



# COMMUNITY NEWS

## FRIENDLY VILLAGE OF GORHAM

### OCTOBER 2024



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
TO ALL RESIDENTS  
WHO ARE  
CELEBRATING  
AN OCTOBER  
BIRTHDAY.  
WE HOPE YOU HAVE  
A GREAT ONE!**



#### SPOOKY DATES TO REMEMBER

- 1 INTERNATIONAL COFFEE DAY
- 2 ROSH HASHANAH
- 10 WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY
- 14 NATIVE AMERICANS' DAY
- 21 NATIONAL APPLE DAY
- 27 NATIONAL BLACK CAT DAY
- 28 NATIONAL FIRST RESPONDERS DAY
- 31 HALLOWEEN

#### HEAT TAPE INSPECTIONS



WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE THE HEAT TAPE ON YOUR WATER PIPES SAFETY INSPECTED AND PLUGGED IN, FREE OF CHARGE? CONTACT THE OFFICE TO SIGN UP, EITHER BY EMAIL, PHONE OR STOP BY. CALL BACKS FOR PLUG IN AFTER INITIAL INSPECTION WILL INCUR A SERVICE CHARGE. INSPECTIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED BY MID OCTOBER. ANY NEEDED REPAIRS OR REPLACEMENTS ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE HOME OWNER. WE DO NOT RETURN TO UNPLUG THEM IN THE SPRING. PLEASE MAKE YOUR OWN ARRANGEMENTS FOR THIS SERVICE.

**WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU HAVE YOUR HEAT TAPES PLUGGED IN BY OCTOBER 31ST.**

#### COMMUNITY YARD SALE

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12TH  
FROM 8:00AM-TO-3:00 PM**

**( RAIN DATE, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13TH)**

RESIDENTS MAY SETUP IN THEIR OWN YARD. CLEAN UP MUST BE COMPLETED WITHIN 24 HOURS AFTER THE SALE ENDS, INCLUDING ANY SIGNS PLACED. AN AD WILL BE PLACED ON THE FRIENDLY VILLAGE FACEBOOK PAGE, FEEL FREE TO SHARE IT AROUND TO INCREASE AD COVERAGE.



#### MANAGER'S CORNER

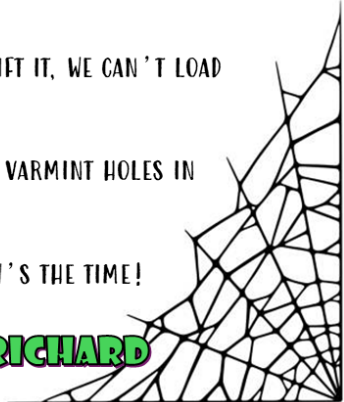
REMEMBER ON HALLOWEEN WE HAVE A LOT OF TRICK OR TREATERS THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY SO PLEASE DRIVE SAFE!

AS FALL IS HERE AND THE LEAVE SEASON IS UPON US PLEASE REMEMBER "IF YOU CAN'T LIFT IT, WE CAN'T LOAD IT".

NOW IS THE TIME TO INSPECT YOUR HOME FOR WINTER, SUCH AS OIL TANKS, SKIRTING AND VARMINT HOLES IN YOUR UNDERBELLY.

FREEZING WEATHER IS COMING SO IF YOU HAVEN'T GOT ON THE HEAT TAPE CHECKLIST, NOW'S THE TIME!

**JOHN L. RICHARD**





## TRICK OR TREATING TIPS

**RESIDENTS:** IF YOU WISH TO PASS OUT CANDY FOR HALLOWEEN ON OCTOBER 31ST, PLEASE LEAVE YOUR PORCH LIGHT ON. IF YOU WISH *NOT* TO PASS OUT CANDY, OR IF YOU RUN OUT OF CANDY, PLEASE LEAVE YOUR PORCH LIGHT OFF.

**PARENTS:** PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD IS CARRYING A FLASHLIGHT AND/OR WEARING SOMETHING REFLECTIVE SO THEY CAN BE SEEN BY MOTORISTS. ALL COSTUMES AND WIGS SHOULD BE LABELED "FLAME RETARDANT". COSTUMES SHOULD FIT WELL SO AS NOT TO CAUSE A TRIPPING HAZARD. FDA FACE PAINT IS BEST, BUT IF MASKS ARE WORN, THEY SHOULD FIT WELL SO CHILDREN CAN SEE. PLEASE CHECK ALL CANDY TO ENSURE IT IS SAFE, WARN CHILDREN TO NEVER ENTER HOMES WITHOUT A TRUSTED ADULT, AND TO NEVER ACCEPT RIDES FROM STRANGERS, OR ANYONE ELSE FOR THAT MATTER, UNLESS THE PARENT HAS APPROVED OF IT FIRST. ADVISE TRICK OR TREATERS TO ALWAYS STAY TO THE SIDE OF ROADS AND TO BE AWARE OF TRAFFIC AS WELL AS CARS IN DRIVEWAYS.

**MOTORISTS:** PLEASE DRIVE EXTRA CAUTIOUSLY ON HALLOWEEN, INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF THE F.V. COMMUNITY BECAUSE SOME STREETS CAN GET QUITE BUSY WITH MANY TRICK OR TREATERS. WE WANT THIS TO BE A SAFE AND FUN TIME FOR ALL!



## CHILLING EVENTS IN OCTOBER...

**CRAFT FAIR**  
WESTBROOK COMMUNITY CENTER  
426 BRIDGE ST., WESTBROOK  
OCTOBER 5TH  
9AM - 3PM

**HARVEST WALK 2024**  
SPILLER COUNTRY FARM  
118 SPILLER ROAD, GORHAM  
OCTOBER 5TH  
6:30 PM - 9 PM

**SILLY SCIENCE: BIOLUMINESCENCE**  
WALKER MEMORIAL LIBRARY  
800 MAIN ST., WESTBROOK  
OCTOBER 16TH  
3PM-4PM

**TRUNK OR TREAT**  
GMS PARKING LOT  
106 WEEKS RD., GORHAM  
OCTOBER 27TH  
4PM - 6 PM

**THE FRIENDLY VILLAGE CLUBHOUSE** IS AVAILABLE FOR PRIVATE FUNCTIONS! GREAT FOR THE UPCOMING SEASON OF HOLIDAY GATHERINGS.



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 KEY IS RETURNED AND THE CLUBHOUSE IS CLEANED SATISFACTORILY, WITH FURNITURE PLACED BACK IN ITS ORIGINAL POSITION. ALL TRASH GENERATED DURING THE PARTY MUST BE REMOVED FROM THE CLUBHOUSE BY THE RESIDENT. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE STEPS WILL RESULT IN FORFEITURE OF DEPOSITS.



## PLEASE DON'T OVERSTUFF YOUR LEAF BAGS

PLACE YOUR BAGGED LEAVES NEAR THE EDGE OF YOUR LAWN FOR PICK UP. PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MAINTENANCE CREW NEED TO LIFT THESE BAGS QUITE HIGH TO GET THEM INTO THE TRUCK. IF THE BAGS WEIGH MORE THAN 50LBS, THEY WILL NOT BE PICKED UP AND YOU WILL NEED TO RE-BAG THEM INTO LIGHTER BAGS. PLEASE DO NOT RAKE LEAVES ONTO THE VACANT LOTS. THIS CREATES MORE WORK FOR THE MAINTENANCE STAFF AND THEY BLOW AROUND INTO EVERYONE'S YARDS. BAG YOUR LEAVES AND PLACE THEM AT THE END OF YOUR DRIVEWAY FOR FREE PICKUP.

THANK YOU!





## DOG WALKING ETIQUETTE



**NO TRESPASSING!** WHEN WALKING YOUR PET AROUND A RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD, IT IS UNIVERSALLY ACCEPTED AS RUDE IF YOU ALLOW YOUR DOG TO WALK ON PEOPLE'S FRONT LAWNS, INTO THEIR GARDENS, SNACK ON THEIR LANDSCAPING, OR URINATE ON THEIR MAILBOXES, GARBAGE CANS, OR LAWN DECORATIONS.

**PICK UP THE POO!** BE PREPARED WITH A PLASTIC BAG (OR SEVERAL) FOR PICKING UP DOGGY DOO.

**YOUR DOG MIGHT BE FRIENDLY. BUT OTHER PEOPLE MIGHT NOT BE.** DOES YOUR DOG WANT TO SAY HELLO TO EVERYONE THAT PASSES, INSPIRED TO JOG ALONGSIDE RUNNERS, OR CHASE DOWN SKATEBOARDERS AND BICYCLISTS? NOT EVERYONE MAY BE AS MUCH OF A DOG LOVER AS YOU ARE, AND EVEN IF THEY ARE, THEY MAY BE OTHERWISE OCCUPIED. YOUR OBJECTIVE ON A WALK SHOULD BE TO KEEP WALKING, CALMLY AND PURPOSEFULLY, AND NOT TO LET YOUR DOG RUN YOUR WALK.

**OTHER DOGS MIGHT NOT BE FRIENDLY EITHER.** RULE #3 ALSO APPLIES TO OTHER DOGS. DON'T ASSUME THAT OTHER DOG WALKERS (OR OTHER DOGS) ARE AS INTERESTED IN SOCIALIZING THEIR DOGS AS YOU (OR YOUR DOGS) MIGHT BE. NOT ALL DOGS ARE HAPPY-GO-LUCKY, SOCIAL, OR CALM AROUND OTHER DOGS. BEST TO ASK THE OTHER OWNER, PARTICULARLY IF YOU ARE GOING THROUGH A PUPPY SOCIALIZATION STAGE, "IS YOUR DOG FRIENDLY? IS IT OK IF WE LET OUR DOGS SAY 'HI' TO EACH OTHER?" AND GAUGE THEIR RESPONSE, AND THE DOG'S RESPONSE/BEHAVIOR, WHEN YOU LET THE TWO MEET. MAKE SURE YOU HAVE A TIGHT HOLD OF YOUR LEASH AND CHECK TO MAKE SURE THE OTHER DOG WALKER SEEMS IN CONTROL OF THEIR DOG AS WELL TO PREVENT ANY UNPREDICTABLE ENCOUNTERS.

**BEST TO KEEP THE LEASH ON.** EVEN THOUGH YOU MIGHT FEEL VERY CONFIDENT IN HOW GOOD YOUR DOG IS IN THEIR ABILITY TO WALK CALMLY BY YOUR SIDE OFF-LEASH AND OBEY ALL OF YOUR VERBAL COMMANDS, THEIR BEHAVIOR COULD BE UNPREDICTABLE, DEPENDING UPON THE UNEXPECTED (AND EXCITING) NATURE OF A GIVEN STIMULUS (E.G., THE CAT ACROSS THE STREET, A SQUIRREL RUNNING UP A TREE, ANOTHER EXCITING LOOKING DOG, A RUSHING CAR, A KID CHASING A BALL).

## CREAMY TUSCAN ORZO

BY NATASHA BULL

THIS CREAMY TUSCAN ORZO RECIPE IS A ONE POT PASTA THAT'S INCREDIBLY FLAVORFUL, COMFORTING, AND MAKES AN AMAZING SIDE DISH OR MEATLESS MAIN COURSE.

PREP: 10 MINUTES – COOK: 20 MINUTES – TOTAL: 30 MINUTES SERVES 6

### INGREDIENTS

- 1 TABLESPOON OLIVE OIL
- 2 TABLESPOONS BUTTER
- 1/2 MEDIUM ONION CHOPPED
- 4 CLOVES GARLIC MINCED
- 1/4 TEASPOON ITALIAN SEASONING
- 1/4 CUP SUN-DRIED TOMATOES
- 1 TABLESPOON LEMON JUICE
- 1 TEASPOON DIJON MUSTARD
- 1 CUP UNCOOKED ORZO PASTA
- 2 CUPS CHICKEN OR VEGETABLE BROTH
- 1 CUP HEAVY / WHIPPING CREAM
- 1/2 CUP FRESHLY GRATED PARMESAN CHEESE
- 2 CUPS (PACKED) FRESH BABY SPINACH
- 1/4 CUP (LOOSELY PACKED) FRESH BASIL TORN
- SALT & PEPPER TO TASTE



### INSTRUCTIONS

1. ADD THE OIL, BUTTER, AND ONION TO A POT OVER MEDIUM-HIGH HEAT. SAUTÉ THE ONION FOR 3-4 MINUTES.
2. ADD THE GARLIC, ITALIAN SEASONING, SUN-DRIED TOMATOES, LEMON JUICE, DIJON MUSTARD, AND ORZO. COOK FOR 2-3 MINUTES, STIRRING OFTEN TO INFUSE THE ORZO WITH THE FLAVORS.
3. ADD THE CHICKEN BROTH AND CREAM. ONCE IT STARTS TO BUBBLE, CONTINUE COOKING FOR 10 MINUTES (UNCOVERED), STIRRING FAIRLY OFTEN. YOU WILL LIKELY NEED TO TURN THE HEAT DOWN A BIT (TO MEDIUM OR EVEN MEDIUM-LOW). IT SHOULD STEADILY BUBBLE (NOT FURIOUSLY BOIL), AND YOU DON'T WANT THE LIQUID TO COOK OFF TOO MUCH BEFORE THE PASTA IS DONE.
4. TAKE THE POT OFF THE HEAT, AND STIR IN THE PARMESAN, SPINACH, AND BASIL. COVER THE POT FOR A FEW MINUTES UNTIL IT HAS THICKENED UP TO YOUR LIKING. THE ORZO WILL ABSORB THE LIQUID QUICKLY, SO IF IT STILL SEEMS LIKE THERE'S TOO MUCH LIQUID, JUST WAIT A LITTLE BIT LONGER. SEASON WITH SALT & PEPPER AS NEEDED.



## JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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 SETUG  
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 MUACSP  
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 TBINET  
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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



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Print your answer here: " ○ ○ ○ ○ " ○ ○ ○ ○

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**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**

**For Use In An Emergency Only**  
**Weekends & After Office Hours**

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Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9-4

Notary services are available in  
the Friendly Village Office.



### Yard Cleanup Services

**Steve Rogers**

Lawn Mowing

Call or Text 207-272-4093

**Mark's Lawn Care Services**

**Mark Doughty**

207-749-1886

Anyone who would like to advertise lawn  
mowing, raking, garden work services, etc.,  
please call the office to advertise here on the  
newsletter, 839-5577

## **ARE YOU LOOKING TO MAKE SOME EXTRA CASH THIS WINTER?**

ARE YOU AVAILABLE FOR ROOF RAKING, SNOW SHOVELING, AND/OR SNOW BLOWING DRIVEWAYS AND WALKWAYS THIS WINTER IN THE FRIENDLY VILLAGE COMMUNITY? IF SO, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE WITH YOUR NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION. WE CAN POST THIS INFORMATION IN THE NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER AND ALSO PASS IT ON TO ANYONE WHO CALLS THE OFFICE LOOKING FOR THESE SERVICES.

#### **CLASSIC JUMBLE ANSWERS**

HONEY  
GUEST  
CAMPUS  
BITTEN

#### **SURPRISE PUZZLE ANSWER**

THE PIRATE SHIP ON WHICH BLACKBEARD AND HIS  
CREW SAILED WAS A - "THUG" BOAT  
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