



TOWN CLERK- The Town Office will be closing at Noon on Christmas Eve, December 24, 2025 and will be closed December 25 & 26, 2025 in observance of the Christmas holiday. We will also be closed January 1, 2026 in observance of the New Year! Have a safe and happy holidays! ❄️

🌲 **Join us for the Christmas Trap Tree Lighting on Sunday, December 7, 2025 starting at 5PM at the Town Park!** Bring your loved ones to enjoy some hot cocoa, cookies, and great company as we celebrate the lighting of our new Christmas trap tree for the first time!

🌲 *Trash pick-up for December will happen on Wednesday, December 24th instead of Christmas Day. Please plan accordingly and be sure your trash is curbside by 7AM!*

🌲 Thank you to all who volunteered their effort and time at the November election. We appreciate your dedication!

🌲 **Help celebrate Gouldsboro's fourth 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!**

🌲 We will be offering Acadia Park passes beginning December 1, 2025. The passes will be \$35 each ~ half price of the annual fee of \$70. But don't wait, as we sell out fast! Passes must be obtained in person and we cannot hold aside passes. Online sales or phone orders are not possible.

🌲 **ALL DOGS MUST BE REGISTERED BY DECEMBER 31st.** The \$25 late fee starts February 1, 2026.

🌲 We were notified by Inland Fisheries & Wildlife; the 2026 documented boat stickers will be late arriving this year. They will be available sometime in January. If you are currently delinquent with your documented boat registrations, please be sure to come pay those. Letters have been sent out to unpaid boat owners.

🌲 2026 hunting and fishing licenses will be available for purchase starting **December 1st.**

🌲 Congratulations to Johnathan Renwick on his election to the Select Board, and Mark Altvater for his election to the Planning Board!

GOULDSBORO VETERANS' COMMITTEE- The Committee sends a grateful thank you to all those who helped with the Veteran's Dinner. The community volunteers are greatly appreciated, and they helped to make this event a huge success. The Veteran Angel Tree is now ready with gift tags at Anderson Marine and Hardware. You can pick a tag for a local veteran, purchase the gift and then bring the gift to the store by December 18th. The gifts will be delivered by Christmas. This Committee will meet on December 2nd at 1PM for our last meeting before our winter hiatus. This will be a brief meeting followed by a holiday reception. We want to extend our condolences to the family and friends of Thomas Allan, US Army, Gouldsboro, who recently passed. We salute him for his service to our country and community.

VETERAN SOCIAL COFFEE HOUR- There will be a monthly Veteran Social Coffee Hour starting on December 2nd at 7PM in the social room of the Prospect Harbor United Methodist Church. All veterans are welcome to attend this informal time of chatting and camaraderie with fellow veterans. We will continue to have this social event every month during the winter.

DORCAS LIBRARY- **Join us Monday, December 1st, for our Tree Lighting and Open House from 5 - 6PM at the library.** Harpist Carolyn Brock will perform and there will be refreshments. On December 13th at 4:30PM, we'll present a special concert Rings and Strings, with musician duo Gordon Thomas and Veronica Ward. The concert will consist of original and classic holiday pieces with handbells, vocals, and acoustic guitars. A \$20 donation at the door. All month long, handcraft gift items are available at the library for a donation. Don't forget you can drop off items for the Schoodic Food Pantry at the library. It is collected weekly. The library will be closed Thursday, December 25th for Christmas. Children's Story Hour will be held Thursday December 4th and 18th at 10:15AM. Writers Group is Thursday December 4th at 1PM. Knitting and Crocheting is Thursday, December 4th and 18th at 2PM. Qigong will NOT take place in December but will resume in January. There will be NO Quilting & Sewing in December. The next meeting is Wednesday, January 14th from 9AM – 4PM at the Plus building. Bring your project and a lunch.

SCHOODIC ARTS FOR ALL "POP UP ART SALE"- Come visit the SAFA Schoolhouse on Downtown Shopping Night, December 4th from 3 – 7PM! We will be hosting a "Pop Up Art Sale" with art and crafts created by our Community Craft group. AND each artist will provide an item for a raffle to benefit Schoodic Arts for All. Hope to see you there!

MITTEN MAKER REQUEST- If you knit or crochet, please consider making mittens for the children of our community. Remember to tie a little yarn bow at the edges of the mittens to keep them together as a pair, which also allows for hanging them from the branches of a little tree. Mittens may be delivered to the Gouldsboro Town Office or may be picked up by Nancy Hill. If you have questions, please call Nancy, (207) 963-2623.

ACADIAN COMMUNITY WOMAN'S CLUB- 2025 ANNUAL Chili, Chowder, and SOUP-ER Supper will be held on HOLIDAY SHOPPING NIGHT – Thursday, December 4th, from 4PM – until SOLD OUT 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 14th. A Reminder the ACWC has a VENMO account, @ACWCMaine, donations may be made through VENMO. Thank you for your continued support the ACWC's efforts in our communities! Happy Holidays!

PENINSULA PTA- The Peninsula School Parent Teacher Association will be hosting a Holiday Craft Fair and a Festival of Wreaths on December 4th, 5th, and 6th from 9AM – 3PM in the Winter Harbor Gym. Please contact Morgan Jellison (207) 546-6250 or by email peninsulaptc@gmail.com with questions. Thank you for the PAW-SOME support!

RSU 24- For those planning ahead, we will have an early release from school on Tuesday, December 23rd. The exact time of dismissal will be communicated by the school. The December vacation will begin on December 24th and students will return to school on Monday, January 5th. Our winter sports season has started and teams have been selected for middle and high school. Please check out the Sumner Middle and High School Facebook pages for the most up to date schedule information. *From the Sumner Booster Club:* The winter sports season is almost here! Sumner’s Varsity Boys and Girls basketball teams will kick things off on December 2nd with pre-season home games against MCI. Come out and cheer on our Tigers as they start the new season strong! The Boosters are gearing up for another busy winter and are always looking for extra hands. If you’d like to help out—whether it’s cooking, working in concessions, or assisting with tournaments—please reach out to Cindy Crowley (cindylcrowley@gmail.com) or Ginny Dennison (ginnydennison@gmail.com). Your support helps make these events a success! Our next meeting will be December 1st at 5:30PM in the conference room. Please join us in person or via zoom (link posted on our Facebook page the day of the meeting). This season, fans will notice some fresh new gear on the athletes. Thanks to the Boosters, the varsity girls’ and boys’ basketball teams will debut new shooting shirts, and the winter track team will have new long-sleeved jerseys for their meets. We also helped outfit the girls’ varsity team with new warm-up pants—they look fantastic! For school cancellations, we will continue to use the local media to spread the word. In addition, we use our "robocall" system which will contact parents directly IF their numbers are accurate in our student information system. If you are a parent and have had a recent phone number change, please make sure that you let the office (at your child's school) know your new number so that we can update the system.

CALENDAR OF TOWN EVENTS AND MEETINGS FOR DECEMBER

DECEMBER 2 nd	TUESDAY	VETERANS’ COMMITTEE @ TOWN OFFICE	1PM
DECEMBER 2 nd	TUESDAY	SELECT BOARD WORKSHOP (COMPREHENSIVE PLAN)	4:30PM
DECEMBER 2 nd	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
DECEMBER 4 th	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
DECEMBER 16 th	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
DECEMBER 18 th	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
DECEMBER 24th	WEDNESDAY	TRASH PICKUP WILL TAKE PLACE TODAY! Please be sure your trash is curbside by 7AM.	7AM
DECEMBER 24 th	WEDNESDAY	*TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSING EARLY IN OBSERVANCE OF CHRISTMAS EVE*	12PM
DECEMBER 25 th & 26 th	THURSDAY & FRIDAY	*TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY*	ALL DAY
JANUARY 1 st	THURSDAY	*TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THE NEW YEAR*	ALL DAY

Town Office hours are Mon +Wed 8AM – 4PM, Tues 8AM – 5PM, Thurs 8AM – 6PM and Friday 8AM – 1PM.

CODE ENFORCEMENT- *New building permits issued:*

NAME	ADDRESS	PROJECT TYPE
Robert Kalutkiewicz	706 Gouldsboro Point Road	Deck Expansion
Stephanie Shteirman & Rick Duerr	980 South Gouldsboro Road	Driveway
Charles & Sue Ellen Booher	128 Crowley Island Road	Garage
Elizabeth & John Gasparini	5 Sunrise Road	Addition/Remodel
Charles Webb	503 Pual Bunyan Road	Shoreland Stabilization
Tim Shay & Shiwa Noh	174 West Bay Road	New Residence
Osborn Family Limited Partnership	184 Schieffelin Point Road	New Residence
Louis Stanley	11 Stanley Street	Shed
Duane Vigue	546 West Bay Road	Shed
Katrina Hayward	1 Bartlett Hill Road	Trailer
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William Sommerville	22 Sargeant Road	2 Sheds
Erika Mitchell	12 Peninsula Road	Driveway
David Myrick	182 Main Street	Shed & Container
Rachel Duerr & Matt Runnals	South Gouldsboro Road	Driveway
Stephanie Shteirman	980 South Gouldsboro Road	New Residence
Arti Panchal	32 Peninsula Shores Road	New Residence (permit renewal)
Jamie Watson	260 East Schoodic Drive	Patio Reconstruction
Celine Mogielnicki & Florian Gawehns	South Gouldsboro Road	Driveway / Land Clearing
Colleen Fogarty	231 Shark Cove Road	New Residence
Eugenio Bertin	6 Sasha’s Way	New Residence

WELCOME ABOARD

Help us welcome 3 new hires to Schoodic EMS. To know a little bit about each one below is a mini bio for each new face who's ready to serve our peninsula.

Kat Souders is a Paramedic with 20 years of healthcare experience and has worked in EMS since 2018. Before moving to Maine, she began her EMS career with AMR Hartford in Connecticut, first as an EMT-Basic and later as a Paramedic. Kat moved to the community in July 2020 and lives in town with her husband and their two children. She currently serves with Machias Ambulance Service. She has also worked as an Operations Coordinator and Paramedic for Northern Light Ambulance in the Ellsworth division, as well as a Paramedic with Northern Light Ambulance C.A. Dean division. She is passionate about providing high-quality emergency medical care and supporting her local community.



Ben Souders comes to Schoodic EMS with fifteen years of experience in emergency medical services, beginning his career as an EMT-Basic and later advancing to the level of Advanced Emergency Medical Technician. Over the years, he has served communities across five counties in Maine, most recently working for Northern Light Medical Transport & Emergency Care in Ellsworth and Bold Coast EMS in Millbridge. Originally raised in Prospect Harbor, Ben began his involvement in public safety as a junior firefighter with the Gouldsboro Fire Department. While living in Penobscot County, he served as Deputy Fire & EMS Chief for the Town of Kenduskeag, gaining valuable leadership and operational experience. Ben is excited to be working with Schoodic EMS and looks forward to serving the community he has always called home!



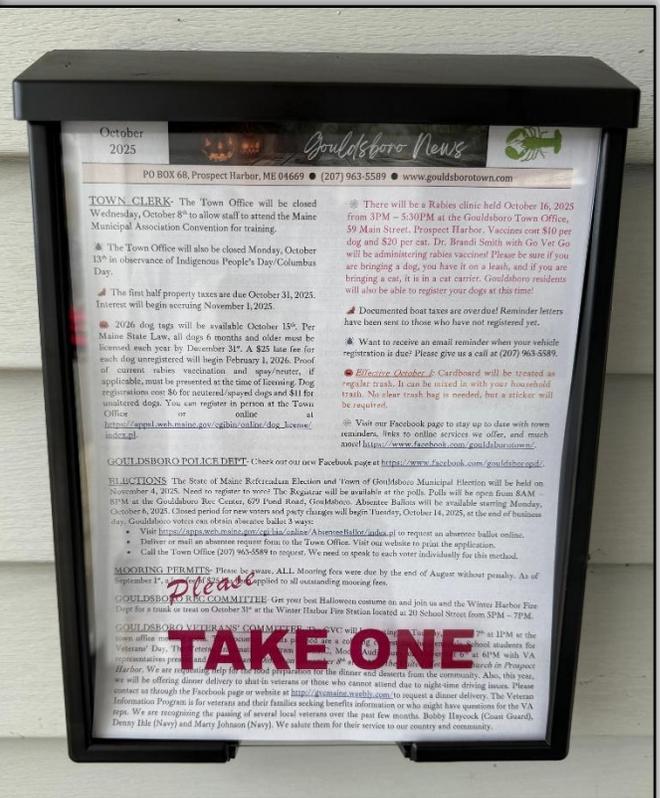
Jess McDevitt joins us with 3 years of experience working & volunteering in Fire/EMS in Downeast Maine. She grew up in the surrounding area and is now happily rooted here with her husband and two amazing children. Jess considers it a pleasure working with and getting to know the Schoodic EMS team over the past few weeks while looking forward to serving the Gouldsboro and Winter Harbor community!

Introducing our new 24/7 monthly newsletter box!

We're excited to announce the launch of our new monthly newsletter box, available for all residents to access anytime, day or night! Stay up-to-date on community news, upcoming meetings and events, and important dates at your convenience. Whether you're at home or on the go, simply stop by and grab the latest edition or find it digitally online on our website at www.gouldsborotown.com. In addition, you can also pick up a monthly newsletter at the following locations:

- Mc's Market
- Schoodic Food Pantry
- Dorcas Library
- Gouldsboro Clinic
- Winter Harbor Provisions

No matter where you are, we've made it easy for you to stay informed. Grab a copy today!



THE ACADIAN COMMUNITY WOMAN'S CLUB

CHILI, CHOWDER, AND SOUP-ER

THURSDAY

DECEMBER 4, 2025

4:00PM UNTIL SOLD OUT



**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

