



# FRIENDLY VILLAGE of GORHAM

## COMMUNITY NEWS November 2023

### Special Dates in November

- 5 Daylight Savings—Ends \*Sleep in an extra hour\*
- 7 Election Day \*Get out and vote\*
- 11 Veteran’s Day \*Thank a Vet today for their service\*
- 15 America Recycles Day \*Declutter and recycle\*
- 16 International Day for Tolerance \*Be Kind\*
- 23 Thanksgiving \*Share what you are thankful for in life\*
- 24 Black Friday \*Shop till you drop\*
- 25 Small Business Saturday \*Support local businesses\*
- 27 Cyber Monday \*Christmas shop online\*

Friendly Village Office  
Will be closed for Thanksgiving  
November 23rd and 24th

*John and the staff wish you all a wonderful Thanksgiving*



**REMEMBER DAYLIGHT  
SAVINGS  
TIME ENDS  
NOVEMBER 5TH**

**Set your clocks back one hour  
\*\*\*Spring Ahead, Fall Back\*\*\***



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

### MANAGER’S CORNER:

As winter approaches residents should take notice of the following;

- Make sure all outside garden hoses are removed from sill cocks.
- Remove basketball hoops from edge of road.
- Store all seasonal articles from the summer.
- If you haven’t put you name on the heat tape checklist, call the office.

**Remember there is no parking on the street during snowstorms; vehicles will be towed at your expense!**

Residents are encouraged to check their oil tanks for possible leaks.



**JOHN L. RICHARD**

## Acorn Candy Cookies

Ready in 45 minutes

### Ingredients:

1 tablespoon prepared chocolate frosting  
24 milk chocolate candy kisses (such as Hershey's Kisses™), unwrapped

24 mini vanilla wafer cookies (such as Nilla™) 24 butterscotch chips

### Directions:

Smear a small amount of frosting onto the flat bottom of a candy kiss. Press onto the flat bottom of the vanilla wafer. Smear a little more frosting onto the flat bottom of a butterscotch chip, and press onto the rounded top of the cookie. Repeat with remaining ingredients. Set aside to dry, about 30 minutes.



## Attention pet owners



**Please remember pet waste is your responsibility.** It is not acceptable to allow your dog or cat to leave droppings on other peoples lawns / vacant lots or to put bagged poop at mailboxes, storm drains or in other resident's recycle bins.

**Responsible ownership of pets is expected in Friendly Village. Violations can result in the requirement to remove your pet from the community.**

All pet waste must be picked up and bagged, including small dogs and cats. Those walking their pets on the power lines, please do not allow your dog to go to the bathroom in the roadway to the water building.

**Tongue Twister:** I thought a thought.  
But the thought I thought wasn't the thought I thought I thought.  
If the thought I thought I thought had been the thought I thought, I wouldn't have thought so much.

## Selling your Home

**Just a reminder** if you are thinking about selling your home.

You required to give us 30 days notice and need a letter of approval to sell from the office. Please contact the office to schedule a time for John to come out and inspect the home .

He will look over the home to make sure the oil tank is in good condition, and that the home has working smoke and carbon dioxide detectors, etc. This needs to be done before going on the market per Community Guidelines clause #9.

We are happy to recommend some brokers to sell your home through, if you are interested call the office.

## JUST A REMINDER TO RESIDENTS

In these weird times we are living in now. Make sure you keep your cars, sheds and homes locked and secure. Please look out for your fellow residents, especially your older neighbors to help them be safe as well.

**Do not hesitate to call the Gorham PD of any unusual activity.**

## FRIENDLY VILLAGE CLUBHOUSE

*Available for private functions!!!*

Residents are required to provide a \$15 cash deposit for the key and \$100 cash or check for the cleaning deposit, at the time of booking the clubhouse.

Deposits will be refunded in full when the key is returned and the clubhouse has been cleaned with furniture back in its original placement. All the trash generated during the event must be removed from the clubhouse by the resident. Failure to follow these steps will result in forfeiture of the deposits.

## IT'S PARTY TIME

## RENT PAYMENT OPTIONS

I JUST WANTED TO REMIND RESIDENTS THERE ARE ALL SORTS OF OPTIONS TO MAKE YOUR RENT PAYMENTS EVEN IF THE OFFICE IS CLOSED OR ON LIMITED HOURS.

**AUTOMATIC PAYMENT:** You fill out a form that allows the office to make your payment for you on the date of your choosing, (first to fifteenth), and from the account of your choice.

**DROP OFF A CHECK:** You can drop a payment off in the lock box slot on the left side of the clubhouse door.

**ONLINE PAYMENT OPTION:** You can request an emailed link to our online payment option, and you can make a payment anytime you choose.

**SET UP A PAYMENT OPTION WITH THE OFFICE:** You can call the office and add a payment option to your account. You then can call or email the office each month when you want me to run the payment for you.

Lots of options to choose from to keep on track.



## Prepping your home for Winter

Preparing your manufactured home for winter is not much different than that of a home built on site. However, there are some preparation and maintenance tips listed below that may be unique to a manufactured home. The following items are merely suggestions for maintaining your home and you should always consult your manufactured home owner's manual for specific instructions.

1. Skirting should be installed per the manufacturer's instructions, keeping in mind to allow adequate ventilation so that odor or condensation problems do not occur. Make sure all drain lines from air conditioner, heat pump, etc. drain to outside of home skirting.
2. Close all access points in skirting to keep rodents and other wild animals from living under your home.
3. Adjust storm door closures for proper closing action and latch function to prevent excessive air infiltration.
4. Vent the clothes dryer directly outside the home. Improper venting will contribute to major condensation problems in the home.
5. Water lines should be protected by wrapping them first with an approved heat cable. Install the heat cable per the manufacturer's instructions, which may vary according to the type of water riser in place. At the beginning of cold weather, check to be sure heat tapes are plugged in and in good working condition. If you are planning on being away for an extended period of time, it is best to shut off water supply completely.
6. Make sure garden hoses are disconnected from outside faucets to allow freeze proof faucets to drain..
7. Furnace filters should be installed and cleaned regularly (monthly) as air cannot pass through a dirty filter thereby increasing your operating costs.
8. Check for ice or snow buildup around your furnace or water heater roof caps. It is important to keep this area open to provide for proper operation.
9. During periods of severe cold, leave cupboard and closet doors open at night and when you are away so that heat may circulate in these otherwise cold areas.

10. Check the underside of your home for any holes in the belly board. Be sure all heat registers are in working order and sealed. Replace any inoperative or damaged registers.
11. On multi-section homes, make sure crossover pipe is installed to both halves of the home and are in good working condition. There should be no holes and no water in this pipe and it should be fully insulated.
12. Check to be sure heat tapes are plugged in and in good working condition.
13. Fix all plumbing leaks to keep sewer line from freezing. Sometimes toilet tank leaks can be small and unobservable. To check tank for leak, tie the float up in the evening; and if the tank is lower in the morning, you will know that you have a leak.
14. Keep any fuel tanks as full as possible to avoid freezing. Your Manufactured home manual will give you other tips that can be helpful in not only preventing costly repairs associated with freezing, but also to enhance the energy efficiency of your home.



### 2024 Dog Registrations

You can register your dog for 2024 in the Gorham Town Clerk's office or online now until January 31, 2024. After January 31, 2024, a \$25.00 late fee per dog will be added to your registration. Please bring the current Rabies Certificate and Spayed/ Neutered Certificate with you to register your dog. Once licensed, please bring your proof to Coleen at the Friendly Village office to update our files. Proof of current inoculations for dogs and cats is required yearly. We do work with the Animal Control Officer, Scott Nystrom, to identify animals in the park that are not in compliance with Town and Park rules.

### Outback Steakhouse Dipping Sauce

Author: Copycat Restaurant Recipes, Prep  
 Time: 10 Minutes Cook Time: 10 Minutes Serves: 4

#### Ingredients:

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|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1/2 cup mayonnaise        | 2 teaspoons Ketchup        |
| 2 tablespoons Horseradish | 1/4 teaspoon paprika       |
| 1/4 teaspoon salt         | 1/8 teaspoon dried oregano |

Dash ground black pepper and cayenne pepper

Combine together, mix well. Cover and place in fridge for at least 30 minutes before serving.

**POLICE - FIRE- RESCUE,**  
**Emergency dial: 9-1-1**  
**Non-emergency dial: 839-5581**  
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**For Friendly Village  
 Maintenance Emergencies:**

**Water-Sewer-Power  
 Dial Friendly Village Pager:  
 207-400-0368**

**Friendly Village of Gorham,**  
 5 Ash Drive, Gorham, ME 04038  
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 www.mainemobilehomes.com  
 facebook.com/friendlyvillage.ofgorham  
 Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 8:30 to 4  
**Closed Fridays** (Hours subject to  
 change w/out notice.)



**Snow Plowing & Shoveling**  
 Dylan Perry  
 615-1146

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**Handyman Services Call**  
**Ryan Simoneau**  
**400-5711**

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Anyone interested in clearing driveways and walkways can advertise here. Call the office and let us know.



## Thanksgiving Day

Fourth Thursday of November

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AMERICA  
 CANOE  
 COLONY  
 CORNUCOPIA  
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 FALL  
 FAMILY  
 FEAST  
 FREEDOM

GRATITUDE  
 HARVEST  
 HOLIDAY  
 INDIANS  
 MAIZE  
 MAYFLOWER  
 MILES STANDISH  
 NEWWORLD  
 NOVEMBER

PILGRIMS  
 PLYMOUTH  
 PUMPKIN PIE  
 PURITANS  
 SQUASH  
 STUFFING  
 THANKSGIVING  
 TURKEY  
 YAMS

