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Senior Cortland Dunn of Gorham leads the pack into the woods behind Narragansett School on the first lap of the boys multi-team cross country race on October 7. Dunn finished fourth overall and was the top Gorham runner, to help lead the Rams to second in the meet.



New Rules for Local Campaign Finances

Sheri Faber

Gorham's population increased from 14,141 in 2000 to 16,381 in 2010, an increase of almost 16 percent. One of the impacts of this population increase is that all candidates for elected office in towns where the population is greater than 15,000, will be required to have campaign treasurers and to keep track of campaign contributions and expenditures. Similar requirements have been in place for county and state level offices but now those running for School Committee and Town Council will have to file reports of their income and expenses with the Town Clerk. Each candidate must appoint a treasurer within 10 days of filing nomination papers, and they must create a dedicated campaign bank account. Candidates must report any donation of \$50 or more and they must also keep track of all campaign expenditures, which can only be made from the dedicated bank account. In addition to money, contributions in the form of loans, goods, services or unpaid debts

must be reported. After the election, the candidate's financial report is turned over to the Town Clerk who keeps it on record. The goal of the law is to let the public know who might be spending money to influence a local election. Candidates for state level offices would need to file financial reports with the Ethics Commission.

The Town Council drafts most referendum questions that are on the ballot. Any expenditure that the Council wants approved that is \$250,000 or more must go to referendum. If a citizen wishes to get something on the ballot, they will need to have signatures from 10% of the number of people who voted in the last gubernatorial election. If a group were to form in support of a specific candidate or referendum (as happened when the Town voted on the synthetic turf field at Narragansett) they would have to appoint a treasurer and file financial reports as well.

Speed Limit Mix-up at Great Falls Elementary

Sheri Faber

When residents of Gorham request a speed limit change, the town forwards that information to the Maine Department of Transportation which makes a decision as to whether or not the change is warranted. For example, this year the speed limit on the section of Brackett Street between McLellan Road and Saco Street was increased from 30 to 40 mph.

In response to requests from town residents, MDOT did a traffic study and determined that the speed limit could be increased from 30 to 40 mph on the section of Rt. 237 that passes in front of Great Falls School. New speed limit signs were posted at the end of September and 40 mph is the current speed limit. Apparently, MDOT was not aware that Justice Way was the entrance to a school, with both school buses and parents entering and exiting. There are no sidewalks on Rt. 237 and it does not appear that children are walking to school. The town and the School Department have requested that MDOT reconsider the change and drop the limit back to 30 mph. According to the Department of Public Works, the speed limit was moved back to 30 mph on October 18.

The speed limit in front of Narragansett School is 35 mph but there does not appear to be any law specifying an upper speed limit in front of schools.

Town Council Votes to Re-Open Landfill

Sheri Faber

At a special meeting of the Town Council on October 18, the Council voted 7-0 to reopen the town's landfill off Huston Road for the decomposing construction and demolition debris from the former Plan-It Recycling. The courts shut down Plan-It Recycling in January 2011 for having excessive trash at the site. Neighbors of the landfill made impassioned pleas to the Council not to approve this plan, as they were concerned about contamination of their wells. The proposed court settlement would make R.J. Grondin & Sons responsible for providing water to the neighbors for the first four years if there was any contamination from the landfill. After that, the town would be responsible for providing water.

The town has been working to find a way to clean up the site since it was closed. The current option, which involves Grondin's purchasing the land for \$175,000 and removing the debris to the Gorham landfill, is seen as the best possible option. If the trash does not go to the Gorham landfill, it would

cost about \$750,000 to remove it. Because of the amount of debris at the site, no one has come forward to contemplate purchasing the site because of the cost of the clean up. Grondin's estimates it will take about 60 days and about 1,500 truck trips to clear the site. Because they won't have to travel far or pay tipping fees, the cost is expected to be substantially less than the \$750,000 cost of taking it to a commercial landfill. Grondin's expects to move the trash this winter.

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), Grondin's and an environmental inspector will continue to monitor the trash until it is moved. Once the move to the landfill is started, an independent environmental inspector will be hired by the town and stationed at the landfill as the material is trucked in. The inspector will be responsible for ensuring the incoming material is demolition debris. The plan to re-open the landfill still needs approval from the Gorham Planning Board, DEP and a judge.



Photo credit: Martha T. Harris

Happy Halloween!

Passersby are treated to a Halloween display at the home of Robin Somes and Stephen Sledjeski on South Street near the village. Countless pumpkins, corn stalks, and other fun Halloween items decorate the front yard.

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Dear Gorham Times,

I support Question 2 on the November ballot. Racinos in Biddeford and Washington County would create jobs in construction, entertainment, hospitality and harness racing. The projects won't just benefit horse owners. They will help agricultural supply companies, farmers who grow hay, and the local economies. Maine should allow our horsemen and women to compete on a level playing field with dozens of other states that have thriving racinos. The projects also will provide much needed revenue for the state general fund. We should respect the decisions made by the people in Biddeford and in Washington County, who have voted by wide margins for the racinos.

Richard Shiers,

Dear Gorham Times,

Voters in Gorham will have four choices for school committee on the ballot in November. Dennis Libby and Sara Nelson are the two candidates best suited to the role.

Dennis is a veteran member of the school committee. In the six years he has served the citizens of Gorham, he has contributed countless hours and given 100 percent of his effort and skills. He is a tireless worker, serving on the K-5 transition committee, leading the school committee as chairman for three years, negotiating labor contracts and taking on many other major responsibilities. The Gorham schools have thrived during Dennis' tenure on the committee.

Sara brings a history of community involvement and dedication to the schools, having been a school volunteer and member of the Narragansett School PIE group. She also served on the Board of Directors and was past president of the Gorham Educational Foundation, a nonprofit that provides grants to the Gorham public schools to fund special programs and purchase equipment and materials. Sara has a business and marketing background, and is an effective collaborator and communicator.

Both Dennis Libby and Sara Nelson have children who attend Gorham schools, and both are motivated to run for this important office for all the right reasons. The Gorham community has a long history of recognizing the value in providing an excellent education to every child, and Dennis and Sara are the best candidates to carry on this tradition.

Please support Dennis Libby and Sara Nelson for School Committee on November 8.

Kathy Garrard

Dear Gorham Times,

A 'Yes' vote on Question 2 will allow racinos to be built in Biddeford and in Washington County. Scarborough Downs will move its license and racing to Biddeford where voters already approved it. Washington County is overwhelmingly in favor. Both areas are in desperate need of jobs.

The consequences of a 'Yes' vote are much broader. A 'Yes' vote means

NEWS FROM AUGUSTA

National Recycling Week

Rep. Jane S. Knapp

Are you considering getting into the daily habit of recycling or teaching your kids about the benefits of recycling? Monday, November 7 through Sunday, November 13 is National Recycling Week (NRW) and this would be a great time to start!

In November 1996, Planet Ark, a non-profit environmental organization, founded National Recycling Week as an education and media campaign. The goal was to bring a national focus to recycling and to the themes of minimizing waste and material management. This annual campaign is now in its 16th year.

The four main focuses for the National Recycling Week 2011 campaign are to:

1. Engage students in learning about the environmental benefits of recycling
2. Increase the number of businesses involved in recycling
3. Promote community re-use and recycle initiatives
4. Improve the understanding of curbside recycling

As a member of Gorham's Recycling Committee, I am pleased to know that Gorham takes part in many recycling efforts. To recycle in Gorham, you may place your recycling materials in a tote, milk crate, or plastic container at the curb on your regular trash pick-up day. New residents may purchase a plastic recycling bin for \$4.50 and current residents can purchase plastic bins for \$9.00 at the Gorham Public Works Department.

You may be interested to know that when it comes to waste management, Gorham receives the assistance of ecomaine, a non-profit waste management company with the largest municipal recycling program in the state. They operate three waste management facilities, providing services to 335,000 people and processing more than 35,000 tons of recyclable material per year. I learned from ecomaine that during fiscal year 2010-2011, 37% of the tonnage reported and delivered to ecomaine from Gorham was recycled.

nearly \$30 million more a year in new revenues for the state's General Fund, which will help municipalities all over Maine. It will mean a windfall for a Fund for Healthy Maine and for Maine College Scholarships. It will be a huge boost for all of Maine's licensed agricultural fairs - even those without harness racing. Maine fairs are scheduled to receive 3% of slots revenues. The racino in Bangor has already shored up Maine's agricultural fairs. Question 2 will ensure their growth and survival. The same is true for Maine's harness racing industry. The program for breeding and racing Standardbred horses in Maine will receive 3% of revenues and the regular racing purses will receive 10%. This boost will ensure the future of Maine's Standardbred industry, which is the heart of Maine fairs and the catalyst for farming.

My farm in Gorham has been in my family for over 70 years. Its survival depends on the Standardbred indus-

A significant development in recycling occurred in May 2006, when the owner-municipalities of ecomaine (which includes Gorham), voted to bring single stream recycling to Maine. Single stream is leading-edge technology that eliminates the need to separate recyclables by category for collection. In other words, paper, plastic, metal and glass can all be mixed together. The single stream equipment and installation was operational in May of 2007.

In today's economy, as we all tighten our belts financially, I believe it is important to recognize the financial benefits of recycling. A recent report by ecomaine shows that recycling helps to minimize waste disposal costs. One community included in this report was the Town of Scarborough. With a recycling percentage at 34%, slightly lower than that of Gorham's, the report concluded that Scarborough avoided waste disposal costs of \$240,504!

With National Recycling Week nearly upon us, I urge you to take this opportunity to begin or increase your recycling efforts. I believe we can all adopt the goals of National Recycling Week's 2011 campaign and practice them in our own lives year-round. Our community will reap the many benefits.

To learn more about National Recycling Week, visit <http://recycling-week.planetark.org/>.

Some of the information in this article was found at <http://ecomaine.org/>.



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try. We have four full-time workers. We buy corn from Fryeburg, oats from Lincoln, and straw from Presque Isle. We buy equipment and grain in Windham.

If Question 2 should fail, Scarborough Downs will be in grave jeopardy and its demise will signal the end of the commercial race industry in Maine. This will threaten my farm's survival. For me, Question 2 is horses and farming - or house lots. For all of Maine Question 2 is about millions of dollars for causes across the state. For

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Shaw Earthworks has been awarded a \$600,000 contract to reconstruct the intersection of County Road. Preliminary work will begin on October 26.

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Head to the Islands – Or Look Like You Did

Jackie Francis

With its freshly painted, Caribbean green walls accented by bright white trim, Island Time Tanning is very pleasing to the eye. Clean. Meticulously clean. That's the second thing you'll notice after your eyes have adjusted to the modern décor with leather sofas, polished wood floors and crystal-trimmed mirrors. Owner Annie Donahue admits to being a "clean freak," which is not a bad attribute for someone in the service industry.

Donahue, who has worked in marketing and pharmaceutical sales since graduating college with a business degree, has successfully owned and operated Island Time Tanning at Shaw's Plaza in Saco for four and a half years and has always aspired to owning multiple salons. Having learned about the prospect of owning a tanning salon in Gorham, she couldn't ignore the opportunity despite the challenging economic times. With the help of her ten employees who share hours at both locations, Island Time Tanning in Gorham opened for business earlier this month. Although Donahue purchased the assets of the former salon owner, she is quick to point out that she did not buy out the former business. "However," says Donahue, "as a token of goodwill, we will honor the tanning packages of former clients who have a paid receipt or whose names are included on the former active customer list."

What distinguishes Island Time Tanning from other salons? "For one," says Donahue, "we are one thousand percent committed to our customers. We use products with the highest grade of ingredients that are good for the skin, we have affordable prices, we customize tanning packages for individual needs, and we're very clean, sanitizing after every client and, three times a week we clean and maintain tanning booths, beds, floors and walls." While proudly divulging the 100% rating the Saco location had recently received from state regulators, Donahue beams: "It's Q-Tip clean. It's a store and people expect to see it clean."

The salon has two tanning beds, the Sundash 232, and The Open Sun 1050 that looks like a space-module and boasts



Photo credit Martha T. Harris

Annie Donahue perches on a tanning bed in her second location, which opened earlier this month on New Portland Road.

a "high-pressure unit with glass reflector technology that emits minimal UVB to maximize bronzing while eliminating reddening." There are also four booths available, including the Diva Tower that, "accommodates the tallest tanner and delivers five times the power of a tanning bed." Not sure what tanning program is right for you? Donahue carefully trains all of her employees to understand the products they sell, from the exclusive MRI International Tanning Products to the different levels of tanning and equipment. Island Time Tanning also has an informative website that will customize a tan exclusively for you by asking a series of questions to help determine the recommended package, product and tanning booth to use.

While Island Time Tanning celebrates its Grand Opening this month, stop by and take advantage of their "crazy cheap" prices and while you're tanning, says Donahue, "Relax ... you are on Island Time now."

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Letters FROM PAGE 2

Washington County and the Biddeford area it is about jobs in very needy regions.

Michael D. Andrew

Dear Gorham Times,

I'm a proud member of Maine's community of horsemen, and I'm hoping you will join me in voting "Yes" on Question 2.

If approved, Question 2 allows the construction of a \$120 million entertainment complex in Biddeford. There will be a brand new harness race track, slots facility and hotel. This would mean hundreds of jobs in construction, and then hundreds more to work at the complex when it's finished. These will be good-paying jobs and will make a difference for families in our communities.

We're in one of the worst economies in recent U.S. history, and this is a development opportunity that we should embrace.

Harness racing is popular in dozens of countries around the world, generating more than \$3 billion from wagers. In order to compete with other forms of entertainment, harness racetracks in the U.S. need to be paired with slot parlors.

Racinos are successful in many other states, without the negatives that were predicted by opponents. Police chiefs around the country have said that racinos have not brought more crime. Quite the opposite, racinos have energized local economies.

Some harness racing families have moved from Maine to other states, and if our tracks are not allowed to compete, more will be forced to leave.

All the industry is asking for is a level playing field.

Elmer Ballard

Dear Gorham Times,

On November 8 we have an opportunity to elect a candidate for the office of County Commissioner in the newly created District One (Scarborough, Gorham, Standish, Sebago, Baldwin, Bridgton and Harrison).

County Commissioners are responsible for overseeing the budgets and policies of each County department including the Sheriff's Office, the DA's Office, Registry of Deeds, Registry of Probate, Emergency Communications and the Emergency Management Agency.

I am happy to be supporting Annalee Rosenblatt. Annalee is a small

business owner. She has worked as a County and Municipal management consultant for many years including Cumberland County. Annalee has a very impressive resume and the background credentials needed to serve as our County Commissioner.

Perhaps the biggest reason for my supporting Annalee is that she is opposed to the civic center \$33 million plan. This is a bad plan at a bad time. We do not need to spend \$33M on foam fingers, hot dogs and urinals. Arguably, the civic center is outdated but \$33M is a waste and will provide a zero return to the community. Even the \$100,000 commissioned study concludes that this is not a good idea and little to no value to our county.

Elect a commissioner who will stop a spending atrocity like this one. Join with me and help us elect a rational voice for county commissioner.

Matt Mattingly

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Town Council Candidate Profiles

Name: Daniel LeVasseur
Address: 117 McLellan Road, Gorham
Education: Associates Degree for Multimedia Technology, Business Management Certificate



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Personal: Gorham has been my home for my entire adult life. I play piano and enjoy singing.

Employment: Central Accounting Office at Bill Dodge Auto Group, Bookkeeper for 21st Century Motors, Computer Instructor at Windham Adult Education

Political and community experience: Gorham Economic Development Corp. Board Member; two time candidate for Gorham Legislature; Treasurer of the Gorham Founders' Festival

What do you see as your major challenge and what do you bring to the table?

The major challenge as town councilor will be to balance current and future levels of municipal services and spending with shrinking revenues.

I bring common sense and fairness to the table. Having managed a business and now working in the accounting department for Bill Dodge, has taught me the value of careful financial planning and tight spending controls. My experience teaching computer classes at Windham Adult Ed has also shown me that emerging technologies are a large part of our future success.

Name: Noah F. Miner
Address: 32 Green Street, Gorham
Education: Massabesic High School '93, Maine Maritime Academy '97 BS Marine Engineering
Personal: Married with 3 children



Photo credit Aleece Herlithy

Employment: Stay at home father, Gorham Town Councilor 2008-present, Self Employed Contractor 2003-2005, Field Engineer General Electric 1998-2003.

Political and community experience: Gorham Town Council 2008-present, Member Ecomaine Board of Directors 2009-present, Excutive Committee Ecomaine 2010-present. Past member of the Gorham Conservation Commission.

What do you see as your major challenge and what do you bring to the table?

My wife and I have made a conscious decision to live in Gorham and raise our family. It is in our best interest to strive for a Gorham we can all be proud of and afford to live in. This is done by maintaining a quality of life that our citizens expect and levying a tax that is fair and affordable.

I support the smart growth of our community. This consists of encouraging high-density residential development that will conserve our rural farmland, stimulating small business, utilizing our industrial parks, and capitalizing on our villages, and don't forget the turnpike spur. Our diverse village is a gem that other municipalities are trying to replicate. We should balance the needs

Name: Suzanne E. Phillips
Address: 108 Harding Bridge Road, Gorham
Education: Gorham High School class of 1994; attended Gordon College (Wenham, MA); graduated from University of Southern Maine BA in Art Education; business and early childhood classes at Southern Maine Community College
Personal: 35 years old, married to Andrew Phillips, lived in Gorham for 26 years, photographer
Employment: preschool teacher, director of large childcare center/business, professional nanny for last six and a half years



Photo credit Suzanne Phillips

Political and community experience: Gorham Historical Society member, 275th Commemorative Committee Chair for Founders' Festival, short term missionary to Mexico through Stroudwater Christian Church, Gorham Founders' Festival 2012 Auction and Marketing Chair

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What do you see as your major challenge and what do you bring to the table?

It is important as well as challenging to balance community needs with the growth of the town. I am a supporter of business and corporate growth in Gorham, as a means of removing additional taxation stress from our residents, and creating a business-friendly atmosphere. I would like to find ways to attract new businesses to our area as well as improving the atmosphere with existing businesses.

Name: Michael John Phinney
Address: 16 Apple Lane, Gorham
Education: I attended the Gorham Schools and graduated from Gorham High School. I received my BS from The Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



Photo credit Kimberly Phinney

Personal: I am married to Kimberly Post Phinney. I have five children, Donald Soule, John Phinney, Samuel Phinney, Matthew Phinney, and Nicholas Phinney. I also have two granddaughters, Ruby Soule and Sophia Soule. I grew up in Gorham and, except for college, I have lived here my entire life.

Employment: I am the vice president of Phinney Lumber, a family owned business here in Gorham, founded in 1928.

Political and community experience: I served on the Gorham Planning board for 5 1/2 years, serving as the chairman for three years. I am currently a member of the Gorham Town Council. I have served on the Town Council for the past 15 years. I have served as both the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Council a number of times. I have also served as the chairman of numerous Council committees. I am a Corporator for Gorham Savings Bank, and I have served on the Board of Directors of the Retail Lumber Dealers of Maine. I was selected this year as the Gorham Business Person of the Year, by the Gorham Business Exchange.

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School Committee Candidate Profiles

Name: Timothy S. Burns
Address: Gordon Farms Road, Gorham
Education: BS Physical Education from State University of New York College at Cortland.



Photo credit GraceAnn Burns

Personal: Moved to Gorham almost four years ago with my wife Stacy and children GraceAnn and William, both of whom attend Gorham Schools.

Employment: Currently employed by FairPoint Communications as the Director of Client Services. Have worked in the telecommunications industry for twenty-five years in a variety of sales and customer service positions with NYNEX, Northern Telecom, Verizon, Intellispace and FairPoint Communications.

Political and community experience: Previous community involvement has been primarily through coaching youth sports including soccer and baseball.

What do you see as your major challenge and what do you bring to the table?

Based on my conversations with people in the community I believe the greatest challenge is balancing the desire for a well-rounded, first class education with the economic realities faced today. Based on my twenty-five years of business experience with both large

Name: Anne Lawrence
Address: 10 Sanborn Street, Gorham
Education: Associates Degree in Nutrition; Paralegal program
Personal: Divorced with three children
Employment: Radiology Representative, Maine Medical Center; Small Business Owner, A&C Cleaning

Political and community experience: I have no political experience but I do possess the experience of being a mother to 3 and the entrepreneurial experience of owning and running a successful my own small business. I do not believe one needs any political experience to run for this position and any concerned taxpayer can run for the job.

I would like to serve on the school committee because I am concerned with the school system in their spending. Having three sons go through the Gorham school department, I recognize many of the issues faced by the Gorham school system. These issues need to be fixed immediately, or else they will fall on the backs of our children.

What do you see as your major challenge and what do you bring to the table?

My major challenges on the committee will be to maintain the school's budget, and to make the best choices with the funds that we currently have. As a committee member, I would be focusing on a safe learning environment for the children while being economical.

Name: Dennis C. Libby
Address: 9 Queen Street, Gorham
Education: Attended Bentley College
Personal: Married with three kids in Gorham Schools
Employment: Self employed contractor



Photo credit Denise Libby

Political and community experience: served the past six years on the Gorham School Committee with the last three years as chair. While on the School Committee, I have also chaired, and continue to sit on the Finance Committee, chaired the Personnel Committee, been the vocational education representative, vice chair of the Great Falls Building Committee, a member of the All Day Kindergarten, Pre-K, K-5 transition, 21st Century study groups, and a member of several contract negotiations teams. I am an active parent who is often found on the side of a soccer or lacrosse field, and supporting dance, community theater and school musicals.

What do you see as your major challenge and what do you bring to the table?

A major challenge facing Gorham is how we continue to provide opportunities for our students to grow, during a time of a serious economic downturn and diminishing resources for education. Due to the economy, the decision makers in Augusta have failed

Name: Sara N. Nelson
Address: Black Brook Road, Gorham
Education: BS in Psychology, San Diego State University and MBA, University of Massachusetts, Boston



Photo credit Chris Nelson

Employment: 2002-current - Target Analytics; April 2011-current, Stylist, Stella & Dot; 2010-current, owner, The Dreamy Dragonfly

Political and community experience: I am an active school volunteer (since 2005) in the classroom and with the Partners In Education group. I served on the Gorham Educational Foundation for two years, one as Board President.

What do you see as your major challenge and what do you bring to the table?

Having not served within a school administration, understanding how to prioritize initiatives and the inner workings of a school administration will require me to listen and fully understand before coming to conclusions. That said, I have experience in budgeting and managing short-term and long-term goals for national non-profits as well as my own small businesses that will lend well to the School Committee. Having young children in the Gorham schools, I bring a long-term perspective to decisions placed

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CLERK'S CORNER

Voter Information

Connie Loughran

There is a new statewide deadline for requesting absentee ballots. Anyone who needs to request an absentee ballot for the November 8, 2011 election must do so no later than Thursday, November 3 by close of business. The Town Clerk's office will be open until 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 3, 2011. Absentee ballots can only be issued after this date due to extenuating circumstances (such as in-patients at a hospital). If you would like to cast your vote by absentee ballot for this election, you must contact the municipal clerk's office no later than November 3. Ballots can be mailed to you, picked up by an immediate family member or voted in person at your town office. To request your ballot or if you have any questions contact the town clerk at 222-1670.

We have also entered the closed period for voter registration meaning that to register to vote you need to register in person with a photo identification and proof of residency. If your photo identification has your physical Gorham address (not a post office box), it will satisfy both requirements.



Town Clerk Connie Loughran can be reached by e-mail at cloughran@gorham.me.us or by phone at 222-1670.

Question 1: An Explanation Sue Dunn

"Do you want to reject the section of Chapter 399 of the Public Laws of 2011 that requires new voters to register to vote at least two business days prior to an election?"

A "yes" vote means you want to overturn the existing law allowing a person to register and vote on Election Day. A "no" vote means you want to keep the existing law that will not allow unregistered voters to cast a ballot unless they have registered two days prior to the voting day.

Vote on November 8

There polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. with Ward 1 voting at the Gorham Middle School on Weeks Road and Ward 2 at the Gorham Municipal Center on South Street. Gorham is comprised of two wards that are divided by physical address. If you are unfamiliar in which ward you are located, visit www.gorham-me.org and click "Voting Information."

Garthe Receives TRIAD Award

David Garthe, left, was recognized by Ed Hutchison, director of NATI, (National Association of TRIAD's Inc.), for his tremendous dedication and efforts for the senior citizens in Gorham and Westbrook. Ted Hatch, right, nominated Garthe for the award, which was presented on November 7. Garthe was recognized with this national award as "Trailblazer of the Year" for TRIAD. Garthe worked on several successful projects to help reduce the victimization of seniors.



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Seniors and Surgery

Bill Jenks

Surgery can be an intimidating experience involving a level of risk, no matter what your age. But a growing body of research indicates that seniors have an increased risk of experiencing complications both during and after surgery, notably involving cognitive functioning. A good deal of that increased risk involves the use of anesthesia. The following tips to help seniors and their caregivers prepare for surgery is courtesy of the American Society of Anesthesiologists.

When considering whether or not to have surgery, find out if the surgery is really necessary and what benefits it will provide. A procedure that makes perfect sense for a 30-year-old is sometimes not always the best option for someone in their 80's.

During your preoperative conversation with the surgeon, be prepared to provide your medical history, including any past experiences with depression, substance abuse, and any known allergies. To help identify those substances that may affect your anesthesia and surgery, it is crucial that you provide a complete list of all medications, including prescription, over-the-counter or natural. Be aware that sleeping pills, anxiety medications and alcohol withdrawal have been shown to increase the risk of postoperative complications in the elderly, such as delirium. Avoid taking drugs with long-acting central nervous system effects, such as benzodiazepines, which are frequently used to treat insomnia, anxiety, seizures and muscle spasms. Provide your physician with your emergency contacts and the information of your primary and secondary physicians. Share the status of family and friend support network leading up to, during and after surgery. Voice any concerns or anxieties you might have about the procedure.

Don't be afraid to ask plenty of questions about the procedure, such as: How long will the entire surgery take? What do I need to do before the procedure? Will I be in pain when I wake up from the procedure? When will I be discharged from the hospital? Will I be discharged to a rehab facility

or to my home? If I'm discharged to my home, what kind of care and support will I need? When will I be completely healed?

Find out who will be your anesthesia provider. Ask about the type of anesthesia that will be used and its potential physical and mental effects. Ask if there are any specific complications associated with anesthesia and this procedure of which a senior citizen should be aware. Talk to the anesthesiologist prior to surgery and consider scheduling a consultation with a geriatric specialist, particularly if you are taking multiple medications. A geriatric anesthesiologist has specific experience caring for the elderly both pre- and post-operatively.

Surgery can be an overwhelming experience, but family and friends can be surprisingly helpful during the recovery period. Caregivers can help make you feel as comfortable and oriented as possible following surgery by ensuring your eyeglasses, hearing aid, etc. are available as soon as possible following the procedure. Placing a calendar in the room will help the patient know what day of the week it is and family photos in the room can help brighten a hospital stay.

After a successful surgical outcome, it is easy to fall back into a daily routine and forget to watch out for post-surgical complications, which may include cognitive problems. To help diagnose cognitive problems after surgery, ask your physician to conduct a cognitive exam during your preoperative interview. This will serve as a baseline to evaluate your mental function after surgery. To minimize complications, caregivers should monitor your physical and mental activity closely following surgery and report any concerns to your physician.



Bill Jenks serves on the Board of Directors of the Maine Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, and is the owner of Home Instead Senior Care, which provides non-medical home care for seniors.

End of an Era



Photo credit David Willis

Barrows Greenhouses, a Gorham fixture since the early 1900's, has recently been demolished to make way for development.

School Committee Report

October 12, 2011 Robin Somes

Superintendent Ted Sharp spoke at length about changes to health insurance for Maine schools that resulted from the 125th Maine State Legislature that became effective on September 28. Sharp pointed out, "While there is now a market for health benefits for the state, there are a lot of complexities that high school boards will need to figure out."

The new laws require insurers to provide loss information to schools and also require a representative appointed by the Maine School Boards Association to serve on the Board of Trustees of the Maine Education Association Benefits Trust's by January 1, 2012. The new laws allow school employees to join the State of Maine's group health insurance plan, and allow schools to pursue various group self-insurance options.

The new statutes introduce a potential for competition in the health insurance market. The outcomes will ultimately be determined by collective bargaining, market conditions, and the considerable efforts of schools to look at new, different and less costly health insurance options.

On another topic, Superintendent Sharp announced the first figure for General Purpose Aid from the state for the 2013 fiscal year budget. It represents a drop of \$234,000 in funding because of a modification to the Essential Programs and Services (EPS) formula and Sharp predicts this amount will change in the upcoming months and most likely decrease state funding further. As Sharp noted, "the 125th Legislature passed a modification to EPS basically transferring money out of Cumberland and York counties into all the rural counties throughout the state."

Chairman Dennis Libby reported that he will serve as Time Keeper for the upcoming Frederick Robie Cup Adult Spelling Bee on Saturday, October 22. His main duty will be "to get as much money out of people's pockets as possible." This event is sponsored by the Gorham Educational Foundation, which raises money to promote educational excellence and leadership. For information on the Spelling Bee email gorhamef@maine.rr.com.

Chairman Libby presented crystal "apples" – special tokens of appreciation and recognition – to Kathy Garrard and Polly Shields who will not be seeking re-election, in honor of their dedication and efforts during their terms on the School Committee. Committee member Jim Hager presented an "apple" to Dennis Libby for his time, dedication and efforts in acting as School Committee Chairman. Libby is seeking re-election but will not be running for Chairman should he win.

Technology Director Dennis Crowe presented an update of his Five Year Technology plan. The plan includes lease/purchase agreements with Maine Learning Technology Initiative (MLTI) that has resulted in more laptops for students and staff. From Gorham's 19 high school student/computer ratio in 2008, the program has resulted in the present ratio of four students per laptop for grades K through five, and one laptop/student for grades six through 12.

At Gorham High School, teachers worked to create new units that would incorporate technology. These units are being implemented this year to be taught as part of the curriculum, making technology and computers part of the learning experience. This year, a Literacy Café is being organized with topics to include creating a café website and creating a paperless classroom using Google Apps.

At the Middle School, teachers are creating a web presence with courses using Moodle, Edmodo and Wikispaces. Also, the iTeam has grown to 34 students this year and is working with GoCat TV to create more video projects.

In elementary schools, there is now a 25 PC computer lab in each building, two 20 PC computer carts in each building for staff use and five PC's in every classroom.

Riley Perkins, president of GHS's junior class, gave a presentation on his summer trip to China. Prior to leaving for China, Perkins spent three weeks intensively studying Chinese at Husson University in Bangor. He subsequently traveled to Harbin, a city in northeastern China and spent six weeks learning language, culture and what it means to be a student of the public schools. He will continue with Chinese studies back here in Maine.

GHS Presents "Is He Dead?"



Photo Credit Eileen Avery

Gorham High School Drama proudly presents the outrageous comedy, "Is He Dead?", adapted by David Ives based on the play by Mark Twain. The cast, pictured clockwise from left to right: Jacob Clowes, Joseph Lambert, Ellyn Touchette, Lucia Alexandrin, Eric DeLuca, Kristin Nelson, Adam Bourgault, Maxwell McNally, Lia Van de Krol, Katelyn DiLorenzo and Quincy Owens. Center, Left to right, Forrest Plaisted, Lincoln Gray and Collin Young. Not pictured, Nathaniel Dombek. "Is He Dead?" runs November 11-12, 18-19, 7:30 p.m. and November 13 at 2 p.m. GHS Auditorium, \$6 for general admission and \$4 for students and seniors.

Ready, Set, Kindergarten!

Melissa Michaud, Literacy Coordinator

What could be better than snuggling up and enjoying a good story with your pre-schooler?

Activities related to reading aloud also help prepare your child for kindergarten. Learning to listen and respond to stories is an important step toward learning to read independently. As you read a story aloud, ask lots of who, what, where, when and why questions to ensure that your child understands the story. You can also try these activities:

- Have your child turn the pages and re-tell the story in their own words.
- Ask about favorite characters, then color a picture of the character.
- Pick out a favorite page or picture and have your child tell you why they like it.
- Find a picture that matches the cover. Most books have one. We like to call it the "magic" page.
- Make finger puppets to go with a story. Cut the fingers off some old gloves and use fabric markers to draw the characters, then use the puppets to tell the story.

Try these techniques with Doreen Cronin's "Click, Clack, Moo, Cows That Type." This wonderful story has lots of words that may be unfamiliar to your child. You might ask, "What is a typewriter?" "How do we type now?" "What is a strike?" Other words that may be new to your child are demand, neutral, ultimatum, furious and exchange. Also, ask what the last page is telling you

about the outcome of this adventure. This wordless page is key to understanding the story.

"Goodnight, Gorilla" by Peggy Rathmann is almost a wordless book that will charm everyone who is young at heart. It is the type of book that children go back to again and again as they grow and they discover something new in it each time. Depending on the ages of the children, you can adjust how to "read" this book by asking children to describe what they see in the illustrations and what is happening.

- What are the names of the animals?
- Who is the man with the flashlight, and what does he do?
- What time of day is it? Daytime or nighttime?
- Where are the animals going as they get out of their cages?
- Why are two pages all black with surprised eyes?
- Who takes the animals back to the zoo?
- What happens next?
- What is inside the animal cages?
- Take a look at the houses in the neighborhood as the animals approach. What do you see? Do the houses seem surprised?

Melissa Michaud, Literacy Coordinator K-5, writes this column as a part of a project between the Gorham Elementary Schools and Gorham Adult Education. For more information, contact Michaud at 222-1263 or Family Literacy Coordinator Heidi McGouldrick at 222-1045.

GMS Advisories to Give Back to Community

Kim Bennett, Gorham Middle School

Gorham Middle School's Advisory Program is in full swing. As part of the program, students and staff participate in various community service projects. Sixth grade students focus on the school community, seventh grade students focus on our local community, and students in eighth grade focus more on national or global community. All are encouraged to participate in a variety of ways.

This year we are emphasizing service, the giving of oneself and time, as part of our community service projects. Some advisories have already chosen a project for the year, but others are open

to ideas. Our first community service day for the year is scheduled for Friday, December 9. If you have an idea for a project or if you know a neighbor who could use some help around their house on that day, please contact Kim Bennett at 222-1230 or kbennett@gorhamschools.org. Those who call or email will be contacted to get more information. If the idea or need matches up with the hopes or ideas of one or more of our advisories, we will work together to make it happen. We greatly appreciate the community support and this is a chance for us to give back.

Narragansett Reading Buddies



Photo credit Nancy Packard

Fifth grade students from Mrs. Adolf's class and second grade students from Ms. Gagnon's class at Narragansett Elementary School relax together with a good book. Pictured reading together are Molly Duff and Emily Feagans (above, left), and Hayden Woodcock and Arzou Sayed. Paired as reading buddies, second grade students enjoy having a fifth grade student to with whom to read and talk.

Great Falls Officially Dedicated

Stacy Sallinen

Gorham's newest school, Great Falls Elementary School, opened its doors on Sunday, October 16, for a dedication ceremony and community open house.

This is Gorham's second school constructed with a geothermal heating and cooling system. The state-of-the-art school has several features that make it energy efficient, including roof monitors to provide daylight and solar hot water vacuum tubes on the roof of the kitchen to generate hot water for bathrooms and classroom sinks. Each classroom is equipped with "smartboards," an interactive whiteboard to enhance learning. The school cost \$15 million to build, coming in under budget, and 90% of costs were funded by the state.

Speakers included Ted Sharp, superintendent of Gorham schools; Donald Siviski, superintendent of instruction for the Maine Department of Education; Jane Esty, principal of Great Falls; and Dennis Libby, chairman of the Gorham school committee. The most moving remarks were delivered by five students from Great Falls: Aiden Fortier, Hayden Anderson, Dylan Grayson, Ava Dolley and Madison Firmin. Each student climbed onto a stool behind the podium to read, in their own words, what Great Falls meant to them.

A time capsule will be buried on school property filled with Great Falls



Photo credit Martha T. Harris

Great Falls Officially Dedicated Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts lead the Pledge of Allegiance at the Great Falls Elementary School Dedication Ceremony, and fourth and fifth grade students performed choral selections.

mentemos, including photos of the ground breaking, the construction progress and several newspaper clippings of newsworthy highlights.

Reaction to the new facility was positive. "Seeing the student ambassadors formally dressed, meeting me at the door, and conducting tours give me the idea that this is something important," explained Lucinda Stein, whose two sons both attend Great Falls. "My kids were excited to go up to the second floor, something they aren't allowed to do during the day. The school is so bright with many windows, colors and art."

Poet Jeff Kass "Slams" at GHS

Kerry Herlihy

On Friday, October 7, nationally acclaimed slam poet and writer, Jeff Kass visited Gorham High School. During the day, Kass performed both poetry and fiction from his recent collection of short stories, "Knuckleheads." He also conducted several writing workshops for students. His visit was made possible by a grant from the Gorham Educational Foundation.

Kass is part of an evolving movement where poetry is performed at competitions, also known as "slams." In these live competitions, writers perform original work and are judged by audience members. This movement began in Chicago in the 1980s, and since then, slam poetry teams have emerged in many cities across the country, including Portland. Last year, Gorham High School followed this trend and began a Slam Poetry club, which has continued this year.

In addition to his fiction, Kass performed pieces from his one-man show, "Wrestle the Great Fear." This show explores wrestling, baseball, teaching and what it means to be a father, son and student in today's society.

Chris Record, principal at GHS, said Kass's performance engaged both staff and students. "We were very pleased to welcome Mr. Kass to GHS with the generous financial support of the Gorham Education Foundation. Mr. Kass brought poetry alive for many of our students



Photo credit Nan Acker-Wolffhagen

Slam poet Jeff Kass performs "Collision" at Gorham High School. Kass traveled from Ann Arbor, MI for the event, which was sponsored by the Gorham Educational Foundation.

and staff. His poetry topics were relevant to our students and his passion and energy were contagious. We would welcome him back any time."

Students also found inspiration from Kass's visit. Jeanette Villanueva, a senior creative writing student, took several things away from the day. "Just watching Jeff perform inspired me to write. He also showed us there was no such thing as writer's block because stories are all around us, we just have to look."

Team Building through Maze



Photo credit Donna Pastore

Gorham Middle School students from Mrs. Whitaker's, Ms. Townsend's, Mrs. Morrell's and Mrs. Pastore's class recently enjoyed a day at the Pumpkin Valley Farm in Dayton. Students worked on their team building skills as they tried to conquer the intricate maze. They were treated to a hayride to find a pumpkin, as well as some great aerobic activity on the jumping pillow. Through their experiences exploring the farm and its agriculture, they will incorporate what they learned into their Mathematics and Language Arts curriculum. The GMS Student Council sponsored the trip.

school notes

The Gorham High School Giving Tree is holding its 2nd Annual Indoor Yard Sale in the cafeteria at GHS on November 5 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. All proceeds benefit the Giving Tree, which helps to provide gifts to high school students and their families in need during the holiday season. Any donations to the yard sale are welcome and are tax deductible. If you are interested in donating items of any kind, please contact Laura Ryan at laura_ryan@gorham.k12.me.us or 222-1077 or Susan Sedenka at susan_sedenka@gorham.k12.me.us or 222-1174. Please help support this worthy cause!

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Town Council Candidates FROM PAGE 4

Noah Miner

of our heavy industry with more businesses that have less of a negative impact on the surrounding area. If we don't do this we risk losing the sense of place that makes Gorham a desirable community to live in.

I have made efforts to not increase the tax burden in Gorham for things that would be nice to have. For example, I did not support

the \$3 million taxpayer funded turf field. I research the issues, do my homework, and base my decisions on what is best for the people of Gorham. I vote for what I think is fair and don't let my values and ethics get clouded by whichever way the political wind is blowing. Please re-elect Noah Miner for Gorham Town Council on Nov. 8th.

Suzanne Phillips

The decisions about Gorham's future should be influenced by the citizens of Gorham. I plan to be an example to all citizens, to participate in any issues that are brought before the Town Council. As a long

term resident, I bring my experiences with Gorham and the people to the table. I plan on making well-informed decisions based on facts and information as well as the concerns of the citizens of Gorham.

Michael Phinney

What do you see as your major challenge and what do you bring to the table?

The major challenge the Town Council will face is how we can provide the services that our citizens want, while minimizing the tax load we all have to afford. We still want a great education for our children, we want our roads plowed, we want a strong police department, and we want a top quality fire and rescue department. Yet all of these things cost money, and right now we just can't afford huge tax increases. Our only solution is economic development.

I have made economic development a priority for the past 15 years. When I first was elected to the Town Council, Gorham had an anti-business reputation. I have worked diligently to change that. I run a business

here in town and I can see and understand the issues businesses face. I served on the Planning Board and saw firsthand what a business had to go through to expand or relocate here. I took those experiences and used them to help shape Gorham's economic outlook for the past 15 years. I have helped add new industrial and business land. I have worked to rewrite our codes to make them more attractive to the kind of businesses we want here. I have also worked with our staff to make sure we have the right people in place to help make the process efficient for everyone. I have and will do everything I can to make sure that Gorham is, to coin a phrase, "open for business." That is what I bring to the table.

School Committee Candidates FROM PAGE 4

Timothy Burns

and small companies I have learned to keep an open mind to new concepts and ideas in an effort to maximize the value of the work performed and the investment made in the business or within the organization. I believe my experience in business, in particular the

budget setting and management process, will assist me as a member of the School Committee as I work diligently to ensure that each of our children has a well-rounded educational experience while working within the fiscal realities of the current environment.

Anne Lawrence

As a small business owner I am always looking at ways to cut my expenses, as I plan on doing the same as a committee member. I'll be applying my skills as a business owner to help with the school budget. Two top issues facing Gorham Schools: The egregious spending and waste in the Gorham School system. This problem affects all taxpaying members of the town. Many public services are being cut while usable money in the school system contin-

ues to be wasted. I believe another issue facing Gorham schools is the process of analyzing the job performance of Gorham teachers. Gorham teachers should be crucially reviewed yearly for re-hire based on performance and student comprehension. As most professions outside the educational field are reviewed based on performance, I too believe teachers should be held to the same standards.

Dennis Libby

to fund 55% of education, as was mandated by state referendum. As part of that law, the Essential Programs and Services formula was developed to identify the minimum a school district should provide, and is the basis of what the 55% state funding would support. The state intended to increase education funding to meet this mandate, but due to the change in the economy, the state's percentage is now less than when the law was put in place. The result of these actions has put more of the burden on the local municipalities. I am proud to say that the Gorham

School Committee recognized that, and has not passed the burden on to its taxpayers. In fact, the portion of the local tax bill dedicated to education has been on the decline my entire time in office and is 3.8% less than it was six years ago. I am even more proud to say that during the last six years, we have not cut any programs, in fact we have expanded several to better suit the needs of our students, our enrollment has been very steady, and there has been little to no change in our student teacher ratios. How we continue this trend, is our greatest challenge.

Sara Nelson

before the Board. I am passionate about children's education and how we, as a town,

are preparing our children for the future.

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Tommy Stirling Wins National Golf Tournament

Ryan Baillargeon

Tommy Stirling, GHS Class of 2010 and a sophomore golfer at Southern Maine Community College, has had the winning mindset on the links these past few weeks. Coming off a win at the Yankee Small College Conference Golf Championship October 1 at the Natanis Golf Club Tomahawk course in Vassalboro, he left for Penn State University in search of the United States Collegiate Athletic Association Golf Championship. His hard work and dedication to the sport paid off as he won the individual national title and earned All-American honors. This was the first year anyone from Maine had ever won the tournament.

The two-round championship began on October 10 when Stirling opened with an even-par round of 72, placing him in a tie for the lead. While many competitors would be content with a share of the lead and return to their hotel for rest, Stirling instead spent three and a half hours practicing his short game and irons. His results the next day reflected his hard work. "I have never putted as well as I did during the tournament," Stirling said. "There was not a putt that I stepped up to that I didn't believe I could make." In the final day of the tournament, Stirling finished with a remarkable twenty-seven putts over eighteen holes.

As all golfers know, golf is as much a mental game as it is physical. In a multiple-day tournament, many golfers succumb to the stress of carrying a lead into the final day. However, Stirling demonstrated his mental toughness by shooting an unbelievable four-under-par on the final day to win the tournament by four strokes. He got off to a strong start the final day, going three under through his first nine holes. At that point, he knew he was in the lead, but his playing partner was also three under through nine holes. Stirling entered the day with a six-shot lead over his playing partner, but he fed off this player's strong round. "If I birdied, so did he, and this really pushed us to the next level with our games," Stirling said.

Stirling added said the eleventh hole was the turning point for him. His part-



Photo credit Kim Liloyd, University of Maine at Augusta Athletic Department

ner made a double bogey while Stirling sunk a six-foot putt for birdie. He knew then that if he could finish out with pars, he was going to be the champion. But he didn't change his game plan. "I was confident in my swing, and there wasn't a shot I didn't think I could hit," he said. "I just kept putting good swings on the golf ball and making pars."

Stirling is undecided on his plans for next year but plans on listening to possible offers from bigger schools to play golf. But if none arise, he would be more than happy to continue playing golf for SMCC. After his performance this year, SMCC will undoubtedly welcome him back!

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GHS Fall Sports Team Updates

Compiled by Jeff Pike

Volleyball: The team reached the semifinals of the Class A State Tournament before losing to Scarborough, 3-0. Ranked seventh heading into the tournament, the Rams upset second-ranked Mount Desert Island in the quarterfinals by set scores of 25-22, 26-24, 25-16. Vicki Parker led the way with nine kills, six aces and 13 rotation points while Lindsay Chapman had eight kills and eight rotation points. Kaitlyn Seehusen amassed 18 assists along with six kills, three aces and six rotation points while Lexi Merrifield had five solo blocks and five kills.

Field Hockey: The Rams won their final home game, 5-0, over Deering with Jaime Hansen, Michaela Stresser, Charlotte Smith, Hannah Southard, and Allie Sturgis scoring. Goalkeeper Patty Smith had six saves to earn her sixth shutout on the season. The Rams finished the season ranked ninth in Western Maine Class A and earned a spot in the playoffs where Gorham was eliminated by Windham in the preliminary round, 3-2. For the season, Sturgis led the team in goals with seven while Evelyn Viernes led in assists with four. Smith stopped 121 shots on the season.

Boys' Cross-Country: Senior Cortlandt Dunn led the way during the multi-team meet season by finishing first among all Rams runners in four of the five meets with sophomore Jeremy Collett finishing first in the other meet. Dunn and Collett also turned in the two best times on the season at 18:05 and 18:07 respectively. At the Western Maine Class A Championships, the Rams finished 12th. Nate Gervais was the top Gorham runner followed by Mitch Rossignol, Thomas Bradshaw, Connor Dunn and Cortlandt Dunn.

Girls' Cross-Country: Junior Leanna Dalfonso won five of six girls' multi-team meets while senior Katie Flanders won the other meet. Flanders and Dalfonso also turned in the two best times of the season at 20:47 and 22:58 respectively. At the Western Maine Class A Championships, the Rams finished 10th led by Flanders who placed 10th individually with a time of 20:47 over the 5K course. Flanders was followed by Dalfonso, Kelsey Mitchell, Jackson Marshall and Leeanna Gray.

Golf: The Rams finished the regular season with a 9-0 record and captured the SMAA League Championship. In the Class A State Championship, the team of Ryan Baillargeon, Mike Caron, Nathan Roop, Andrew Scontras and Spencer LaPierre finished fifth. Caron also qualified for the individual Class A State Championship where he finished 14th. During the regular season Roop turned in the lowest score for nine holes (37) and had the lowest

average per nine holes (39). LaPierre led the team in match points with 13 while Dylan Turner, Baillargeon, Caron and Roop all had 10.

Football: A 41-12 loss to Scarborough prevented the Rams from making the post-season-tournament, but in the highest scoring game in the history of Gorham football, Gorham defeated Massabesic 63-47. 63 points is the highest total for Gorham since moving to Class A, and the Rams set a team record for most yards rushing in a single game—650. Leading the way on the offensive line were tight-ends Brian Darling and Nick Greatorex, tackles Cam Willette and Kyle Nealey, guards Dom Deluca and Dylan Whitaker, and center Jamie Crawford. The game was also the first time in Ram history two players totaled more than 200 yards (Brad Turnbaugh-243 yards and three touchdowns and Matt McKenney-238 yards) while Nick Kilborn rushed for 149 yards. In the Rams game vs. Sanford, McKenney set a record with the longest touchdown in Gorham history, 97 yards.

Boys' Soccer: The Rams finished the regular season with a 6-3 victory over Cheverus October 18 to earn a fourth-place ranking in Western Maine Class A. The team opens the playoffs with a quarterfinal match October 26. Season leaders were Connor Reagan with 10 goals and 12 assists; Chandler Reagan with nine goals and nine assists; and Kevin Lubelczyk with 9 goals and 6 assists. Drew Hopkins, Mike Lubelczyk and Kyle Curley all scored six goals, and 17 out of the 19 players on the roster scored at least once. The defense, led by goal keepers Carter Bowers and Alex McCarthy, had eight shutouts with defenders Steve Albanese, Nate Bucknell, Curley, Mike Sullivan, and Tyler Eldridge all playing key roles.

Girls' Soccer: By defeating Cheverus 3-0 on October 18, the Rams finished the regular season with a perfect 14-0 record and a number-one ranking in Western Maine Class A. The team was scheduled to play its quarterfinal match at home on October 25. On the season, the team scored 64 goals while allowing just six. Leading scorers included Kiersten Turner 11 goals, 6 assists; Audrey Adkison 7 goals, 12 assists; and Erin Smith 8 goals, 5 assists. On defense, goalkeeper Sarah Perkins and defenders Sierra Peters, Lindsey Smith, Jess Rexrode, Allie Lurvey and Sarah Fogg limited the opposition to 0.42 goals per game.

47 Gorham Runners Participate Marathon and Half-Marathon

Jeff Pike

Ten Gorham runners were among the nearly 1,000 runners in the Gorham Savings Bank Maine Marathon October 2 in Portland while 37 residents participated in the Half Marathon that included nearly 1,900 runners. Among the group winners were Daria McNamara, who finished second among 60-64 females in the marathon with a time of 5:17:36 and Debra Tierney, who finished third among 50-54 females in the half-marathon with a time of 1:52:05.

Maine Marathon Gorham Results

Place	Name	Time
88	Meghan Norton	3:28:45
106	Jonathan Schoepf	3:32:50
134	Laurie Nicholas	3:38:06
188	Jennifer Coppersmith	3:45:27
195	Tim Zerillo	3:47:33
275	Greg Hughes	3:56:52
361	Laurie Scott	4:08:15
509	Elisabeth Lewis	4:27:09
713	Amy Smith	5:05:21
739	Daria McNamara	5:15:53

Maine Half Marathon Gorham Results

Place	Name	Time
117	Neil Raymond	1:37:44
122	Matthew Vail	1:38:26
337	Hilary Frenette	1:47:00
346	Anne Lapierre	1:47:07
361	Denis Albert	1:48:28
377	Kelley Scott	1:50:27
380	Megan Hamilton	1:49:24
407	Debra Tierney	1:51:12
466	Shane Zerillo	1:52:48
537	Steven Palanza	1:55:13
608	Tracey Frenette	1:55:34

616	Jill Sorrentino	1:57:34
676	Rachel Baillargeon	1:58:10
763	Benjamin Schulz	1:59:29
885	Dean Rosingana	2:02:26
922	Kevin Mahoney	2:04:21
923	Lane Mahoney	2:04:20
960	Mike Wintle	2:06:06
972	Samantha Morton	2:05:00
1012	Chris Pelletier	2:06:17
1075	Kate Lawrence	2:09:31
1088	Shelby Wintle	2:09:50

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in the Zone

College Tennis All-Star: Salve Regina University junior tennis player Shannon O'Brien (GHS '09) and her doubles partner Nichol Stevens earned honorable mention for the Commonwealth Coast Conference all-star women's tennis team.



Photo courtesy of Salve Regina University

O'Brien finished the season 10-6 overall in doubles match play, and when paired with Stevens was undefeated with a 6-0 record.

Third-Place Finisher at Sunday River: GHS senior Cortlandt Dunn competed in the Mountain Epic at Sunday River October 9 and finished third overall with a time of 36.28. The four-mile course on dirt roads, over rough terrain and through water-filled mud pits, went straight up and straight down the North Peak.

Hall of Fame Inductee: Southern Maine Community College (SMCC) announced its 2011 Athletics Hall of Fame Class on October 15 that included Bob Doyle (SMCC '71), who lived in Gorham was inducted posthumously as he passed away in 2005. Doyle was a standout pitcher during his two seasons at SMCC and led the way to winning the State Technical

College Series title in 1970 and 1971. Doyle was also a two-time conference all-star and later was president of Maine Babe Ruth. He also coached for 12 years St. Josephs College of Maine. Doyle was inducted into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame earlier this year.



Photo courtesy of Southern Maine Community College

Canadian Field Hockey Championship Participant: Kathryn Whitehead (GHS '10) – a sophomore on the women's field hockey team at St. Mary's University in Halifax, Nova Scotia – will play in the Women's Field Hockey games, the national tournament championship for Canadian universities. The games take place in late October in Toronto. Whitehead scored three goals this season for the team, which captured the Atlantic University Field Hockey Championship.



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USM Officially Opens New Turf Field: The USM Athletic Department hosted a grand-opening ceremony October 22 for the new Hannaford Field on the USM Gorham Campus. Completed in September, the 93,100-square-foot field features a Field Turf® surface and will serve as the home site for men's and women's soccer, field hockey, and men's and women's lacrosse teams. Led by gifts from Hannaford Brothers and the United States Soccer Foundation, construction on the privately financed \$1.1 million field began in late June when the United States Army Corps of Engineers and Shaw Brothers Construction Company prepared the site for the new turf. The field is the first phase of a long-range project that includes lights and stadium seating for 500 people.

Runners FROM PREVIOUS PAGE


1094	Danielle Babb	2:09:37
1106	Amy Pelletier	2:08:45
1113	Dick Graves	2:10:33
1115	Jennifer McHenry	2:10:33
1201	Jeffery Mullin	2:10:55
1203	Jennifer Hughes	2:11:09
1227	Naomi Schucker	2:12:46
1228	Eric Anderson	2:12:47
1257	Kelly Lemery	2:13:57
1266	Michelle Michaud	2:13:16
1283	Julie McPherson	2:13:43
1332	Victoria Reynolds	2:15:28
1350	Frank Arsenault	2:16:04
1613	Kathy Edelman	2:30:34
1694	Lisa Royland	2:41:12

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CAMPAIGN ISSUES

- * Promote and encourage consolidation of municipal services such as 911 to reduce the expense and increase the efficiencies of governmental services
- * Implement the changes proposed in the Cumberland County Charter
- * Encourage the sharing of back office school operations throughout the county to make services more efficient and cost effective
- * Secure increased federal funding for the Community Development Block Grants to assist all the municipalities
- * Promote increased interaction between the municipalities and the Greater Portland Council of Governments

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Dancers (L-R) Angel Shaw, Amanda Preble, Felicia Bickford, Trish Moulton, Kelly Leskowsky, Maria McInnis, Janeen Arnold, Megan Marquis-Conner from the Dance Studio of Maine performed at the Maine Cancer Foundation's Cure Breast Cancer Luncheon at the Holiday Inn by the Bay on Oct. 5.



Members of the Gorham Youth Soccer Association participated in the Walk for Maine Children's Cancer Program this fall, raising over \$6200 for Lauren's Team, named after 11 year-old Lauren Hawkes of Gorham who died from the disease in 2003.

OF INTEREST

Megan Cutter of Gorham was inducted into the Delta Epsilon Sigma National Honor Society at Saint Joseph's College. Cutter is a senior exercise science major and captain of the women's lacrosse team.



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Red Cross supervisor Angela Abourjouly tends to MaryLou Chambers of Gorham, who donated blood at the American Red Cross Blood Drive held at Shaw Gym in Gorham on Oct. 14.

Samantha Gale (GHS 09) graduated from Southern Maine Community College with an Associate in Science Degree in Business Administration. She is the daughter of Robert Gale and Theresa Gipson.



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Erlon Townsend of Buxton is seen packaging fresh produce for Susan Clifford, who happened on the one-man farmer's market in the parking lot next to the Gorham House on Tuesday, Oct. 4. The produce was from a variety of farmers in this area.

Michael A. Fagone of Gorham and a Bankruptcy Law Attorney for Bernstein Shur, was one of eight candidates in the law firm to be honored by his peers nationwide as 2012 Lawyer of the Year.

Navy Midshipman Zachary Speirs completed a six-week Plebe Summer training program while attending the United States Naval Academy. Speirs, who is the son of Candie Smith and Bryan Speirs, is a 2011 graduate of Gorham High School.

Cindy Smith, former GHS Art Teacher (1985-2004), recently illustrated the book

"A Swift River Anthology," and will hold a book signing at The Maine Art Gallery in Wiscasset on Thursday, Oct. 27 from 5 - 7 p.m. The book, which is available at The Bookworm and online, consists of musings of imaginary residents that were buried in the flooding of a reservoir created for drinking water in 1930's Massachusetts.

There will be a Halloween Party at the Redeemer Lutheran Church, 410 Main St., on Saturday, Oct. 29, 2-4 p.m. for ages 12 and under. Costumes are optional. Free! FMI, 839-7100.

Proceeds to benefit The Heifer Project. Two kinds of beans, hot dogs, American chop suey, cole slaw, corn bread, pies, cakes. \$7/\$3 under 12.

A life-long resident of Gorham and currently a Gorham House resident, 98 year-old Ethel Paige, was honored with a "Bingo Birthday Celebration" to commemorate her birthday on Oct. 9.



Author Ernie Weiss will read from his book, "Out of Vienna; Eight Years of Flight from the Nazis," at the Baxter Memorial Library on Monday, Nov. 7 at 5:30 p.m. A nonfiction story, "Out of Vienna" follows the Weiss family's (28 members of the author's family were persecuted by the Nazis) long flight through thirteen European countries to escape the Nazis'

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George Street caller requested to speak with the Animal Control Officer to find out if it was okay to shoot their friend's chickens.

Blackberry Lane caller reported that their former tenant left two roosters on the property.

Officer responded to a report of dogs left inside a vehicle on Robie Street. Upon further investigation, it was learned that it was someone picking up their children.

Hemlock Drive caller requested to speak with an officer regarding someone posting bad stuff about them on Facebook.

New Portland Road caller was delivering food to a residence and heard an intense screaming match.

Caller requested to speak with a sergeant regarding an officer leaving messages on caller's cell phone. Caller reported that officer had the wrong number.

Fort Hill Road caller reported a dead deer in front of their house.

Caller requested to speak with an officer regarding getting their adult child to move out.

Sandy Terrace caller reported that someone took their generator that had been left unsecured in the front of caller's house and put it in the woods under a tarp.

New Portland Road caller reported they put a deposit down on a limo for their wedding next February. They tried to call the company, but the phones were out of service. Caller requested help in locating the company.

Shaw's Mill Road caller reported that some unknown subject woke them up out of a sound sleep yesterday.

Caller reported that a known male subject threw a bag of trash on caller's vehicle damaging it.

Caller reported that an individual was blocking traffic on Dow Road while attempting to get a large dog into the back of a pickup truck.

Caller reported suspicious activity in the area. Operator was carsick and had stopped to get out for some air.

The family of **Esther H. Noble**, librarian of the **South Windham Public Library**, had a granite bench installed on the front lawn of the library in memory of Esther's 27 years of service to the library. Noble passed away on June 16, 2011.



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Grand Knight Mike Foster of Gorham presents Knight's of Columbus member John Polito a check for \$175 for a fundraising event (Laura's Party) held each year at the Roost in Buxton for people with intellectual disabilities.



iron fist and cruelty. FMI, 839-5031 or jrathburn@baxter.memorial.library.me.us

Gorham's First Parish Church will host the 5th Annual Haunted House Fundraiser (sponsored by the youth group), on Friday, Oct. 28 and Saturday, Oct. 29 from 7-10 p.m. Tour this 200 year-old historic landmark while it is converted to an asylum of dark terrors and frightening scenes of hor-

ror. Not recommended for under the age of five. Children under 10 require adult supervision. \$4 kids/\$6 adults/\$20 family (one adult & up to four children). FMI, 450-1815 or natea@portveritas.com

Gorham-Westbrook TRIAD will sponsor "Free Leaf Raking for Senior Citizens" every

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Saturday in the month of November. This service will be provided by the young men of Delta Chi Fraternity. FMI, call Grace Bryant 839-6418 or Fed Collins 854-8327.

Gorham 1986-2011 will be on sale next week for \$10 at the Town Clerk's office, Baxter Library, and through the Historical Society. The book will also be for sale at both polling stations (Shaw Gym and the Middle School) on Election Day. FMI, gorhambook275@gmail.com

The Gorham Democrats will hold their next meeting on Thursday, November 3, 5:30 p.m. at 30 Ridgefield Drive, Gorham. Everyone is welcome! Please RSVP to Andrew McLean: andrewmclean4@gmail.com

All You Can Eat Baked Bean Supper, Saturday, Nov. 5, 4:30-6:00 p.m., White Rock Community Club on Wilson Rd., Off Rte 237 in Gorham. Beans, hot dogs, macaroni & cheese, biscuits, salads, desserts. Adults \$7, kids \$3

Mister Bagel, Gorham will be the site of the Hanscom-Moody Family's 2nd Annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, Nov. 24, Thanksgiving Day. Transportation will be available upon request. Reserved seating (although no one will be turned away). A homemade, traditional Thanksgiving dinner with all the fixings. There is no fee, any donations will go to the Gorham Food Pantry. FMI, contact Roxanne at 839-4516 or TMOODY6@maine.rr.com.

The Meals on Wheels program located at the Westbrook Community Center serving the communities of Gorham, Westbrook and Portland has openings for volunteer drivers. Help us reach homebound seniors by delivering healthy meals. We deliver on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mid-mornings and offer mileage reimbursement. For more information contact 878-3285.

Gorham Art Fair will take place in the Shaw Gym on Friday, Oct. 28, 6-9 p.m. and Sat., Oct. 29, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Free admission. FMI, gorhamartfair.wordpress.com

USM NOTES

A Cornucopia of Songs and Arias will be performed on Friday, Nov. 4, at 8 p.m. in Corthell Concert Hall, USM Gorham. \$15/\$10/\$5. FMI, 780-5555.

The USM School of Music will host Charles Dimmick, concertmaster of the Portland Symphony Orchestra, for a violin masterclass on Monday, Oct. 31, at 4 p.m. in Corthell Concert Hall, USM Gorham. \$6/Free for USM students, staff and USM Youth Ensemble members. FMI, www.usm.maine.edu/music.

The USM School of Music presents The Musical of Musicals (The Musical!) on Friday & Saturday, Oct. 28 & 29 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 30 at 2 p.m. at Corthell Concert Hall, USM Gorham. \$15/\$10/\$5. FMI, 780-5555.

Craft Show at USM-Gorham Costello Sports Complex, Nov. 12, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Nov. 13, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. FMI, 780-5328.

HOLIDAY FAIR

Christmas Fair, 80 Longfellow St., Westbrook, Saturday, Nov. 5 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Fish Chowder lunch. FMI, 854-9623.

CLOSE TO HOME

Schoolhouse Arts Center, just north of Rt. 114 and 35, will present "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" from Nov. 18 - Dec. 4 on Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. \$1 off your ticket, if a food item is brought in as a donation to the Good Shepherd's Food Bank. Tickets \$12/\$8. FMI, 642-3743 or www.schoolhousearts.org

The Living Waters Church (Rt. 112/22) in Buxton will hold a Haddock Dinner on Saturday, Oct. 29 at 5 p.m. \$8/\$4. FMI, 329-0753.

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calendar

THURSDAY, OCT. 27

- WWCC Community Meal, 810 Main Street, Westbrook, 12 p.m., Baked Chicken. \$4.
- Story Hour for 3-5 yr olds, 10-11 a.m., No. Gorham Public Library. Stories, songs & crafts. FMI, 892-2575.

FRIDAY, OCT. 28

- Gorham Art Fair, Shaw Gym (behind library), 6-9 p.m. Art, music and food. Free admission.
- Kiddie Gym, Gorham Rec. Dept. (behind library), 9:30-11:30 a.m. \$2/child.

SATURDAY, OCT. 29

- Gorham Art Fair, Shaw Gym (behind library), 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Free admission.
- Halloween Party, Redeemer Lutheran Church, 410 Main St., Gorham, 2-4 p.m., ages 12 and under. Costumes are optional. Free! FMI, 839-7100.
- Bean Supper, Cressey Road United Methodist Church, 5-6 p.m., \$7/\$3 under 12.

MONDAY, OCT. 31

- The Gorham Community Chorus, 7-9 p.m., Gorham Village School. FMI, 839-3517 or gohrim@earthlink.net
- Young Life Club for high school students, 7 p.m., PTA Building/Old Robie School. All are welcome. FMI, younglifegorham@gmail.com or 839-7857.

TUESDAY, NOV. 1

- Gorham Cancer Prayer and Support Group, 6 p.m. the first Tuesday of every month at the Cressey Road United Methodist Church. FMI, 839-311.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 2

- Kiddie Gym, Gorham Rec. Dept. (behind library), 9:30-11:30 a.m. \$2/child.
- Toddlers in the Library, 10-10:30 a.m., No. Gorham Public Library. FMI, 892-2575.
- Prayer Shawl Knitting Group, 1-2:30 p.m., St. Anne's Catholic Church. All are welcome. FMI, 839-4857.
- Senior Community Meal, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., St. Anne's Catholic Church, \$3.50. FMI, 839-4857.

THURSDAY, NOV. 3

- WWCC Community Meal, 810 Main Street, Westbrook, 12 p.m., Ham & Mashed Potato. \$4.
- Story Hour for 3-5 yr olds, 10-11 a.m., No. Gorham Public Library. Stories, songs & crafts. FMI, 892-2575.
- Gorham Food Pantry, 9-11 a.m. (located in St. Anne's Catholic Church parking lot)

FRIDAY, NOV. 4

- Kiddie Gym, Gorham Rec. Dept. (behind library), 9:30-11:30 a.m. \$2/child.

SATURDAY, NOV. 5

- Public Supper, West Gorham Union Church, Rt. 25, 5-6 p.m. \$7/\$3 under 12. FMI, 839-4208.

MONDAY, NOV. 7

- The Gorham Community Chorus, 7-9 p.m., Gorham Village School. FMI, 839-3517 or gohrim@earthlink.net
- Young Life Club for high school students, 7 p.m., PTA Building/Old Robie School. All are welcome. FMI, younglifegorham@gmail.com or 839-7857.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 9

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- Gorham Food Pantry, 6-7:30 p.m. (located in St. Anne's Catholic Church parking lot)

THURSDAY, NOV. 10

- WWCC Community Meal, 810 Main Street, Westbrook, 12 p.m., Meatloaf. \$4.
- Gorham Food Pantry, 9-11 a.m. (located in St. Anne's Catholic Church parking lot)

FRIDAY, NOV. 11

- GHS proudly presents "Is He Dead?," a comedy to die for! November 11-12, 18-19, 7:30 p.m. and November 13 at 2 p.m. GHS Auditorium, \$6 for general admission and \$4 for students and seniors.

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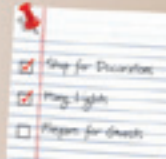
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