



News About Town

Gray, Maine - February 2020

Closures:

President's Day

Monday, February 17

All Municipal Offices Closed

2020 GNG Business Summit

A Food Coop in GNG? Let's see! & Local Business Showcase

Hosted by the Gray New Gloucester Development Corp. In cooperation with the towns of Gray and New Gloucester

Along with the local business showcase and economic development updates from Gray, New Gloucester and the GNGDC, this year's keynote speaker is John Crane, General Manager of the Portland Food Coop



John Crane has been involved with the coop since its inception and will share the journey from the beginning. His areas of professional expertise include, business planning and financial budgeting; strategic visioning and planning; member-owner relationships; customer service; marketing and promotions, and community relations – all of which are critical to the successful launch and continued operation of a food coop.

Where? **NU brewing 437 Lewiston Road (Rte. 100) New Gloucester**
When? **Thursday, March 5th, 2020**
Time? Social hour and showcase begin at **5:30**
Program begins at approximately **6:15**
RSVP? By **February 27th @ <http://gngdc.com/business-summit-2020/>**

Appetizers will be catered by Yolked food truck &

NU Brews will be available for purchase

If you'd like to showcase your business, please see information below:

Local Business Showcase

We have limited space available for local businesses to showcase their products. Spaces are approximately 4' each (shared tables). Space is available on a first come first served basis. Please contact John Scheckel at 232-5767 or jscheckel@gngdc.com to reserve space.



Election Information *March 03, 2020*

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY & SPECIAL STATE REFERENDUM ELECTION - MARCH 3, 2020



On **March 3rd** there will be a **Presidential Primary & Special State Referendum Election**.

Any registered voter can vote on the referendum question, but to participate in the Presidential Primary, you must be enrolled in either the Democratic or Republican Party.

- If you are unenrolled, you may enroll in a party up until Election Day. Once enrolled in a party, you must stay enrolled in that party for at least 3 Months.
- If you are enrolled (and have been for 3 months) and want to change parties, you must do so at least 15 days prior (February 14th) to the election.

Election Day - March 3rd

The polls will be open at the **Newbegin Gym** at Gray Town Hall on **Tuesday, March 3rd** from **6am-8pm**.

Sample Ballots

View sample ballots for the upcoming election on our [Elections Page](#).

Absentee Ballots

Absentee Ballots are [available here](#)! Registered voters may vote in person or request ballots to be mailed to you. The last day to absentee vote is Thursday, February 27th.

Voter Registration

Stop by Town Hall and register to vote! To register you will need the following:

- Proof of Identity (Driver's License)
- Proof of Residency (Tax bill, vehicle registration, hunting/fishing license, utility bill, etc.)

View the [Maine Voting Residence Fact Sheet](#) or Statute - [Title 21A, Chapter 3, Subchapter 2, §112-A](#) for more information.

Questions? Please contact the Town Clerk's office by calling 207-657-3339 or [emailing](#).

BUCKLE UP
THE ONES
YOU LOVE



HAPPY
VALENTINE'S DAY



DRIVE **TO ZERO**

THE CONFUSED STATE OF DISTRACTED DRIVING

Nearly everyone thinks they're a great driver, but with traffic fatalities at their highest point in almost a decade, it's time for Americans to face the delusions they have about their own driving habits. By analyzing survey responses and actual driving data, it's clear perceptions don't line up with reality.



Over **96%** of Americans
believe they are safe drivers

While nearly **40%** believe
the majority of drivers are unsafe

Talk Early, Talk Often...Keep Talking About Substance Use to Keep Kids Healthy

WHAT TO SAY

Preschool: *"Vitamins are to keep us healthy, but only take what I give you."*

Elementary School: *"It's dangerous to take somebody else's medicine, it could make you sick. Only take what your doctor chooses for you."*

Middle/High School: *"Your brain is still developing until age 25 and alcohol and drugs can cause harm."*

Base drug and alcohol messages on facts, not fear. Teens want to know the science.

A grant funded project sponsored by
Cumberland County Government 

Tip of the Month



Parents are the #1 influence in a child's life. It's not too early to talk with your child.

Casco Bay CAN

CREATE AWARENESS NOW
TOGETHER, PREVENTING YOUTH SUBSTANCE USE



www.cascobaycan.org

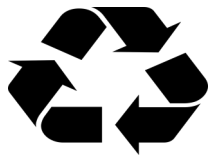


GNG Patriots Lacrosse!

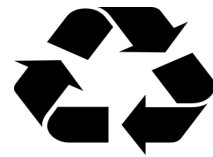
Registration Open!

gngpatriotlacrosse.org





Welcome to the February Recycling Corner!



We are proud to introduce a new Town of Gray Website all about recycling!



RECYCLOPEDIA

GRAYME-RECYCLES.ORG

Search by name or navigate by category.

Thank you for your efforts to
reduce, reuse and recycle!



Town of Gray, Maine *Recyclopedica*

- All
- Automotive
- Batteries
- Construction
- Electronics
- Garden
- Glass
- Hazardous
- Household
- Metal
- Paint
- Paper
- Plastic

Why Gray has mandatory recycling:



Every ton of material thrown in the hopper costs \$70.50.
The Town of Gray averages over 2,500 tons of waste a year.
Recycling generates **revenue** rather than **cost**!
YOU have control over wasteful spending. Think twice.
PLEASE RECYCLE!

It all comes down to our tax dollars...

Each type of waste at the Transfer Station represents a dollar value. Most of the items collected in the Recycling Shed are sold on the waste commodity market for profit. Most of the waste segregated in bays and roll-offs behind the Recycling Shed cost varying amounts of dollars per ton to dispose of.

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YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID®

Youth Mental Health First Aid is designed to teach adults how to help a youth or teen (age 12-18) who is experiencing a mental health or substance use challenge or crisis. Topics that are covered include anxiety, depression, and disruptive behavior disorders. The course introduces common mental health challenges for youth, reviews typical adolescent development, and teaches a 5 - Step action plan for how to help young people in both crisis and non-crisis situations.

Earn 8 continuing education credits and a three-year national certification from NCFBH. This training meets the state mandate for school staff in suicide awareness.



February 28, 2020

8:30am - 5:00pm

**Gray-New Gloucester Adult Education Office
Adult & Community Education Classroom
10 Libby Hill Road, Gray ME 04039**

Register at: www.namimaine.org/events

For more information on community trainings or to schedule a private training for your agency, please contact Libby Wright at:
ymhfa@namimaine.org (207) 622-5767 x 2320

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