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Gorham Athlete Advocates on Capitol Hill for Special Olympics



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Cole Shiers (middle) and his mother and Lisa Shiers (left) were among the Special Olympics athletes, leaders, and family members from thirty-eight states that visited Washington, DC March 18th for the Special Olympics' 11th annual "Capitol Hill Day." Athletes conducted more than 250 face-to-face meetings with their Congressional representatives to advocate for continued federal support for critical health and education services provided by Special Olympics. Cole and other Special Olympics athletes educated lawmakers and their staff about the real and significant social consequences that arise from the stigma and stereotype that people with intellectual and developmental disabilities face. He and his mother conveyed the high-impact and cost-effectiveness of Special Olympics' programming that addresses these issues to help secure support from numerous legislators. Cole and Lisa are pictured above with Maine Congresswoman Chellie Pingree. They also met with Maine Senators Angus King and Susan Collins as well as Maine Representative Mike Michaud.

Cherry Finck Retires from Food Pantry

BY DIANE O'NEILL

Cherry Finck was recognized for her 12+ years of service to the Gorham Food Pantry at a celebration held in her honor on February 27th. Finck recently retired from her position as Secretary of the Board of Directors, a position she has held since the Board's inception in 2001. Prior to this, Finck was a member of the Gorham Ecumenical Council, an organization that acts as liaison between area churches and was instrumental in the formation of the Pantry.

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GHS Presents Wizard of Oz



Courtesy photo

Dorothy (Ellie Feinberg) and Toto (Zeke) visit Munchkin Land.



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Karen Knight (left), Brendan Kelly (middle), and Nicole Caruso (right) perform as munchkins and general ensemble.



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Dorothy Stickney performs as Glinda the Good Witch of the North.

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GHS Thespians are State Champs

The Gorham High School thespians won the state championship for their one-act play "Mother Hicks." Look to the next edition for more information.

Abandoned by her family, Girl (Chloe Gray, left) searches for her "people" and along her journey meets Mother Hicks (GraceAnn Burns, right). "Mother Hicks is a witch, people say..." Girl's past and future are entwined with superstition and folklore that envelope a small midwest town as they try to survive the Dust Bowl during the Great Depression.



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Three Arrested for Sex Trafficking

BY SHERI FABER
Staff Writer

Following a joint investigation by the Gorham and South Portland Police Departments along with the FBI and the District Attorney's office, three Gorham residents, Tamika Dias, 34, Klein Fernandes, 27, and Jeremy Seeley, 31, were arrested with Dias and Fernandes each having been charged with two counts of aggravated sex trafficking and Seeley with two counts of sex trafficking.

The three adults have been living at 19 Woodland Road in the Highmeadow subdivision off Barstow Road. Dias purchased the four-bedroom house in 2010 for \$220,000. Gorham Police had previously responded to the house for calls relating to family disputes; Dias



Klein Fernandes



Tamika Dias



Jeremy Seeley

Photos courtesy of Office of the District Attorney of Cumberland County

and Seeley are a couple and Dias and Fernandes are siblings. Dias also has four children.

The victim, who was known to the trio as "Veronica," told police she met Fernandes online when she was homeless in late February and he offered to let her live with him in the Woodland Road house. The

day after she moved in, Fernandes and Dias took photos of her in suggestive clothing that previously belonged to another young woman who had lived in the house. Dias posted information about the victim on Backpage.com. Fernandes told

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Jambor, many thanks for your songs, showmanship and wit!

A special thank you to the people who planned and served refreshments for such a huge crowd. The delicious variety of foods and inviting atmosphere was such a great way to end the evening. It was a fun event for a worthy cause.

Colleen Coats, Kezar Falls, ME

Expanding Health Care: The Right Thing to Do

BY REP. ANDREW MCLEAN

Expanding health care to 70,000 Maine people, including almost 3,000 veterans, is the right thing to do.

As Mainers, we take care of our neighbors and support our friends. When someone is stuck in their driveway, we help shovel out their car, and when someone suffers a tragedy we cook them dinner so that their family has one less thing to worry about.

Now, we have the option to take care of our friends and neighbors who cannot afford health insurance when they get sick. We have the opportunity to save the lives of Maine citizens by expanding health care to these 70,000 people.

According to an evaluation by Harvard and the City University of New York, Maine could save around 157 lives per year by accepting these federal funds.

Denying health care to those who are desperately in need is neither the right nor neighborly thing to do.

This week, the Maine House initially passed a bill with a vote of 97 to 49 to expand health care to hardworking and deserving Maine citizens.

Expanding health care creates jobs and will stimulate Maine's economy.

The nonpartisan Kaiser Foundation and the conservative Heritage Policy Center both projected Maine would save \$690 million over the next 10 years if we expand health care to 70,000 of our friends and neighbors.

A report by the Maine Economic Policy Center states if we do not expand health care, Maine could miss out on 4,400 jobs by 2016.

Covering 70,000 Mainers makes economic sense and would benefit the state's economy. Almost five years after the recession, Maine's economy still has not recovered. In fact, Maine ranks 48th in the nation for all job growth and 46th for private sector job growth.

Here in Cumberland County, 12,018 people would gain access to health care, and expansion would create approximately 846 new jobs. Also, an additional \$63 million will be spent annually on health care services by 2016, stimulating about \$104 million in additional economic activity. We would never turn down additional spending from the federal government for education or transportation, so why would we turn down federal dollars to help people gain access to health care?

I came to Augusta to stand up for those who cannot always stand up for themselves.

Nobody should be told that because they cannot afford health care that they must decide between a lifesaving treatment that results in thousands of dollars in debt, or watch a loved one die because they cannot afford care. That is a choice that nobody should have to make.

Expanding health care will create jobs, help our state's economy and, most importantly, it will save the lives of hardworking Mainers. This should not even be a debate. I'm hoping we're able to expand health care this year.

Although it still doesn't feel like it, spring is here and the Legislature is in the final weeks of the Legislative session. Over the next month we'll be debating a number of important issues. I encourage you to reach out to me with your thoughts. You can reach me by phone, 939-8482 or by email. I look forward to hearing from you.



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Staff & Board Changes at the Gorham Times

BY GORHAM TIMES STAFF

Recently the *Gorham Times* has undergone several changes in the board of directors as well as with the staff members.

The *Gorham Times* Board would like to thank Ed Feibel and Bob Gould for their six years of service as Board members. Their terms ended as of 2014.

Filling their vacancies, the Board elected three new members: Carol Jones, Katherine Corbett, and Peter Gleason. Jones has lived in Gorham for 20 years and is a self-employed certified public accountant. Corbett has been the librarian at the North Gorham Library for the past three years. Her family has been in Gorham since her great grandfather bought a farm here when he returned from the Civil War. Gleason has worked for the Gorham schools for 26 years and is a semiretired head groundskeeper.

The Board also elected David Willis as president and Bruce Hepler as vice president. Maynard Charron stepped down as president of the Board, but has retained his role as general manager of the newspaper.

Several staff changes have also recently occurred.

Sue Dunn is departing from her role as business manager. Dunn has been one of the most versatile members of the *Gorham Times* family. Roles Dunn has graciously and successfully taken on over the past 13 years include writer, editor, reporter, business manager, and a member of the sales and distribution teams. We wish her the very best, and the *Gorham Times* will leave the

door wide open for her to return at any time, as has been done in the past.

Taking Dunn's place will be Stacy Sallinen, another versatile staff member. Sallinen has been with the Times since 2008, doing a great job of covering school news.

Taking over for Sallinen, we welcome back Andrea Morrell, who was the editor in 2007. Morrell actually started as a college intern writing several stories when on break from college.

And finally, Becky Curtis has volunteered to distribute the *Gorham Times* for our Rt. 25 delivery route. Curtis, a native of Gorham, is married and has three young boys.

The *Gorham Times* is a nonprofit, volunteer run and operated biweekly newspaper in operation since 1995. The Times is very thankful for the efforts of all staff, the support from advertisers and the positive response from Gorham readers. All are welcome to comment on the paper's efforts and the Times encourages anyone interested in working with the paper—in any capacity—to contact gorhamtimes@gmail.com at any time.

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*:

Hats off to the young men who presented the concert at the Congregational Church in Gorham on Friday night, March 7th. It was to benefit the Gorham Food Pantry—a commendable gesture! However, it was more than that! Three of the band members traveled (from Nashville, Kansas City and Providence) to support the benefit. They also came to support their friend, Dean Richardson, who was promoting his new CD. With little practice time, they presented a two-hour show with heart-warming original songs. One would think they had played together as a band for years. Each one had amazing talent.

To the drummer, keyboard and bass players, I did not have the opportunity to thank you. You all are truly gifted. To Dean Richardson, Paul Colman and Claas

around town

Hawkes Farm, a neighborhood located off Main Street, is starting the last phase of 43 homes to be built there.

Allen Acres is starting the first of four phases. Twenty-six homes will be built at that site.

Seventy-five single-family homes were built in Gorham in the 2012-2013 fiscal year—the most since 2005.

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New Diner to Open in Village

By JACOB ADAMS
Staff Writer

A new addition to the Gorham Village is on the way and expected to open in early April.

Paul and Brianna Kennedy will be serving breakfast and lunch daily at The Blue Pig, a diner located at 29 School Street, next door to Thatcher's.

Deciding to open a brick and mortar diner in Gorham was an easy choice for the couple. The village area and community feeling Gorham has were significant factors in the decision. They hope to emulate that same feeling in their own space.

Inside the building, changes are being made to create a more comfortable dining experience. Now a breakfast bar is prominent and, where there once were booths, tables and chairs have sprouted. The rustic décor is cozy and adds a warmth to the diner typically found in well-established restaurants.

Along with the new diner, the 2003 Gorham High School graduate and his wife have been running a catering company by the same name and will continue to cater for larger groups and events.

In 2012, they provided food for 1,600 people at Mumford and Sons Gentlemen of the Road show on Portland's Eastern Promenade. Paul says he and his crew that day served for five hours straight.

Other big events at which The Blue Pig will continue to serve are the Cumberland Fair and Gorham Marketplace—where you can catch them on Saturday, March 29, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.



Photo credit Dede Perkins

Paul and Brianna Kennedy at one of their many catering events. (You may recognize Paul from Sebago Brewing, where he's worked in various roles for the past 11 years!)

To get in touch with The Blue Pig, please call Paul or Brianna at 839-9PIG.

The Blue Pig will feature full service dining, as well as some grab-and-go options for diners in a hurry. Overall, what the couple hopes to capture with their new venture is community. They want to create a space where truly everybody knows your name.



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GORHAM BUSINESS EXCHANGE MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

New Real Estate Agency Opening in Gorham



Photo credit Janice Drew

Pictured above from left to right are: Keith Nicely, president of the Gorham Business Exchange; Bill Trask, office manager of The Maine Real Estate Network in Gorham and Standish; and Leigh-Paige Smith, executive director of the Gorham Business Exchange.

Gorham Times Staff in Conjunction with Gorham Business Exchange

The Maine Real Estate Network (TMREN) is coming to Gorham. Maine's largest real estate company, with offices in 17 other Maine communities, is opening office number 18 at 352 Main Street, the former O'Leary & Saxby Real Estate office. Lynn O'Leary, who recently joined TMREN, will be among the group of ten Realtors staffing the new office when it opens on March 31st.

Most of the agents staffing the new office are either from Gorham, live in Gorham, or, like office manager Bill Trask, have called Gorham home at one time or another. Trask also manages the Standish office and currently resides there, with his wife and three of his five children. His two oldest boys graduated from Gorham High School.

The new real estate office will share space with a new Cumberland County Mortgage office, staffed by Janice Pompeo.

Leigh-Paige Smith, Executive Director of the Gorham Business Exchange, sat down with Trask and Pompeo, to discuss what it means to have a business in Gorham:

Leigh-Paige Smith (LP): "What does it mean to you, personally, to be able to have a business in Gorham?"

Bill Trask (BT): "Gorham is a great town and holds a special place in my life. Shortly after joining TMREN and opening the office in Standish, I knew Gorham was the logical next step. I really felt like Gorham needed a TMREN office and I can't believe how quickly it has gone from a dream to a reality."

LP: "Tell me about that. How did your dream become a reality?"

BT: "That dream would not have become a reality without the blessing and support of the company

owner, Loni Graiver. Loni founded the Maine Real Estate Network with just one office in 2008, amidst the worst housing crisis the country had ever experienced. Within six short years, it has grown to become Maine's largest real estate company with over 400 agents, and plans for over 20 offices by the end of 2014. Size, however, is not what is most important to the founder. "Creating Relationships for Life" is the company slogan. The company is living out that mantra by placing offices in the communities where their Realtors live and work. That's why we have an office in Gorham!"

LP: "Janice, I understand you grew up in Gorham. What does it mean to you to work in your hometown?"

Janice Pompeo: "I couldn't be more excited. Being a native of Gorham, raising my children here, it's very exciting to bring my business back to the community—to give back to a place that has given me so much! I have a lot of pride in Gorham and I believe it's one of the best towns in Maine to live. I also believe strongly that our schools do an excellent job of preparing our children for the future."

LP: "So, what's planned to celebrate the opening of your office in Gorham?"

BT: "The Maine Real Estate Network and Cumberland County Mortgage will hold a ribbon cutting ceremony & luncheon on March 31st at noon and the public is invited to attend."

LP: "The Gorham Business Exchange will be there! We're excited to have you as a business partner in our community and we wish you many years of continued success!"



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How Strong Are Your Spokes?

By DR. JOSEPH KERWIN

As spring weather arrives, picture yourself going for a bike ride. The wheels of the bike roll along, resisting the force of your body weight and the impact of the road. The spokes of the wheel resist this force and keep the wheel intact. But if you hit a pothole and break a spoke, the wheel weakens. If you continue riding without tending to the broken spoke, when you hit another bump in the road, problems can multiply until disaster strikes.

Your health is like the wheel of the bike supported by five important "spokes." When these spokes are strong, we can resist the forces of life that act against us. We can move toward vibrant health and energy even when we hit the rough roads of spring.

Spoke number one is maximum nourishment. The foods we eat determine the health of the cells of our body, which, in turn, determine the quality of our life. Consuming addictive poisons like sugar, caffeine, nicotine, alcohol, drugs and processed foods will weaken the cells and cause your wheel of health to deteriorate slowly over time, until a tipping point is reached in the cell and disease occurs. We should eat to fuel our body, to energize it, to grow new, stronger cells, to purify and cleanse, to prevent disease so that we can age with vitality.

Maximize your nourishment with three basic rules. Food you buy should have five ingredients or fewer. Buy whole live food as close to its original form as possible. Avoid packaged foods, which are usually highly refined with multiple additives. Every time you reach for food ask yourself, "will this cleanse or clog me?"

As we age, we will lose our lean muscle mass, flexibility and strength without effort to maintain them. Movement and strength is the second spoke on our wheel of health. Movement increases oxygen to our cells, removes toxins in our body through our lymph system, and strengthens our musculoskeletal system. Thirty minutes of movement three to five times per week is the minimum (walk, bicycle, swim, run, dance, ski, etc.) along with some form of resistance exercise (hand weights, kettle bells, medicine balls,

bands etc.). Improving our movement and strength helps us to offset the constant forces of gravity. Our bodies must adapt to this force.

Structural balance, the third spoke on our wheel, refers to the remarkable symmetry of our body that gives us the power and maximum strength to roll over bumps and resist gravity with little effect. Without it, the framework of our health and vitality weakens and can lead to problems in our balance, visual acuity, metabolism and many other biological processes. How is your symmetry? Bodywork of any type, including chiropractic, physical therapy, massage and reiki, will support this spoke.

The fourth spoke is the restorative powers of a good night's sleep. Without it, we lack the ability to process the food we eat and to maintain our movement and strength. Insufficient sleep is linked to increased risks of hypertension, diabetes, obesity, depression and heart attack. Most Americans accumulate two full weeks of "sleep debt" each year. How well do you sleep? Avoid snacking before bed—particularly on grains and sugars. Sleep in a cool (under 70 degrees Fahrenheit), dark room without TV.

The power of a directed mind and spirit is the fifth spoke. We have a natural internal ability to raise our resistance, fight disease and create optimum health. One of the most potent biological mechanisms that promote this healing is found directly in the mind. If we utilize and direct this effectively, our thoughts, emotions and mindset can be one of the most potent allies in fighting disease and creating energy and vitality. What are you doing to honor this spiritual part of yourself? Filling your mind daily with gratitude, creating positive moments of love, joy, fun and passion will strengthen this spoke of the wheel of health.

Ask yourself each day how strong your "spokes" are. If you tend to the weak areas of your life, you will be prepared for the inevitable potholes of spring. With consistent and never-ending improvement in the spokes of your wheel of health, you will never fear getting old.

Dr. Kerwin is a chiropractor and nutritionist who has been practicing and living in Gorham with his wife and three daughters for 23 years.

Chef Andrew Whitcomb

By JACKIE FRANCIS
Staff Writer

Colonie Restaurant, which sits near the East River on a revitalized stretch of Brooklyn's Atlantic Avenue, is now home to Chef de Cuisine Andrew Whitcomb, a 2004 graduate of Gorham High School and a 2009 graduate of the Culinary Institute of America (CIA). In just over one year, Chef Andrew has worked his way up from sous chef to head chef in this nationally celebrated restaurant. According to the James Beard Foundation, a prestigious food organization that supports the Culinary Arts, Colonie is "one of the most delightful eateries to grace the burgeoning borough's food scene, where young chef and CIA grad Andrew Whitcomb is garnering praise for his wine-friendly seasonal American cuisine."

In a restaurant that serves a changing menu of local and organic fare along with a vegetarian friendly brunch and dinner, I was fortunate to catch up with Chef Andrew recently, who was more than amenable to answer a few questions amid his 90-hour work week.

Gorham Times: Who inspired you to become a chef?

Andrew Whitcomb: I remember growing up. I would always watch old cooking shows with Julia Childs, Jacques Torres, and Jacques Peppin. I loved watching the transformation of raw ingredients to something delicious and totally different.

GT: Did you cook at home growing up?

AW: A little. I mostly started cooking at the age of thirteen at The Clambake



Photo credit Noah Feck

[in Scarborough], first washing dishes and doing prep work, and eventually working stations. It wasn't the most glamorous of jobs, but I enjoyed the camaraderie I found in the kitchen and stayed for almost 11 years.

GT: Where did you study the Culinary Arts?

AW: I graduated from the Culinary Institute of America [after studying engineering at Roger Williams University and USM for two years]. I worked at several restaurants in Maine but the real learning came from my time off of those jobs. I gardened hard-to-find rare herbs and vegetables, foraged, learned to cure, smoke and preserve, and I raised pigs in my parent's back yard! I'd buy books and

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"Cherry has provided great leadership and vision while serving the GFP. Her passion for our mission of providing food assistance to Gorham residents in need, and her compassion and caring for Gorham families, is something we are extremely thankful for. Finck sets the standard for volunteerism in this community and Gorham is extremely lucky to have her doing such good work to help others. She is an inspiration and advocate for so many and her presence and contributions to the Board will be truly missed," said Diane O'Neill, current GFP President.



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Town Council Report

BY ROBIN SOMES

In his report to the Council, Town Manager David Cole introduced Andy Hyland, Principal Architect at Port City Architecture in Portland, to talk about his experience in municipal development. Inadequacies in accommodating the fire and police station of Gorham's Public Safety Building at 270 Main Street have been the subject of discussion and failed proposals for the past several years. These included a referendum that failed to pass in 2013, which would have allocated \$6.3 million to move the Public Safety Building to the former Little Falls School.

Hyland conducted a PowerPoint presentation that reviewed several of his company's designs for fire and police stations in Maine. It included an overview of the Saco Central Fire Station that Port City Architecture completed three years ago, showing pictures of the building and various areas, and stressing the importance of the Training Room to keep staff up to date within a classroom environment. He pointed out that such a room can provide revenue by renting it to other communities. Hyland reviewed floor plans, and talked about living areas, including a full kitchen, lounge area and sleeping quarters, being intentionally separated from the "business" areas.

In reviewing another project, the Sanford Police Station, Hyland talked about the importance of proper procedures for handling evidence, including an Evidence Room where items can be safely stored and managed, otherwise "astute lawyers can claim that [evidence] was tampered with" in cases that go to trial. According to Hyland, police stations also need to be able to properly handle persons under arrest, who may be booked and held prior to possible transfer to another facility. Inadequate facilities can present safety issues for personnel as well as the public. Hyland reviewed other areas of the station that included a fitness area, public access area and the overall property layout.

In regard to Gorham's Public Safety Building, Hyland, who has taken a preliminary look at the building and its challenges, showed schematics

used for the Saco Central Fire Station in order to review the process of realizing a project. Similar to the Saco Fire Station, an initial schematic site plan would be developed for review and discussion with the police and fire departments and committees to determine all requirements and updates. A subsequent architectural rendition would be developed that would depict what the building would look like. A final cost estimate would be determined to create an accurate budget for the project.

Based on a preliminary recommendation of constructing a new building for the Police Station on the Public Safety Building site and renovating the existing building to house the Fire Station, Hyland estimated a cost of \$215 to \$250 a square foot, not including soft costs, i.e., fixtures, furniture, equipment, etc. With his estimation for soft costs, he conveyed a total construction cost just under \$5 million, but noted these estimates are based on his initial understanding of the project as well as his experience with the other municipal projects in Maine.

In other business, the Council voted:

- 6-0 to endorse an application for funding to PACTS for drainage improvements on Gray Road at an estimated cost of \$298,000 and a 25% local funding requirement of \$81,950.

- 6-0 to endorse another PACTS application for improvements to traffic signals on Main Street at an estimated cost of \$198,000 and a 25% local funding requirement of \$54,450.

- 6-0 to accept a gift of \$5,000 from the Clarence and Myrtle Smith Family Charitable Trust to be used by Baxter Memorial Library for general purposes.

- 6-0 to approve requesting services from Stacy Benjamin of Maine Farmland Trust to assist with developing the farming and agricultural aspects of the Comprehensive Plan update, at no cost to the town.

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Chief Shepard Reports

The Grand Jury returned the following indictments in March:

- Samuel Brocato, 26, of Yarmouth was indicted for two counts of burglary, two counts of criminal mischief and theft of a firearm on charges brought by Gorham Police Department and the Cumberland County Sheriff's Office (CCSO)

- Corrie Brown, 23, of Gorham was indicted for two counts of possession of scheduled drugs and violating conditions of release on charges brought by South Portland Police Department.

- Peter Curtis, 26, of Portland was indicted for receiving stolen property, two counts of burglary, two counts of theft, two counts of criminal mischief and possession of a firearm by a prohibited person on charges brought by Gorham Police Department and CCSO.

- Catherine Green, 23, of Gorham was indicted for theft by deception on charges brought by Gorham Police Department and the Department of Labor.

- Ashley Libby, 26, of Windham was indicted for receiving stolen property on charges brought by Gorham Police Department and CCSO.

- Steven Lock, 23, of Casco was indicted on two counts of burglary, two counts of theft, two counts of criminal mischief and violating conditions of release on charges brought by Gorham Police Department and CCSO.

- Jennifer Pease, 38, of Gorham was indicted for theft on charges brought by Brunswick Police Department.

- Christina Shiplett, 31, of Gorham was indicted for theft (priors) on charges brought by Westbrook Police Department.

- Michael Thurston, 35, of Gorham was indicted on two charges of negotiating a worthless instrument (priors), theft by deception and theft (priors) on charges brought by Portland Police Department.

- Randy Webber, 34, of Gorham was indicted for domestic violence terrorizing and violation of a protective order on charges brought by Gorham Police Department.

- Adam White, 38, of Windham was indicted for burglary, theft, and criminal mischief on charges brought by Gorham Police Department and CCSO.

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Sex Trafficking CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

her she would get half the money from her “sex dates” after deductions for rent, food and gas but the victim told police she only got a few dollars each time. Fernandes and Seeley had taken the victim to multiple locations in Cumberland, York and Androscoggin counties to engage in sex acts with strangers. She met with about 15 men and one woman during the two weeks before she fled the home.

Fernandes told police he had arranged dates but was not a pimp because he did not make much money and never beat the victim. Dias admitted to taking the photos of the victim and posting them online but said the only money she got from the victim was for gas, although Dias’ lawyer, Robert Napolitano, later said she accepted money from the victim for rent. Napolitano, said the victim was free to come and go from the house and sometimes used Dias’ car. The victim also had her own cell phone and Napolitano said she arranged the meetings herself and also set the prices. Seeley admitted driving the victim to meet with people for sex and taking some of the money, but denied ever arranging any of the meetings.

Authorities were alerted by the Preble Street Teen center that a 19-year-old girl was being exploited and had engaged in commercial sex acts.

The victim fled when told she might be sold to a pimp in Boston for \$30,000. Dias allegedly told the victim the money would get Dias

out of debt and Dias spoke of turning the garage at her house into a space where four more women could live. The victim also told police she was not allowed to leave the house without Fernandes or Dias but, using a cell phone, she was able to get a friend to pick her up after she ran away.

The defendants were pulled over on the way back to the Woodland Road residence and interviewed by police officers prior to executing a search warrant. Dias and Seeley admitted their involvement in sexually exploiting the 19 year old. Fernandes was taken into custody and interviewed at the Gorham Police Department.

Fernandes is on probation on a robbery charge in 2005 for which he was sentenced to seven years in prison with three years suspended along with four years of probation. He is being held without bail for probation violations. Dias is being held on \$20,000 cash bail and Seeley was released on \$100 bail. Dias and Fernandes are facing up to ten years in jail for each count and Seeley is facing up to 364 days in jail on each count. Dias has prior misdemeanor convictions, including one for cruelty to animals.

Deputy District Attorney Meg Elam described sex trafficking as “happening in our own Maine communities with alarming frequency... and requires of us to open our minds to the possibility that those engaged in ‘prostitution’ may very well be victims more than criminals.”

SPORTS

Two Gorham Skaters Stay in Sync



Susan Greenwood

Courtesy photo



Cecilia Kusturin

Photo credit Sara Gray

BY EMILY LEWIS
GHS Intern

Every four years, the Winter Olympics showcases all of the fantastic cold-weather sports around the globe. We spectators enjoy watching the athletes on TV, marveling at their talent and discipline as well as learning about sports that are often overlooked.

Skating is one of those beautiful sports that seem to only happen every four years, but only a naïve person would think that’s true. Skating is a time-consuming sport that takes years to master.

Susan Greenwood and Cecilia Kusturin are two competitive skaters who live in Gorham and know firsthand what it entails. They both are a part of the “Nor’easters” synchronized skating team based in Falmouth. The club has an Adult team and Open Juvenile team that compete from August through February.

Synchronized skating is a branch of figure skating where a group of eight to twenty skaters skate as a team to music on the ice. “Synchro,” as the athletes call it, involves quick footwork and moves that must be executed with precision in the exact same manner but appear effortless at the same time. As Greenwood put it, “A good synchro performance should look easy—but behind that are hours and hours of practice to get the team skating as a unit.”

Greenwood has been skating for twenty years since she first took weekly “learn-to-skate” lessons at the Portland Ice Arena. After 17 years of working on her skills, a co-worker discovered her hidden talent and recruited her to join the Nor’easters.

For the past three years, she has been part of the team, going to weekly practices in Falmouth and participating in competitions. The uniqueness of synchro is that it involves physics, spatial awareness, and teamwork—so even for a veteran skater like Greenwood, there is always room for personal growth.

Twelve-year-old Cecilia Kusturin also skates for the Nor’easters, but in the Open Juvenile level. Her skating career began when she was four, and she has invested a lot of time since. Kusturin balances private coaching lessons in Bowdoin and Portland with team practices in Falmouth.

In her earlier career, she competed individually, but several years ago, she and her other skating friends decided to skate as a team and compete in synchro. “Skating with my best friends was so much fun that we decided to continue to skate as a team,” Kusturin said.

The team has grown in skill, confidence, and sportsmanship. Their hard work paid off after they placed eighth out of 28 teams this past year at the Eastern Sectional Competition in Pennsylvania.

The Nor’easters teams are each other’s biggest fans. The adult team is extremely supportive of its younger counterparts and loves getting cheered on at competitions. A success for one team is celebrated by the whole club.

The sport is demanding, but the team aspect keeps such a meticulous sport fun. Mastering challenging techniques and working hard at long practices adds up to greater rewards at competitions. In the future, Greenwood and Kusturin will continue skating and look forward to improving as a team and individually.

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376 Sebago Lake Road	Country Homes, LLC	Anderson, Laurie	\$115,000
81 North Gorham Road	Day, Marcy	Wing, Louise & Vicki	\$168,000
356 New Portland Road	Desrochers, Steven	Nightingale, Alfred	\$155,000
61 Barstow Road	Donovan, Donald	Thorpe, William	\$321,000
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4 Halter Lane	James, Philip	Burrell, Carol	\$349,900
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GHS Winter Sports Awards

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Sports Editor

SMAA All-Academic Seniors

Girls' Indoor Track: Karen Knight, Kelsey Mitchell, Carmen Ndayisaba, Hannah Southard, Jacqueline Turner, Laura Turner

Girls' Ice Hockey: Meghan Cushing, Maddy Hamblen, Narissa Kourinos, Hannah Southard

Girls' Basketball: Emily DeLuca, Jessica Rexrode

Boys' Indoor Track: Thomas Bradshaw

Boys' Basketball: Corey Nadeau

Boys' Ice Hockey: Dylan Turner

Boys' Swimming: Timothy Smith

Girls' Swimming: Molly Dufour

Girls' Skiing: Nicole Brunet

SMAA All-Conference

Wrestling: Abraham Eaton-Honorable Mention

Boys' Ice Hockey: Justin Broy-1st Team, Goalie of the Year; Shawn Sullivan-1st Team; Dylan Turner-1st Team; Jared Wood-3rd Team; Andrew Schmidt-3rd Team; Tucker Buteau-Honorable Mention; Carter Landry-All-Rookie Team. Head Coach Jon Portwine-Coach of the Year

Cheerleading: Savoy Boyd-1st Team; Erika Dvilinski-1st Team; Ashley Aceto-2nd Team; Kaylee Boyd-2nd Team; Julia Smith-2nd Team; Megan Yaskula-2nd Team; Caroline Smith, Honorable Mention

Boys' Indoor Track: Jon Gray-2nd team senior 800; Dylan Truong-3rd team pole vault; Branden Kuusela-3rd team junior 55 hurdles, triple jump; Emerson Fox-2nd team junior long jump

Boys' Swimming: Tim Smith-50 freestyle, 100 freestyle, 200 medley relay, 200 freestyle relay; Timmer Sposato-200 freestyle

Girls' Indoor Track: Sophia Swiatek-1st team pole vault; Kristin Benson-3rd team senior 200; Jackie Turner-3rd team 600

Girls' Basketball: Emily Esposito-1st Team, All-Rookie Team; Abby Hamilton-2nd Team; Jessica

Rexrode-All-Defensive Team

Girls' Ice Hockey: Charlotte Smith-2nd Team; Maddy Hamblen-Honorable Mention

Boys' Basketball: Sam Kilborn-3rd Team; Nick Thibeault-Honorable Mention

Boys' Skiing: Nate Roberts; Joe Moutinho

Team Ram Awards

Girls' Skiing: Emma Christakis-Most Valuable Skier; Alyda Twilley-Coach's Award

Boys' Skiing: Nate Roberts-Most Valuable Skier; Grant Hamblen-Coach's Award

Girls Ice Hockey: Charlotte Smith-Most

Valuable Player; Meghan Cushing-Sportsmanship Award; Maddy Hamblen-Most Dedicated Award

Girls' Basketball: Emily Esposito-Most Valuable Player; Emily DeLuca-Coach's Award; Defensive Jessica Rexrode-Player of the Year

Boys' Basketball: Nick Thibeault-Most Valuable Player; Tyler Bernaiche-Most Improved Player; Cody Elliott-Coach's Award; Nick Greatorex-Best Defensive Player; Billy Ruby-Rookie Award; Nick Thibeault-Ram Pride Award

Boys' Indoor Track: Jon Gray-Most Valuable Athlete; Branden Kuusela-Most Improved Athlete; Travis Grant-Coach's Award

Girls' Indoor Track: Sophia Swiatek-Outstanding Performer, Field Events; Jackie Turner-Outstanding Performer, Track Events; Hannah Southard-Senior Leader Award

Boys' Swimming: Timmer Sposato-Most Valuable Swimmer; Andrew Eaton-Most Improved Swimmer; Tyler Goodwin-Coach's Award

Girls' Swimming: Ashley Clark-Most Valuable Swimmer; Narissa Libby-Most Improved Swimmer; Blanca Monsen-Coach's Award

Cheerleading: Meghan Yaskula-Most Improved Cheerleader; Caroline Smith-Outstanding Rookie; Julia Smith-Coach's Award

Boys' Ice Hockey: Justin Broy-Most Valuable Player; Andrew Schmidt-Most Improved Player; Dylan Turner-Coach's Award

GHS Produces Two More Two-Sport Athletes

By EMILY DeLUCA
High School Intern

As previously reported in the Gorham Times, Hannah Southard, a senior at GHS, is one of the few athletes to play two sports in a season. As it turns out, there are two more student-athletes—Sophia Swiatek and Logan Letourneau—who also play two sports in a single season.

Swiatek participated in both swimming and track this winter season. Her schedule was created with the help of her coaches: two days of track practice, two days of swim practice, swim meets on Fridays, and track meets on Saturdays.

Although it was difficult at times, she says, "I liked competing in both sports; I love competitions." Swiatek admits to excelling more in track and field, having competed since sixth grade, and it is her primary sport. She was the SMAA Indoor Track & Field Pole Vault Champion in 2013 and 2014 as well as the outdoor champion in 2013.

Swiatek hopes to take the outdoor championship again this year to end her high school career. She is also the current Indoor Track & Field shot put state champion after throwing 3' 4 3/4". In swimming, she qualified for states in the 50 freestyle, and her relay team placed second at the South Southwestern Championships.

Letourneau, a junior at GHS, is also a part of the same swimming team as Swiatek along with being a member of the combined Gorham-Bonny Eagle girls' ice hockey team.

Her schedule, unlike Swiatek's, was much more unpredictable.

Some days, she would have two practices, other days she would have to miss one or the other. However, Letourneau made up those missed swim practices by going to the pool at St. Joseph's College on many occasions.

She is able to make this all work by properly managing her time: planning out her week and using all of her study halls at school. Letourneau says, "Playing two sports at once is incredibly tiring, and I never have time for anything else during the season, but it's so much fun."

Being involved in two sports means that she enjoys the best of both worlds—immersing herself in the team aspect of hockey while individually pushing herself in swimming with the encouragements of her teammates.

In her first season, Letourneau earned a varsity letter for hockey and scored her first goal against Portland. She was a member of the top swimming medley relay team at GHS and shaved two and a half seconds off her 100 freestyle race time at the South Southwestern Championships.

It is certain that athletics will help in their future endeavors for both Swiatek and Letourneau. As for Swiatek, she enjoys the amount of physical demand associated with playing two sports, given that she hopes to be a member of a S.W.A.T. team when she gets older. Letourneau plans to go to medical school in Holland while most likely continuing to play hockey.

sports Etc.

GHS Athletics Sports Hall of Fame Calls for Nominees: GHS will hold an induction ceremony for the Gorham Athletics Hall of Fame June 20th at GHS. The nominating committee is currently accepting nominations. FMI, visit www.goghs.org/athletics2.html.

Gorham Plays Host to Maine Pinball Championship

Gorham's John Reuter, who has close to 100 pinball machines in his home, hosted the Maine State Pinball Championship February 8th. 16 participants from all over New England—who qualified at other events during the past 12 months—competed, and the winner was Michael Haycock of Windham. He won \$100 and will compete in the Flipper Pinball Association World Championship in Denver in May. Matt Lodgek of Gorham placed second.

Gorham Grad Captains Second Track Team

Jake Willis (GHS '10) was named as an Ithaca College (New York) men's outdoor track and field team captain. Willis also served as captain during the indoor track season.

USM Host Softball Clinic: On March 30th, the USM softball team will conduct a softball clinic for players age 8-14 at

the Costello Sports Complex in Gorham from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The fee is \$50 per athlete and \$45 per sibling or teammate. To register, visit www.southernmainehuskies.com/fanZone/clinics.



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Gorham Rec Crowns 5th/6th Grade Boys' and Girls' Champs



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New York won the Gorham Rec boys' 5th/6th grade basketball championship by defeating Miami, 26-23. New York's Grant Nadeau led all scorers with 15 points while Bode Meader led Miami with 12 points. Playing for New York and shown above, from left to right, front row: Ryan Coyne, Hunter Evans, Anthony Dugan, Zen Duplisea and Tommy Ruby. Back row: Coach Ruby, Gavin Valente, Bryce Gurney, Grant Nadeau, Henri Kuntz and Coach Tukey.



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Orlando won the Gorham Rec girls' 5th/6th grade basketball championship by narrowly escaping with a 20-19 win over Boston in nail-biter game. Olivia Michaud and Madigan Thibodeau combined for 12 of Boston's points while Kiana Tracey of Orlando led all scorers with eight points. Playing for Orlando and pictured above, from left to right, front row: Devyn Harrington, Molly Murray, Gracie Forgues, Alison Walker, Madi Tyron and Tatyanna Biambly. Back row: Kiana Tracey, Coach Walker and Emma Owens.

State Free-Throw Champion

Gorham's Ian Luciano won the boys' nine-year-old division of the Knights of Columbus State Championship Free Throw competition March 8th at Old Town High School. Luciano won the title by sinking 19 out of 25 free throws. To qualify for the state finals, he previously won a local competition in Gorham as well as a district competition.



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Goaltender of the Year



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GHS senior Justin Broy was named Western Maine Class B Goaltender of the Year while leading the Rams to the Western Maine Class B Championship. Broy finished the season with a 12-3 record with three shutouts, a 93.2 save percentage and a goals-per-game-against average of 1.31.

school notes

The Gorham Fire Department was called to Gorham Middle School on Friday, March 14 when one of the heat pumps used to heat and cool the building had seized, over heated and caught fire. The unit has since been replaced.

Register now for these exciting outdoor courses available this spring at Gorham Adult Education: Get Hooked on Fly Fishing and Introduction to Recreational Kayaking. FMI, visit www.gorham.maineadulted.org or call 222-1095.

Save the date! Great Falls Family Fun and Wellness Night, Friday, April 4, 6-7:30 p.m. Join us as we promote healthy living and fun. With a focus on wellness, families can experience different forms of movement including DDR, Jukado, Take Time, Brain Gym and dance. A story walk will be set up to feature the book "Scoot," written by local author Cathryn Falwell. The obstacle course and giant blow up slide will be back by popular demand. Many organizations will be sharing health, safety and wellness information. Officer Sanborn (Bike Safety), the Gorham School Nutrition Program (Healthy Snacks), and The Gorham Fire Department are just a few of the guests. Admission is free for all to attend, and an oatmeal packet donation to the Walkerwood Elementary School in Jamaica would be greatly appreciated.

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Gorham School Committee

BY ROBIN SOMES

The School Committee and viewers watching the March meeting were treated to three songs from the upcoming Gorham High School production of "The Wizard of Oz." The talented cast members performed "The Merry Old Land of Oz," "The Tin Man Song," and "Over the Rainbow" and conveyed that this was not just an ordinary school musical, but a special tribute to the original 1939 classic that has been a beloved piece of Americana for generations. For more information on the production, see "The Wizard of Oz' Comes to Gorham" on page one.

During his monthly report, Superintendent Ted Sharp reported that the School District received an additional ED 279, the General Purpose Aid to local schools from the state, noting that this was the second iteration. Sharp pointed out there would most likely be a third and perhaps a fourth ED 279, cautioning that the Legislature still must approve the state budget, which then must be signed by the Governor, and may be many weeks from now.

The additional ED 279 proved favorable for the FY15 school budget, and later in the meeting, when an update to the proposed budget was discussed, Finance Officer Hollis Cobb reviewed the resulting changes, all of which concerned the revenue portion of the budget proposal released at last month's School Committee meeting. Sharp explained that included in

that budget was 84 cents, or a 7.47% increase in the mil rate. In addition to the extra ED 279, Town Manager David Cole notified Sharp that budgeting, including the town budget, would be based on a valuation figure of some \$12 million, double the amount of the earlier town valuation. These two factors subsequently reduce the mil rate to 29 cents or 2.61%. However, Sharp cautioned, "These figures are not set in stone and they won't be until the state votes its state budget because that's where our General Purpose Aid comes from." According to Sharp, the Department of Education and Maine Department of Health and Human Services need to identify \$9.4 million which means there will most likely be a curtailment affecting the amount of funding for schools. "The 29 cents and 2.61% will more than likely move one way or the other, hopefully only slightly ... Nevertheless, it's a far better situation than when we began this process."

In other business, the School Committee voted 7-0 to approve student representation on the Committee. This will afford student access to the Committee decision-making process and entail the selection of one junior and one senior from Gorham High School through a formal application process. Throughout a two-term period, the two student representatives will attend Committee meetings in a non-voting capacity and take part in discussions, with the expectation that they will report back to the student body.

"The Wizard of Oz" Comes to Gorham High School

WHAT: "The Wizard of Oz"**WHO:** Gorham High School Drama Dept.**WHEN:** March 28-30 and April 4-6**WHERE:** Gorham High School
41 Morrill Avenue**COST:** \$10 Adults, \$6 Students & Seniors (65 and older)BY MICHAEL LORTIE
Great Falls

Gorham High School (GHS) will present "The Wizard of Oz" on Friday, March 28 through Sunday, March 30 and Friday, April 4 through Sunday, April 6. This is the RSC version, originally developed by the Royal Shakespearean Company, which is closest to the beloved movie of our childhood.

Bruce Avery, who has directed the spring musical at GHS for the last seven years, directs "The Wizard of Oz". Avery has also directed many shows at The School House Center for the Performing Arts, including "Music Man," "Guys and Dolls," and "Oklahoma!" Matt Murray, a music and vocal teacher at GHS, is the music director and Deb Lombard is the choreographer.

The cast and crew have been fortunate to receive help from so many parents and students during the planning process. They have spent hours sewing, gluing, building, painting and glittering. It is, by far, the most challenging and expensive show that GHS has ever produced, with over two hundred costumes, sixteen production numbers and fourteen sets. Kevin Hawkes, a local children's book illustrator, has designed and painted many of the sets. David Johnston has



Photo courtesy of Sentimento Photography

Bailey Daigle, a junior at GHS, performs as a snowflake dancer.

volunteered countless hours building the elaborate set with wood donated by Hillside Lumber.

Over sixty students are involved in this production, either on stage or behind the scenes. In addition, there are thirteen younger Gorham students who have joined the cast to provide some of the varied heights needed for the show.

The music, dance and acting are high quality. The kids have worked so hard, the sets are amazing and the costumes are incredible. It will truly be a memorable show for the whole family to enjoy!

Friday and Saturday shows start at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday shows start at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$6 for students and seniors age 65 and older. Tickets can be reserved for any performance by calling 839-5754, and will also be sold at the door.

Robotics Team Headed to Pine Tree District Competition



Photo credit Team 172 Northern Force

FIRST Robotics Team 172 Group Photo

MEGAN BENNETT
AND EMILY LEWIS
GHS Interns

At the beginning of March, FIRST Robotics Team 172, a team of 55 students from Gorham and Falmouth High Schools, competed in the Granite State District Event in Nashua, NH, making eighth seed team out of 39 while advancing into the semi-finals. They were awarded the Quality Award for machine robustness in concept as well as fabrication.

FIRST Robotics, which stands for "For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology," is a national organization founded by Dean Kamen in 1992. Each year, a new game is announced simultaneously to all teams. They then have six weeks to build their robot. There are many rules and regulations to the games that ensure the competition is fair. Players must take all of these regulations into consideration and collectively come up with a plan before even starting to build. The Gorham/

Falmouth team meets weekly at IDEXX Laboratories, Lanco Assembly Systems, Fairchild Semiconductor, as well as Falmouth and Gorham High Schools to build the robot.

At competitions, they play with an alliance of three robots versus another three robots. Each set of three work together to get points and win as a group. Each robot plays 12 qualifying matches at a district event, which is no small feat. The matches are a full two-day event that require hours of focus, thinking, and teamwork. Members have to be prepared to spend at least nine hours each day at competition.

This year, points rewarded at each of the district events are combined, which is a major change. In the past a team just had to win regional event or receive certain awards to be qualified for worlds. The total accumulated points determine if they qualify for the New England District Championship.

John Kraljic, a technical engineering teacher at Falmouth High School, and a coach of the team, hopes that between now and the Pine Tree District competition they

will improve their driving speed, ball handling, and data flow from the robot to the drive team so they will be able to make more distinct decisions. He said, "This year ... was one of our most successful seasons. Our mentors worked with individuals and groups of students, taking each student from their starting point and helping them grow during the six build period and beyond. While it is nice to win and perform well, what their involvement with the team does to and for each student is a much more important measure of success than another trophy in a display case."

Their next competition is the Pine Tree District Event at the Androscoggin Bank Colisée in Lewiston, ME on April 4th and 5th.

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**Dancer Wins
Gorham's Got
Talent**

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The Fourth Annual Gorham's Got Talent was held on March 7 at Gorham Middle School to a sold-out crowd. Over one hundred acts auditioned for this event and twenty-four acts got into the show.



Photo credit Michelle Firmin

Maddie Firmin took first place honors at Gorham's Got Talent show.

Dancer Maddie Firmin received first place with her performance of a ballet-inspired modern dance. A dancer has taken this event three out of the four years. Second place went to Jordanne Mercier who performed a self-written song on her guitar. Third place went to Isaac Martel who performed a haunting vocal performance with piano. Fourth place went to "Mad and Dad," a father/daughter duo that performed a country song with vocals and guitar. Fifth place went to Lila Lovley who performed a modern dance.

Judges included Kyle Bailey, Hanna Flewelling, Diane Manzi, and Jennifer Manzi-Mcleod. Jeffrey Carpenter, who produces and directs the show, said it's getting more difficult to limit the number of acts included in the show. "The performing arts are alive and well in the area," he said. "There is a strong pool of talent."

This event is a fundraiser for the Gorham School district's Odyssey of the Mind program under the leadership of Diane Knott.


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What's Happening at the 17th Annual Gorham Marketplace?

BY CORINNE ALTHAM
Staff Writer

On Saturday, March 29th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Gorham will hold its annual Gorham Marketplace in the field house of USM. There are many reasons Gorham loves this annual event, but here are five reasons to love the Gorham Marketplace:

5. It's still cold and you have kids.

The Gorham Marketplace is a great place to bring the kids. Free bounce house rides, craft tables, carnival games and candy prizes combine to create a vortex of joy for children in town. This year the Rick Charette, Maine kid music rockstar, hits the stage in the afternoon following a morning of fun and educational presentations from the police, the fire department and Moody's Collision Centers.

4. You like to support local business.

With wall-to-wall booths, the Gorham Marketplace is a wonderful opportunity to connect with the faces and names of the small business owners in our small but vibrant town. This year over 70 local business and community organizations will be represented. Chat up your breed with the local pet business owner then cross the aisle to talk insurance. Drop your name in jar after jar for prize drawings while you admire the handiwork of local craft and trades people. Marketplace is the epicenter of the Gorham buy local movement and offers opportunities to meet and greet the people behind the counters.

3. You like to be entertained

Singing, dancing, robotics, martial arts, laser tag...the list of entertainment over the years has been and rich and varied as the people of Gorham. This year promises to continue the tradition; musical performances include the Gorham Middle School chorus, The Gorham School of Music and Rick Charette. And no Marketplace would be complete without a hosted game show. Will you be a contestant this year on Gorham Minute to Win It?

2. You like to eat

In a perfect world, you could walk from GHOP to the Gorham Grind without crossing the street. At Marketplace, you can! Each year local restaurants set up mobile units selling snacks and lunch so you can try an old favorite or take a taste of something brand new. This year's special? Vendor food trucks will drive right into the field house to set up shop. It's a mini Gorham food court. Fun!

1. You love Gorham

Lots of towns have business expos like this one, but Gorham Marketplace fosters a special sense of community and town pride. As the snow melts and we climb out of our winter dugouts, Marketplace gives us an opportunity to say hello to our neighbors, check in with our favorite local businesses and build the connections that make our little village a home like no other. Check out the official schedule for show times, vendor listings and more information.

Chef Andrew Whitcomb CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4

read everything I could get my hands on and compare sometimes up to 100 recipes to find subtle nuances.

GT: How long have you been working in the city?

AW: I moved to NYC about two years ago. I have a relentless nothing-to-lose attitude, and am willing to work anywhere in the kitchen just to learn a bit more. I taught myself to bake bread, make ice cream, butcher whole animals, and perfectly cook vegetables. At Colonie, we salt cure, dry, smoke, pickle, ferment, make vinegar, jams, jellies and preserves. My end goal is to have a larder fully stocked, so come winter, we have very little to buy.

GT: Do you specialize in cooking a certain type of food?

AW: I enjoy cooking vegetables the most. Cooking vegetables takes incredible amount of skill. They are either cooked properly or not - there's no hiding under a sauce or garniture.

GT: What are your long-range plans?

AW: Eventually, I'd like to open my own place somewhere in New England celebrating true New England fare. I have also been working on a book.

GT: What are some of your go-to meals when trying to make a good first impression?



Photo credit Taylor Whitcomb

AW: I usually make handmade pasta and some vegetables. It's super cheap and easy to make.

GT: What should every young person know how to cook without a recipe to follow?

AW: Recipes are meant to be guidelines, not strict formulas. I think everyone should be able to properly roast a chicken. A little garlic and thyme and slow roast at 325 degrees for a couple hours until the skin is crispy-you can't go wrong.

GT: Any chance we'll see you on Top Chef or Master Chef in the near future?

AW: Being on TV doesn't really interest me, but I have been approached to do Ted Talks [a nonprofit devoted to spreading ideas in the form of short, powerful talks] and radio interviews in the near future.

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Gorham Man Wins Chamber of Commerce Volunteer of the Year

BY GORHAM TIMES STAFF

At the Portland Regional Chamber of Commerce Celebration Luncheon held March 20, Darryl Wright of Gorham was the recipient of the Chamber's 2014 Volunteer of the Year Award. The award is presented to an individual member of a Community Chamber who has made extraordinary volunteer contributions to the growth and success of their organization. Wright is a member of the Westbrook-Gorham Community Chamber (WGCC) and has been instrumental, in the past year, in achieving a 20% growth in WGCC membership. As members of the WGCC, Westbrook and Gorham Businesses are automatically part of the Portland Regional Chamber of Commerce. The WGCC was also recognized with the Growth Champion Award based on the greatest annual percentage of growth in

membership and the greatest effort throughout the winning organization to expand membership.

Wright is vice president at People's United Bank, with over 15 years of experience in the banking and financial industry. Committed to community, he has served on the Westbrook Together Days Committee, Director of the Gorham Founder's Festival, and serves as vice chair on the Gorham School Committee. He resides in Gorham with his wife and two daughters. Wright believes the region's business community - is a stronger, better place because of chamber members' commitment, contributions, and accomplishments.



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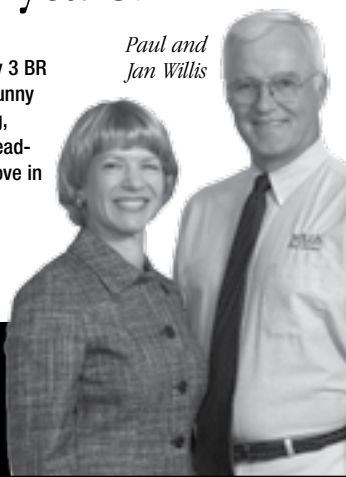
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Going Bald for Cancer Research



Photo credit Roni Bretton

Eleven students from Gorham participated in a head-shaving and hair-cutting event on March 12 to raise money for St. Baldrick's, a foundation that provides grants for childhood cancer research. For the last five years, Jordan Bretton has participated in the fundraiser, rallying more and more of his friends each year to also participate in the event. These ten baldies, along with Jordan's younger sister, Amber, who cut and donated six inches of her hair, are proud of their efforts, raising over \$9,000 this year alone and over \$30,000 in the past five years. Sending a message that it is okay to look different are (bottom row) Amber Bretton; (first row); Noah Jalbert, Joey Hansen, Jordan Bretton, Jacob Polchies; (back row); Kyle Landry, Nick Batchelder, Josh Ball, Ryan Reno, Zachary Beaumont and Colby Bedell. Haircuts were courtesy of Melissa Feeney and Charlie St. Pierre from Buster's Barber Shop.

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National Read Aloud Day



Photo credit Becky Fortier

Carrie Sturgis, a second grade teacher at Great Falls, read to her students to celebrate National Read Aloud Day on March 5.

Celebrating Seuss



Photo credit Frank DeFrancesco

Mary Patterson and Becky Fortier, of Great Falls, dress the part to celebrate Read Across America Day, also known as Dr. Seuss's birthday.

Northern Stars Planetarium Comes to Gorham

BY LAURE' MCKEEN
Narragansett

Third grade classrooms from Narragansett, Village and Great Falls Schools, attended a presentation sponsored by Northern Stars Planetarium on February 4. Northern Stars, located in Fairfield, travels with an inflatable, portable planetarium that can seat three classes inside its "bubble" dome. This year the planetarium was set up at Robie Gym.

Mrs. McKeen's class watched a presentation titled "Exploring Our Solar System." Students enjoyed exploring the planets and "dwarf planets." The planets were seen as if they were in the night

sky and also showed what they looked like from the viewpoint of space probes. The program ended with a scale model demonstration of the size of planets in the solar system. Students were especially impressed with the latest photos from the Curiosity Rover on Mars.

Mrs. Burns class traveled to the planetarium later in the morning where they watched a program called "Volcano!" that looked at the different types of volcanoes using Mount St. Helens and Hawaiian volcanoes as examples. They also learned about continental drift, plates and earthquakes. The presentation ended with a search of the solar system for volcanoes on other worlds.



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OF INTEREST

Nicolas Reynolds (GHS '10), a senior at Emerson College, has been selected for Induction into Emerson College's Purple Key Leadership Society. A Film Production major, Reynolds was selected for his exceptional leadership and service, solid academic achievement, and a commitment to civic engagement.

Michael Connolly, a St. Joseph's College professor of history, will speak about "The Irish in Maine" at the North Gorham Public Library, 2 Standish Neck Road, Gorham on Thursday, Mar. 27 at 7 p.m. Author of *They Changed Their Sky: The Irish in Maine*, Connolly is currently working on a historical novel of life in Portland at the turn of the twentieth century. FMI, 892-2572.

A **Baked Bean Supper** will be held on Saturday, Mar. 29 at Cressey Road United Methodist Church, Gorham. 5 p.m. & 6 p.m. seating. Proceeds to benefit Imagine No Malaria initiative. \$8pp.

The **Gorham Woman's Club** will host an Art Show Reception on Thursday, Apr. 10 at First Parish Congregational Church from 3 to 4 p.m. A Woman's Club meeting discussing Art Show and Youth Leadership will start at 1 p.m. Refreshments at 12:30. All are welcome to attend.

The **West Gorham Union Church** at 190 Ossipee Trail will host a Public Supper on Saturday, Apr. 5 at 5 p.m. Beans, chicken pie, chop suey, casseroles and homemade pies will be served. \$8/\$3 under 12.

Gorham Marketplace 2014, a showcase of products and services available in the Town of Gorham, will take place on Saturday, Mar. 29 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Costello Field House on USM's Gorham campus. Food court, live demonstrations, entertainment, cash giveaways and more! Free Admission.

A **Happily Ever After Breakfast** featuring princesses and other fairy tale characters will take place on Saturday, Mar. 29 from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Gorham Middle School. Hosted by the GHS Dream Factory to raise money to grant dreams for chronically and critically ill children in Maine. \$5pp/\$20 family of five or more. FMI, 318-3639.

Relay For Life, a program that raises money for cancer awareness, will take place from 6 p.m. on Friday, Apr. 11 until 6 a.m. on Saturday, Apr. 12 at the Costello Sports Complex, USM Field House. FMI, rflusm@gmail.com or (800) 227-2345.

Redeemer Lutheran Church, 410 Main St. in Gorham will offer additional Wednesday Services (Matins Prayers at 9 a.m., Musical Devotion at noon, 7 p.m. Evening Prayers) from March 2 to April 16. FMI, 839-7100.

The Board of Missions at **First Parish Church** in Gorham have made a commitment to support "Safe Passage," a program that helps families who work in the large municipal dumps in Guatemala City. The committee learned about the program when Linda and Bruce Webb volunteered there for three months.

Dancers from the **Dance Studio of Maine** recently attended a West Coast Dance Explosion Convention and Competition in Boston. Students took classes, competed and auditioned for scholarships. Dancers **Lindsey Nygren, Alyssa Libby, Madison Firmin, Bella Moulton** and **Jake Doolittle** were awarded scholarships by the faculty. Scholarship Finalist included **Grace Perron, Maggy Aube, Izzy Dyer, Nicole Labbe, Lauren Paquet, Maddie Poulin, Vanessa Verville, Sophie Gagne** and **Olivia Garand**.

There will be a **spaghetti dinner fundraiser** to help send two siblings in the Thompson family who have achromatopsia to a conference about the disorder. 100% of the donations will go toward sending them to the conference. April 4 from 5 to 7 p.m. Gorham Rec. Department. \$7 adult/\$5 kids.

USM NOTES

An **Evening of Chamber Music for Winds and Strings** will be held on Friday, Mar. 28, 8 p.m. at Corthell Concert Hall, Gorham campus. \$15/\$10/\$5. FMI, 780-5555.

USM Chamber Singers Spring Concert, conducted by Robert Russell, will be held on Tuesday, Apr. 8 at 7:30 p.m. at the Williston-Immanuel Church, 156 High St., Portland. \$12 suggested donation at door.

USM Youth Ensembles Spring Instrumental Concert begins at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Apr. 10 at the Merrill Auditorium, Portland. \$8/\$5 at door. Open seating.

ON-GOING EVENTS

FREE tax preparation (for all ages) provided by the IRS and the AARP. Certified tax aides will be at the Gorham Recreation Center, 75 South St. every Tuesday through April 10 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For appointment call 776-6316.

The **Lakes Region Senior Drop-In Center** temporarily located at Sunset Ridge Golf Links, 771 Cumberland St, Westbrook, offers a variety of daily activities and drop-in classes for seniors on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9 a.m. Stop in for morning coffee or play pickleball, poker, bingo, miniature golf, shuffleboard or cribbage. Join in on exercise, watch a movie or learn to knit. FMI, 892-5604 or email bwa31@maine.rr.com.

The **Southern Maine Agency on Aging** will hold office hours every Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Gorham to help seniors with questions regarding Medicare benefits, prescription drug programs, property tax and rent rebates and more. FMI, call SMAA at 396-6500.

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5 Reasons to Love Gorham Marketplace

- 5 It's still cold and you have kids.
- 4 You like to support local business.
- 3 You like to be entertained
- 2 You like to eat
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Non-Fiction Suggestions

BY JAN WILLIS

Because the previous Off the Page column was focused on fiction, it is only fair to examine some outstanding non-fiction books. If non-fiction is difficult to read, consider getting an audiobook to listen to while driving the car or working in the kitchen.

Here are some recent favorites:

The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics by Daniel James Brown. Similar to the Horatio Alger stories of yesteryear, this book is the real deal. Boys with virtually nothing growing up during the Great Depression, managing to get themselves into the University of Washington, becoming part of the crew team, and eventually being chosen as the select eight-oar crew to represent the United States. In addition, the main character, Joe Rantz, has a love story to envy. This book will be made into a movie. Read the book first! Favorite quotation – “Rowing is perhaps the toughest of sports. Once the race starts, there are no time-outs, no substitutions. It calls upon the limits of human endurance. The coach must therefore impart the secrets of the special kind of endurance that comes from mind, heart, and body.” George Yeoman Pocock

The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America’s Great Migration by

Isabel Wilkerson. This book is better if one can listen to it and read it because it is very long and it is easy to confuse some of the characters. The author follows three people who left the South for a better life in the North during the Jim Crow years. Ida Mae moves from Mississippi to Chicago and is able to vote for Obama in her old age. George Starling travels from Florida to Harlem and Robert Foster from Louisiana to California where he later becomes the personal physician of Ray Charles. This well-researched book describes both the injustices suffered and the incredible strength shown by those who overcame extreme prejudice and moved forward.

The Death of Santini: The Story of a Father and His Son by Pat Conroy. Most people have read the book or seen the movie called The Great Santini starring Robert Duvall. Conroy has written a number of magical novels including The Prince of Tides, South of Broad, and Beach Music. It is widely known that his novels are based on characters and incidents from his life in the South, but several of his non-fiction works read like novels. This one is his “good-bye” to his father, Donald Patrick Conroy, a Marine fighter pilot who was both loved and hated by his son. According to Pat Conroy, “In families there are no crimes beyond forgiveness.”

Village Physical Therapy Is Now Open Full Time

First opened in the fall of 2012 on a part-time basis, Village Physical Therapy is now open, Monday through Friday. Conveniently located at 381 Main Street on the corner of Libby Avenue in Gorham, the facility is owned and operated by Michael Smith, a licensed physical therapist and athletic trainer with more than 20 years of experience, and his wife Deborah.

A Waterville native and graduate of Colby College, Smith received his master’s degree in physical therapy at Simmons College. His internships included time with the Boston Celtics, at Boston University, Boston College, Northeastern, and Harvard University as well as Emerson Hospital in Concord, Mass and Memorial Medical Center in East Texas. He began practice in the Boston area in 1993 in both out patient orthopedics and home care and, since returning to Maine in 1999, has worked in the Portland, Westbrook and Windham communities.

“After 20 years of practice, working in corporate and hospital based clinics where success is often measured in the number of patients seen, I felt it was time to open my own place,” Smith explains. “I have learned what works and does not work in terms of delivery of therapy. Most people appreciate smaller settings and recover sooner and more completely with one-on-one, personal care.” He says he is pleased to be able to serve patients from the greater community where he and his family have lived for more than twelve years.

Smith’s practice includes both physical therapy and sports medicine for patients of all ages. “What makes this practice different from many others,” he explains, “is that I am willing and able to adjust the mode of treatment to reflect the various medical needs and desires of patients as each injury does not recover the same and each patient requires a different integration of therapy.” Smith has developed strong relationships with many of the area orthopedic specialists and family practice physicians with whom he keeps in close contact in order to follow patient progress. Smith’s approach is strongly based on hands-on, manual work and a progression of exercises that allow patients to optimize their return to the activities they most desire. He also believes that education of the person’s injury and subsequent recovery is paramount.

Because Maine is a “direct access” state, Smith says many patients do not realize that they may be seen by the physical therapist of their choice and do not necessarily have to go where a surgeon, physician, or in the case of worker’s comp, the case manager suggests. “Area residents can get great care here in Gorham without traveling into Portland,” he explains. His clinic accepts all major insurances including Medicare and worker’s comp and will assist patients in verifying coverage. Mike and Debbie understand that navigating the insurance world is challenging but their knowledge of the individual plans will put the patient at ease.

“Gorham is a strong small business-oriented community,” Smith says, “and Village Physical Therapy would like to grow along with the town and add value for the people of Gorham.”

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Cat and Me... and Fox Make Three?

Middle Jam Road caller reported she and her cat had been confronted on her deck by a fox.

Queen Street caller was advised to contact police when suspicious activity was occurring, not after the fact.

Caller, who refused to give her name, reported someone with a suspended license was driving.

Student at Gorham High School was summonsed for possession of tobacco products by a minor, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of a usable amount of marijuana.

Officer went to College Avenue to look for a person with an outstanding warrant. Person was taken into custody and transported to jail.

Gorham High School Substance Abuse Counselor reported that someone had been threatening students via Facebook.

School Resource Officer Drown picked up a juvenile on Mercier Way and picked up a juvenile and transported the child to school.

Officer observed an SUV traveling west on Main Street with the license plate light out. Officer ran the plate and determined there was a warrant out for the driver.

Woman at the South Street park-and-ride told officer she had had an argument with her husband and had left the house to cool off.

Officer responded to a domestic violence call at Halter Lane.

Officer checked on a pedestrian walking to Conant Street in Westbrook. Man was slightly intoxicated but was almost home.

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CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MAR. 27

- Gorham Food Pantry Open, 9-11 a.m., 299-B Main St. (Parking lot of St. Anne's Catholic Church, Gorham).
- "The Irish in Maine" with Michael Connolly, North Gorham Public Library, 7 p.m. FMI, 892-2572.

FRIDAY, MAR. 28

- No School for grades K-12. Teacher Inservice.

SATURDAY, MAR. 29

- Gorham Marketplace 2014, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Costello Field House, USM Gorham campus. Free Admission.
- Happily Ever After Breakfast, 8-11 a.m., Gorham Middle School. Granting dreams for chronically and critically ill children in Maine. \$5pp/\$20 family of five or more. FMI, 318-3639.
- Baked Bean Supper, Cressey Road United Methodist Church, Gorham. 5 p.m. & 6 p.m. seating. \$8pp.

TUESDAY, APR. 1

- The Gorham Cancer Prayer and Support Group, 6 p.m., Cressey Road United Methodist Church. All are welcome. FMI, 321-1390 or 839-3111.

WEDNESDAY, APR. 2

- Senior Lunch at St. Anne's Church. Every Wednesday at 12 p.m. \$3.50. Sponsored by the Town of Gorham.
- School Committee Workshop, 7 p.m., Municipal Bldg., 75 South St., Gorham.
- School Committee Meeting, 7 pm., Municipal Bldg., 75 South St., Gorham.
- Early Release for grades K- 12.

THURSDAY, APR. 3

- Gorham Food Pantry Open, 9-11 a.m., 299-B Main St. (Parking lot of St. Anne's Catholic Church, Gorham).

FRIDAY, APR. 4

- Peg's Itsy Bitsy Store, The Gorham House, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Snacks, jewelry, greeting cards and gently used items for sale. FMI, 839-5757.

SATURDAY, APR. 5

- Public Bean and Casserole Supper, West Gorham Union Church, 190 Ossipee Trail. 5 p.m. \$8/\$3 under 12.

SUNDAY, APR. 6

- Cressey Road United Methodist Church Praise and Bagels Service. 9-10 a.m. FMI, 839-3111.

WEDNESDAY, APR. 9

- Senior Lunch at St. Anne's Church. Every Wednesday at 12 p.m. \$3.50. Sponsored by the Town of Gorham.
- Gorham Food Pantry Open, 6-7 p.m., 299-B Main St. (Parking lot of St. Anne's Catholic Church, Gorham).

THURSDAY, APR. 10

- Gorham Food Pantry Open, 9-11 a.m., 299-B Main St. (Parking lot of St. Anne's Catholic Church, Gorham).
- Art Show Reception, 3-4 p.m., First Parish Congregational Church. Sponsored by the Gorham Woman's Club. Open to students and families.

Cressey Road United Methodist Church, 81 Cressey Rd.

First Parish Congregational Church, 1 Church St.

Gorham Food Pantry, 299-B Main St.,
Parking lot of St. Anne's Catholic Church

Gorham House, 50 New Portland Rd.

Gorham Middle School, 106 Weeks Rd.

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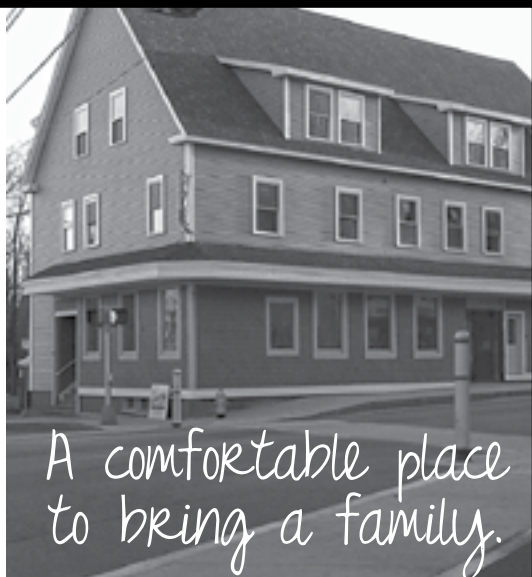
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