

Midfield Advantage



In the boys' lacrosse team home opener on April 21, midfielder Greg Gagne helps the Rams defeat Westbrook, 10-4.

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Gorham Firm Aids Oil Spill Crisis

Gorham Times Staff

The massive oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico has been called a disaster of unprecedented proportions, and local environmental contractor Boom Technology, Inc., is on the scene, helping clean up.

The company, which responds to oil spills on land and water, has sent 20 workers to the Gulf Coast, said Rick Joyce, the company's vice president.

Much like the way fire departments in neighboring towns support each other, spill specialists from across the country have been called to the Gulf as part of a mutual-aid compact.

In order to respond to the crisis while still maintaining readiness for any accidents close to home, the company called on a core group of contacts from Maine and around the country.

"We keep an extensive network of guys on standby," said Joyce. "It's almost like a volunteer fire department."

It's the second time that the company, which is based on Sanford Drive in the Gorham Industrial Park, has sent crews south. The first was in 2008 when a collision on the Mississippi spilled approximately 280,000 gallons of oil into the river. That spill was so large that it shut down traffic on the river for six days for the cleanup.

The efforts in the Gulf of Mexico are likely to take much longer.

The company's workers are active both in crewing "skimmers," boats that skim the spilled oil from the surface of the ocean, and in placing inflatable booms to protect environmentally sensitive areas, such as oyster beds, from the floating oil.

The skimmer crews will work 12

Fraternity Issues Improving, But Problems Remain

Sheri Faber

Despite some recent incidents, there has been much progress to resolve the ongoing conflict between some off-campus fraternities and residents of Gorham Village.

After a series of meetings last year between the off-campus fraternities, USM and neighbors in the village, guidelines were developed that required notice to USM, the Gorham and USM police departments and neighbors of planned parties; placed limitations on how late the parties could continue; and established acceptable noise levels. Those guidelines went into effect in November 2009.

In another attempt to address the problem, Town Council members proposed a disorderly house ordinance as a means of better controlling the situation, but it was defeated as being too broadly based.

One significant problem with the parties in the past has been that they often

happened on Thursday nights since there are few classes on Fridays at USM, keeping up residents who must still go to work on Fridays.

According to local resident Tim Allard, there have not been any recent Thursday night parties. Allard and his wife live on Preble Street across from two of the fraternities, and Allard has been very active in the drive to curtail noise and vandalism issues with the fraternities.

Due to the noise, Allard has had to purchase soundproofing insulation for his bedroom windows. This insulation makes his bedroom "like a cave," he said. "But we have to do whatever it takes to get some sleep."

In addition to noise issues, there have been other fraternity-related problems.

In January, there was an alleged sexual assault at one of the fraternities. However, following an investigation by the Gorham Police Department's

Detective Sears Edwards, it was determined that no assault had taken place. The subject was intoxicated when officers interviewed her, and witnesses reported that she had gotten into an argument at the fraternity, but there had been no assault.

On Apr. 16, officers charged eight people with underage drinking at a Phi Kappa fraternity party and issued a summons to the chapter's president, Brian Longfellow, 23, for furnishing a place for minors to consume alcohol. As a result of this incident, the national Phi Kappa organization sent a representative to meet with chapter members on Apr. 22. This is done when the organization feels that the chapter is not adhering to the guidelines in the fraternity charter. Members can be asked to leave the fraternity and the chapter house can even be closed.

Another fraternity, Delta Chi, has

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Singing It Out: First graders at Narragansett entertained family and friends at their April 29 performance of "Growing up Great," a musical with songs about the school's code of conduct.



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Sound Investments for Maine

Rep. Linda Sanborn

Voters who go to the polls in June and November of 2010 will have a chance to voice their opinions on bond packages passed on the last day of the legislative session this April. Proudly, the 124th legislature worked in an efficient and mostly bipartisan manner to pass the budget and a compromise bond package, allowing for an early recess.

I believe it is important to explain why these bond packages are good investments and why Maine residents should feel comfortable borrowing in this economic climate.

First of all, Maine has a very responsible history of bonding. Bonds, as debts, should not exceed a state's capacity and should be paid off quickly with attached low interest rates. Maine pays off its bond debts over 10 years, as opposed to most states 20 or more years. This is important as it allows Maine to regularly retire debt over a shorter period of time and even with the proposed bond package, Maine will be retiring more debt than it incurs. We are in a position to take advantage of what are currently historically low interest rates. Maine has an "AA" bond rating from Standard and Poor's, defined as a "very strong capacity to meet financial commitments". In this current biennium, Maine will pay off \$168.1 million in debt.

Precisely because of this, Maine can afford the debt incurred by the proposed bonding. What we cannot afford is to put off major investments contained in this bond package. Bonding can be viewed as investments that will create solid economic returns such as a stronger infrastructure, capital projects to support traditional and new industry and incentives for relocations to Maine by successful businesses, quality professionals and skilled workers.

Representative Ed Legg (D-Kennebunk) recently explained how, when he was vice president of the University of New England and led two statewide research and development coalitions which sought bond funding in Augusta, "the results

achieved from the bonding exceeded our most optimistic expectations—approximately \$7 million from state bond funds, many more millions from grants and private fundraising, hundreds, perhaps thousands of jobs, a pre-pharmacy program on the Biddeford campus and a professional and research-oriented School of Pharmacy on UNE's former Westbrook College Campus in Portland."

Likewise, the current bond provides funds for an innovative dental school, improving access to dental health services in rural areas where we have an extreme workforce shortage. Keep in mind that emergency room visits for dental pain are a huge driver for escalating health care costs.

Other funding included in the bond package allow for:

- Significant road and bridge repair or rebuilding, vital for all Maine businesses.
- Restoration of rail freight transportation in Western and Central Maine and salvaging rail lines in Aroostook Country necessary to get forest products to market. Compared to trucking, rail saves money, wear and tear on our roads and the environment.
- Small harbor improvements and a Portland deep-water port for ocean liners, supporting marine and tourism industries—projects that are "dredge ready."
- Research and Development at University of Maine to help develop manufacturing of wind energy components.

As so well stated by Legg, "Given Maine's responsible and proven bond policies and results, and the current low interest rates, there is no better time to bond than now." We can create jobs doing work that sorely needs to be done anyway and begins this summer. Bonding, done wisely, is a good investment in Maine, now and in the future.

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Gorham Has Heart

They're the folks who make our lives brighter: The hospital volunteer who always has a smile, the Little League Coach who works a 60-hour week and still manages to find time for his team, the teacher who works extra hard to bring the joy of learning into her students' lives.

Well, we at the *Gorham Times* would like to hear about those special people. We're starting a new occasional series, called "Gorham Has Heart," to profile all the people who go the extra mile to make Gorham such a great place to live, and we'd like your help in finding them.

You can e-mail us at gorham-hasheart@gorhamtimes.com, or you can call us at our office at 839-8390. Let us know who they are, what they do, and please don't forget to give a phone number or e-mail, so we can get back to you.

GORHAM REMEMBERS

The Day the Chickens Ruled the Town

Beverly Lessard

Years ago, probably around the summer of 1960, Gorham found itself somewhat feathered.

Not to be confused with being tarred and feathered, the town center was covered with short fluffy feathers.

It was a warm summer day when a truck carrying hundred of wooden crates of chickens tried to make a turn at the center's traffic light. The truck survived the turn but most of the crates didn't.

As a result, hundreds—maybe even thousands—of chickens were free to roam the streets of Gorham unsupervised.

A few even made it as far as 87 South Street, where I lived.

The truck driver eventually got his truck reloaded, minus the chickens, who took full advantage of their newfound freedom.

I never really heard the end of the story, what the driver's boss had to say, or even what the driver's wife had to say.

But since it is still clear in my mind 50 years later, I would assume that it was a day that the driver never forgot.

Gorham Recycling Committee Tip: Prevent animals from making a mess of your trash. Put plastic bags in a trash can with a cover. Next meeting May 20.

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GARDENING PLEASURES

A Vision for Your Garden Linda Treworgy Faatz

As much as gardeners like to create a vision for their garden, the final plan always seems to be up to Mother Nature. The lawns that are nurtured so faithfully will always have a few weeds. Everyone is asked to pick all the dandelion flowers before they go to seed. That is the organic way, I guess.

Nature has a way all its own of being pleasingly artistic. In my garden, random moss covered corners are left in place for all to admire. Wild violets, in every shade of purple, blanket the ground under the spirea. The celandine, spreading with great abandon under the hemlock trees, will bloom in natural profusion in June. It is considered a weed but commented on with approval by visitors. I do, however, weed it out of my perennials beds.

As a seasoned gardener, I do not lose sleep over little irregularities in my garden. I guess it is because I have learned that there are solutions to most gardening problems and that there will always be successes and failures. If there are too many red lily beetles, either take the lilies out of the garden or plant the lilies all in one spot to save time when you drown those pesky bugs in a cup of water each morning. Change locations of plants that are not doing well.

Mole tunnels can be viewed as a problem, but if you enlist the children in stomping down the tunnels, it becomes an afternoon's entertainment. Besides, someone told me this tunneling provides natural aeration. Throw a little grass seed on the areas that are really disrupted and be glad to find worms working their way through the soil.

Bags of granulated garlic have kept the deer away from my Magnolia and Rhododendrons. In my head I feel that I should leave unprotected some plants

that need to be pruned. The hollies and euonymus that the deer did prune severely needed it anyway. It doesn't mean I still don't curse them for doing that nibbling.

Do you know about Milorganite? It is reconstituted dried sludge that comes in 50 pound bags. It is a great organic fertilizer for lawns and best of all, deer do not like the smell, even though there is very little odor to humans. Milorganite around the day lilies and hostas will keep the deer at bay. It works and is also a good for plants in your flower beds. Add compost to all growing areas to encourage microorganisms and to condition the soil.

I am finding more and more great uses for ground covers. Hillsides that are hard to care for are planted with ground cover. Plant vinca or pachysandra under trees where grass won't grow. Ajuga is especially quick growing and can be walked on, mowed over and still stay green. Some people even replace their lawns with it.

Daffodils bloomed early and in profusion this year. Thank goodness I took the time to take pictures and sit for a minute to enjoy their beauty before this part of the spring season became a memory.

With each passing display of bloom, keep your garden vision in mind. Just remember that gardeners must also work with the gifts that nature presents. That may mean a detour here and there in your plan. Often the most creative designs unfold spontaneously at the last minute: a gift of nature and joy to behold.

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GHS Athletes Attend Summit



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Ten student-athletes from GHS attended the Southwestern Maine Activities Association's Student-Athlete Summit at Cheverus High School Apr. 13. During the conference, student-athletes from all of the association's schools discussed issues such as how to facilitate respect for game officials, diversity, and communities, as well as fan behavior and sportsmanship. Pictured above, front row from left to right: Taylor Hansen, Lindsey Smith, Mia Rapolla and Abby Hodgkins. Back Row: Nick Kilborn, Brendon Joyce, Eliot Gagne, Alex Owens and Caleb Dolloff. Missing from the photo is Alyssa Lurvey.

College Sports Commitments

The *Gorham Times* has already reported on 13 GHS athletes who have committed to playing a sport in college and here are two more who recently made the commitment. Watch for more announcements in future issues.



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Cameron Stevens
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Track and Field



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Rachel Wilkinson
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Cross-Country and Track
and Field

in the Zone



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Two Gorham Athletes Shine at Saint Joseph's College of Maine: Senior **Craig Woodbrey** (GHS '06) knocked home the winning run with a two-out single in the bottom of the ninth to help the baseball team defeat Suffolk University for the Great Northeast Athletic Conference Championship May 2. The win earned the team a spot in the NCAA DIII Tournament, which begins May 19. Woodbrey is batting .351 on the season, and has started in 24 of the team's 36 games

without committing any errors as an outfielder. Senior softball player **Anna Wills** (GHS '06), was named to the All-Conference third team. Willis started all 40 of the team's games as an outfielder, batting .339 and leading the team in steals (12) while scoring 37 runs, the second-highest total on the team.

Girls' and Boys' Lacrosse Both Break Fast:

The GHS girls' lacrosse team was off to a 3-0 start and a second-place ranking in Western Maine Class A as of May 6. Leading the way has been junior **Mia Rapolla**, who was off to a torrid scoring pace with 29 goals in the team's first three games including a whopping 11 goals May 4 against Bonny Eagle. During this stretch, Rapolla also contributed 10 assists and won 27 draw-controls. The GHS boys' lacrosse team was off to a 4-1 start as of May 6 and fifth-place ranking in Western Maine Class A. Senior **Luc Robitaille** scored seven goals in the team's 13-3 win over Noble on May 5.

Girls' Tennis Undefeated After Five Matches:

The GHS girls' tennis team was off to a 5-0 start and ranked first in Western Maine Class A as of May 6. The top three singles players—junior **Natalie Egbert**, senior **Hannah Shorty** and junior **Sarah Moir**—were all undefeated in their individual matches.

Track and Field Double-Event Winners:

In an Apr. 27 team victory over Cheverus, Biddeford and Kennebunk, the GHS boys' track and field team was led by three double-event winners: senior **Jake Willis** (100 and 200 meters); senior **Jon Day** (100 and 300 meter hurdles); and sophomore **Nate Bucknell** (400 meters and racewalk). When the GHS girls' track and field team defeated Windham, Fryeburg Academy and Sacopee Valley on May 4, sophomore **Sarah Perkins** led the way with wins in the 100 meter hurdles and high jump. During the Apr. 29 meet vs. Biddeford, Cheverus and Kennebunk, senior **Emily Southard** was a double-event winner in the triple jump and pole vault.

Baseball Team Pounds Out 17 Hits:

During an Apr. 29 16-3 win over Sanford, the GHS baseball team put on quite a hit parade. Senior **Sean Grandmaison** led the way with four hits and five runs batted in while junior **Brendon Joyce** had three hits and four RBIs. Junior **Steve Broy** also had three hits, including two triples, while seniors **Kyle Butterfield** and **Jon Foster** as well as junior **Zach Speirs** all chipped in with two hits each. Overall, the team rapped out 17 hits in five innings,

including six triples.

First Win For Softball Is A Big One: The GHS softball team made its first win of the season a big one by knocking off previously undefeated Biddeford, 6-3, on May 5. Sophomore **Taylor Hansen** pitched a complete game to earn the win, while her battery-mate, senior catcher **Molly Lortie**, led the offense with two doubles, three runs scored and two runs-batted-in. Senior **Lauren Chouinard** and junior **Leaha Keene** chipped in with two hits each. In a May 3 game vs. Scarborough, junior **Alyssa Clark** had all three of the team's hits and drove in two runs during a 14-3 loss.

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GHS Boys' Tennis and Baseball Captains:

Juniors **Will Ross** and **Tyler Strout** were named captains of the GHS boys' tennis team while seniors **Sean Grandmaison**, **Jon Foster**, **Kyle Butterfield** and **Colin Lubelczyk** as well as junior **Brendon Joyce** were named captains of the baseball team.

May Madness Soccer Tournament

May 15-16: The Gorham Youth Soccer Association's 12th Annual May Madness Tournament takes place May 15-16 at Yourspace. Games run from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day, with approximately 40 boys' and girls' U9 to U12 teams from across the state participating. Food, t-shirts and other event merchandise will be available, along with music, face painting, soccer drills, and a bouncy house. Parking is available at Yourspace as well as at Moody's Collision Center. For more information, call 222-2184.

Turkey Hunting Season Now Open: The wild turkey hunting season opened on May 3 and runs through June 5. An initial permit for \$20 allows hunters to take one bearded wild turkey in the spring and a wild turkey of either sex in the fall. A second permit would allow for the harvest of another bearded wild turkey in the spring only. For more information, visit www.mefishwildlife.com or contact Deborah Turcotte at 287-6008.

GHS Weekend Varsity Sports Line-Up

Friday, May 14

- 3:30 p.m. Girls' Tennis vs. Bonny Eagle @ GHS
- 3:30 p.m. Boys' Tennis @ Bonny Eagle
- 4:00 p.m. Softball @ Bonny Eagle
- 5:00 p.m. Girls' Lacrosse @ Mountain Valley

Saturday, May 15

- 10:00 a.m. Baseball vs. Massabesic @ GHS
- 4:00 p.m. Boys' Lacrosse vs. Saint Dominic @ TBD

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Special Olympics Basketball Tourney



Photo credit Chris Geelhold

Special Olympics of Maine held its annual basketball tournament Apr. 3 at USM in Gorham with a team from Gorham participating for the first time in the history of the tournament. Gorham participated in the Unified League, which consisted of six Special Olympic athletes and five high-school-age partner players. Together the two groups played as one team on the court, helping each other pass, score and play defense. The team went 2-1 in the opening rounds and defeated Lewiston in the title game to capture the Gold Medal. Damon Lyons was the Most Valuable Player of the day with a total of 28 points. Playing for the team and pictured above, front row, from left to right: Beth Poole, Joe Harper, Travis Maier and Assistant Coach Hallie Shiers. Second row: Damon Lyons, partner Indiana Faithfull, partner Jon Day, partner Kyle Randall and Cole Shiers. Third Row: Coach Lisa Shiers, Coach Darren Shiers, Tim Stickney, partner Harry Smith, partner Alex Graves and Assistant Coach Jordan Shiers.



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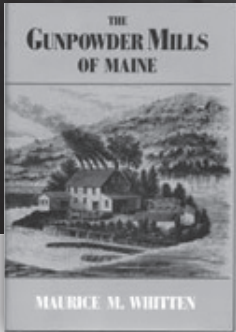


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As part of their Gorham History unit at Village School, Mrs. Turner's class welcomed Maurice Whitten, author of *The Gunpowder Mills of Gorham, Maine*, and great-grandfather of third-grade student Brenden Waterman. He shared his knowledge of gunpowder production at Gambo along the Presumpscot River during the Civil War. Students learned about how gunpowder mills used water power in production, and other interesting facts, like how workers at the mills couldn't wear anything that could create a spark, such as wool or metal. Pictured above are Maurice Whitten and Brenden Waterman.

Fifth-Grade Village School Students Celebrate and Learn on Civil War Day

Justin Laughlin and Trystan Bates



Photo credit Chris Crawford

Presenter Matt Bray showed fifth grade students at Village School an example of a typical camp used during the Civil War.

Village School fifth graders celebrated Civil War Day on April 13, with re-enactors from the 3rd Maine Regiment presenting information.

Carolyn Lawson showed how civilians supported the war effort and how the wounded were cared for. She explained that more soldiers died from diseases like dysentery than from battle wounds.

On the field outside school, Matt Bray discussed what life was like for

the soldiers at a Civil War camp. Some students got to march, and we all learned that the soldiers' boots had metal horseshoes on them so they would last longer.

Jeff Pike taught us about the Battle of Gettysburg, Joshua Chamberlain and the 20th Maine Regiment by showing a slide show and part of a movie. Fifth graders rotated between these people and learned about the four-year Civil War in just three hours!



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 Cameron Tracy
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 Andrea Stemm
 Katherine Stickney
 Thomas Susi
 Benjamin Thompson
 Jordan Ward
 Ashley Woodbury
 Andrew York

7th Grade-Honors

Ashley Aceto
 Riley Allen
 Anna Barr
 Catherine Becker
 Matthew Bennett
 Kristin Benson
 William Bessette II
 Abigail Biegel
 Griffin Billings
 MacKenzie Bowers
 Krista Boylen
 Brooke Caron
 Michael Chapin
 Emma Christakis
 Mackenzie Collins
 Mercedes Cote
 Reagan Emerson
 Gregory Farrington
 Steven Fougere
 Kevin Frazier
 Benjamin Garson
 Tucker Gasowski
 Julia Gaudette
 Griffin Germond
 Morgan Hager-Perry
 Brandie Harmon
 Erika Heddesheimer
 Austin Hicks
 Benjamin Hincer
 Sydney Hobart
 Matthew Hooker
 Isabella Ionta
 Evan Johnson
 Maxwell Johnson
 Troy Kallis
 Elizabeth Kane
 Brendan Kelly

Jessica Labrecque
 Jamison Lane
 Kayli-Susan Leavitt
 Luther Liang
 Sarah Logan
 Jennifer Loubier
 Zoe Mattingly
 Brendan Mercier
 Alexis Miller
 Zachary Mills
 Blanca Monsen
 Dominic Morin
 Sarah Norton
 Olivia Owens
 Thomas Pequinot

8th Grade-Honors

Christian Auspland
 Gabrielle Bagala
 Carly Barber
 Austin Bell
 Carly Bell
 Zoe Campbell
 Lauren Carter
 Ashley Clark
 Jeremy Collett
 Ryan Cota
 Patrick Crocker
 April Cummings
 Olivia Curtis
 Morgan Cushing
 Thomas Dahlborg
 Jessica Day
 Ian Devine
 Sophia Dobben
 Julia Donley
 Molly Dufour
 Megan Dunlap
 Aaron Erickson
 Charlotte Feinberg
 Marissa Gallant
 Gabrielle Garson
 Travis Golder
 Madeleine Gotschlich
 Nicholas Greatorex
 Sadie Marie Guimond
 Johnathan Hamlin
 Kacey Hamlin
 Samuel Johnson
 Benjamin Keene
 Noah Kiel
 Benjamin King
 Karen Knight
 Eric Komulainen
 Brandon Labrecque
 Charlene Landry
 Paige Lara
 Jesse Leavitt
 Hannah Leclair
 Paige Lemieux
 Gabrielle Libby
 Kevin Lombard
 Rebecca Lord
 Johnathan Miller
 Dylan Mininger
 Shannon Nee
 Eric Parlin
 Delaney Patten-Harris
 Julianna Pearson
 Gage Pratt
 Jeremy Reynolds
 Liana Richardson
 Jeremiah Rivard
 Courtney Roberts
 Matthew Roy
 Drew Shane
 Claire Sirois
 Victoria Small
 Colby Smith
 Damian Smith
 Joseph Smith
 Rozada Spiers
 Lauren Stiles
 Dylan Truong
 Collin Young
 Michael Zagorianakos

8th Grade-High Honors

Emily Berrill
 James Biegel
 Thomas Bradshaw
 Nicole Brunet
 Kyle Butler
 Michael Chin
 Griffin Courtney
 Meghan Cushing
 Kiara Day
 Emily DeLuca
 Eric DeLuca
 Tyler Eldridge
 Briana Fallon
 Chloe Gray
 Madeleine Hamblen
 Corbin Kenaley
 Narissa Kourinos
 Abigail LaPorte
 Ryan Latronico
 Matthew Leclair
 Sarah MacLeod
 Joseph Martin
 Abby Mattingly
 Jenessa Meserve
 Jason Meuse
 Kelsey Mitchell
 Francesco Pappalardo
 Haley Perkins
 Ross Pratt
 Harley Press
 Sydney Prindle
 Jessica Rexrode
 Dylan Roberts
 Rona Sayed
 Joshua Slater

Hannah Southard
 Shelby Stack
 Lydia Story
 Katie Tucker
 Dylan Turner
 Jacqueline Turner
 Laura Turner
 Matthew Vail
 Melissa Walls
 Lukas Willoughby

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 Elizabeth Landry
 Arthur Jebediah Lockman
 Michael Lubelczyk
 Bethany Marshburn-Ersek
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 Maxwell McNally
 Nicholas Parlin
 Riley Shane Perkins
 Michelle Pham
 Darice Plumer
 Kristin Ross
 Andrew Scontras
 Patricia Smith
 Michael Sullivan
 Alexander Swiatek
 Tyler Verrill
 Cameron Willette

Grade 9-Honors

Lucia Alexandrin
 Libby Andreasen
 Joseph Bennett
 Kayla Billings
 Grace Bourgault
 Collin Bowie
 Adam Bucknell
 Celeste Carpenter
 Lindsay Chapman
 Mackenzie Coburn
 Samantha Cupps
 Kyle Curley
 Ryan Doughty
 Johna Doyle
 Connor Dunn
 Dylan Evans
 Stefanie Farrington
 Jeremy Foster
 Francesca Gallant
 Meaghan Gilbert
 Joseph Michael Graff
 Elizabeth Henderson
 Abigail Hodgkins
 Daniel Holmes
 Alex Johnson
 Chloe Johnson
 Elijah Johnson
 Spencer LaPierre
 Elizabeth Lavoie
 Darrian Lewry
 Cassandra Martel
 Amy McCarty
 Kristin Nelson
 Alexander Owens
 Evan Peoples
 Sydney Perkins
 Forrest Plaisted
 Dominic Pompeo
 Allyson Redhunt
 Brian Rex
 Marissa Roberts
 Nathan Roop
 Quincy Shaw
 Erin Smith
 Kara Stahl
 Nicola Stepnick
 Timothy Stickney
 Bridget Stillson
 Malcolm Tart

Lindsey Thomsen
 Margaret Towle
 Milan Vidovic
 Evelyn Viernes
 Damon Wallace

Grade 10-High Honors

Ryan Baillargeon
 Alyssa Cormack
 Jameson Crawford
 Jordan Cunningham
 Leanna Dalfonso
 Kevin Lubelczyk
 Olivia Marshburn-Ersek
 Nathan Moody
 Quincy Owens
 Margaret Roy
 Clara Stickney
 Alexandra Sturgis
 Lia Van de Krol
 Larissa Worster

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Audrey Adkison
 Kellen Adolf
 Mackenzie Allen
 Reeve Anderson
 Karen Bombaro
 Carter Bowers
 Nathan Bucknell
 Shannon Clark
 Mason Crocker
 Abigail Dean
 Joseph DeRoy
 Sarah Doughty
 Cortlandt Dunn
 Kaitlin Flanders
 Michael Giasson
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 Dustin Goodale
 Lincoln Gray
 Nathan Holloran
 Troy Lawrence
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 Ashley Linscott
 Sophie Little
 Alex Miller
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 Felisha Saunders
 Osna Sayed
 Lindsey Smith
 Martin Soper
 Matthew Southard
 Alexandra Sturtevant
 Amy Sutherland
 Mariah Taylor
 Elyn Touchette
 Bradley Turnbaugh
 Haleigh Turner
 Kiersten Turner
 Dylan Whitaker
 Hunter Wing

Grade 11-High Honors

Danielle Street

Emma Alden
 Sydney Butler
 Megan Creeden
 Jessie Dye
 Hanna Hamblen
 Ian Hawkes
 Kelsie Kerwin
 Conor Kirby
 Raisa Luck
 Allison Matthews
 Megan Mitchell
 Thomas Moutinho
 Megan Story
 Grace Sunnell

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Rebecca Auger
 Thomas Bahun
 Elena Barnes
 Connor Bell
 Eben Benson
 Foster Blake
 Steven Broy
 Lauren Caldwell
 Sullivan Conley
 James Cupps
 Kelly Devoe
 Natalie Egbert
 Andrew Ernest
 Kayla Frost
 Victoria Geffers
 Jessica Grant
 Ashley Grover
 Katharina Gugereil
 Alexis Hamlin
 Taylor Hammond
 Sara Harvey
 Nicholas Hawkes
 Sarah Henderson
 Brendon Joyce
 Moira Keahon
 Sarah Kennedy
 Alena Kiel
 Erika Kutchmarick
 Nathan Lemieux
 James Lewis
 Jennifer Malpass
 Sarah Moir
 Rebecca Morin
 Rachel Ann Nordman
 Samantha Peters
 Ryan Quint
 Mia Rapolla
 Karl Ross
 William Ross
 Michael SeeHusen
 Andre Sirois
 Connor Smith
 Zachary Speirs
 Alexandra Tracy
 Sarah Vail
 Colleen Ward
 Ryan Weed
 Kenneth Whipple
 Shannon Wilcox
 Eric Wojcik

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 Lauren Chouinard
 Carissa Dvillinsky
 Shanti Flagg
 Melanie Hebert

Mateo Hernandez
 Chelsea Huskins
 Colin Lubelczyk
 Nathaniel Marcet
 Sara Martin
 Kasey Perkins
 Sarah Robinson
 Emily Southard
 Luke Tanguay
 Jenifer VanGilder
 Casey Weed
 Rachel Wilkinson

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Abbie Adkison
 Morgan Alfiero
 Hallie Balcomb
 Aaron Bartlett
 Terri Bastarache
 Thomas Bennett
 Kristan Bowie
 Michael Bowring
 Taylor Bouotte
 Solange Carpenter
 Melissa Deering
 Allison Dempsey
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Dear Citizens of Gorham,

Herein is important information attendant to the proposed FY11 School Department Budget. The transmittal letter serves as the introductory statement to the Town Council with respect to that budget. The letter provides information that has an impact on, and is attendant to, the development of the FY11 Budget, as well as identifying the final budget figures and their impact on the local contribution required to support the proposed budget.

We will be meeting with the Town Council on Tuesday, May 18th at 7:00pm to discuss the proposed FY11 School Department Budget, and anticipate a public hearing and Council action on the municipal (including school department) budget on Tuesday, June 1st. On Tuesday, June 8th the annual referendum on the FY11 School Department budget will be held.

Respectfully,

The Gorham School Committee
Dennis Libby, Chair

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April 27, 2010

To: Cheryl Cris, Town Manager & Members of the Town Council
From: Ted Libby, Superintendent & Members of the School Committee
Re: FY11 School Department Budget

I have prepared and submitted for your review and consideration at the FY11 School Department Budget an approved preliminary by the School Committee on April 14, 2010. The version approved by the School Committee is included in this booklet.

This proposed FY11 Budget totals \$10,148,827 and represents a 2.1% increase over the final approved FY10 Budget of \$9,877,716. This budget requires a 2.4% increase in the local appropriation. The District's share of federal education funds, American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds, is being used to offset a portion of the increase in personnel costs. An additional \$1,000,000 is required by local and State government. ARRA funds result in an increase of \$3,178,196 or 3.1%. ARRA funds may not be combined with state and local funding of school budgets, so it would have no impact effect of these funds on the existing tax base which remains at 1.28% of the cost increase in the budget.

In your review of the FY11 Budget Summary page 183 in the booklet, the actual amount of the increase in the local appropriation is a relatively modest \$203,440. Without the initial debt payments for the new elementary school, the FY11 Budget would be \$10,045,320 or 2.1% lower than the FY10 approved Budget of \$9,877,716. The referendum to maintain the current school, held on September 16, 2008, was approved by 64% of the citizens who chose to exercise their privilege and their responsibility by casting their vote that day.

In my report on creating the version approved by the School Committee that the Federal tax credit for the construction of ARRA funds probably the combining of these funds with (only) other funds and State subsidy funds. As a result, the School Committee is required to approve the FY11 Budget as supported by local and State funds, and, subsequently, to vote to support the Supplemental Funds. Supplemental (ARRA) funding is required to support the cost of the school and the State contribution to the cost.

The final approved school budget for FY10, FY11, and the proposed school budget for FY11 have been the most challenging budget for the Gorham School Department in many years. During that time the school department has had to deal with a loss of State subsidy of \$1,000,000 in FY10 and \$1,000,000 in FY11. Through careful planning, anticipation, and prudent use of Supplemental Funds, the School Committee and the Administration were able to minimize the negative impact of these constraints. This loss of State subsidy has been compensated by the requirements of the local tax base that there be no increase in the local rate to keep the FY10 and

FY10 Budget. The FY10 School Department Budget as presented in the Town Council reflected a decrease in the mill rate when compared to the FY09 Budget.

The State subsidy for FY11 is \$42,857 less than the FY10 subsidy. The revenue impact of this State and local funding constraint has resulted in the elimination of 51 positions in the District over the past several years. The number of positions eliminated in the FY11 budget include 7.8 FTE Ed Techs, 6.8 FTE Teachers, and 2.8 FTE other student services for a total of 17.4 FTE positions. The total number of positions eliminated in FY09, FY10, and proposed FY11 include the following: 23 FTE Ed Techs, 14.1 FTE Teachers, 5 FTE other student services, 5 FTE Administrators, 2.5 FTE School Nutrition Program, 30 FTE Transportation/Maintenance, and 54 FTE Secretary for a total of 131 FTE. The School Committee and the Administration have worked diligently during this time to minimize the impact of these reductions to force (FY11) on the educational program and the classroom. To avoid impacting this goal it becomes increasingly difficult to create.

During the past year the School Department has continued to engage in discussion and review of all program, personnel, facilities, and associated infrastructure. A review group has been established and their role is to identify areas of high quality, comprehensive educational programs for all of our students. Representatives of this work was the charge given to a group of citizens and school personnel to engage in a comprehensive study of the funding source identified as Pay-to-Participate. This group's comprehensive study and report recommended that the School Department not initiate a Pay-to-Participate Plan given the relatively high level of funding to support student activities and in only seven years in Gorham. The amount of funding required by the various former organizations exceeds the amount of funds that a Pay-to-Participate Plan would likely generate. In other, the study also that may further benefit financially challenged to meet the Pay-to-Participate fees that would be required for their children to participate in these extracurricular programs.

During the past year the School Department also engaged in a new contract with one of the three unions, resulting in the smallest increases in salaries over 10 years. These contract agreements enable the District to remain at the midpoint, at best, of contracts for each of the unions when compared to those of the Ten School Pool.

The need for an established Part II, Capital Reserve Fund, remains a critical priority for the District. Once the new elementary school is online (September 2011), the investment by the District in the school facilities will be approximately \$7.1 million. This amount of additional funding may be an investment that requires a capital reserve budget of approximately \$1.3 million annually. Currently, we have a Part II Capital Reserve Budget that requires the School Committee to vote against including any funding for capital work in the operating budget. The result of this has been a mere \$138,000 directed to capital requirements. In reality, this is not sufficient and, at that rate, we will be paying the total investment in Gorham Middle School within twenty years. We are encouraged by the preliminary discussions that have been held recently between members of the Town Council, the Town Manager, the Superintendent, and representatives of the School Committee. We believe that our hope will lead to the establishment of a joint (Town & School) Part II, Capital Reserve Fund.

As you will know in your review, given the loss of State subsidy required for FY11, and as a result of the constraints in State subsidy revenue in FY09 and FY10, and no mill rate increases permitted in FY09 and FY10, we have applied \$775,000 from accumulated fund balances as a revenue source for the FY11 Budget. While this would not have been an option

that the School Committee and the Administration would likely have opted for 10 persons years, it is a critically necessary option for FY11. If we had not applied these funds as a revenue source, there would have been further large numbers of positions eliminated, personnel cuts that would have increased workload per person years across the District, as well as impairment in programs that would compromise the quality of the education for many students.

We believe, given information shared with us by the Town and Federal Departments of Education that funding for Title I and IDEA for FY11 will remain approximately at the current FY10 level. At the same time, we are being advised that the funding level for both of these programs may well decline in the next few years, if not sooner. We are fully aware that there will be no additional Supplemental (ARRA) Funding for FY11. With that said, as a result, we have not applied ARRA funds to support personnel costs in FY11 and we will incur a budget deficit in future budget years.

We look forward to the Joint JCSC FY11 Budget Hearing scheduled for May 18th. In the interim, if you have any questions, please do contact us through the office of Finance Officer, Heidi Cobb and/or the office of the Superintendent, Ted Stroup.

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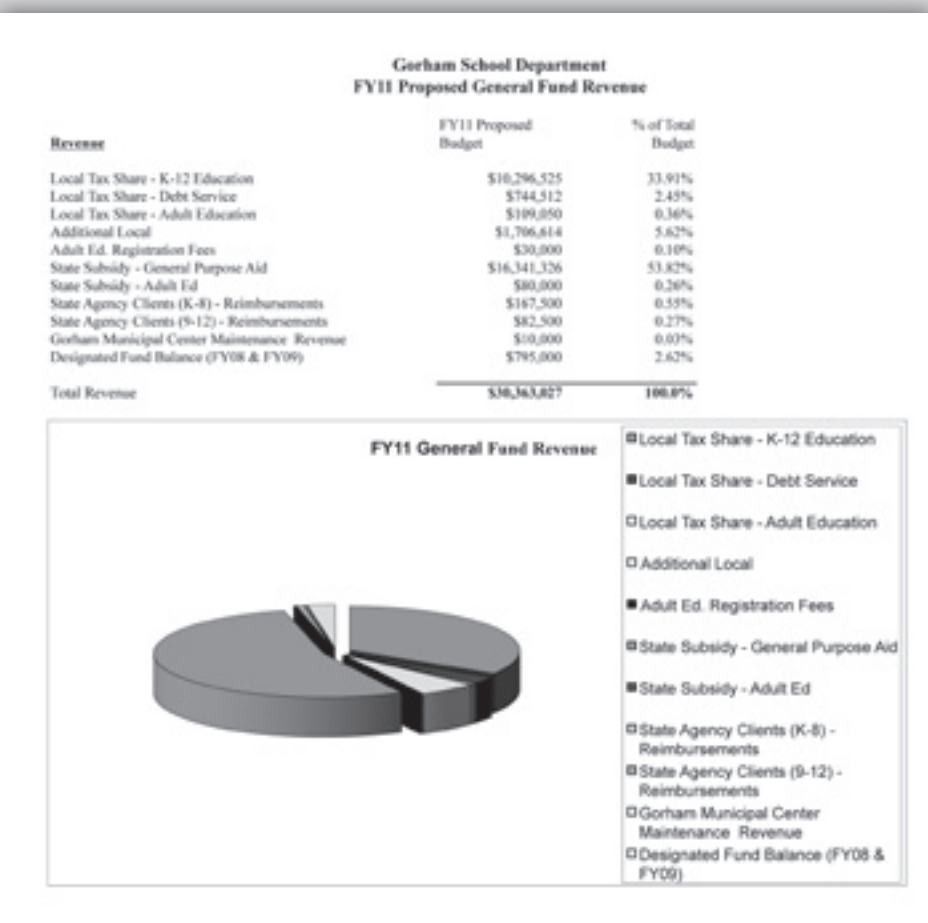
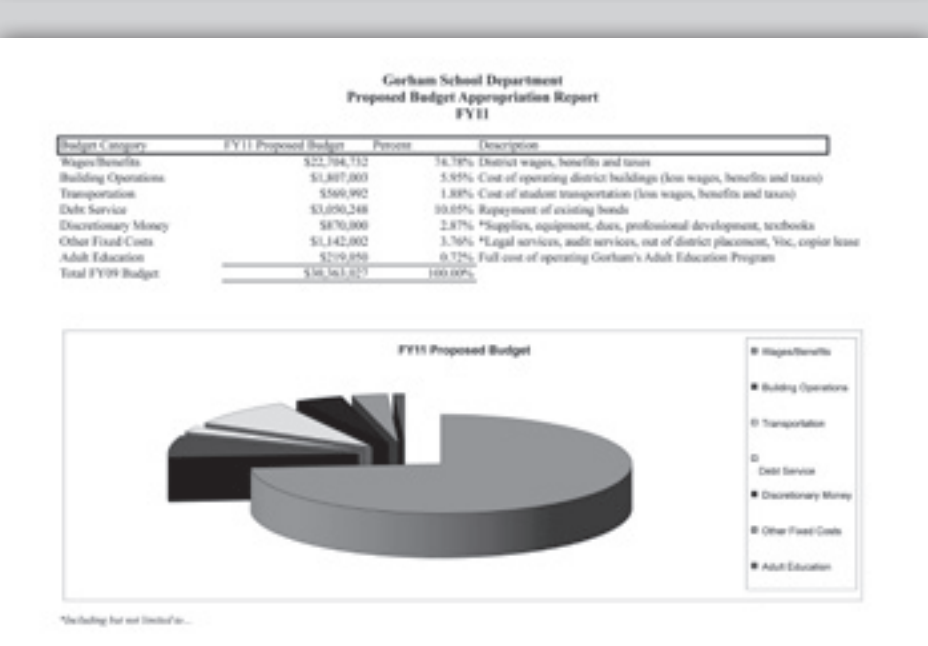
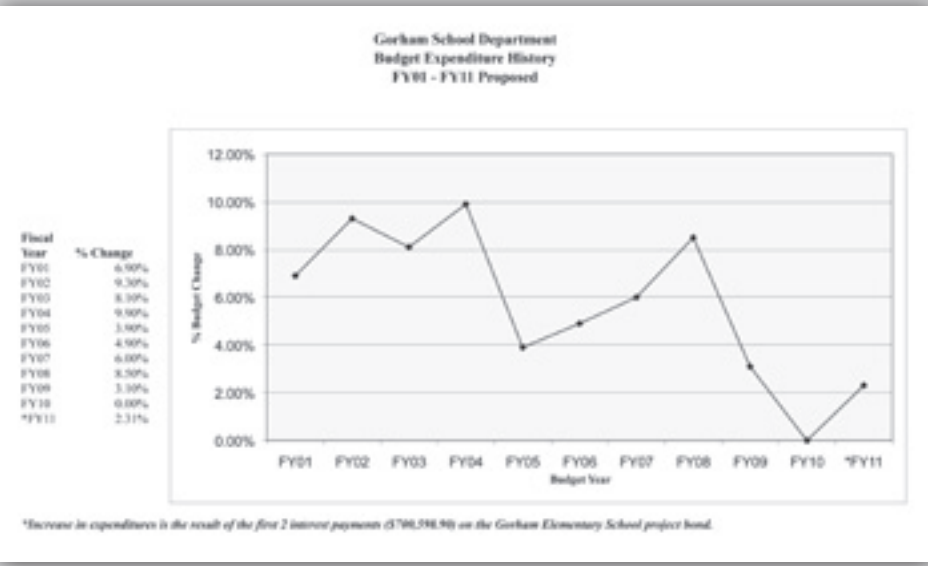
GORHAM SCHOOL DEPARTMENT FY11 PROPOSED BUDGET - SUMMARY				
Updated April 5, 2010				
	FINAL APPROVED BUDGET FY10	PRELIMINARY BUDGET FY11	FY11 vs. FY10 %	CHANGE \$\$\$
EXPENDITURES				
Operating Budget (without Debt Service)	\$26,686,617	\$26,963,729	1.04%	\$277,112
Adult Education	\$260,447	\$219,050	-15.89%	(\$41,397)
District Capital Improvements	\$138,372	\$130,000	-6.05%	(\$8,372)
Debt Service	\$2,591,519	\$3,036,248	17.70%	\$444,729
<i>*Gorham Elementary School Project Bond \$700,598.90</i>				
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$29,677,716	\$30,365,027	2.31%	\$687,311
REVENUES				
Local Tax Share - K-12 Education	\$9,476,649	\$10,296,525	8.63%	\$819,876
Local Tax Share - Debt Service	\$672,545	\$744,512	10.70%	\$71,967
Local Tax Share - Adult Education	\$177,447	\$109,850	-36.74%	(\$67,597)
Additional Local	\$2,244,692	\$1,706,614	-23.97%	(\$538,078)
Adult Ed. Registration Fees	\$28,000	\$30,000	7.14%	\$2,000
State Subsidy - General Purpose Aid	\$16,923,383	\$16,341,326	-3.44%	(\$582,057)
State Subsidy - Adult Ed.	\$75,000	\$80,000	6.67%	\$5,000
State Agency Clients (K-8) - Reimbursements	\$60,300	\$167,500	177.78%	\$107,200
State Agency Clients (9-12) - Reimbursements	\$29,700	\$82,500	177.78%	\$52,800
Gorham Municipal Center Maintenance Revenue	\$10,000	\$10,000	0.00%	\$0
Designated Fund Balance (FY08 & FY09)	\$0	\$795,000	n.m.	\$795,000
TOTAL REVENUES	\$29,677,716	\$30,365,027	2.31%	\$687,311
Local tax effort (School Only)				
Local appropriation need	\$12,551,333	\$12,856,701	2.43%	\$305,368
Effect on existing tax base				
Mill rates	18.12	18.30	1.78%	0.18
Property tax base	\$1,299,756,306	\$1,248,682,170	-0.72%	(\$51,074,136)
FY11 AMERICAN RECOVERY REINVESTMENT ACT				
	FINAL APPROVED BUDGET FY10	PRELIMINARY BUDGET FY11	FY11 vs. FY10 %	CHANGE \$\$\$
EXPENDITURES				
Federal ARRA Expenses	\$535,572	\$755,879	40.99%	\$220,307
REVENUE				
Federal ARRA Revenue	\$535,572	\$755,879	40.99%	\$220,307
Impact on General Fund Budget	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0

DISTRICT RESPONSIBILITY CENTERS SUMMARY					
COST CENTER	COST CENTER DESCRIPTION	FINAL APPROVED BUDGET FY10	PRELIMINARY BUDGET FY11	FY11 vs. FY10 %	CHANGE \$\$\$
2	White Rock	\$1,231,128	\$1,276,499	3.7%	\$45,362
3	Narragansett	\$3,176,262	\$3,247,897	2.2%	\$69,635
4	Village	\$4,460,074	\$4,443,536	-0.4%	(\$16,499)
5	Gorham Middle School	\$4,868,982	\$4,742,423	-2.6%	(\$126,559)
31	Gorham High School	\$7,059,436	\$7,265,542	2.9%	\$206,106
32	Athletics	\$244,900	\$235,059	-4.0%	(\$9,841)
40	Adult Education	\$260,447	\$219,050	-15.9%	(\$41,397)
90	System Wide	\$648,992	\$1,021,038	57.3%	\$372,046
91	Operations and Maintenance	\$1,522,494	\$1,374,483	-9.7%	(\$148,011)
92	Student Transportation	\$1,274,172	\$1,382,109	8.5%	\$107,937
93	Technology	\$590,268	\$599,132	1.5%	\$8,864
94	Debt Service	\$2,694,773	\$3,216,953	19.4%	\$522,180
95	Shared Instruction & Support - Elem.	\$680,819	\$736,789	8.2%	\$55,961
97	Special Services	\$481,822	\$196,232	-59.3%	(\$285,590)
98	Curriculum Assessment Council	\$88,010	\$77,511	-11.9%	(\$10,499)
99	Shared Instruction & Support - Sec.	\$393,137	\$328,751	-16.4%	(\$64,386)
COST CENTER TOTAL		\$29,677,716	\$30,365,027	2.3%	\$687,311

MAINE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BUDGET CATEGORIES					
BUDGET CATEGORY	CATEGORY DESCRIPTION	FINAL APPROVED BUDGET FY10	PRELIMINARY BUDGET FY11	FY11 vs. FY10 %	CHANGE \$\$\$
1	Regular Instruction	\$12,604,107	\$12,917,634	2.5%	\$313,527
2	Special Education	\$4,693,097	\$4,845,959	3.3%	\$152,873
3	Career & Technical Education	\$371,665	\$483,666	30.3%	\$112,001
4	Other Instruction	\$527,162	\$532,924	1.1%	\$5,762
5	Student & Staff Support	\$2,209,348	\$1,955,218	-11.5%	(\$254,130)
6	Systems Administration	\$638,292	\$674,667	5.7%	\$36,375
7	School Administration	\$1,625,255	\$1,634,499	0.6%	\$9,255
8	Transportation and Buses	\$1,381,925	\$1,549,054	12.1%	\$167,129
9	Facilities Maintenance	\$2,775,499	\$2,500,106	-9.9%	(\$275,393)
10	Debt Service and Other Capital Loans	\$2,591,520	\$3,036,248	17.7%	\$444,728
11	All Other Expenditures	\$0	\$0	n.m.	\$0
BUDGET CATEGORY TOTAL		\$29,677,716	\$30,365,027	2.3%	\$687,311

*Beginning July 1, 2007, the Maine Department of Education required all reports be submitted in a new chart of accounts. The new format requires accounts be broken down into 11 budget categories and system wide budgets be distributed to the cost center that services are provided.

Although we report to MDOE according to this new model, for us to effectively manage our budget we still review our budget internally by cost center (building/department).



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community



New England Rehabilitation Hospital of Portland (NERHP) received a Maine Fitness Award for a Healthy Workplace at the 2010 Maine Fitness Awards ceremony of the Governor's Council on Physical Activity. NERHP's Works on Wellness Committee Co-Chairs, Kelsi Royer of Lewiston and Jaclyn Ashla of Gorham, accepted the award on behalf of the hospital. (L-R): Kelsi Royer, Gov. John Baldacci, Jaclyn Ashla, Dr. Eric Steele.

of interest

Cheryl Brandt, Senior Vice President of Gorham Savings Bank, and **Douglas Richard**, Gorham Store Manager at Hannaford Brothers, will be serving on the United Way of Greater Portland's 2010 Campaign Committee as Cabinet Members.

Car Raffle to benefit GHS Project Graduation. 2000 VW Jetta GLX donated by Ossipee Trail Motor Sales. Tickets \$5 each/2 for \$12 available. Tickets available at Gorham Grind, Gorham High School, Ossipee Trail Motors or from Nancy Robitaille, nrobitai@maine.rr.com.

The North Gorham Church, corner of North Gorham and Standish Neck Roads, begins its annual Bean-Hole Bean Suppers on Saturday, May 15 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. and thereafter on the third Saturday of each month through October. The menu consists of three kinds of beans baked 24 hours in a hole in the ground, as well as homemade salads, brown bread, pies, rolls,

hot dogs and beverages. \$8/\$3.

For parents and swimmers of all ages and abilities interested in forming a new Swim Team at Gorham High, a group of parents is assessing interest in forming a Boosters Club with the intent to start a GHS swim team. The group will host an informational meeting May 19 at 7 p.m. at the Gorham Recreation Department multipurpose room. Current and future high school students and their parents are invited to learn about this new athletic opportunity. For more info, contact Denise Nelson at dnelson@usm.maine.edu.

The Gorham Middle School National History Day Team and the **Village School Odyssey of the Mind Team** are sponsoring "Project Talent: A Night of the Performing and Visual Arts" at the GMS auditorium on May 20 at 7 p.m. It will feature student performance talent from middle and high school students as well as a silent art and crafts auction. Proceeds will help pay for national and international events that the teams have

The North Gorham Writers' Group presented a check for more than \$500 to the North Gorham Library at their annual Spring Reading, held Apr. 27 in North Gorham. The funds were raised through the sale of a collection of short stories, "Come Sit by Me: Stories for Children," that the group wrote and published this past winter. The book included original illustrations by Diane Atwood. Pictured L to R: Jan Labrecque, chair of the North Gorham Library trustees; Virginia Rundell, librarian; and Mary Snell, representative of the writer's group.



Herb Damon, who currently resides at the Gorham House in Gorham, is pictured with Rep. Jane Knapp of Gorham, after being recognized as part of the Maine Health Care Association's eighth annual Remember ME Project. Mr. Damon welcomes visitors with a smile and warm greeting at the Gorham House.



qualified to attend. If you would like to donate work to be sold at the auction or FMI, please contact Jeffrey Carpenter at 222-1204 or 749-2837

The North Gorham Public Library will hold its annual Plant and Book Sale on Saturday, May 29, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will also be a food table sponsored by the North Gorham Guild. FMI, 892-9532.

There is an exhibition of Gorham Adult Education Student Art by students of Maddie Lou Chaplin in the Lobby of the Gorham Savings Bank. The exhibition will run until May 21.



The Gorham Business & Civic Exchange Business Person of the Year 2010 will be named at a reception on Thursday, May 20, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Crockett Furniture, 563 Main Street, Gorham. This award honors a local business person who is involved in our community, promotes business in our community, is currently doing business in Gorham, is a mentor and a leader in our town, and is creative and imaginative in business.

Devin M. Flaherty (GHS '06), daughter of Thomas and Mary-Kate Flaherty of Gorham announced her engagement to Nicholas S. Conley (GHS '05), son of Carmel Conley and the late Timothy Conley of Gorham.

Join Baxter Memorial Library for a Morning of Trains Day, Saturday, May 22 9:10 a.m. to 12:05 p.m. The model train display will be mounted by MaiNe Trak, a local N-scale train group. Trains to play with, train crafts and games, train stories and other fun and interesting train activities. Recommended for all those who love trains.

The Gorham Community Chorus presents "A World Tour" concert at the McCormack Performing Arts Center, GHS, on May 16 at 3 p.m. They will be performing great choral music from around the world. The concert is directed by John Rimkunas and accompanied by Peter Stickney. As is its tradition, the chorus will be presenting scholarships during the concert to a number of local music students. There will also be a silent auction during the afternoon and auction items will be gratefully accepted. FMI call John Rimkunas, Director, at 839-3517.

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TUESDAY, MAY 18

- Baxter Memorial Library, 9:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time. Stories, crafts, activities, and special events recommended for ages 3 to 5 years. FMI call the Youth Services department at 839-5031.

THURSDAY, MAY 20

- Baxter Memorial Library. 9.30 a.m. Baby and Me. Songs, games and lap time fun. Suggested for ages up to 18 months. 10:00 a.m. Toddler Time. Stories, games and fun activities. Recommended for ages 18 to 36 months. FMI call 839-5031.
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The Gorham Ecumenical Food Pantry is open every Thurs. at St. Anne's Church from 9-11 a.m. and the second Wednesday of each month from 5:30-7 p.m. Open to anyone in need of food from Gorham. Located in the building behind St. Anne's Church.

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- Pizza Night to benefit Village School's Odyssey of the Mind State Champions' trip to world championships, Cressey Road Methodist Church, off route 25 on Cressey Road, 5 to 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 23

- Car Wash at Rite-Aid to benefit Village School's Odyssey of the Mind State Champions' trip to world championships, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, May 25

- Baxter Memorial Library, 9:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time. For ages 3 to 5 years.
- GHS Academic Awards Night 6:30 p.m. in MPAC.

THURSDAY, May 27

- Baxter Memorial Library, 9:35 a.m. Baby and Me. Songs, games and lap time fun. Suggested for ages up to 18 months. 10:00 a.m. Toddler Time. Recommended for ages 18 to 36 months. FMI call 839-5031.

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Fraternity FROM PAGE 1

been put on disciplinary and academic probation until May 2011. All members of Delta Chi are required to read and sign the guidelines for this probation.

Gorham police Lt. Christopher Sanborn noted that at one of the recent parties, the police had turned away

“uninvited guests” from Portland, some of whom were believed to carry weapons. The people left when police told them to do so. Sanborn noted that the fraternities are supposed to call the police if they have uninvited guests, but had failed to do so.

On May 1, both Phi Kappa and Delta Chi had parties that adhered to the noise guide lines. According to Allard “they

even cleaned the streets of their trash.” Allard is pleased to finally see improvement in resolving the issues with the fraternities.

“First of all, we want to thank those who live in the Elm and Preble Street neighborhood for their help and constructive criticism in getting us to the point where we have a set of written guidelines with a clearly defined goal

that we expect student groups in off campus houses to be respectful and cooperative neighbors,” said Robert Caswell, Executive Director of Public Affairs at USM. “We will continue to work with our student groups to make sure the guidelines are followed but we’re also prepared to make sure that sanctions are fairly and firmly applied when violations occur.”





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the blotter

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Middle Jam Road caller reported that their former landlord had gone into their house and **taken caller's ferret.**

Caller reported a vehicle drove off with the gas pump still attached.

Fort Hill Road caller reported having been scammed at a sports complex by an individual selling items from their truck.

Caller requested to speak with an officer regarding whether or not you can shoot a shotgun across from Nappi Distributors.

Shaw's Mill Road caller requested that an officer speak to caller's neighbor regarding moving the hose that neighbor was using to pump out his cellar as hose was pointed towards caller's property and water was going right into caller's cellar.

New Portland Road caller reported an employee was staring at them and caller felt this was harassment.

Spiller Road caller reported that two backpackers traveling down the road had stopped at caller's home and had sat on their lawn.

County Road caller reported that their downstairs neighbor was moving out and was being very loud, drinking and carrying on.

Caller picked up a fare at an address in Gorham and drove them to Portland. When they arrived at passenger's destination, passenger threw three dollars at the

driver and then ran.

South St. caller reported a phone call from someone purporting to be with the Sheriff's Office and stating they needed caller's social security number .

The Fire Department reported there was a light flashing in the front of a church and they were not sure what it meant.

Main St. caller reported that a clerk was scammed out of \$3,000 the previous night.

South St. caller requested to speak with an officer regarding their 16-year-old daughter and what their rights were as far as spanking for discipline. Officer cautioned regarding physical discipline and informed caller that the police do not get involved with parental discipline.

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