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**A Gorham husband and wife team helped deliver Wreaths Across America.** Above: Arlington National Cemetery adorned with holiday greenery. Left: Carl and Marcena Phillips stand with Maine's first lady Ann LePage.



## Wreaths Across America

Jackie Francis

As the 750 wreaths he had in his truck were being unpacked from their boxes and finally laid on the graves of the honored veterans lying in Arlington, Gorham business owner, Carl Phillips, was overcome with a profound sense of awe. The wreath laying was part of Wreaths Across America Day, held the second Saturday of every December at Arlington National Cemetery. The sights overwhelmed Phillips, who drove one of the twenty tractor-trailer trucks from Maine that carried the wreaths.

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## Three Robberies in Four Days

Sheri Faber

On December 8 at about 6:40 p.m., a man entered the US Cellular Store located at 102 Main Street in the Village Mall and demanded that the clerk give him the money in the register. The man opened his coat and displayed a holstered handgun. The clerk gave the robber a small amount of cash and the robber fled on foot. The man was described as a young white man about 5'7" tall with a slim build, brown eyes and hair. He was wearing a black canvas hooded coat with gray sides and a light blue scarf.

On December 10 at about 8:38 p.m., a man entered Olympia Sports at 108 Main Street, also in the Village Mall, and demanded the money in the register. The robber stole a small amount of cash and fled on foot. This suspect did not display any weapons. He was described as a white male about 5'10" tall, weighing about 175 pounds with brown hair and eyes. He was wearing a hooded sweatshirt and a knit hat.

On December 11 at about 7:46 p.m., a man entered Domino's Pizza at 653 Main Street and demanded money from the register. He stole a small amount of money and fled on foot. The robber did not display a weapon. He was described as a white male 5'8" to 5'10" tall, weighing about 170 pounds. He was wearing Carhartt overalls, a knit cap and a blue scarf.

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## Shaw Brothers Moves Headquarters to Mosher Road

Krista Nadeau



The new headquarters for Shaw Brothers, an impressive brick building with two stories of interior woodwork, was built on Mosher Road.

Jon and Danny Shaw worked hard to build their business, Shaw Brothers Construction, Inc. They started the business back in 1977 with only two employees. Having tried for years, to no avail, to purchase land beside their location at 511 Main Street, the decision was made to relocate to their newest location at 341 Mosher Road in Gorham.

Shaw Brothers new facility is situated on 135 acres and includes a 48,500 square foot, two-story home office and a 25,000 square foot warehouse with all of the latest tools and technology. According to Danny Shaw, this parcel of



land was purchased in pieces, the first of which was in 2005 and the final piece in 2008. It was at that point construction on their new location began, with Jon and Danny Shaw acting as their own general contractors. He also added that there were many people involved in the planning process, which would be obvious to anyone visiting

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## Farm Stand Owner Uses Racial Slur

Sheri Faber

The Gorham Times received two e-mails and was notified about many Facebook postings regarding an incident at King's Farm Stand on December 4 where the owner, Barry King, made racially charged remarks, including ethnic slurs, to an Asian-American man, Dave Spiller. Spiller was there with his son and father to buy Christmas decorations. King told them to leave the site, which they did.

The response from the community has been considerable with many people reporting having difficulties with King over the years. On December 11, about 20 people picketed the store. King's son, Barry King Jr., issued an apology saying: "This was not a racially driven situation. My father just sometimes doesn't have a filter. Our family is deeply sorry about what happened. If there is any way we could right the wrong, we would love to sit down with Mr. Spiller."

Spiller has filed a complaint with the Attorney General's Office. The Attorney General's Office (AG) will review the information provided by the Gorham Police Department to determine whether a civil enforcement action for an injunction under the Maine Civil Rights Act is warranted. According to Marge Berkovich of the AG's Office, a "hate crime" under the Maine Civil Rights Act is criminal conduct motivated by bias that has an element of violence, threat of violence, property damage or trespass. Hate speech has to include a threat to the victim and there can be a criminal case as well as the hate crime charge. The intent of the law is to change behavior and stop the person from repeated violations.

## Plan-It Recycling Trash Headed to Old Town

Sheri Faber

In October, the Town Council approved a plan to have the trash from Plan-It Recycling in Grondin's Industrial Park transported to the Gorham Landfill behind Public Works off Huston Road. This would have been appreciably cheaper than having to pay tipping fees and transportation costs to get the trash to a commercial landfill. Neighbors expressed concerns about possible well contamination and R. J. Grondin and Sons, who are purchasing the site of the former Plan-It Recycling, agreed to monitor wells that might be impacted and to provide public water service if there was contamination. Grondin's is finalizing negotiations to buy out the \$1,000,000 Plan-It Recycling mortgage for \$175,000 from the other mortgage holders, Bank of America and the Small Business Administration.

Following the October meeting, Pine Tree Waste made an offer to Grondin's that was low enough to be a viable option. While the costs will be somewhat higher, Grondin's accepted this offer so they would not have to upset the neighbors who live near the Gorham Landfill and Grondin's would not have to be concerned about the potential long term liability if there was contamination of the water supply. Grondin's is awaiting DEP approval before they remove the trash. They expect to start removing it in January and estimate it will take about two months to complete.

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# Keep Maine Clean Elections Clean

Rep. Linda Sanborn

Maine voters overwhelmingly passed the Maine Clean Elections Act as a citizen initiative in 1996 – voters wanted fair and open elections that didn't favor political insiders or special interests. Polling shows it has continued to have popular support year after year, as well it should.

Clean Elections allow everyday citizens to have the strongest influence on their representatives. Under this system, candidates running for office can accept a set amount of public financing, instead of raising funds from and making promises to high-paid lobbyists. Candidates for office who run "clean" can spend time talking to voters and focusing on the problems and concerns of Maine people. Clean Elections have helped to limit the influence wealthy out-of-state corporations and special interests have on our lawmakers.

Thanks to Clean Elections the Maine legislature comes from a diverse population including farmers, teachers, carpenters, loggers, fisherman, mill-workers, retirees, and small business people – not just lawyers and professional politicians. You don't need to have personal wealth or be beholden to special interests to run for office in Maine, and that is something of which all Mainers should be proud.

Eighty percent of Maine's current lawmakers – Republicans, Democrats and Independents alike – uses clean election funds to run their campaigns. Many, including myself, would not have run if this were not an option.

Unfortunately our Clean Elections system is now at risk. The U.S. Supreme court, under Chief Justice John Roberts, issued a ruling against our matching funds system that has been part of the law from the beginning. Under the matching funds system candidates could receive additional funds (matching funds) if outside groups spent money supporting or opposing a candidate. Candidates

could also receive additional funds if their privately financed opponent raised money beyond a certain level. The Supreme Court ruled that the payment of matching funds cannot be based on what someone other than the candidate does, so we must find a way to improve the system and make sure that Clean Election funding is adequate for candidates in competitive races.

If we do not find a workable alternative to the current system our efforts to reduce the influence of special-interest money in elections, and the Clean Election option itself, will be lost. The good news is that several proposals are on the table and the legislature will be weighing those options when they come back into session in January. We need to choose a system that gives candidates more certainty about what funds will be available to them and allow them to compete fairly with privately funded candidates.

Ensuring transparency in the system is important so the voters know who is behind the messages they see and hear in a campaign. Lobbyists line the hallways in Augusta. Clean Elections prevent wealthy special interests from drowning out the voices of citizens in Maine elections. Candidates shouldn't have to worry about whether their position on an issue will help them raise money.

Maine people did the right thing passing the groundbreaking Maine Clean Elections Act. Let your representative know that you want to strengthen and improve the process, not doom it to failure. Maine people should come before special interests.



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## Wreaths

FROM PAGE 1

"You think you're tough," says Phillips, "but when you experience something like this, you can't help but get a big lump in your throat."

On December 3, Carl Phillips and his wife Marcena began the weeklong trek that started in Harrington, Maine, where once again the Worcester Wreath Company, who started the tradition twenty years ago, donated the wreaths. Carl, who owns Phillips Auto Body in Gorham and occasionally does maintenance work on Oakhurst Dairy trucks, was asked by Oakhurst (they donated the use of the tractor-trailer) if he would like to be part of the convoy that would trek across six states carrying the hallowed wreaths as Carl has his Certified Driver's License to drive big rigs. Very little persuasion was needed. "We saw this as a once-in-a-lifetime experience," says Marcena, who scheduled a week's vacation from her job at Evergreen Credit Union as soon as possible.

Throughout the week, over 18

stops were made along the way, laying wreaths across the bases of the tombstones at veteran's cemeteries in six states. They stopped in East Holden, Freeport, Portland, Wells, Liberty State Park, NJ, Valley Forge Military Academy and West Point, to name a few. Once in our nation's capital, the three-mile convoy, continuously escorted by either state or local police, fire departments and U.S. marshals, arrived in Arlington on Saturday morning, December 10. Over 330,000 graves and stones at Arlington were trimmed with Christmas wreaths. "It was an unbelievable experience," says Marcena, "totally mind-boggling to see rows and rows of beautiful wreaths on such solemn ground."

The Wreaths Across America motto is "Remember, Honor, Teach." The Phillips' will forever remember this vacation, where they were most profoundly reminded of the sacrifices made by our veterans.

## Letters to the Editor

Letters must be less than 300 words, signed with a first and last name, typed or e-mailed and include a phone number. Letters are solely the opinion of the writer and not that of the Gorham Times. They are published at the discretion of the Gorham Times and are subject to editing.

### Dear Gorham Times,

The new traffic circle at the intersection of New Portland Road, Libby Avenue and Brackett Road is a great improvement with regards to safety and ease of use. That was a very dangerous intersection and one that saw more than its share of accidents in recent years. Snow banks, and the glare of afternoon sun impacted the view for drivers in a busy traffic area. The new "roundabout" has eased these problems and minimized the risk. It was also built very attractively.

Good job by all concerned.  
Jack McCormack

### Dear Gorham Times,

Imagine my surprise when I picked up the December 10 issue of the Gorham Times and lo and behold, my sister Jenifer McCullough and I were featured in the Around Town section, which reported on the changes that have been happening at 33 Flaggy Meadow Road. The land that was referred to in the article is actually located at 19 Flaggy Meadow Road not 33. The house and land at 33 Flaggy Meadow Road is solely owned by me and has been for the last 40 years. I would like to emphasize that neither my house nor my land is for sale. My sister and her husband do have their land (19 Flaggy Meadow Road) for sale.

My father purchased the property at 19 Flaggy Meadow Road in 1938 and in 1958 my father had the pond dug on the property and 1963 he planted trees on what had previously been an open field where the neighborhood kids would play baseball, ice skate (on the pond) and where my sister Jenifer, brother John and I learned to drive. In 2000, my sister and I sold the house to BioDiversity but continued to jointly own the remaining land until this year when we decided to divide the property equally between us.

The trees that were recently cut down were dying. Many of them had been suffocated by bittersweet, which had wrapped around the trunks. We were concerned about the possibility of fire or injury as so many of the trees were in poor condition.

Finally I would like to answer the most frequently asked question people ask of me concerning the new landscape at 19 Flaggy Meadow Road. Yes, I did realize there is a pond in my backyard – Roland Sanborn dug it in 1958.

Sbeila Phinney-Levine

## Robberies

FROM PAGE 1

The man does not appear to be high on drugs or intoxicated. He apparently waits outside the business until a time when there are no customers in the store. After each robbery, the police searched the area with K-9 dogs but have not been able to find him.

Police Chief Ronald Shepard cannot remember another time when there were three robberies in four days. He is "confident that we will catch this man" although he acknowledged it may take

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### CORRECTION

The monetary amount awarded from the Hanscom-Moody family's Public Thanksgiving Dinner donated to the Food Pantry was \$335 not \$3,350.

# profile

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

## Two “Gringos” in Guatemala

In Their Own Words: The Webb’s Volunteer in Guatemala Bruce and Linda Webb

Last year, we decided to take a full year to explore the world through volunteer travel. We rented our house in Gorham, said goodbye to everyone and headed out on a grand adventure. We are spending the first leg of our yearlong sojourn volunteering for Safe Passage, a Yarmouth-based program that works with children who live at the city dump in Guatemala City.

We started our journey in late August when we flew into Guatemala City and then traveled to the highland city of Quetzaltenango (“Xela” in the Mayan language) located in the mountains at 8,000 feet. On the trip north, we marveled at the gorgeous landscapes, the volcanoes, and breathtaking Lake Atitlán. The extreme poverty, the trash everywhere, and the crowded “chicken buses” also struck us. We spent a full month in Xela studying Spanish and, in early October, we traveled the five hours back to Antigua, which is just outside of Guatemala City.

Antigua is a UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) world heritage site and a spectacular place to spend a few months. We are not on vacation here and spend long days working for Safe Passage. We travel to Guate daily on a chartered bus because the city is too dangerous for volunteers who live in Antigua – about an hour away. The days are long and sobering because of the poverty and conditions under which these children and families live. We admire their courage, endurance and gentle nature under conditions that most of us cannot imagine.

Linda is working with kindergarten kids while I work with the agency administration on some management projects. Both assignments are consistent with our professional backgrounds so we feel like we are making a contri-

bution – if only our Spanish skills were better since we miss a lot.

On weekends, we experience lovely Antigua with its historical churches and Spanish colonial architecture. The buildings reflect the Moorish influence in Spain with hidden courtyards, grilled windows, and high arched patios to protect against the strong sun. The city is a “bubble” because it is not typical of Guatemala – lots of tourists, good restaurants, a stable economy – we don’t see a lot of poverty here. The city sits in a valley surrounded by verdant hills and three striking and hopefully dormant volcanoes. The city was the center of government during the Spanish occupation of Central America and the town appears as though little has changed from that period.

Not surprisingly, the city has been destroyed multiple times by earthquakes because it sits on the “ring of fire” that runs through Guatemala. A number of churches, monasteries and government building lie in ruins while others have been rebuilt. The buildings are mostly one story tall to protect against earthquake damage.

The weather is pretty consistent during the dry season – akin to early September in Maine – mid to high 70’s during the day and upper 50’s at night and sunny most of the time.

As we approach the end of our three-month stay in Guatemala, Linda and I are looking forward to spending the holidays in Gorham with family and friends. After a few weeks at home we will be heading out again – this time to Thailand where we will volunteer in an international school in Chiang Mai.

*Editor’s Note: To read more about the Webb’s travels, read their blog at [webbworldtour.blogspot.com](http://webbworldtour.blogspot.com).*

## christmas CHURCH SERVICES

**Cressey Road United Methodist Church**  
81 Cressey Road, Gorham  
Rev. Linwood Arnold, 839-3111  
Dec. 24 – Family Service of Carols & Christmas Stories – 7 p.m.; Holy Communion & Candlelight Service – 11 p.m.  
Dec. 25 – Worship Service – 10:30 a.m.

**First Parish Congregational Church, UCC**  
1 Church Street, Gorham  
Rev. David Butler, 839-6751  
Associate Pastor – Rev. Larry Kalp  
Dec. 24 – Family Christmas Celebration – 5 p.m.; Service of Lessons, Carols & Candle Lighting – 7 p.m.; Midnight Candlelight Service – 11:30 p.m.  
Dec. 25 – Worship Service – 10:30 a.m.

**Galilee Baptist Church**  
317 Main Street, Gorham  
Rev. David Christensen, 839-6985  
Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service – 7 p.m.  
Dec. 25 – Worship Service – 10:30 a.m.

**Grace Bible Church**  
74 Deering Road, Gorham  
Pastor Bob White, 839-8800  
Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve Service – 5 p.m.

**LifeChurch**  
New Portland Road, Gorham  
Pastors Brian Undlin and Gordy Johnson, 839-6354  
Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service – 3 p.m. & 4:30 p.m.  
Dec. 25 – Worship Sunday – 9:30 a.m.

**Little Falls Baptist Church**  
Gray Road, Gorham  
Pastor Tony Bafiades, 892-4240  
Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve Service – 4 p.m.  
Dec. 25 – Worship Service – 11 a.m.

**Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
410 Main Street, Gorham  
Rev. Edward Balfour, 839-7100  
Dec. 24 – Lessons and Carols Candlelight Service – 7 p.m.  
Dec. 25 – Lessons and Carols with Holy Communion – 10:15 a.m.

**St. Ann’s Episcopal Church**  
40 Windham Center Road (Off River Road), Windham  
Rev. Tim Higgins, 892-8447  
Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve Service with Children’s Pageant – 4 p.m.; Service with Carols and Youth Readers – 7 p.m.; Full Service with Choir – 10 p.m.  
Dec. 25 – Sunday Morning Prayers – 11 a.m.

**St. Anne’s Catholic Church**  
299 Main Street, Gorham  
Rev. Joseph Koury, 839-4857  
Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve – 4 p.m. & 8 p.m.  
Dec. 25 – Christmas Day Mass – 8:30 a.m.  
Jan. 1 – New Year’s Day Mass – 8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.

**South Gorham Baptist Church**  
53 County Road, Gorham  
Rev. Peter Beckwith, 839-3457  
Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve Service of Carols & Candles – 5 p.m.  
Dec. 25 – Worship Service (bring food for pantry) – 10:30 a.m.

**United Church of Christ at North Gorham**  
4 Standish Neck Road, Gorham  
Revs. Larry Kalp and David Butler, 892-5363  
Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve Service of Carols & Candles – 5 p.m.

**West Gorham Union Church**  
Intersection of Routes 25/112, Gorham  
Pastor Norman Rust, 839-5946  
Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve Service and Children’s Pageant – 4 p.m.

**White Rock Free Baptist Church**  
300 Sebago Lake Road, Gorham  
Pastor Jonathan Marshall, 893-1919  
Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service – 6 p.m.  
Dec. 25 – Christmas Day Worship Service – 10:45 a.m.; Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.

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## CLERK'S CORNER

# Gift Ideas and Reminders

Connie Loughran

I hope all the citizens of Gorham had a very happy Thanksgiving and I wish you all a very joyous holiday season. Here are a few reminders from the Town Clerk's office:

Still looking for holiday gifts? Hunting and fishing licenses are always popular. The 2012 licenses are now available. Another suggestion is the Gorham 25 Years of History book. These books are \$10 and available in the Town Clerk's office, at Baxter Memorial Library or from the Gorham Historical Society. The 275th Commemorative Committee did a wonderful job on this publication.

Every year dog license renewals are due January 1. If you no longer own your previously licensed dog let us know by calling the office at 222-1670 so that we can remove the dog from our unlicensed dog list. Giving or getting a new dog during the holidays? Remember that a new dog

must be licensed when it is six months of age. A neutered or spayed dog is \$6 and a non-neutered dog license is \$11. You can come into the office and license your dog or do it online at [www.gorham-me.org](http://www.gorham-me.org)

At press time we do not have any snow on the ground, but we do have available the snowmobile stickers for 2012 as well as the boat registration stickers.

The Town Clerk's office wishes you all a safe and happy 2012.



Town Clerk Connie Loughran can be reached by e-mail at [cloughran@gorham.me.us](mailto:cloughran@gorham.me.us) or by phone at 222-1670.

## PLANNING BOARD UPDATE

At the December 5 Planning Board meeting, the Board recommended to the Town Council that the Chadbourne, Frick, Green, McFarland and Ordway properties on County Road be allowed specific commercial uses (contract zones).

## Toys for Tots



Photo courtesy of the Gorham Police Department

On December 16 the Gorham Police Department concluded its toy drive with the Marine Corps Toys for Tots program. The Gorham Police Benevolent Association donated money that was used to purchase toys and there were additional toys donated by members of the public. The police brought a full box of toys to the Marine Corps Reserve Center in Brunswick. The police thank everyone who helped support the effort this year and look forward to an even better year in 2012. Pictured above are Sgt. Benjamin Moreland, Sgt. Michael Nault and Office Todd Gagnon.

## Real Estate Transfers October 2011

Location	Buyer	Seller	Price
40 Mahlon Ave.	Rich, Carl & Laura	Johnson, Michael & Janice	\$335,000
114 Brackett Road	Wood, Craig	Berry, Steven & Judy	\$167,000
36 Meadowbrook Dr Unit 5	Kennie, Donna Trustee	Daudelin, Julia	\$160,900
45 Meadowbrook Dr Unit 4	Stephenson, Linda	Dorsie, Sharon	\$199,000
17 Joseph Drive	Clarke, Roy	Ratliff, Joan	\$224,897
18 Matthew Drive	Fiore, Michael & Cynthia	Tibbetts, Hal & Camile	\$310,000
10 Sandy Terrace	Conklin, Brian	Pomelow, Steven & Fawn	\$251,500
22 Newton Drive	Stotts, Matthew & Steward, Elijah	Rent Right, LLC	\$205,000
234 County Road	Scribner, Dana & Kirsten	Marean, Daniel	\$480,000
149 Narragansett St.	Pomelow, Fawn	Warren, Joseph & Bonnie	\$159,000
204 Buck St.	Degifco, Jessica	Strumph, Thomas	\$202,900
6 Fox Run Court	Rogers, Janice	Kasprzak Landholdings, Inc.	\$193,115
81 Deering Road	Burt, Richard & Sarah	JLJ Constuction, LLC	\$289,000

# Town Council Report

December 6, 2011 Robin Somes

An internationally recognized truck driver, an experimental wind farm, gainful revenues for Gorham, and resolution of a waste removal dilemma were topics that highlighted December's Town Council meeting.

Gorham resident Cindy Gray was acknowledged for her success in the International Food Service Distribution Competition. Gray, a 1976 Gorham High School graduate, obtained a commercial driving license in 1982 and thereafter became a commercial truck driver. For the past five years, Gray has worked for Hannaford Brothers Distribution System, servicing stores throughout areas extending from New York to northern Maine while logging over 500,000 accident free miles of driving. In May of this year she entered the Hannaford Truck Driving Rodeo where she qualified to compete in the State Truck Driving Rodeo competition, where she qualified to compete in the Delhaize Rodeo in North Carolina. Here, she competed in a competition of knowledge and driving skills against drivers representing Delhaize America, the parent company of Hannaford Brothers. Gray placed first, qualifying her to compete in the International Food Service Distribution Truck Driving Championships in Orlando, Florida. Gray beat out 53 other drivers in the five-axle class at this event, the silver anniversary of the championships, and was the first woman to win the National Rodeo Championship. The Town Council extended congratulations, pride and admiration for her achievements and dedication to her profession. Town Council Chair Brenda Caldwell promised a copy of the formal recognition and told Gray, who was present in the audience, "Your father would be very proud of you."

In Public Communications, State Representative Jane Knapp reported that she is now part of a wind energy task force that would take part in a meeting on Thursday, December 8, where the Bureau of Energy Management (BEM), a Federal agency, would discuss an application from a

Norwegian energy company, Statoil North America Inc., for a project, Hywind Maine. The initial phase entails erecting a four-turbine wind farm on a test site about 12 nautical miles off Boothbay Harbor, where ideal wind conditions have been determined. According to the project plans, the initial test model would begin in 2012 and by 2016, demonstration projects would be generating enough energy to accommodate approximately 37,000 homes. The long-term goal is to develop a large-scale commercial wind farm that would generate enough power to serve some 300,000 homes. If given the green light by BEM, the Hywind Maine project would be subsequently evaluated by the state. Rep. Knapp will provide updates as this endeavor unfolds.

Town Manager David Cole introduced Gorham Fire/Rescue Chief Robert Lefebvre, who reported on Rescue Billing for Westbrook, which the Town assumed last year. From February through November of this year, 1,935 Westbrook calls were billed resulting in revenue of \$23,715. For FY 2010/2011, \$267,667 was collected for Westbrook and for 2011/2012 \$180,013 has been collected so far. After confronting and reconciling a four-month backlog when Gorham assumed responsibilities, billing is now processed as soon as calls are generated. Gorham's billing has remained at high standards with no regression, given that the extra billing efforts have been able to be accomplished with existing resources. Between \$550,000 and \$600,000 in rescue billing is estimated for the current fiscal year.

R. J. Grondin & Sons is considering an option for disposing of the waste from the Plan-It-Recycling site to the Commercial Landfill Site in Old Town, Maine. The Town Council is in agreement that waste material disposal at the Commercial Landfill site is the preferable option, provided the site has a real estate title restriction prohibiting the property from being used to process, store or transfer commercial or residential waste. For more information, see page one.

## Shaw Bros. FROM PAGE 1

their new facility as not a detail was overlooked.

Shaw Brothers new headquarters is an impressive building with beautiful mahogany woodwork downstairs and cherry upstairs. There are two conference rooms, three kitchens, a workout room for the office workers, and his and her locker rooms. It doesn't stop there; other amenities include a mechanics library, special tools room, and a large classroom for training. They heat their building with waste fuel and use natural gas as a backup. There is a generator that will power the entire building should power be lost. "It was built to LEED [Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design] standards," said Danny Shaw. The building was constructed using mostly Maine companies and the best subcontractors.

Shaw Brothers has worked on many

projects including Maine Medical, Mercy at Fore River, the Gorham Bypass, Portland Jetport (main runway and the expansion of the short runway), they did most of the widening on the Maine turnpike, Poland Springs plant in Hollis, a lot of LL Bean, Unum, National Semiconductor, and the list goes on. Many residents from Gorham and surrounding towns enjoy the amenities at Shaw Park off route 237.

They just purchased Busque Quarry in Windham, a 101-acre parcel with a house on Route 35, a 320-acre wooded lot in Standish and 40 acres in Gray - this is in addition to the 13 quarries and pits they already own. Shaw Brothers, one of the largest construction firms in Maine, continue to move forward with plans to expand and improve their business.

NUTRITION MATTERS

# Take Extra Care During the Holidays

Dr. Joe Kerwin

We hear about it on television, read about it in the news, see it at the mall and hear it talked about at the office water cooler - flu season is coming. Fear and worry increases as the winter months come upon us and everyone is bombarded with the possibility of catching flu and cold germs.

We might all manage to stay healthier if we realized that we set ourselves up for getting ill. Louis Pasteur, the famous 19th century French chemist, came to the conclusion that it is the soil, not the seed that is the cause of disease. In other words, a germ (the seed) causes disease when our bodies (the soil) provide a hospitable environment.

It is important to understand that how we treat our bodies each and every day determines to a large degree how we react to the seed or the germ. As fall arrives, we have the first assault to the body with the third largest retail day of the year, Halloween. We over indulge with sweets and parties to celebrate. Right around the corner is November and Thanksgiving, bringing increased stress, overeating, and too much to drink. Then comes the High Holiday season of Christmas, Hanukkah and other winter celebrations. We know that this can be a stressful time of year for many. Travel, home decorating, shopping, cooking treats, and holiday parties leave little

time for good nutrition or for rest. By the time New Year's Eve comes around, our bodies have been insulted and assaulted many times, but we stay up to overindulge and to celebrate anyway. The hangover on New Year's Day is confirmation that we have worn out the body and must make some new resolutions.

When February and March arrive, the increased weight gain of the past few months has made us sluggish. We have little desire to exercise or to even take a walk outside because it is too cold. Then it happens - we "catch" the bug that happens to be "going around" because everyone is getting it.

Is it the soil or the seed? Can we do anything to improve the soil (our body) in order to protect us from the seed (the germ)? During the hectic chaos created by the events of the last few months of the year, many of us are taking in too many toxins and far too few nutrients to sustain optimum health. Employing and maintaining a naturally healthy lifestyle that optimizes your body's innate healing abilities attain vibrancy of health. We do have control, if we choose to exercise it, by making healthier choices for ourselves, especially during these hectic holidays.

*Dr. Joe Kerwin is a chiropractor and nutritionist who has been practicing and living in Gorham with his wife and three daughters for 22 years.*

# Living Life to the Fullest: A Year on the Road

Sarah Gavett-Nielsen



Photo courtesy of the Dunn Family

The Dunn family enjoys a music festival in Burlington, Vermont. From left to right: Tanya, River, Brian, and Mercy.

The Dunn family has overcome obstacles that would leave some people feeling bitter, but the future looks bright for this family of four. Tanya Dunn was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma in 2000 when her son, River, was just three years old. Dunn feels fortunate that after six months of chemotherapy, she was declared cancer free. She conceived a daughter, Mercy, five months later.

In a devastating blow, River was diagnosed with Leukemia in 2003 at age six. River was unable to attend the second semester of kindergarten, and he also missed his first grade year. With the help of tutoring both in and out of the hospital, he was able to resume school with his second grade class once he was cancer free.

River is now a healthy freshman, and his sister Mercy is in fifth grade. Dunn states: "We're both very healthy. We had a scare this past spring where they told us he had a brain tumor, but that turned out to not be so, thankfully." Prior to the cancer scare, the Dunn family planned to take a cross-country trip, but the threat that River's health was in jeopardy delayed their planning.

The Dunn's are very family-oriented and have a desire to see the country as a family. Dunn states: "My husband and I did this in our twenties. We traveled around in a beat up old van and we just saw the beauty of our country and it's

something we want to share with the kids - not when they're out of the nest and we're retired. We want to do it as a family - together." River and Mercy are very excited for the experience, and their parents are excited about the history and geography that their kids will experience firsthand.

Dunn explains of their adventure: "We've been planning for nearly two years and finally we actually just rented out our house. We're slowly downsizing. Right now we're staying in a small apartment in the village, which is actually what we think of as the start of our adventure because we went from living on the outskirts of White Rock to right in the village where the kids can walk to school."

The family plans to be on the road for a year and will spend the winter months in the southern states. Dunn states that they have a lot of support from family and friends who will let them park their RV on their properties, and who will act as their tour guides. The family hopes to see Alaska, the National Parks, historical sites, the Oregon Trail, and battle sites. Also on their agenda are the west coast, a ghost town, and maybe even some of Canada. With their dog and cat in tow, the Dunn family plans to set off on their journey very soon. With all that this family has been through, they look forward to not taking a single experience for granted.

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## GHS to Allow Cell Phones at Lunch

Stacy Sallinen

The School Council at Gorham High School voted to allow students to use cell phones in designated areas during their twenty-minute lunch period. This change, effective December 15, is a result of a successful trial period and school-wide poll intended to improve the climate and culture of the school, and reduce struggles over cell phones between students and teachers during the school day.

Designated areas include the cafeteria, the cafeteria lobby and gym lobby. Cell phones are still prohibited in other areas of the building, and must be turned off and stored away during school hours with the exception of lunch. If caught breaking the rules, students will have the cell phone confiscated for the remainder of the day for the first offense. Each additional offense will result in loss of cell phone for the day and a Friday detention.

The change in cell phone policy has

been several months in the making. After being approached by a group of students last April, the School Council began researching how other schools handled cell phone usage. The idea was tabled and talks resumed again in September. Riley Shane Perkins, a junior and member of the School Council, explained that the Council's goal is to see a decrease of cell phone usage between classes and in classrooms, and hopes that this new privilege and stricter punishment for breaking rules will help.

The School Council, comprised of ten students, team leaders and two administrators, meets monthly to consider ways to improve the GHS. Darren Panagakos, a social studies teacher and co-chair of the School Council, said ideas are discussed and voted on by its members, modeling the democratic ideals of our society and allowing students to voice how their school is run.

## Healthy Teeth at Great Falls

Beth Ewing, Great Falls School Nurse



Photo credit Jane Esty

Dental hygienists Janet Daily and Valerie Lessard discuss with students at Great Falls the importance of brushing and flossing.

Oral health is an important part of overall health. Research shows that when inflammation or infection is present in the mouth, it can and often does adversely affect other parts of the body. Education and preventive dental care are instrumental in preventing several acute and chronic illnesses, including heart disease and stroke.

Great Falls Elementary School had recent visits from dental hygienists providing education and preventive dental care to students. In December, all kindergarten classes at Great Falls were visited by hygienists from the den-

tal practice of Jason A. Curtis, DMD, of Gorham, who provided fun and informative lesson plans approved by the American Dental Association along with free toothbrushes.

In addition, a dental hygienist from Tooth Fairies Incorporated provided dental cleanings, sealant placement, fluoride and brushing instructions over the course of three days to Great Falls students whose parents requested those services.

December has turned out to be Dental Health Month at Great Falls Elementary School!

## Successful Food Drive at GMS



Photo credit Donna Pastore

In November fifty-one advisory groups took part in the Eighth Annual Student Council Food Drive at Gorham Middle School. Over 1,500 food items were collected to help families at the middle school over the holidays and for the local food pantry. ServPro of Portland assisted in the drive by holding their Sixth Annual Movie Event. Customers were invited to bring a non-perishable food item to the preview of Happy Feet 2 at Cinemagic in Westbrook. In turn, ServPro generously donated over twelve boxes of food to the GMS food drive. Thank you to all of the Gorham residents and ServPro customers for their generous donations.

## Colors of School Spirit



Photos credit courtesy of Narragansett Elementary School

On December 9, Student Leaders at Narragansett Elementary School encouraged all students to show their Gorham pride by wearing maroon or white. The leaders made duct tape bows and stickers in Gorham colors to give to any student who wanted one. They were a huge hit! Showing off their Gorham Ram pride are Braedyn Richardson, Alison Walker, Delaney Seed, Paige Fogg, Brydon Walker, Bridgid Amato, Danielle Eid and Alexandra Ferrigan.

## Middle School Raises Money for Animal Refuge League



Photo credit Donna Pastore

Gorham Middle School wrapped up their fall fundraiser for the Animal Refuge League by delivering their collection of food, toys and blankets to the shelter, along with a \$500 check. Student Council representatives raised money for the shelter by selling "Beary Special Bears." Students received a guided tour of the facility and spent time with the animals. In addition, students raised enough money through the bear sale to give a \$400 donation to Canine Commitment, a dog relocation organization centralized in Gorham.

## Gorham High School First Quarter Honor Roll 2011-12

### Grade 9 - High Honors

Ashley Aceto  
Douglas Beahm  
Ryan Bertin  
GraceAnn Burns  
Amanda Butler  
Emma Christakis  
Christian Daigle  
Megan Demers  
Margaret Donohue  
John Ennis  
Matthew Esposito  
Gregory Farrington  
Maxwell Johnson  
Brendan Kelly  
Muhammad Khan  
Emily Lewis  
Jeffrey McNally  
Brendan Mercier  
Sarah Plourde  
Nathan Roberts  
Jaymie Seneca  
Margaret Shields  
Katherine Stickney  
Thomas Susi  
Meagan Thomsen  
Ashley Woodbury  
Andrew York

### Grade 9 - Honors

Madison Bennett  
Megan Bennett  
Kristin Benson  
Tyler Bernaiche  
William Bessette  
MacKenzie Bowers  
Sarah Buotte  
Jerry Burnham  
Jordan Buzzell  
Brooke Caron  
Michael Chapin  
Mackenzie Collins  
Mckenze Coyne  
Kaitlyn Curley  
River Dunn  
Reagan Emerson  
H James Fleming  
Benjamin Foster  
Kevin Frazier  
Julia Gaudette  
Griffin Germond  
Hannah Goriss  
Anna Grant  
Isabelle Grant  
Abigail Hamilton  
Meghan Hanley  
Benjamin Hinchler  
Sydney Hobart  
Matthew Hooker  
Cole Houghton  
Andrew Johnson  
Evan Johnson  
Elizabeth Kane  
Jessica Labrecque  
Jamison Lane  
Taylor LaPointe  
Kayli-Susan Leavitt  
Jennifer Loubier  
Sean Luce  
Patrick Lynch  
Travis Mansir  
Zoe Mattingly  
Alexis Miller  
Nicholas Miller  
Zachary Mills  
Hunter Mitchell  
Blanca Monsen  
Dominic Morin  
Sarah Norton  
Timothy O'Neill  
Olivia Owens  
Thomas Pequinet  
Abigail Perkins  
Emily Peterson  
Julie Pike  
Kiana Plumer  
Jenell Porter  
Chandler Reagan  
Mikayla Richman  
Cody Rioux  
Elizabeth Rioux  
Mitchell Rossignol  
Spencer Ruda  
Daniel Rust  
Andrew Schmidt  
Madeleine Scholz-Lague  
Evan Scott  
Delaney Shiers  
Abigail Sladen  
Charlotte Smith  
Julia Smith

Timothy Sposato  
Zoie Sprague  
Shelby Stack  
Andrea Stemm  
Katherine Stoddard  
Jacob Sturgis  
Michael Susi  
Alyssa Theriault  
Nicholas Thibeault  
Nicholas Thomas  
Benjamin Thompson  
Daniel Thompson  
Joshua James Turner  
Kenneth Tuttle  
Jordan Ward  
Autumn Weed  
Michaela Williams

### Grade 10 - High Honors

Jessica Day  
Julia Donley  
Tyler Eldridge  
Savannah Frager  
Amber Alexis Holivan  
Rebecca Lord  
Joseph Martin  
Jason Meuse  
Kelsey Mitchell  
Corey Nadeau  
Julianna Pearson  
Haley Perkins  
Jacqueline Turner  
Laura Turner

### Grade 10 - Honors

Carly Barber  
Austin Bell  
Carly Bell  
Melissa Blake  
Rachel Blattstein  
Thomas Bradshaw  
Nicole Brunet  
Kyle Butler  
Tyler Carroll  
Michael Chin  
Jeremy Collett  
Griffin Courtney  
Patrick Crocker  
Meghan Cushing  
Morgan Cushing  
Cameron Cushman  
Kiara Day  
Emily DeLuca  
Sophia Dobben  
Caleb Dunlap  
Charlotte Feinberg  
Travis Grant  
Chloe Gray  
Madeleine Hamblen  
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Lucy Harrison  
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Matthew Leclair  
Troy Libby  
Kevin Lombard  
Sarah Lyons  
Timothy Meuse  
Johnathan Miller  
Owen Mulrey  
Shannon Nee  
Francesco Pappalardo  
Delaney Patten-Harris  
Riley Perkins  
Elisabeth Poole  
Gage Pratt  
Sydney Prindle  
Cynthia Reed  
Jessica Rexrode  
Jeremy Reynolds  
Liana Richardson  
Matthew Roy  
Alyssa Sands  
Rona Sayed  
Timothy Smith  
Hannah Southard  
Michelle Staples  
Lucas Sutton  
Katie Tucker  
Dylan Turner  
Melissa Walls  
Logan Weaver  
Lukas Willoughby  
Jonathan Woodbury  
Jonathan Woods  
Owen Wright

### Grade 11 - High Honors

Deborah Burgess  
Celeste Carpenter  
Samantha Cupps  
Stefanie Farrington  
Meaghan Gilbert  
Tanner Gouzie  
Elizabeth Landry  
Michael Lubelczyk  
Bethany Marshburn-Ersek  
Cassandra Martel  
Nicholas Matthews  
Amy McCarty  
Maxwell McNally  
Alexis Merrifield  
Evan Peoples  
Michelle Pham  
Dominic Pompeo  
Allyson Redhunt  
Kristin Ross  
Kaitlyn SeeHusen  
Patricia Smith  
Tyler Verrill  
Milan Vidovic  
Damon Wallace

### Grade 11 - Honors

Lucia Alexandrin  
Libby Andraesen  
Daniel Bahun  
Kayla Billings  
Robert Billings  
Collin Bowie  
Kristen Braley  
Morgan Briggs  
Travis Bucknell  
Matthew Buotte  
Cameron Campbell  
Lindsay Chapman  
Anthony Coppola  
Ashley Corbeau-Hasenflu  
Kyle Curley  
Ryan Doughty  
Taylor Fletcher  
Meghan Foley  
Francesca Gallant  
Ryan Gilbert  
Joseph Michael Graff  
Kayla Harris  
Courtney Hillcock  
Jewel Holiday  
Daniel Holmes  
Evan Hopkins  
Alex Johnson  
McKenzie Johnson  
Tristan Juday  
Troy Lambert  
Spencer LaPierre  
Elizabeth Lavoie  
Darrin Lewry  
Arthur Jebediah Lockman  
Jackson Marshall  
Cortney Martineau  
Levi Merrifield  
Kristin Nelson  
Alexander Owens  
Riley Shane Perkins  
Jennifer Pinkelman  
Darice Plumer  
Matthew Polchies  
Hannah Pratt  
Jenna Proffenno  
Brian Rex  
Marissa Rush  
Andrew Scontras  
Katiana Selens  
Quincy Shaw  
Elliott Speirs  
Kara Stahl  
Nicola Stepnick  
Mary Alice Stewart  
Bridget Stillson  
Michael Sullivan  
Lindsey Thomsen  
Evelyn Viernes  
Cameron Willette

### Grade 12 - High Honors

Mackenzie Allen  
Reeve Anderson  
Ryan Baillargeon  
Courtney Burns  
Jameson Crawford  
Mason Crocker  
Joseph DeRoy  
Cortlandt Dunn  
William Eldridge  
Ashley Gaudette  
Nicole Gile

Connor Linehan  
Alyssa Lurvey  
Olivia Marshburn-Ersek  
Aryn Martin  
Alex Miller  
Nathan Moody  
Jesse Orach  
Danielle Rivard  
Sabrina Rowell  
Osna Sayed  
Lindsey Smith  
Matthew Southard  
Clara Stickney  
Bradley Turnbaugh  
Lia Van de Krol  
Nicoleta Varzari  
Jeanette Villanueva

### Grade 12 - Honors

Audrey Adkison  
Karlygash Akhmetbek  
Steven Albanese  
Kelsey Alfiero  
Michael Allen  
Heather Benson  
Adam Bourgault  
Carter Bowers  
Annie Brewer  
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Kaitlin Flanders  
Rebecca Foster  
Eliot Gagne  
Michael Giasson  
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Brittany Grant  
Lincoln Gray  
Christian Guthrie  
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Nathan Hollaran  
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Andrew Hopkins  
Madison Juday  
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Sierra Peters  
Daniel Philbrick  
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Amanda Richardson  
Mark Ridgeway  
Felisha Saunders  
Jessica Sims  
Deireann Stillson  
Alexandra Sturgis  
Amy Sutherland  
Nicole Sutherland  
Mariah Taylor  
Emery Thompson  
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# Getting to Know Gorham's Assistant Principals

Compiled by Stacy Sallinen

Over the next several issues, the Gorham Times will profile each of Gorham's assistant principals. This is the third of five profiles.

### Susie Hanley

Susie Hanley's role as assistant principal at Gorham Middle School has various descriptions, and she loves it. On any given day, her responsibilities include, but are not limited to, setting goals, observing teachers, planning for the professional development of teachers, working through personal and social concerns with students, attending IEP meetings, visiting or covering classrooms or chaperoning a dance. She even retrieves recess equipment off the roof.

Hanley has had a presence in Gorham schools for the last 26 years. First hired as a kindergarten teacher at Narragansett and Little Falls Kindergarten Center, she has been a classroom teacher, ATLAS (Authentic Teaching and Learning for All Students) site coordinator, the district's first induction coordinator, ETEP (Extended Teacher Education Program) site coordinator, and is in her seventh year as assistant principal. Before being hired in Gorham, Hanley taught at New Country School, an independent school located in Baldwin; Head Start in West Newfield; and Waynflete School, teaching preschool in the morning, seventh grade in the afternoon, and aiding kindergarten classrooms.

Having started at the University of Denver, Hanley earned a B.S. in Art Education from the University of Southern Maine. While working in Gorham, she received a master's degree in Educational Leadership and a Certificate of Advanced Study in Educational Leadership.

Hanley loves the effect that GMS's advisory program is having on the culture of the school. In meeting with students on a daily basis, and for extended periods twice a week, Hanley is able to get to know a small group of students well, participating in team building activities, developing organization and learning skills, and devising community service projects. Enforcing the dress code is one of Hanley's least favorite parts of her job.

Hanley has a passion for the outdoors. After graduating from public schools in Brunswick, she went to the National Outdoor Leadership School, working many five weeklong courses as an instructor. Her travels brought her to the Wind River Range, the Beartooth Mountains, the Absorkas and the Uintas. Her favorite place on earth is the family's summer home on Orr's Island, where she spends her days swimming, hiking, collecting trinkets from the shore, and sailing small boats and fish-



Photo credit Martha T. Harris

ing. She also enjoys reading, knitting, gardening, jigsaw puzzles and all kinds of music.

Hanley resides in Limington with Joe, her husband of 30 years. They have two children; James, a senior at the University of Maine in Farmington and Amelia, a seventh grader at Bonney Eagle Middle School.

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# GHS Graduate Returns to Work with Teens

Brett Williams, former Young Life volunteer leader

Pictured from left to right are Kati King, Allyson Redhunt (GHS '13) and Lindsey Chapman (GHS '13) when they were joined this summer by 50 other GHS students at a Young Life camp in Saranac Lake, NY.



Photo credit Beth Hawkes

Kati (Benson) King, a 2003 Gorham High School graduate, knows a good thing when she sees it, which is why she landed back in her hometown to jump on board with Young Life in Gorham after earning her Bachelor of Art from USM and studying in the UK, South Africa and the Philippines.

Young Life is a non-denominational Christian organization for high school students around the world. In the United States, the organization reaches out to 2,400 high schools like GHS. Staff and volunteers come alongside kids, meeting them on their turf - whether football games, drama practice or the Gorham Grind - to invest in their lives and share God's love with them. King explains that Young Life leaders believe in kids, encouraging them to see that their lives have great worth, meaning and purpose.

This was true for herself when she was a teenager. "My Young Life leader, Becky Merriman, helped me navigate the waters throughout high school."

Each year, Gorham students experience Young Life's 'Club' meetings on Monday nights. Every summer, several dozen local students join others from across the country at one of Young Life's distinctive resort-style summer camps.

From 1996 until this year, Gorham fell under the umbrella of Young Life of Greater Portland. Now, it takes on a more local flavor, with a team of volunteer leaders working under King and a committee of Gorham adults working to raise community support.

Young Life is for every kid, King explains. "It's for the student with no faith background and the one who grew up in church. It's for 'good kids,' troubled teens and everyone in between. In fact, Young Life is the place where teens can leave their social groups and school anxieties behind to come together with others they may never cross paths with, be who they are, and learn about life."

For more information contact Kati King at [younglifegorham@gmail.com](mailto:younglifegorham@gmail.com) or 653-4038.



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# Looking to Revive Boys' Basketball at GHS

Carter Bowers, Student Intern

Coach Ryan Chicoine lives and breathes Gorham Basketball: "I wouldn't want to coach anywhere else, and I wouldn't have the desire and the drive for any other school."

This is the way that Chicoine was taught to play by former GHS head coach Kevin Jenkins, who retired in 2008 after 23 years. It's also the way Chicoine played when he captained one of Jenkins' teams to a 2001 Class B State Championship. Rest assured, it's the same way he has coached in Gorham for the past four years (including last season and this season as the varsity head coach), and the way he will continue to coach for all of his years at GHS.

This attitude is easily noticed, whether he's wearing a maroon "Gorham Rams" t-shirt, infamously telling people to take their hats off in the gym, or just talking with him for more than five minutes. His passion stems from his playing days and love for the Gorham community, and it seeps into his coaching style, where he adheres to a very simple principle: "We act and play with pride," he states.

It's something I've heard personally many times as a player at GHS for Coach Chicoine, and I'll continue to hear it countless times throughout this season. I believe in it, as do my teammates, and it is because Coach expects it from us. But that is because someone expected it from him when he was a player. "I owe Coach Jenkins a lot," Chicoine says. "I think he taught me how to do things right, and that is what I try to base my philosophies off of."

As far as this basketball season, Chicoine is very excited. "I learned from Coach Jenkins that when you surround yourself with good people, you're going to win some basketball games. I have those good kids this year, and we just need to find our identity



Photo credit Rich Obrey

**GHS Coach Ryan Chicoine**, who also played for the Rams in high school and helped the team win a state championship in 2001, is back for his second year as head coach for the boys' basketball team. Chicoine is shown above coaching the team at the Portland Expo during a game in December 2010.

and what will make our team go."

As a team, Gorham will look to improve on its 3-15 record last season. The Rams return two starters, and Chicoine is very excited about the level of experience as well as the team chemistry that was gained from last year. As far what will help to win games, Chicoine has a plan: "We need to be fundamentally sound and more disciplined than any other team in the league," Chicoine says. "We also need to have a sound group effort. If we do these things, we'll be a very hard team to beat, and we'll turn this program in the right direction."

Hopefully, the Rams can do these things so the team may one day live and breathe for Gorham basketball - just as Coach Chicoine does today.

# GHS Winter Sports Highlights

**Boys' Hockey:** Goalkeeper **Justin Broy** stopped a combined 71 shots as the Rams defeated Kennebunk and Portland in back-to-back game, both by a score of 5-1 on December 13 and December 15 respectively. Through the first three games of the season, Broy had 92 saves on 100 shots for a 92 percent save percentage with a 2.67 goal against average. In the win vs. Portland, **Chris Hardy** led the way offensively with three goals while **Spence Cowand** scored twice.

**Girls' Basketball:** **Kristin Ross** scored 36 points and pulled down 25 rebounds in the first two games of the season for the Rams, which lost two close games to Scarborough and Cheverus.

**Girls' Track:** During a seven-team conference meet on December 9 at USM, **Sarah Perkins** set a school and conference record while winning 55-meter hurdles with a time of 8.6 seconds. The time is more than a second faster than Perkins ran to win the same event in the indoor track state meet last February. She also tied a school record with a first-place finish in the high jump, winning the event with a height of 5-2.

**Boys' Track:** The Rams finished second in a seven-team conference meet December 9 at USM led by five first-place finishes: **Travis**

**Grant** won two events—the Jr 55 hurdles and the long jump—while **Austin Bell** won the Jr. 400, **Nate Bucknell** won the 600 meters and **Jesse Orach** won the 1 mile.

**Girls' Swimming:** The Rams lost to Falmouth December 9, 94-68, in the first meet ever for the program. First-place finishers included the 200-meter medley relay team of **Meagan Thomsen, Lindsey Thomsen, Ashley Clark** and **Blanca Monsen** (2:08.11); Clark in the 200-meter freestyle (2:18.52); Lindsey Thomsen in the , 200-meter individual medley (2:26.78); Meagan Thomsen in the 50-meter freestyle (27:96); Lindsey Thomsen in the 100-meter backstroke (1:05.53); and the 400-meter freestyle relay team of Monsen, Meagan Thomsen, Clark and Lindsey Thomsen (4:22.10). Clark, Meagan Thomsen and Lindsey Thomsen all qualified for the state meet at the end of the season.

**Boys' Swimming:** In the first meet ever for the Rams, the team lost to 75-25 on December 9. First-place finishers included **Timmer Sposato**, who won the 200-meter freestyle with a time of 2:15.93 and **Caleb Goodall**, who won the 100-meter freestyle with a time of 1:01.43. Both swimmers, along with **Max Storer**, qualified for the state meet at the end of the season.

# in the Zone

**Soccer All-Stars** Two soccer players from Gorham were named by the Maine Soccer Coaches organization to their respective all-star teams. Junior **Connor Reagan**, a

forward, was named to the Western Maine boys' team while **Kiersten Turner** was named to the Western Maine girls' team.

# sports Etc.

**Special Olympics 4th-Annual Flag Football League:** Runs from January 7 to February 11, 9:30-11:00 a.m. at YourSpace in Gorham. Includes youth and adult training and games while combining equal numbers of Special Olympics athletes with persons without developmental disabilities

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## Upcoming GHS Varsity Sports Line-Up

**Thursday, December 22**

4:00 p.m. Boys' and Girls' Swimming vs. Scarborough @ Site TBA

**Friday, December 23**

12:15 p.m. Boys' Hockey vs. South Portland @ USM

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# First and Only GHS Football Coach Sets Sights on New Career

Jeff Pike

Dave Kilborn, who is stepping down as the GHS football head coach after 12 seasons, carries equipment as he walks out to a practice this past August.



Photo credit Rich Obrey

In the summer of 1999, Dave Kilborn moved his family to Gorham and took over as the first head coach for the GHS football team as it launched its inaugural season. Kilborn and his wife Heather eventually chose a home so close to the game and practice fields that he has been able to take on his coaching duties for the past 12 years by simply walking across the GHS parking lot.

But that is about to come to an end as Kilborn recently decided to step down as head coach after amassing a career record of 74-48 and leading the Rams to two state finals - Class B in 2003 and Class A in 2006. Along the way, Kilborn had the fortune to coach two sons, Abe (GHS '10) and Nick, who will graduate in 2012. He's looking forward to watching them play college football and also looks forward to seeing his son Sam, an eighth-grader, play baseball and basketball.

"I started thinking of making the transition out of coaching about two years ago," Kilborn says. "I began looking toward a career in school administration for which I'm now certified, and that's where my career goals are now directed."

The teams that Kilborn coached were known for their strong rushing attacks, keyed by the unique double-wing offense that Kilborn decided to run after reading a book about the formation and deciding it was difficult to stop. Over the years, Gorham running backs eclipsed the 1,000-yard rushing plateau 11 times, including Andy Oldenberg and Justin Villacci, who both topped the mark in three seasons. Other 1,000-yard rushers included Nick Russell (twice), Tyson Nason and Jon Day as well as Matt McKinney, who turned in the feat this past fall.

An opposing coach who perhaps has one of the better perspectives of what it's like to go up against Kilborn is Steve Stinson. He has coached at South Portland since 2005 but also went up against Kilborn from 2002-2004 as the head coach of Greely when Gorham was still in Class B.

"Dave is one of my favorite guys in the game of football," Stinson says. "He built and sustained a tremendous program at Gorham and coached teams that were dominating throughout the years. He has always remained the same guy - humble, hard working, and respectful to the game of football, and he has been the model of consistency, both emotionally and schematically. Knowing the kind of man Coach Kilborn is, I know his former players have benefited greatly from their time in the Gorham football program."

Kilborn says many great kids have come through the program, and he

appreciates the great community support. "Gorham is a great place to have a strong football program, and I think we have developed one of the better programs in the state," Kilborn says.

When asked what type of legacy he is hoping to leave behind, Kilborn reflects, "I hope people will say that the teams I coached displayed integrity and played the game the way it should be played—hard nosed and always got up again after getting knocked down. Those types of lessons also help in life. And to next year's team, I encourage them to keep working at it. We've built a great program, and I hope the next person at the helm can take it to new levels."

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**Michelle Walls**, a junior biology major at Saint Joseph's College, completed an internship with Animal Refuge League in Westbrook this fall.



The **Melvin Jones Fellowship Award** was presented to Gorham Lions Club members James Burnham, Aubrey Knowlen, Ashley Pike, Norman Wedge and Paul Weeks. The prestigious award recognizes the exemplary service and humanitarian ideas of these members consistent with the purpose of the Lions.



The **Dance Studio of Gorham** recognized students Grace Perron, Lindsay Nygren, Olivia Garrand, Samantha Robichaud, Alice Riiska, Caroline Gaudette and Alexander Pinkham with a "Stand Out Student Award," acknowledging those students who have made a positive impression on their teachers this year. Owner/teacher Trish Moulton presents Lindsay Nygren with her award.

## OF INTEREST

**Daniel Hager** has earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Recreation Management from Springfield College (Massachusetts) for studies completed in 2011. Hager is the son of Michelle and Jim Hager.

**Jonathan Mitchell** (GHS '07) has earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Communication Sciences and Disorders from Springfield College (Massachusetts) for studies completed in 2011. He is the son of Mark and Lila Mitchell.

**Melissa Parker** (GHS '03) graduated from

Whelock College in Boston with a Master's Degree in Social Work and works as a family therapist. Parker, who earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Mental Health Studies at University of Maine in Augusta, is the daughter of Stephen and Sheila Parker.

**Midshipman Foster Blake** (GHS '11) was recently sworn in as a member of the Maine Maritime Academy Regiment of Midshipmen marking the successful conclusion of Regimental Preparatory Training. Blake is majoring in Marine Systems Engineering.

The following students from Gorham who are attending St. Joseph's College were

awarded the following Corporate Alliance Program Scholarships: **Alexander Dahms**, a senior criminal justice major, Gorham Savings Bank Scholarship; **Brittini Herring**, a senior sociology- social work major, Gorham Savings Bank Scholarship; and **Deanna Taylor**, a sophomore environmental science major, Sevee & Maher Engineers Scholarship.

**History Lovers**—The Portland History Docents Sessions will be held at the Maine Historical Society on Thursday mornings, Feb. 9–May 3 from 9 a.m.–noon. This free training consists of lectures on area history, art, architecture, and effective guiding tech-

niques. FMI, volunteer@portlandlandmarks.org or 358-7060.

**Lakes Region Senior Center** will offer a blood pressure clinic on January 12 at 10:00 AM. For more information, stop in to see the calendar of events at the Activity Center located at 40 Acorn Street, Gorham.

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**USM NOTES**

**USM economics major Deandra Guidi** (GHS '06) was recently awarded a \$1,000 scholarship by the Maine Higher Education Assistance Foundation (MeHEAF).

**The Southern Maine Children's Chorus** will hold open auditions for student singers grades 12 and under on Wednesday, Jan. 4, 5-7 p.m. at Corthell Hall, USM Gorham. FMI, 780-5003 to schedule audition time.

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**Governor King Sponsors Aaron Chadbourne's Admission the Maine Bar** Carol Petersen

It's not every day that a former governor of Maine makes an appearance at the Cumberland County Courthouse, but on October 28, former Governor Angus King appeared before a special session of the court in order to sponsor Aaron Chadbourne's admission to the Maine Bar.

Chadbourne, who is the son of Dennis and Demetria Chadbourne, recently completed a joint law degree and masters in business from Harvard Law School and Harvard Business School. Citing Chadbourne's accomplishments, including graduating as valedictorian from Gorham High School in 2002, serving on the town of Gorham School Committee as a student representative, attaining the rank of Eagle Scout, and gaining admission to Harvard for college then later law school and business school, King joked that it should be Chadbourne presenting him to the court. King also reflected on getting to know Chadbourne through Harvard's Institute of Politics where King served as a visiting fellow while Chadbourne was a college student and had the opportunity to serve as King's student assistant.

Chadbourne was one of thirty lawyers admitted to the practice of law at the October 28 afternoon ceremony after successfully passing this summer's bar exam. Maine Supreme Court Justices Jon Levy and Donald Alexander, who both happened to be appointed to the court by King during his time as governor, presided over the session, each noting that the former governor could serve as a terrific role model for the newly admitted lawyers given his long record of public service and role promoting legal access for all Maine people. "Governor King has been one of my role models since I was a kid," Chadbourne said. "Having him stand up for me in court and nominate me for admission to the bar was a truly unforgettable honor." While King noted that Chadbourne has previously worked throughout the eastern United States, he also noted Chadbourne's desire to return home. "I hope this event hastens Aaron's permanent return to Maine," King said. While Chadbourne recently accepted a position with McKinsey & Company, a global business management consulting company, based out



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**Angus King presents Aaron Chadbourne for admission to the bar.**

of Washington, DC, he emphasizes his desire to move back to Maine. "Maine is my home. It's a privilege to join the Maine State Bar Association and I can't wait to find the right opportunity to move back to live and work here."

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- Embrace the Dissonance  
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**Mosher Road caller** reported seeing a male subject looking through people's mailboxes.

**Buck Street caller** reported a suspicious truck had been in the area for a couple of days. Caller saw the truck pull into the garage at a neighbor's home and then leave and was concerned for the neighbor.

**Nason Road caller** wanted to know what the gun laws were in Gorham.

**Caller reported** that someone was trying to fraudulently rent their house.

**Shelby Drive caller** reported a domestic disturbance in progress.

**Dyer Road caller** reported their 17-year-old juvenile took a bag of clothes and left. They wanted to report juvenile missing.

**Christopher Road caller** reported an intoxicated male was knocking on their window and door and needed help.

**Harding Bridge Road caller** reported that political signs had been stolen from their front lawn.

**Ledge Hill Road caller** reported that someone drove into a neighbor's house and asked questions about caller's 20-year-old.

**Burnham Road caller** reported a domestic disturbance in progress.

**Dingley Spring Road caller** reported that they were attacked with a fork.

**School Street caller** reported suspicious activity in the area. A couple of college kids were walking through the parking lot.

**Sebago Lake Road caller** reported that a friend rear-ended them while they were braking for cows in the road.

**Libby Avenue caller** reported that a male approached their residence asking to cut down trees. The caller was concerned because they had told subject they were going to be gone for the day.

**Brackett Road caller** reported that people were firing guns in the game preserve across from their residence.

**Main Street woman** was arrested for criminal mischief and violating conditions of release.

**Buxton man was arrested** for refusing to submit to arrest or detention, refusing to stop, unlawful possession of scheduled drug and violation of conditions of release.

**Buxton man** was arrested for OUI, possession of marijuana, sale and use of drug paraphernalia.



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# calendar

## FRIDAY, DEC. 23

- Christmas vacation begins for grades K-12.

## SUNDAY, DEC. 25

- Merry Christmas!

## WEDNESDAY, DEC. 28

- 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, DEC. 29

- Gorham Food Pantry, 9-11 a.m., St. Anne's Catholic Church parking lot.

## SATURDAY, DEC. 31

- New Year Gorham, 5 p.m.

## SUNDAY, JAN. 1

- Happy New Year 2012!

## MONDAY, JAN. 2

- Tree Collection & Bottle Drive to support Project Graduation Class of 2012. FMI, Kristie Charette 233-7656

## TUESDAY, JAN. 3

- School resumes for grades K-12.
- Gorham Cancer Prayer and Support Group, 6 p.m., Cressey Road United Methodist Church. FMI, 839-311

## WEDNESDAY, JAN. 4

- 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, JAN. 5

- Gorham Food Pantry, 9-11 a.m., St. Anne's Catholic Church parking lot.

## FRIDAY, JAN. 6

- Gorham Middle School Dance, 6 p.m.

## SATURDAY, JAN. 7

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

## WEDNESDAY, JAN. 11

- Prayer Shawl Knitting Group, 1-2:30 p.m., St. Anne's Catholic Church. All are welcome. FMI, 839-4857.
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- Gorham Food Pantry, 6-7:30 p.m., St. Anne's Catholic Church parking lot.

## THURSDAY, JAN. 12

- Gorham Food Pantry, 9-11 a.m., St. Anne's Catholic Church parking lot.
- Blood pressure clinic, 10:00 AM, Lakes Region Senior Center, 40 Acorn Street, Gorham.

## FRIDAY, JAN. 13

- Gorham/Westbrook TRIAD meeting, Westbrook Safety Bldg., 8:45 a.m. Helping senior citizens in your community. FMI, 839-5407.

## MONDAY, JAN. 16

- Gorham Food Pantry, 6-7 p.m., St. Anne's Catholic Church parking lot.
- Martin Luther King Day. No school for grades K-12.

## TUESDAY, JAN. 17

- Project Graduation Planning Meeting, 6:30 p.m. GHS Library

## WEDNESDAY, JAN. 18

- Prayer Shawl Knitting Group, 1-2:30 p.m., St. Anne's Catholic Church. All are welcome. FMI, 839-4857.
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