAILABLE!	
MAY 17 th	SATURDAY	COASTAL RESILIENCE @ TOWN OFFICE	1PM
MAY 18 th	SUNDAY	SOUTH GOULDSBORO CEMETERY ASSOCIATION	2PM
MAY 20th	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
MAY 22 nd	TUESDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
MAY 26 th	MONDAY	TOWN OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY	ALL- DAY
MAY 26th	MONDAY	GOULDSBORO MEMORIAL DAY CERMONY @ PROSPECT HARBOR WOMEN'S CLUB	10:30AM

Our Town Office hours are Mon +Wed 8AM - 4PM, Tues 8AM - 5PM, Thurs 8AM - 6PM & Friday 8AM - 1PM.

MEET THE CANDIDATES

In order to keep you informed, we have contacted each candidate and provided an overview below of candidates running that wanted to participate in this informational insert. Our Town election to vote for candidates will be held June 10th, 2025 at the Gouldsboro Recreation Center from 8AM – 8PM.

We look forward to seeing you!

SELECT BOARD CANDIDATES

2 vacant seats for 3-year terms.



Peter McKenzie Select Board – 3-year term

I am a lifelong resident of the Town of Gouldsboro. With community support, I am seeking a second term as a Select Board member. I strongly feel Gouldsboro is moving forward in a very positive direction, and I would like to continue to be a part of that forward momentum.



Jackie Weaver Select Board – 3-year term

Serving on the Select Board the past nearly three years has been quite an education. I'd like to take that knowledge into a second term. This Select Board is committed to looking out for the best interests of the town in the face of challenges that are only getting more complicated. Today we have a high performing town government overseen by a top-notch manager and very capable department heads. All of that is critical. Moving forward we

have joined a statewide effort to revise the school funding formula; have proposed a capital budget to plan ahead for the town's infrastructure needs, and are continually looking for ways to keep important services in place while delivering those services as economically as possible. It would be a privilege to continue that work with this Select Board.

PLANNING BOARD CANDIDATES

2 vacant seats for 3-year terms.



Raymond Jones Planning Board – 3-year term

As a resident of Gouldsboro for over 29 years, I have had the opportunity to work with many neighbors and friends with the thoughts of keeping the town the way my wife and I found it those many years ago when we bought our property on Gouldsboro Point. I have served on the Planning Board for 20 years and this year will be one of the most important years of all. I hope the path, that the Planning Board has taken, will assure that

the future for Gouldsboro will be safe from any major disruptive changes. To that goal, I am seeking to be re-elected in order to accomplish that goal. Thank you.

OTHER RUNNING CANDIDATES: Jeff Grant, 3-year term

Safe Disposal of Sharps Why It's Important

Needle stick injuries are a serious public health risk, causing great stress to victims and costing thousands of dollars for medical testing.

Each year thousands of Mainers use millions of needles and lancets or "sharps" as part of their routine for controlling medical conditions such as diabetes, arthritis, severe allergies and migraines. Improper disposal of these sharps into household or workplace trash or by flushing them down the toilet puts you and your family, janitorial and solid waste staff, and the general public at risk for accidental needle sticks. Needle stick injuries are a serious public health risk because of the potential for transmission of blood-borne diseases such as Hepatitis B and HIV/AIDS.

Simply recapping a syringe is **not** enough to protect against needle sticks.

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What Should I Do With My Used Sharps?

Proper Containment and Disposal Practices

Handling Sharps at Home

Place used syringes, pen needles, lancets and other sharps in rigid containers resistant to leaks and punctures. Label filled containers "DO NOT RECYCLE."



Needle Clipping Devices

Devices that clip the needle off of a syringe allow you to throw the remaining piece in your household trash. Wrap the full device in heavy-duty tape and dispose in your trash.

Commercially Available & Mail-Back Sharps Containers

Filled commercial sharps containers (like the ones seen here) may be placed with household trash. Mail-back containers are designed to be filled and mailed to the manufacturer or manufacturer's disposal partner for proper disposal. While sharps containers may be available for purchase at your local pharmacy, some manufacturers may also provide containers free of charge through patient support programs (registration may be required). Contact the manufacturer for details.

Household Sharps Containers

Make your own sharps container using a heavy plastic bottle with a screw-on cap such as an old liquid laundry soap bottle. Seal with heavy-duty tape *and label* before disposing in your trash.

Getting Rid of the Waste

Local Hospitals

Some hospitals may accept used household sharps and dispose of them as part of their waste stream. Contact the Environmental Services Department at your local hospital for more information.

When You Are Away From Home

All Maine Turnpike Authority rest stops, some Maine airports and some retail stores have sharps disposal boxes for use while you are away from home.

For more information, contact the Maine Department of Environmental Protection Biomedical Waste Program at (207) 287-7688 or visit www.maine.dep/sharps.

Loose syringes, lancets, and other sharps should never be thrown in the trash.

Please Don't...

- Throw loose sharps into the trash or toilet.
- Leave sharps anywhere they could injure someone.
- Store used sharps in glass bottles, soda bottles, milk jugs, aluminum cans, coffee cans, or plastic bags.
- Put containers of used sharps in with recycling.

Proper disposal means:

- **☑** Clipping needles OR
- Placing sharps in proper containers
- ✓ Labeling containers "DO NOT RECYCLE"
- ✓ Using heavy-duty tape to secure container lids

CM P Scholarships

The Acadian Community
Woman's Club is offering Summer
Camp Scholarships to children
from Gouldsboro and Winter
Harbor who want to attend a
camp during summer vacation.
This includes: day camps,
overnight camps, scout camps,
sports camps, church camps, the
EdGE, Schoodic Arts for All, etc.

ALL CHILDREN ARE WELCOME TO APPLY.

*In an effort to help as many children as possible. scholarship amounts will vary based on financial need and available funds. The club will make awards until our funds are depleted. Applications are available at the Peninsula School and the town offices of Gouldsboro and Winter Harbor.





THE ACADIAN COMMUNITY WOMAN'S CLUB IS HOSTING A MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

Monday May 26, 2025 9:30 a.m. Joy Memorial Park — Harbor Road — Winter Harbor

Refreshments will be served immediately after the ceremony at the Winter Harbor Masonic Hall on School Street

