

New Plans for Burnham Road Intersection

Bill Ambrose

At a public meeting at Gorham's Municipal Center on September 22, the Maine Department of Transportation revealed preliminary plans to improve the intersection of Burnham Road and County Road (Route 22). This intersection is within what is known as the "overlap area," where Routes 22 and 114 share the same roadway.

The intersection in question has long been the site of vehicular accidents and near misses. In addition, it is a cause of traffic backups during the morning and evening rush hours. Left turns from Burnham Road to County Road and left turns from County Road onto Burnham Road are the major causes of difficulty. Compounding the problem is the angular configuration of the intersection itself, with unclear traffic lanes and a lack of turning space.

Rob Pinckney, representing the engineering firm Clough Harbour Associates, presented the new design. He stressed that the project is only intended to be a safety improvement, not a solution to the traffic congestion prevailing in the area. With the assistance of a large aerial map of the intersection, Pinckney detailed the proposed changes to the surrounding roads.

The project will involve a total of about 1,200 feet of roadway modifica-

tions. Turning lanes will be constructed for left turns from County Road westbound and Burnham Road northbound. Safety islands will be used to define lanes and to safely guide traffic through the intersection. Travel lanes on County Road will be widened to 11 feet and given regular four-foot shoulders. Pinckney characterized the plans as "nothing out of the ordinary," and estimated the total cost to be between \$400,000 and \$450,000.

In response to questions from the public, Pinckney said the next step would be to hold another public meeting in the spring of 2011 to present the final plans. Following this, construction would probably begin in May and continue for a period of two or three months. A traffic signal is not warranted for the intersection, he said, because it does not experience a sufficient volume of traffic.

Comments and questions from the public revolved around the details of the plan with regard to traffic flow throughout the South Gorham area and the connection to the Gorham Bypass. The intersection of County Road and South Street also came into question as the source of congestion and accidents. The impact of construction on local area businesses during their busy seasons was also voiced as an issue of concern.

Fun for All at GBCE Cook-Off



The 3rd Annual Chili and Chowder Cook-Off, hosted by Hannaford and the Gorham Business Exchange, was held on September 16, 2010. Over one hundred people attended the event to socialize, taste, and vote for their favorite chili and chowder entries. Three official judges—Matt Robinson, Town Councillor, Matt Mattingly, Town Councillor and Dennis Libby, Chairman of Gorham School Board—also cast their votes. The 2010 winners: Judges' Vote Chili—Thatcher's Restaurant and Sports Pub; Popular Vote Chili—Hannaford; Judges' Vote Chowder—Norway Savings Bank; Popular Vote Chowder—St. Joe's Coffee.



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Gorham's Shawn Moody Has Widespread Grassroots Support

Dede Perkins



Shawn Moody at his campaign headquarters on Narragansett Street, Gorham

Photo credit Joe Simas

If you live or travel through Gorham and the surrounding towns, you've surely noticed the multitude of Moody for Governor signs posted on area lawns and businesses. What you might not realize is that over 4,000 of the signs are also posted throughout the state, from York to Aroostook County. As of the middle of September, the Moody for Governor Facebook page had over 3200 "fans," and ranked first

in independent candidates' social media presence. According to Dan Rollins, Moody for Governor campaign manager, despite the results of political polls, Moody's grassroots support network, cultivated in a few short months, is motivated, widespread and should not be discounted.

"Our supporters are hard-working Maine men and women who may not take the time to answer an electronic

telephone poll, but will certainly vote on Election Day," said Rollins.

As most everyone knows, Shawn Moody grew up in Gorham. He opened his business here in 1978, when he was a senior in high school. "I was a taxpayer before I had a diploma," said Moody. He married Chris Stevenson in 1987 and still lives in the house on Elkins Rd. that he and Chris built that year. Three of

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Gorham Sightings

Do you know where this photo was taken? Become part of the new visual trivia discussion on Facebook (www.facebook.com/GorhamTimes). The location of the sighting in the 9/17 issue was correctly identified as the fence surrounding the Civil War monument on the campus of USM. Log on to Facebook to enter your best guess for this picture.

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around town

Effective October 3, Brad Smith, Principal of Narragansett and White Rock Schools, will be leaving to take a job as Assistant Superintendent in SAD 75 (Topsham). Polly Brann, currently the assistant principal at those schools, will become the new principal. Jody Mezzanotte, who is scheduled to be the assistant principal at the new school when it opens in September 2011, will now become the assistant principal for Narragansett and White Rock. She is currently a third grade teacher at Village School and will be replaced by Cindy Blake who is the Ed Tech assigned to Mezzanotte's class. Blake is a certified teacher and has previously been a long-term substitute so "we anticipate a very smooth transition" said Jane Esty, Assistant Principal at Village.

Gorham Annual Election is Tuesday, November 2. The candidates running for Town Council include Philip Gagnon, Jr; Charles Haws; John Pressey; Matthew Robinson; and Ronald Smith. The School Committee candidates are Kyle Currier and Roger Marchand.

Baxter Memorial Library and the Gorham Business Exchange is expected to host Candidates' Night on Tuesday, October 5 from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. at the library, 71 South Street, Gorham. This informal event will give participants the opportunity to mingle with local, state and national candidates and their representatives who will be available to answer questions and discuss their campaigns.

PATCO Construction, Inc. is proposing a 9,665 square foot building addition and parking lot expansion at 29 Sanford Drive in the Gorham Industrial Park. The property is owned by Castle Rock, LLC and currently occupied by Helical Solutions, LLC.

letters to the Editor

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Dear Gorham Times,

For weeks I have heard people raving about this place, I knew I had to check out St. Joe's Coffee. My daughter and I stopped for breakfast last Saturday morning, what a treat! The atmosphere was very fun and personal, the delectables were amazing. I was a little skeptical at first because I, myself, am an amazing cook. I always assumed that there's no cooking as yummy as my own. I think I have met my match!

The bennies were like little cloud kissed dew drops of heaven. They were just melt-in-your-mouth delicious. This man truly knows what he is doing. I have always heard that the way to a man's heart is through his stomach, well guess what? Women love good food, too, especially when we don't have to cook it.

I was so impressed with my breakfast on Saturday that I absolutely had to go back for lunch. I had the Caesar salad—delish! The croutons were especially yummy and had a nice crunch with no "soggies" ..

Now that I know first hand that St. Joe's food is well worth stopping for, I'll be a regular. Boy, this guy really knows food! It's so nice to have a place in town where you can get a great meal at a great price and leave feeling awesome, not heavy and sick to your stomach.

Great job, St. Joe's. Thank you for bringing a little piece of heaven to downtown Gorham and for keeping our bellies happy!

Bonnie Simard

Dear Gorham Times,

On Saturday, September 18, the Gorham Garden Club and the Friends of Baxter Library held their Third Annual Pies, Produce & Plants Sale. The success of any fundraising event is due to the wonderful support of its members, area businesses and the community. We would like to thank the following: Po-Go Realty, Gorham Recreation Department, and House of Pizza for advertising the event; O'Donal's Nursery, Ossipee Trail Gardens, Gorham Grind, and Hannaford for their generous donations to the sale; Total Technology for production of posters; Pamela Turner and Baxter Library for use of space, tables and tents; and the members of the Gorham Garden Club along with the Friends of Baxter Library for their contributions of baked goods, produce, plants, white elephant sale items and their time.

The Gorham Garden Club provides flowers, Christmas Wreaths, gardening books and DVDs for the Baxter Memorial Library along with providing seasonal plantings and maintenance at civic project locations. Monies raised by this event help fund these club projects as well as projects relating to the Library, through the Friends of Baxter Library.

Beautiful fall weather brought out folks eager for homemade pies and hardy locally grown plants. Thank you to all who participated and joined in for the sale. We couldn't have done it without your support.

Sherrie Fontaine, Garden Club

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The Right Thing to Do

Holding Companies Environmentally Responsible

Rep. Linda Sanborn

Recently I attended the Council of State Governments Eastern Regional Conference held in Portland, and co-chaired by Senator Phil Bartlett. One segment of the conference in which I chose to participate was on Product Stewardship, also known as Extended Producer Responsibility (ERP).

Extended Producer Responsibility is defined as being responsible for all phases of a product's lifecycle from beginning to end. Reusing and recycling are emphasized and ERP places the major responsibility for product end-of-life management on the producer who might be the manufacturers, the brand owners or the first importers of products for sale in the U.S.

Producers implement recycling for the products they market. For example, companies that produce fluorescent lights would design, fund and operate a recycling system for fluorescent lights. Each producer can design an EPR sys-

tem that works best for their business model either individually or with other companies in a stewardship organization. One manufacturer may have a mail-back program, another may establish retail collection points, and many will use existing reusing and recycling programs.

Producers are the best organizations to handle their waste. They know their product, they have a marketing department, they may be able to reuse their products and conserve resources, and they have the budget.

Green design is a big part of product stewardship. Products may be redesigned to remove toxics or make products more durable, easily repairable, recyclable or compostable and the same principle may be applied to packaging. Green design may be more efficient saving money and resources.

Under our current system of recycling, the costs are borne by the municipalities, taxpayers and garbage ratepay-

ers. In an extended producer responsibility program, the cost of the program is added to the product price by the producer. Producers are made whole by recouping the cost of their investment. The added cost does not have to be huge. For example, a paint take back program in Canada adds 25 cents per can. A tire program adds \$3.00 per tire.

Unfortunately the companies that do this voluntarily are at a disadvantage with a less competitive price point. This is where the legislature comes in. By legislating a statewide EPR program for products and packaging the legislature can provide a more level playing field; no company is left at a disadvantage for "doing the right thing" and municipalities are not left footing the bill. In 2010 Maine enacted a Product Stewardship Framework law, LD 1631, making ERP an integral part of our solid waste management strategy.

Maine already has a number of product stewardship programs including

those for mercury auto switches, thermostats and lamps, rechargeable batteries, electronic waste and cell phones. A pharmaceutical take-back bill passed in the House this last session only to be defeated in the Senate but will likely be seen again.

Canada, Japan, South Korea and the European Union have been leading the charge with product stewardship.

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BUSINESS PROFILE

The Way Grocery Shopping Should Be

Jackie Francis



Photo credit Katy Foley

Entrepreneur Ami DiRienzo owns and operates the online grocery shopping and delivery service found at www.MaineGroceryDelivery.com.

I loathe grocery shopping and especially dislike lugging bags of groceries from the car into the house. Wouldn't it be nice to have someone do the work for you? Ami DiRienzo, owner and founder of MaineGroceryDelivery.com, is happy to oblige. Consider her your very own fairy grocery shopper!

A former resident of Gorham, DiRienzo attended Gorham schools along with her six siblings. "I still recognize familiar faces in Gorham from working at the legendary Fourteen Main Street Restaurant when I was a teenager." After graduating, DiRienzo worked her way up the corporate ladder at a local grocery store and remained there for 18 years until she became a victim of downsizing. It was at this critical time in her career when she decided to make some changes and take a few risks. Her years of experience and present situation affirmed her belief that "there was a critical element of customer service missing in the local realm - the element of convenience," she said. As a result, MaineGroceryDelivery.com was born.

DiRienzo's first client was a woman from Massachusetts who called to place an order for her elderly mother living in Gorham. DiRienzo said, "I answered my cell phone and the voice at the other end said, 'is this MaineGroceryDelivery.com?'" She recalled how giddy and relieved she was that the website was up and really working.

MaineGroceryDelivery.com opened for business in August and is eager to introduce the online grocery shopping service to the greater Gorham area. The service, she hopes, will not only assist the elderly and housebound, but also college students and working moms who were raised on computers and are not threatened by online shopping. She intends to waive the delivery fee for USM students once she sets up a regular run to the campus and hopes the idea

will catch on to deliver groceries to vacation rental properties next summer.

MaineGroceryDelivery.com is not associated with any supermarket chain; it is independently owned, simple to use, and affordable. "I don't want this to be a luxury service; I want this to be affordable for everyone," explains DiRienzo. "It's cost effective because I can sell [at prices] less than wholesale at times and often cheaper than warehouse prices." She scans the sale flyers and buys non-perishables in bulk and only charges a \$10 delivery fee with a \$40 minimum order. There are over 5,000 items from which to choose and if you do not see something you want, just ask - DiRienzo is happy to accommodate. If your order is placed before 7 p.m. on any given day, you are guaranteed next day delivery (within a two-hour window) directly to your doorstep.

MaineGroceryDelivery.com shops daily at local businesses for customer orders. Not only does she support local farmers and fishermen whenever possible, she also hopes to create jobs in her community. "I know lots of great customer service people who are looking for employment." In addition to supporting local businesses, MaineGroceryDelivery.com supports non-profit organizations by offering free delivery of purchased food products and supplies to the Gorham Food Pantry and the Animal Refuge League in Westbrook.

The website has been carefully designed and simplified for easy step-by-step shopping with answers to frequently asked questions. Check out www.MaineGroceryDelivery.com. It is affordable and convenient and, like the website says, it is "the way grocery shopping should be!"

Letters FROM PAGE 2

Dear Gorham Times,

It is easy to be frustrated with our legislators during these difficult economic times. We would all like the economy to improve, to see an end to the rash of foreclosures, and to see more jobs being created. State Senator Phil Bartlett was chosen to be Senate Majority Leader by his peers because he does get things done. In this most recent legislative session, the legislature balanced the budget without increasing taxes. They provided a safety net of vital services for seniors in nursing homes, and provided access to healthcare for poor children. Under

Senator Bartlett's leadership, they invested in renewable energy making Maine a national leader in offshore wind development, they voted to save a rail line in Northern Maine that is a lifeline for businesses in that part of the state, they invested in our ports to enhance trade and tourism. Pine Tree Zones were expanded to Southern Maine to provide tax incentives for businesses, which will create jobs in Maine.

I urge you to vote for Phil Bartlett. He has already shown us that he will get the job done.

Sheri Faber

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Town Council Report

Sheri Faber

Representative Jane Knapp, State House District #129, reported on a number of items including:

- The Circuit Breaker Property Tax and Rent Refund applications are available at maine.gov and must be returned before May 31, 2011.
- Maine Office of Securities has cautioned consumers regarding possible investment fraud. Contact the Office of Securities to verify investors' credentials.
- The Maine Forest Service is offering forestry help if the wooded lot is small. The information is confidential if the lot is less than 1,000 acres.
- Applications are now available for the low-income home energy assistance program called The Keep ME Warm Fund. Call 211 or go to www.211maine.org for information.

Councilor Loveitt reported that the East/West Corridor Study Committee is still working and a report will be finalized this fall.

Councilor Miner met with Zoning Administrator Sandra Mowery to discuss the grant application for a paved asphalt rail trail from Dodge Oil to the Industrial Park.

Councilor Robinson reported that the Ordinance Committee is working on the fraternity and sorority issues and he believes there will be something on the October agenda.

Councilor Csoros announced he is not seeking re-election on the Town Council because he is moving to Texas.

Town Manager David Cole reported that Police Chief Shepard's returned home after surgery and appears in good spirits and is doing fine. Lt. Chris Sanborn has been appointed Acting Police Chief. In addition, Mr. Cole stated that tax bills were mailed last week. This is the fourth consecutive year that the tax rate has not increased. Lastly, Cole announced that he issued a five-year service pin to Asst. Code Enforcement Officer Freeman Abbot.

School Committee Chairman Dennis

Libby reported that school opened relatively uneventfully, except for the heat wave. School enrollment numbers this year show little variation from last. He also discussed that the federal government passed the "jobs bill". This has closed a majority of the State budget shortfall and will infuse funding to schools for job restoration and creation.

A proposal to amend the Town's Shoreland Zoning Ordinance was sent to the Ordinance Committee for review. David Kent, 20 Grant Rd, expressed concern with the accuracy of the State's mapping.

The council voted to allow dead end streets to be of indefinite length if the dwelling units are served by a sprinkler system. The previous length was a maximum of 1,500 feet because of safety concerns related to fire and emergency response. Dwellings with sprinkler systems have been proven to be highly effective at reducing loss of lives and property.

The council voted to add "rooming house" to the list of exclusions for the property at 27 Preble St., which was a fraternity house before the town acquired it for non-payment of taxes.

The council voted to give Risbara Brothers Construction Co. permission to construct a gravel base and sidewalk that will connect Wagner Farm Subdivision and Gateway Commons Subdivision with a walking path.

The council voted to allocate \$35,000 for the purchase of a replacement vehicle for the Deputy Fire Chief.

The council approved an amendment to the Land Use and Development Code that limited access roads that cannot be used for access onto abutting lots shall not be used to meet street frontage requirements. When a lot abuts more than one street that is not a limited access road, only one may be designated by the owner as the street that will meet the street frontage requirements.

Clerk's Corner

Christina A. Silberman, Town Clerk

Election Day is Tuesday, November 2. This is the Gorham Annual Election to elect three members to the Town Council and two members to the School Committee. This is also the State General Election to elect the next Governor, Representative to Congress and members of the Maine Legislature, along with a citizen initiative, two bond questions, and a question regarding a charter for Cumberland County. Information regarding the election and absentee voting is available at www.gorham-me.org. Click Town Clerk's Department, then Elections or Absentee Voting. Absentee voting will be conducted at the North Gorham Library on Wednesday, October 27 from 4 to 7 p.m.

Voter registration is being conducted at the Town Clerk's Office during regular business hours, Monday through Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Be sure to have photo identification and proof of your residence address when registering to vote.

Dog licenses expire every year on December 31. Licenses for 2011 will be available on October 15. Dogs must be licensed each year beginning at six months of age. Please license your dog before February 1 to avoid a late fee. The current Maine rabies certificate

and, if applicable, certificate of neutering, are required when licensing your dog. You can license your dog online before the late fee goes into effect; visit www.gorham-me.org for the link.

Property Tax Bills were mailed at the beginning of September. This year the tax rate for the Town of Gorham stayed the same at 15.90. Residents may see an increase in the amount of their property taxes this year due to a decrease in the amount of the homestead exemption. The first half tax payment is due on November 15, 2010 and the second half is due on May 15, 2011. Copies of tax bills are available on the Town website under the Assessing Department. Please note that when printing a copy of a tax bill from the website, choose "print current page" on the print menu so you do not print the entire file.

Please do not hesitate to call the Town Clerk's Office at 222-1670 with any questions.



Christina A. Silberman, the Gorham Town Clerk, can be reached by e-mail at csilberman@gorham.me.us or by phone at 222-1670.



Chief Shepard Reports

The Grand Jury returned indictments against the following people in September:

- Tanner Amerigian, 33, of Yarmouth was indicted for burglary and theft by the Gorham Police Department.
- Bruce Cobb, 29, of Portland was indicted for being a habitual offender, OUI and failure to sign a summons on charges brought by Gorham Police Department. He was also indicted for four counts of theft and two counts of forgery by Scarborough Police Department.
- Kristina Gladu, 25, of Gorham was indicted for attempted theft/insurance deception and false public alarm/reports on charges brought by Windham Police Department.
- James Hurd, 34 of Limington was indicted for stealing drugs, theft and impersonating a public servant on charges brought by Gorham Police Department.
- Patrick Hutton, 22, of Gorham was

indicted for unlawful sexual contact, aggravated assault, and violating conditions of release on charges brought by Gorham Police Department.

- Terrance Libby, 26, of Westbrook, was indicted for burglary and theft (with priors) on charges brought by Gorham Police Department.
- Alexander Cody McPhee, 21, of Gorham was indicted for violating conditions of release by Gorham Police Department. He was also charged with burglary and theft by Windham Police Department.
- Mark Parker, 42, of Gorham was charged with two counts of trafficking in scheduled W drugs by the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency.
- Jeffrey Staples, 24, of Standish was charged with theft by receiving by the Gorham Police Department.
- Michael Thurston, 31, of Gorham was charged with two counts of burglary, theft and two counts of theft of firearm by Maine State Police.

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COLLECTOR'S CORNER

Collectable Beer Can History, Part II Post War Cans

Marc Badeau

Note: This article is a continuation from the June 25 edition of the Gorham Times.

After World War II, smaller breweries were the only issuers of the cone top beer can as they could not justify the purchase of a new canning line. Many of them never canned beer but instead elected to use glass bottles. Cone top cans began to look old-fashioned and slowly faded away through the late 1940s and early 1950s.

The intense competition among breweries led brewers to try different sized cans to gain a marketing edge. Some felt the answer was a slightly bigger can. In the mid 1950s the 16-ounce can was introduced. Others brewers felt the answer was a slightly smaller can so the 8-ounce can was born. The 16-ounce can provided a marketing opportunity to offer more beer for the same money. A number of brewers packaged their stronger malt liquor in the 8-ounce cans because of the more powerful punch.

There were a number of advances in can technology during the late 1950s. Coors is generally credited with introducing the aluminum can. The all-aluminum beer can had a number of advantages over the steel can. It was lighter which saved on shipping costs, it also chilled faster and, as all watchers of the movie Animal House know, it is much easier to crush an aluminum beer can in one bare hand or on your forehead.

With the continuing acquisition of local and regional breweries by the three large national companies (Anheuser-Busch, Miller and Coors), smaller brewers began to issue uniquely packaged products. The Playmate Premium Beer can was issued by Sunshine of Reading, PA in 1970 along with a matching malt liquor can. Unfortunately, they failed to realize that the Playmate brand had been trademarked by Playboy Corporation and were forced to withdraw the can from the market. A similar story unfold-

ed for the James Bond 007 cans issued by National of Phoenix, Arizona. This was a set of seven beer cans featured the sort of women with whom Bond would likely get entangled. Because of their limited time on the market, both the 007 and Playmate cans are very desirable collectables.

A number of beer cans had ties with sports teams. The Steelers commemorated their 1975 Super Bowl win, the Pirates and Penguins featured key players and the A-1 brewery of Phoenix issued several cans containing the Suns basketball team.

The Penthouse can is an example of a more recent phenomenon of U.S. breweries creating unique cans specifically for the export market. The Penthouse can, shipped to Japan, features a Japanese woman in a swimsuit and spiked heels. The Malibu Brew is another can that was offered for export that evoked scenes typical of the television show Baywatch. These export beers actually offered design variety in cans seldom seen in today's grocery stores. Ironically, they were shipped off to Far East countries and South America. The export market became an opportunity for struggling regional breweries to stay afloat in these highly competitive times.

With the cool winds of autumn beginning to blow, what better time to grab a seasonal pumpkin or Oktoberfest ale, sit back and reflect on the evolution of beer containers from cone tops to glass bottles—or just watch the World Series or a little NFL.

Marc Badeau is a nationally recognized consultant on the history of collectables and their valuation.




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A Dream Come True!



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Gorham High School's chapter of **The Dream Factory Club**, which raises money to fulfill dreams for critically and chronically ill children, recently raised \$146 by holding a pie-throwing fundraiser. By making the largest donation, students earned the right to throw a pie at a teacher. The pies were coffee filters filled with whipped cream. Kelsie Kerwin (top, left) gives two thumbs up to seeing teacher Scott Caulfield covered in whip cream. Samantha Grant (bottom, left) takes aim at GHS principal Chris Record while being cheered on by teachers Dave Patterson, John Caterina, Amy Smith, Matt Murray, and Jason Tanguay.

Maine Harvest Lunch

Stacy Sallinen

On September 22, students in Gorham celebrated Maine Harvest Day with a school lunch made with local ingredients. The program teaches students about the benefits of eating locally while supporting Maine farmers.

Maine Harvest Lunch began in 2003 as part of a collaborative effort between the Cumberland Country Soil and Water Conservation District, People's Regional Opportunity Program, Gorham Nutrition Program's former director Ron Adams and teachers. After First Lady Karen Baldacci visited Gorham Schools in 2006, schools around the state were encouraged to participate in the program.

This year's menu consisted of a hamburger or baked potato with cheese and broccoli; corn; garden salad with cucumbers, tomato, basil and olive oil; wheat rolls from Pinecrest Inn; apples; pumpkin chocolate chip cookies and Oakhurst Dairy milk.

On average, food travels 2,500 miles from field to fork; however, food served on Maine Harvest Day traveled less than 300 miles. This year's lunch used 550 pounds of potatoes from Green Thumb Farms in Fryeburg, 125 pounds of broccoli from Houlton, 350 pounds of tomatoes from Backyard Farm Madison, 315 pounds of fresh Angus beef from Archer Farms in Chesterville, 55 pounds of pumpkin from Pineland Farms in Gray and 147 dozen rolls with Maine grown Borealis wheat.



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James Lewis, GHS, chose a healthful Maine Harvest lunch.

Heather Whitaker, a sixth grade teacher from the middle school, coordinates Maine Harvest Lunch for the district with help from teachers Barb Hauke, Frank DeFrancesco and Cheryl Fotter. Whitaker said Food Service Director Michael Sanborn's efforts should also be celebrated as he continues to work to build relationships with many local farmers and bring more local foods into the school nutrition program.

As part of the **Maine Harvest Lunch celebration**, students received lessons on the benefits of eating locally. Using the information they learned, the children created posters, which were entered into the Maine Harvest Lunch poster contest. The winning poster best explained the benefits of eating local foods. Two winners from each school were chosen and rewarded with a \$5 gift certificate to Smiling Hill Farm. The winners from each school were: White Rock: Bailey Hamm (poster pictured below, left) and Sophie Buzzell; Narragansett: Julia Edwards (poster pictured below, right) and Sierra Cummings; Village: Haley Caron and Ben Adams; GMS: Jenna Cowan (poster pictured bottom), Meghan Vaskula and Elizabeth Kutzer. Color photographs of these and other winning posters can be seen at www.facebook.com/GorhamTimes and www.gorhamtimes.com/posters.



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Celebrating Community

Kristine Biegel

Community. The word has different meanings for different people. It could be our daily "community" involving our families, work, kids' activities, church, book club, etcetera. For me, I realized there is one community that I do not appreciate nor celebrate as often as it deserves—my neighborhood community.

Our neighborhood at Black Brook Road, with all its colorful characters, has proven pretty inspirational and unique over the past 10 years. We are a group of neighbors and area friends who have taken it upon ourselves to make a difference in the world.

After 9/11 we were one of the first groups to stand in the 5:00 p.m. traffic soliciting money for the Red Cross. In just over two hours on September 12 we collected \$2,500. Two years ago when oil prices were so high that families were unable to heat their homes, we gathered together for a pingpong tournament that raised \$500 to help defray heating costs for Southern

Maine families in need. Five years ago, after Hurricane Katrina, my neighborhood community hosted a fundraising Halloween party to raise money for the victims. After an evening of much laughter we sent the Red Cross a check for \$2,000. So as you can see, I have a pretty awesome and generous community of neighbors.

This month we are at it again. After five years we are bringing back by popular demand our second Adult Halloween Costume and Community Harvest Party to benefit two wonderful local organizations: the Gorham Food Pantry and Yourspace Recreational Center. The event will take place on Saturday, October 30 from 7:30 p.m. to midnight at Yourspace at 215 Narragansett Street. The cost is \$15.00 per person. In the spirit of community we are asking each person to bring a generous food donation for the Gorham Food Pantry and an easily shareable dish to share with friends. There will be costume prizes, dinner

raffles, dancing to music provided by DJ "Dawn 'til Dusk", a cash bar and definitely lots of entertainment.

That being said, I will throw out a challenge to any of the other neighborhoods who think they are equally as awesome: The neighborhood of Black Brook Road—the best neighborhood ever—challenges you and your neigh-

borhood community to bring more food donations than we will bring! Let's continue to celebrate the many amazing citizens of the great community of Gorham. Happy haunting everyone!

Tickets are on sale at www.your-spacemaine.org or call Kristine at 839-3982.

Planning for Grad Party

Amy Story

For many parents of high school seniors it is hard to believe they have children who will be graduating from high school in June. With thoughts of graduation come plans for Project Graduation 2011, the all-night chemical-free graduation party hosted by parents.

Hosting an event for 200 or more students takes time and money. The committee has already started its monthly meetings and would welcome new members at any time. The meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month and are usually held in the multi-purpose room at the Rec Center at 6:30 p.m. The next meeting will be October 19 at Saint Joseph's College in the Alford Center.

Fundraising efforts have also begun. Project Graduation has a Clynk account for returning recyclable cans and bottles at the Gorham Hannaford location. The Clynk bags and tags can be picked up at the office at Gorham High School or by contacting Teri Strout at tlstrout@maine.rr.com. The other fundraising effort is the Harvest of Gold Calendars, which are \$10. Each day in November a drawing will be held to win either a cash amount or a gift card. To buy a calendar, see any Gorham High School senior or contact Brenda Patten at 839-2872.

On Saturday, November 6 Project Graduation 2011 will host an all day scrapbooking event at Saint Anne's Church from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Creative Memories consultant Kim Ench will be on hand from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. to sell her products and to take catalog orders. Stamping Up consultant Penny Arno will also be on hand and will take catalog sales. The cost for the day is \$20, which includes light breakfast, lunch, snacks, water and coffee. There will be a table of raffle items and a 50/50 raffle. For more information or to register, call Penny Arsenault at 892-3556 or Kim Ashby 637-2189.

Walk-ins are welcome!

The fundraising efforts for Project Graduation 2011 will continue throughout the year. Plans are underway for a silent auction in the early spring.

We would like to thank the Town of Gorham, which has always been very generous in its support of Project Graduation, and the community for their support.



Fall Book Sale, Blood Drive and Bone Marrow Registration Drive!

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Book Sale Preview Night: Thursday, October 14th (5-7)

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This year the blood drive is in honor of Police Chief Ron Shepard.

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Bone Marrow Registration Drive: Friday, October 15th (1-6)

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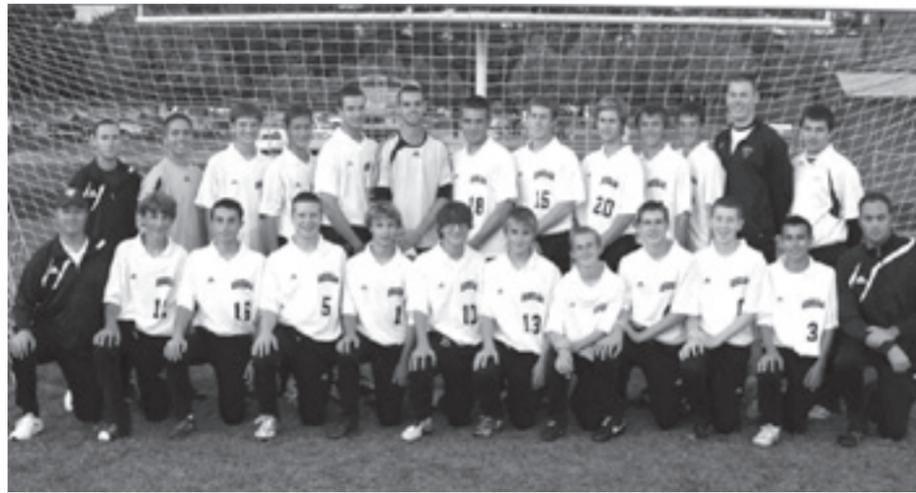


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The GHS boys' soccer team was 5-2 with a third-place ranking in Western Maine Class A at press time. On September 16 the Rams defeated Scarborough, which entered the game with a 40-game unbeaten streak and has not lost a regular-season game since 2005, which also came against Gorham. Playing for the team and pictured above, front row, from left to right: Head coach Tim King, Spence Cowand, Steve Albanese, Alex Owens, Jesse Orach, Connor Reagan, Levi Lurvey, Mike Lubelczyk, Kevin Lubelczyk, Kyle Curley, Dustin Goodale, and Assistant Coach Aaron Oulette. Back row: Assistant Coach Tyler Berthiaume, Connor Smith, Chris Hardy, Mike Sullivan, Nate Bucknell, Carter Bowers, Drew Hopkins, Seth Wing, Connor Bell, Andrew Ernest, Austin Bell, Zach Spiers and Assistant Coach Brian King.

The GHS boys' soccer team earned one of its biggest wins in years on September 16 with a 2-1 victory over Scarborough. Before losing to the Rams, the two-time defending Class A State champions were on a 40-game unbeaten streak and had not lost a regular-season conference game since 2005—a loss that also came against Gorham.

The first half of this game ended in a scoreless tie as Scarborough chose to play with a strong wind at its back and kept pressure on Gorham during the opening 40 minutes. "Carter Bowers (a junior) made a couple of tremendous saves that kept us in the game during the first half," said head coach Tim King. "The pace of the game did not tire us out, and we subbed enough to keep us fresh heading into the second half, so we felt good knowing we would have the wind with us."

Gorham immediately began applying pressure at the start of the half, and just a couple minutes in took the lead on a corner kick by senior Connor Bell. The lefty kicker launched a perfect bender from the right corner that sailed over the keeper and into the top back corner of the net. "That gave us the momentum and a lot of confidence," King said. "And it put Scarborough in the unusual position of playing from behind, which had not happened for a while."

Bell continued to excel for the Rams and a short-time later hit the crossbar on a shot from 25 yards away. He then hit pay dirt once again by scoring with just under 12 minutes to go to make

the score 2-0. He scored from the left on a shot to the near side of the net. Scarborough did not to apply as much pressure on Gorham in the second half but did manage to score with just one minute to go. "We seemed to be a bit quicker and carried the play in the second half," King said. "We had a little extra and won a lot of the 50-50 balls. Even after the goal, we remained confident and did not give them another quality opportunity."

In addition to the stellar play turned in by Bowers and Bell, King also points to the play of the defense, led by senior sweeper Seth Wing. "He just doesn't miss many balls and is a very good player," King said. "Our outside backs, Levi Lurvey (a senior) and Steve Albanese (a junior) were also fantastic."

The Scarborough win improved Gorham to 4-1 on the season. Since that game, Gorham defeated Deering then lost to Portland, 1-0 to set its record at 5-2 with a third-place ranking in Western Maine Class A at press time, with games scheduled against Bonny Eagle (Sept 28) and Thornton Academy (Sept. 30) coming up.

King said the team was not playing consistently during the first three games of the season but started to pick things up during a September 14 win over Windham just before the Scarborough game. "We need to continue to work hard," King said. "We are a fast team with good skills and balance, but we are also young with just three seniors starting. We need to make sure we are up for every game in order to play well."

in the Zone

GHS Cross-Country Runners Among Conference Top Ten: At press time, the GHS boys' cross-country team was undefeated in multi-team meets with a 5-0 record and ranked fourth in the State coach's poll. Five of the team's runners were ranked among the top ten in Western Maine Class A: Seniors Logan Marshall (2), Andy Turner (5), Jeremy Earl (6), and Will Ross (7); and junior Cortlandt Dunn (10). The girls' team was 4-2 at press time led by senior Mia Rapolla, who was ranked third among all runners in the conference.

Top GHS Performances: Sophomore Connor Reagan scored all three goals as the boys' soccer team defeated Windham 3-1 on September 14... In girls' soccer action, junior Kiersten Turner netted three goals in a September 11, 7-1 win over Westbrook while senior Kylie Perrin scored two goals September 15 in a 3-1 win over Windham... Senior Alyssa Clark scored both goals as the field hockey team defeated Noble, 2-1 on September 17... Junior Nick Kilborn rushed for more than 100 yards for the football team in back-to-back games, picking up 109 yards during a September 10 loss to Deering and 108 yards in a September 17 loss to Windham.

GHS Team Leaders: At press time the GHS volleyball team was 4-3. Leading the team this year have been junior Vicki

Parker with 16 attack kills, 26 digs and 35 received serves; Sophomore Lindsay Chapman with 10 blocks; senior Caroline Fogarty with 26 serving aces; and senior Leaha Keene with 34 assists... The GHS golf team improved to 4-3 with an 8.5-4.5 win over Thornton Academy September 22. The win avenged a loss to Thornton Academy earlier in the year. Leading the team this year has been senior Mike Arsenault, who has won 10 match points, followed by sophomore Andrew Scontras and senior Sullivan Conley with eight and six match points respectively. Arsenault also leads the team in score average (40.8 strokes per nine holes) and has the low nine-hole total of the year with a 38.

College Cheerleader: Leigh Maniscalco (GHS Class of 2008) and shown below is a member of the Boston College cheerleader squad. She is a junior majoring in Geology and will cheer this fall for the football team. While attending GHS, Maniscalco starred for the field hockey, indoor track and outdoor track teams.



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GHS Fund Raising Efforts: The GHS girls' volleyball team raised over \$800 for the ALS Association of Northern New England, an organization dedicated to finding a cure for Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, also known as Lou Gehrig's disease. The team raised the funds in conjunction with the Bruce Churchill High School Volleyball Classic tournament September 18 at Cony High School. The GHS girls' soccer team participated in the Maine Children's Cancer Program Walk September 18 in Portland as part of Lauren's (Hawkes) Team and raised more than \$500. Lauren

died in 2003 from rare form of cancer—acute myelogenous leukemia—just after finishing seventh grade at Gorham Middle School. Before she passed away, Lauren made certain she would leave a lasting legacy by launching Lauren's Team in 2002. That's the first year the team participated in the Maine Children's Cancer Program Walk, a statewide effort that takes place across the state every year in September to raise money to help fight cancer.

GHS Weekend Varsity Sports Line-Up

Friday, October 1

4:00 p.m. Girls' Soccer @ Thornton Academy
7:00 p.m. Football @ Scarborough

All games subject to change. For up-to-date schedules of all GHS sports, visit www.digitalsports.com

At the USM-Gorham Campus this Weekend

Saturday, October 2

1:00 p.m. Field Hockey vs. Westfield State
1:00 p.m. Men's Soccer vs. UMass-Dartmouth

All games subject to change. For up-to-date schedules of all USM sports, visit <http://usm.maine.edu/athletics/upcoming.html>

Fall Sports Freeze Frame



Pictured above during a 2-0 home game win vs. McAuley High School on September 21: Audrey Adkison (left) and Shelbi Guimond.



Photos credit Rich Obrey

Members of the GHS golf team shown on the green on September 7 vs. Thornton Academy: Brian Stresser (left); Mike Arsenault (left) with Nathan Roop (right).

GHS Soccer Grad Kelsey Wilson Wins America East Player of the Week Honors

Compiled by Jeff Pike

University of Maine at Orono women's soccer player Kelsey Wilson (GHS Class of 2007) was named player of the week September 20 by the America East Conference, a Division I college conference. Wilson, who is also a team captain, earned the award by scoring both goals in a September 19, 2-1 win over Temple.

The two goals gave Wilson six over a four-game stretch during which the Black Bears won three games. She also scored the game-winning goal in a 3-2 win over Rhode Island on September 12. Against Temple, Wilson scored both goals off crossing passes, including the first goal that came on a header.

At press time, Wilson was leading the America East conference in shots-per-game (3.57) and was tied for the conference lead in goals with six. During her time at GHS, she helped the Rams consecutive State championships from 2004-2006.

Heading into this season, Wilson has seven career goals but has nearly doubled that total already. "The coach moved me from defensive midfielder to attacking midfielder, which gives me a lot more scoring chance," Wilson said.



File photo courtesy of the University of Maine at Orono.

"On the header goal, my teammate made a great pass over the defense, and where I was coming from the far post, I had a good opportunity to place over the keeper."

Wilson said the team is playing well as it was heading into its first conference game September 26 Binghamton University in New York. Binghamton eliminated the Black Bears during the conference tournament semifinals on penalty kicks last year, so you can bet Wilson and her teammates went into the game seeking revenge.



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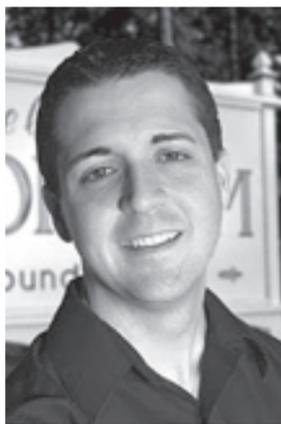
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Welcome New Gorham Times Volunteer, Stacy Sallinen

The Gorham Times, completely run by volunteers, recently added some new hard working members who we would like to continue to introduce.

We are pleased to announce that Stacy Sallinen, who has been covering School Committee news since October 2008, recently became the School News Coordinator. Since July she has been solely responsible for gathering, writing, and submitting information on Gorham school events.

Sallinen received a Bachelor of Art in Accounting from St. Anselm College in New Hampshire.

She enjoys volunteering in school and church.

Sallinen, a Gorham resident for eight years, lives with her husband, Tom, and three sons, Tommy, Matthew and Nicholas.

Featured in the next issue will be the new Mailing Distribution Coordinator, Chad Sirois.



Photo credit Tom Sallinen

Moody FROM PAGE 1

his four children have graduated from Gorham High School. Danielle graduated from Bryant University in May. Jimmy is a junior at Bates College. Ben works in the family business, Moody's Collision Centers, and Nate is a junior at Gorham High School.

While Chris and Shawn were raising their family, Moody was also building their business. Moody's Collision Centers now has five locations and is the largest auto collision repair business in New England. The company's record of customer service and operating performance is in the top 1 percent of 40,000 shops nationwide. Over the years, Moody's has been recognized by local, state, and national organizations. In 2000, Moody received the Gorham Business Person of the Year Award. In 2003, he won the Governor's Award for Excellence in Business. In 2008, the DEP recognized Moody's as an industry leader in environmental excellence.

When Shawn Moody talks about the State of Maine, he does so with a deep regard for hard-working Mainers, but with a frustration for the career politicians who he believes have mismanaged the state's economy and created an anti-business tone that emanates from Augusta into our largest cities and smallest towns. "When the Founding Fathers envisioned our great country, they planned for a country led by the people, not led by career politicians. What we need in Augusta are compassionate, visionary business men and women who understand how to fuel growth and prosperity, who know how to save a dollar when times are good and share sacrifices when times are tough," said Moody.

And he intends to do just that. If Shawn Moody has his way, like his business, the State of Maine will rank in the top percentile nationwide. Maine will be the country's leader in the way

the state treats the people and in the responsible, honest, and productive way it operates. Maine's reorganized and revitalized economic, educational, and environmental climate will fuel growth and prosperity. Maine will once again be the state where "life is the way it should be."

"I'm optimistic about Maine's future," said Moody. "Together, we can revitalize Maine and make a difference."

If his grassroots support keeps growing at the pace it's been on since Moody announced his candidacy in early June, the next Governor of the State of Maine just may be Gorham's Shawn Moody.

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Jason and Naomi Schucker are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Nora Jane Schucker, arriving on September 8 at 2:51 p.m. weighing 7 lbs 15 oz and measuring 20.5 inches in length. Nora joins her grandparents, Eric and Joan Anderson, Bruce and Bonnie Schucker, and great-grandparents, Brenton and Dorothy Crossman, all of Gorham.



Photo credit Chris Crawford

Michael Files and Meredith Kirby are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Annabelle Avary Files, born September 14 and weighing in at 8 lbs 10 oz. and 19 1/2 inches in length. Grandparents are Chris Crawford and Nick Kirby of Gorham and Dawn and Peter Doane of New Jersey. Great-grandparents are John and Dee Dee (Annabelle) Files of Gorham.



Carol and Albert Curran and Juris and Astrida Apse announce the engagement of their children Rachele Curran (GHS '95) and Colin Apse of Portland, ME. Curran graduated from the University of Maine with a BS in Environmental Science and from Humboldt State University with a Masters in Environment and Community. She is a Development and Marketing Associate for Environmental Health Strategy Center. Apse earned a Masters of Environmental Management at Yale University and is employed at The Nature Conservancy. The wedding will take place at the end of summer 2011.

MILESTONES

Meegan Daigler of Gorham qualified for the AP Scholar with Distinction Award at Cheverus High School by earning an average score of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken, and a score of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams. Meegan is currently a freshman at Dartmouth College.

OF INTEREST

The Gorham Woman's Club will hold a meeting on Thursday, Oct. 14 at 12:30 p.m. at the First Parish Church in Gorham. Members are already looking forward to spring because pink tulips have been planted around town! GWC officers will host the luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a dish and join the fun! Everyone welcome! FMI write to Granbick@aol.com.

Corinne and Richard Altham, Jr., GHS Golf Coach and Head Pro at Gorham Country Club, are one of three family finalists in a sweepstakes sponsored by Pillsbury. Corinne wrote a 200-word story about why she, her husband and children Julia, 5, and Jackson, 2, love to spend Sundays eating Pillsbury Cinnamon

Rolls. A video crew came to the Altham's Gorham home to videotape the family. Between September 23 and October 9 the public can vote at the contest's website for the best videos. The grand-prize winner will receive a seven-day vacation to California including airfare, hotel, theme park tickets, and much more. If they win, this will be their first family vacation. To vote for the Altham family, click <http://generalmills.promo.eprize.com/sweetsunday/>

The Gorham Lions Club will hold their semi-annual book sale in November and will gladly pick up donations of good used books. FMI, call Jim 892-6540.

First Saturday Art Walk will take place from 4 to 8 p.m. in Gorham on Oct. and the following first Saturday of every month. Artists may open their studios or partner with a local business for this event. Green balloons will indicate businesses participating. Landscapes painters to contemporary artists will participate. FMI, write to Andrew Coffin at mcoffin3@maine.rr.com or call 839-7676. There is no fee for participants or patrons.

The public is invited to attend a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the first eight-mile segment of the proposed 28-mile Sebago to the Sea Trail, October 2 at 10:00 a.m.

at Otter Ponds, Rt. 35, Standish. Bring your bike for the paved portion (mountain bike needed for the segment of trail on the Sebago Land Reserve), or walking shoes. Loaner bikes will be available to ride the paved Mountain Division Trail section courtesy of the Westbrook Recycle-a-Ride Program and the Bicycle Coalition of Maine. Directions: Rt. 114 to Rt. 35 in Standish. Right on Rt.35. Gate to Otter Ponds on the right will be open. Drive a mile to reach the visitor kiosk and event location.

The Friends of Baxter Memorial Library Fall Book Sale will be held in the Gorham Recreation Building (75 South St.) on Friday, Oct. 15 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 16 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. A Friends Preview Night will be held on Thursday, Oct. 14 from 5 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5. In conjunction with the book sale, the library will partner with the Red Cross to host a blood drive in honor of Gorham Chief of Police Ron Shepard and Be the Match will also be on hand to take cheek swabs and registrations for the National Marrow Donor Program Registry. Both groups will be available from 1 to 6 p.m. in Shaw Gym, across the hall from the book sale. FMI, visit www.baxterlibrary.org or call 839-5031.

First Parish Congregational Church in Gorham invites you to join the celebration of All God's Critters on Saturday, Oct. 2 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. David Sparks from Sparks Ark will bring some special guests and furry friends. Bring your pet for a blessing of the animals. Lunch concessions will be available. FMI, 839-6751.

Pianist Laura Kargul will celebrate the bicentennial of Chopin and Schumann by performing major works representing the pinnacle of Romantic Piano Literature on

Friday, Oct. 1 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 3 at 3 p.m. Corthell Concert Hall, USM Gorham. \$15/\$10/\$5. FMI, 780-5555.

There will be an All-You-Can-Eat Baked Bean Supper on Saturday, Oct. 2 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the White Rock Community Club, Wilson Rd., off Rte 237 in Gorham. \$7/\$3. FMI, 892-4342.

There will be a Community Halloween (costume) and Harvest Party at YourSpace in Gorham on Saturday, Oct. 30 from 7:30 p.m. to midnight. Proceeds to benefit Gorham Food Pantry and YourSpace. Please bring a food donation for the Food Pantry and/or an 'easy to share' dish to share with friends. \$30/couple, \$15/single. Cash bar of wine and beer. Tickets available at www.yourspacemaine.org. FMI, 839-3982.

Boston University faculty members Dana and Yuri Mazurkevich will present a violin master class on Monday, Oct. 4 at 5 p.m. at Corthell Concert Hall, USM Gorham. The Mazurkevichs studied with the legendary Russian violinist David Oistrakh and are exponents of the Russian Violin School. \$6. FMI, 780-5555.

Gorham High Softball team is looking for crafters for a Nov 20 craft fair at Narragansett School. Contact Robin Arsenault at 839-2990.

A comedy of theatrical calamity, Lend Me a Tenor, by Ken Ludwig will open the season for the USM Theater Department from October 8 - 17 at Russell Hall, USM Gorham. FMI, call 780-5151 or visit www.usm.maine.edu/theater/

A No-Cost Outreach Dance Program called Breath of Life Dance (B.O.L.D) will be offered by The Dance Studio

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Girl Scout Troop 1186 made a large donation to The Animal Refuge League in Westbrook with funds raised from their annual cookie sale. The girls were delighted to help so many needy animals.

Of Interest FROM PREVIOUS PAGE

of Maine in Gorham from November through June. The program was created for children who want to dance but can't afford the tuition. Two free classes will be offered this fall - Jazz for 6-8 yr. olds and Contemporary Jazz for 9-12 yr. olds. If you'd like your child to be considered, please email dancestudioofmaine@msn.com by Oct. 15 for details.

Stacey and Jesse Coleman of Gorham and owners Gorham Fitness Studio have entered the 11th Annual North American Wife Carrying Championship that takes place Saturday, October 9, 11 a.m. at Sunday River Ski Resort in Newry. The winner earns a spot in the World Championships in Finland, and prizes include the wife's weight in beer and five times the wife's weight in cash. FMI visit www.sundayriver.com or follow the Coleman's on their blog at www.my-fit-family.com.

American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive on October 15 from 1 to 6 p.m. at the Gorham Municipal Building. The following donations will not be accepted at the upcoming Cressey Road United Methodist Church two day rummage sale: upholstered furniture, mattresses and box springs; suitcases; rugs; carpeting; dog and cat beds; stuffed animals; old TVs or computers; old textbooks; outdated car seats; cribs; and hospital issue commodes, crutches and walkers. FMI Ruth Ayers 839-3666.

CLOSE TO HOME

Harvest Supper at the Westbrook Eagles, 89 Saco St., on Thursday, Oct 7 from 5 to 7 p.m. \$7/\$3.50 12 and younger

Right Thing FROM PAGE 2

Many of the same companies that sell products in the U.S. already operate EPR systems abroad. EPR systems are more important now than ever to conserve resources, reduce toxic exposures and protect the environment.

Companies like LG Electronics, Honeywell, Sony and Caterpillar have found EPR creates a level of customer loyalty based on good customer service and "green" is definitely in. When all stakeholders (producers, the Chamber

Windham Hill UCC (off Rt.302) will sponsor an "electronic equipment recycling event" on Saturday, Oct. 9 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bring your old televisions, computers, monitors, phones, VCR's and DVD equipment. NO household appliances. FMI, 653-5989.

The 2nd Annual Haunted Schoolhouse will take place from Oct. 15 - Oct. 31, from 6-9 p.m. Fridays & Saturdays; 5-8 p.m. on Sundays. Not recommended for very young children. Located at the intersection of Routes 114 and 35, Sebago Lake Village. FMI, 642-3743 or www.schoolhousearts.org.

The Scarborough Free Baptist Church, 55 Mussey Road, will host a Fall Fair and Bottle Drive on Saturday, Oct. 2 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., featuring a Yard Sale, Craft Sale, a Cookie Walk and a Bottle Drive! FMI, 883-2336.

The scholarship fundraiser in memory of Gorham teacher Dawn York will be held on Oct. 3. The Bay Mist will depart from Casco Baylines at 4 p.m. and will feature food, dancing, and a cash bar. FMI, contact Barbara Keene, 318-2684; Amanda Cooper, 222-1200; Keith Nicely, 650-2532; or Andrew York, 746-7008.

The Buxton Garden Club will meet on Thursday, October 14 at 7 p.m. at the Groveville Firebarn, Turkey lane, Buxton. The program is a presentation by Chewonki called "Going Green". Learn how you can shrink your carbon footprint. All welcome. FMI: 929-8283 or buxtongc@yahoo.com

of Commerce, environmentalists and the government) come to the table and work as cohorts and with broad based consensus, product stewardship can create jobs and entrepreneurship opportunities and it is the right thing for our environment.

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Robie-Andrews Hall Restoration Ceremony

Sherrie Fontaine



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Crewmembers from Roof System of Maine hoist the finial atop Robie-Andrews Hall.

On September 7, workers hoisted the last of three decorative finials atop the roof turret of the University of Southern Maine's historic Robie Hall signaling the completion of a lengthy restoration project. This is the first restoration done on the original slate roof since the hall opened in 1898. Robie-Andrews Hall is one of several buildings located in the Gorham Campus Historic District, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Andrews wing of the dormitory was added in 1916.

George Watson, representing the Gorham Historical Society, was present to photographically document the changing of the finials. The history of USM's Gorham campus is a significant part of the Town's own history.

In acknowledgement of the historical significance of the building, during a brief ceremony, a time capsule was placed inside the finial prior to its installation atop the Robie roof turret. Bob Bertram, executive director of Facilities Management shared that the capsule included a letter from USM President Selma Botman, several business cards, a USM pen and letter opener, and a 2010-penny. Also included were letters written by some of the 200 students who call this residence hall home. In addition to functioning as a dormitory, the building also houses the USM Department of Art and the Community of Arts Living Learning Community (COA). Many students majoring in fine and performing arts

live, study, and create there.

The restoration project started last semester. It included not only the rooftop and turret but also the addition of a new vestibule to the Art Department and other smaller structural changes within the building. Several mechanical projects were completed such as the installation of a new ventilation system. The new copper finials are the showcase pieces of the project that cap, both figuratively and literally, the completion of this restoration project.

Tentative plans are underway to repurpose two of the three replaced finials. One finial may become part of a birdbath or other piece of lawn art for USM's rhododendron garden scheduled to open in spring 2011; the other finial will be displayed in a glass case alongside photos and other memorabilia showcasing the hall's lengthy history; the third finial was damaged beyond repair.

The cost of the roof project was \$455,000 and was funded with proceeds from the sale of USM's Portland Hall, a former residence hall located on Congress Street in Portland.

USM's Department of Facilities Management, in collaboration with the Department of Residential Life, served as project manager and Roof Systems of Maine as general contractor. The Maine-based firm of WBRC Architects and Engineers provided architectural and engineering services.

the blotter

"Police? I'd like to report a rooster."

Mosher Road caller woke up that morning and found that someone left them a rooster. They stated it was white, cock-a-doodle-dooing, and looked very lost.

Running Springs Road caller reported that they had received a phone call from the U.S. Government saying that they were going to receive \$7000.00 for being a good citizen. They were then asked for financial information which caller did not give out.

Mighty Street caller advised that they had an extra cow in their herd of cattle and didn't know to whom it belonged.

Gateway Commons Drive caller requested to speak with an officer regarding their son's vehicle, which had been hit in Portland. The owner of the other vehicle gave name, telephone number, and insurance information all of which was false.

Gray Road caller reported that someone in an oncoming vehicle threw a bag of feces onto their windshield.

Ossipee Trail caller reported suspicious activity in the area. Subject was looking for an open gas station.

Caller reported suspicious activity in the Main St. area. Subjects were taking pictures of a monster truck.

School Street caller reported their mother's house was broken into and a Police scanner was missing.

Waterhouse Road caller reported they were being accused of receiving a package at their house that was addressed to the previous owner. Caller denied that this package ever came to the house; however, the previous owner was adamant that it had arrived there and wanted it back.

Waterhouse Road caller reported that UPS delivered a package to their previous address, but the new residents claimed they did not receive it even though the caller saw the empty box in which it was delivered.

Longfellow Road man reported that a known subject hit on him and he was very upset.

Gray Road caller requested that an officer to go to their home and speak with their children about going in the neighbor's yard and taking the neighbor's hose. Caller was informed this was not a police matter, but a parenting matter.

A doctor at Mercy Hospital requested a call from the Animal Control Officer regarding a patient who walked in after being attacked by an unknown animal.



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what's happening

FRIDAY, OCT. 1

- Spotlight Concert Series with Laura Kargul on piano, a Chopin-Schumann Celebration, 8 p.m. Corthell Concert Hall, USM Gorham. \$15/\$10/\$5. FMI, 780-5555.

SATURDAY, OCT. 2

- All-You-Can-Eat Baked Bean Supper, 4:30 to 6 p.m., White Rock Community Club, Wilson Rd., Off Rte 237 in Gorham. \$7/\$3. FMI, 892-4342.

SUNDAY, OCT. 3

- Spotlight Concert Series with Laura Kargul on piano, a Chopin-Schumann Celebration, 3 p.m. Corthell Concert Hall, USM Gorham. \$15/\$10/\$5. FMI, 780-5555.

MONDAY, OCT. 4

- Food & Fellowship Ecumenical Meal Program, Windham Assembly of God, Rte. 302, Windham. Everyone welcome. FMI, 892-3769.
- Planning Board Meeting, 7 p.m. Gorham Municipal Center (75 South St.)

TUESDAY, OCT. 5

- Gorham Cancer Prayer and Support Group, 7 p.m., Cressey Road United Methodist Church. FMI, 839-311.
- Town Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Gorham Municipal Center (75 South St.)
- Baxter Memorial Library and the Gorham Business Exchange, Candidates' Night, 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. at the library, 71 South Street.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 6

- Partners in Education Meeting (PIE), 5:45 - 6:45 p.m. GHS library. All are welcome!
- Babies in the Library, up to age 3, North Gorham Public Library, 10 to 11 a.m. FMI, 892-2575.
- School Committee Meeting, 7 p.m., Gorham Municipal Center (75 South

The Gorham Ecumenical Food Pantry is open at St. Anne's Church every Thurs. from 9-11 a.m.; the second Wednesday of the month from 6-7:30 p.m.; and the third Monday of the month from 6-7 p.m. Open to anyone in Gorham in need of food. Located in the building behind St. Anne's Church, Main St.

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THURSDAY, OCT. 7

- Gorham Food Pantry, 9-11 a.m. (located in St. Anne's Catholic Church parking lot)
- Story Hour, ages 3 - 5 yrs, North Gorham Public Library, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. FMI, 892-2575.
- Noontime Community Meal (chicken pie), Westbrook-Warren Congregational Church (810 Main St., Westbrook). \$4. Everyone welcome. FMI, 854-9157.

FRIDAY, OCT. 8

- Meeting for local TRIAD members, 9-10 a.m., Gorham Municipal Building (75 South St.). FMI, 856-1212 or ihss@inhomeseniorservices.com.
- Early Release for grades K-12.

MONDAY, OCT. 11

- Columbus Day. No school for grades K-12.
- Food & Fellowship Ecumenical Meal Program, Windham Assembly of God, Rte. 302, Windham. Everyone welcome. FMI, 892-3769.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 13

- Gorham Food Pantry, 6-7:30 p.m. (located in St. Anne's Catholic Church parking lot)
- Babies in the Library, up to age 3, North Gorham Public Library, 10 to 11 a.m. FMI, 892-2575.

THURSDAY, OCT. 14

- Gorham Food Pantry, 9-11 a.m.

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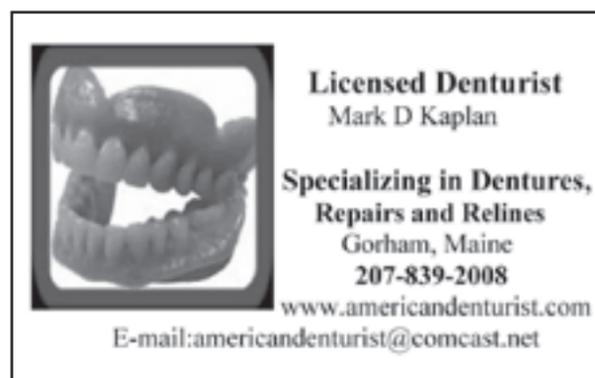
- Noontime Community Meal (roast pork), Westbrook-Warren Congregational Church (810 Main St., Westbrook), \$4. Everyone welcome. FMI, 854-9157.



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