



Happy  
FATHER'S  
DAY

# COMMUNITY NEWS FRIENDLY VILLAGE of GORHAM JUNE 2023

## Dates to Remember in June:

- 1 World Reef Awareness Day
- 7 Global Running Day
- 8 World Ocean Day
- 13 World Softball Day
- 14 National Flag Day
- 18 Father's Day
- 20 American Eagle Day
- 21 Summer Solstice
- 30 Take Your Dog to Work Day



## Excerpt of Important Reminder from Pool Rules

**11.) Pool Attendant Coverage: POOL ATTENDANT:**  
The Pool Attendant has full authority to enforce any and all Pool and Clubhouse Rules. Failure to comply with the rules or challenging the authority of the Pool Attendant will result in suspension of pool privileges. The Pool Attendant is not a lifeguard. Swim At Your Own Risk. When the Pool Attendant is **On Duty** children ages **10 and up** may use the pool without being accompanied by an adult. When the Pool Attendant is **Not On Duty** only those age **14 and up** may use the pool without a responsible adult. When the Pool Attendant is not on duty a child under 14 must be accompanied by an ADULT who is fully responsible for that child. An older sibling is not considered to be an adult unless they are at least 18 years old and fully responsible for the child in their care.

**12.)** The Pool Attendant has complete authority concerning safety and pool rule enforcement. Failure to comply with the orders of the Attendant will result in suspension of pool privileges. **FULL RULES LISTED IN COMMUNITY GUIDELINES AND COPIES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE**



**Happy Birthday  
to all residents  
who are celebrating a  
June Birthday...  
We hope you have  
a great one!**

## MANAGER'S CORNER:

**Looking for dish or satellite TV installation? Call the office first for location approval.**

**With summer upon us remember to be a good neighbor, with warm nights and windows open, keep noise levels to a minimum.**

**By town ordinance and park rules discharge of fireworks is not permitted along with any open burning in or on the community lands.**

**If you have property in the storage lot that you no longer use, please remove it!**

**Residents are reminded to cut card board into 2' 6'' widths if possible for the Recycle Company can fit it into the truck. You need to break the boxes down, remove any non recycle goods and properly dispose, in properly tagged bags.**

**Remember the pool closes at 7:30!**

**JOHN L. RICHARD**

**SOME**  
*Super* **Heroes**  
 Don't have  
**CAPES...**  
*They are*  
 called **DAD**

### Visit your Local Farmer's Market

June is the beginning of the season to buy local produce grown right here in Maine. So visit your local markets and get some fresh veggies, fruit and meat.  
**Gorham** - South Street, Sat. , 8:30 am to 12:30 pm  
**Scarborough** - Rt. 1., Sat. , 9 am to 1 pm  
**Portland** - Monument Sq., Wed. 7 am to 2 pm  
**Portland** - Deering Oaks, Sat., 7 am to 1 pm



Check online: [getrealmaine.com](http://getrealmaine.com) for more markets and pick your own farms

### Re-post of my Mom's Recipe Strawberry Pizza

2 qt. whole or halved strawberries

#### Crust:

1 c. flour  
 1/4 c. powdered sugar  
 1/2 c. melted butter



#### Cheese Mixture:

1 (8 oz.) cream cheese  
 1 can Eagle Brand sweetened condensed milk  
 1/3 c. lemon juice (will curdle milk!)  
 1 tsp. vanilla

#### Glaze:

1 1/2 c. sugar  
 4 tbsp. cornstarch  
 1 1/2 c. water  
 1 sm. pkg .strawberry Jell-O

Combine flour and powdered sugar for the crust, mix in melted butter. Pat out on 14-inch pizza pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 10 minutes.

Cheese layer: Combine cream cheese, sweetened condensed milk, lemon juice, and vanilla. Mix well and spread on the crust. Chill. Place strawberries on the crust and cheese mixture.

Glaze: Combine sugar and cornstarch. Add water and cook until thick. Add strawberry Jell-O; cool. Pour over berries and crust in desired amount. Use leftover glaze on plain berries.

*Recipe courtesy of Irene Wagner of Wagner Strawberry Farm, Gorham*

### Sprucing up your lots

Just to remind residents that loam and mulch are available free of charge for your use on your lots. The bark mulch pile is located at the end of Maple Drive near the gates for the garage. The loam pile is located at the end of Ash Drive, just past the storage area gates.

You are responsible for moving the amount you need for your project via buckets or tarps covering your trunk. Another reminder to residents when planting and putting in gardens to check with the office if planting near the road. We like to keep back six feet from the road so we do not damage you trees/shrubs when plowing. So set-back is important.

If you are digging in your yard, we require you to call DIGSAFE (dial 811) to make sure it is safe to dig where you want.

### How to Grow Grass in Sand or Gravel Conditions

Sandy, gravel-filled soil, while providing well-drained, healthy conditions for some plant life, poses difficulties for grass growth. Grass typically requires a high level of moisture to remain lush and vigorous, and neither sand nor gravel retain water well. Moisture runs through these soil types faster than others, and the frequent watering they require also tends to wash away nutrients. Regular amendments to sand or gravel conditions can improve soil retention and allow drought-tolerant grass varieties to flourish. To water wisely and encourage deep root growth (too much water makes the grass roots shallow and susceptible to drought sooner) put your sprinkler on a timer, 10 or 15 minutes very early in the morning and again in the evening.

#### VERY IMPORTANT

**To hold nutrients, and water in the root zone of your new grass it is a must to add organic matter. Peat moss, composted cow manure, any kind of compost all add bits and pieces to the soil so it can hold moisture and nutrients at root level. Lawns need a feeding schedule, especially in sandy soil conditions like we have here at Friendly Village. Ask around the community and if someone has a beautiful lawn, they work at it. You cannot plant some grass seed, water it a bit and expect to have a nice looking lawn.**

Coleen

## LAWN CARE

### LAWN TREATMENT PROGRAM

- **Early spring:** Your lawn needs extra nutrients to maintain color and density. At this time you need to apply a quick release fertilizer. Now is also a great time for spring maintenance.
- **Spring:** With the weather turning warmer apply a slow release fertilizer that prepares your lawn for summer. Apply a preventative crabgrass control at this time. Rule of thumb for timing: apply crabgrass preventative before forsythia blossoms fall.
- **Early Summer :** Grub control/Insect control is applied, giving season-long control against grubs and the damage they cause. Grub control is highly recommended to keep your lawn healthy.
- **Summer:** Summer conditions can stress your lawn. To prepare for the warm season ahead, fertilize, look for problems and treat weeds as necessary. Remember to water, preferably in the early morning. Tip: set out a tuna can to collect the sprinkler water, and time, once you reach an inch of water in the can, that give you the amount of time to set your sprinkler to give adequate water for your lawn.
- **Late Summer:** Care needs continue with a fertilizer application that helps maintain color without encouraging excess growth. Treat weeds if necessary, and if grubs are present another application of grub control will help.
- **Early Fall:** Your lawn needs help rebounding from summer stress. Apply a fall fertilizer and now is a great time to aerate your lawn and seed any bare areas.
- **Late Fall:** Apply a late fall/winter fertilizer, lime your lawn if needed all of this allows root growth and food storage to help your lawn survive during the winter months.

#### CRYPTOGRAM #3 SOLUTION

This quote by Walt Disney



I WOULD RATHER ENTERTAIN AND HOPE THAT PEOPLE LEARNED SOMETHING THAN EDUCATE PEOPLE AND HOPE THEY WERE ENTERTAINED



## Thicken Your Lawn by OVERSEEDING

### Why Overseed Your Lawn?

The weather, kids, and pets can be tough on lawns. By applying grass seed over an existing lawn, you can help fill in bare spots and reinvigorate your lawn. It's an easy and effective way to strengthen your lawn and thicken your grass to help naturally protect against weed problems.



**THIN LAWN**      **THICK LAWN**

**Overseeding helps to:**

- ✓ Revive a worn & thin lawn
- ✓ Fill in bare spots
- ✓ Crowds out weeds by thickening lawn
- ✓ Improve heat & drought tolerance

### How to Overseed

#### 1 PREP

Before overseeding your lawn, you should mow your lawn at the lowest setting and bag the clippings. This will allow the seed to come into contact with the soil when you spread it. After mowing, rake to remove debris, dead grass, and loosen soil. To choose the best seed for your area, see map below.



#### 2 SEED

Now comes the easy part. Fill up your Scotts® spreader with grass seed, adjusting the setting according to label directions and apply. For best results, use Scotts® Turf Builder® Starter® Food For New Grass before watering to help new grass grow thicker and quicker.\*

**Seed Tip:** Use the reseeding settings on the back of your seed package.

\*Versus unfed.



#### 3 WATER

To get your seed going, water your lawn once or twice per day based on weather conditions, until the new seedlings have reached the height of your existing lawn.

**Water Tip:** Use a water timer to help you mist your lawn frequently.



**Lawn Tip:** You can continue to mow your lawn as needed, but try to limit the activity on your lawn until your new seedlings have reached a mowing height.

### When to Overseed



**SPRING -OR- FALL**

**NORTHERN LAWNS** – Spring and fall give you the right conditions for cool-season grass seed. In the fall the soil is still warm, but the air is cooler, providing optimal growing conditions.

**SOUTHERN LAWNS** – Late-spring through mid-summer provide ideal conditions for warm-season grass seed.

### Choosing the Best Seed for Your Area

Use the map below to determine your grass seed region. For additional help determining what Scotts® seed will best suit your project, click on the **Scotts® Grass Seed Selector Tool** below.

