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A Win At Last!



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Zach Mills (#7) and Logan Drouin (#15) shake hands as the GHS football team celebrates after ending its 23-game losing streak October 17 with a 16-14 win over Oceanside. After falling behind 6-0 early, the Rams scored the next 16 points and held on for the win with a strong fourth-quarter defense. Leading the way on offense were AJ McKay and Brendon Mercier who each scored a touchdown. McKay also scored a two-point conversion as did Stephen Burns on a pass from Logan Drouin. Leading the way on defense were Zach Mills and Joe Mutumbo. The win was the first for the Rams since the 2011 season.

Library Receives \$150,000 Grant for Endowment Fund

BY ROGER MARCHAND
Staff Writer

The Baxter Memorial Library has been selected to receive a \$150,000 grant for its Centennial Endowment Fund by the Next Generation Foundation. With this generous grant, the Next Generation Foundation celebrates the memory of Avis Cloudman, the daughter of Horace and Charlotte (Lord) Cloudman of Gorham. The mission of the Next Generation Foundation, founded in 2000, is to improve health, education, and societal support for the

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Referendum Item on Ballot Not Applicable

BY ROGER MARCHAND
Staff Writer

On October 9 Town Manager David Cole learned the Federal Grant application for new breathing apparatus and thermal-imaging cameras, previewed in the last edition of the Gorham Times, was not received. The grant, which was for \$632,690, was still waiting for approval when the ballots were printed. Even though the grant has not been received, and therefore not necessary to vote on, it will still be on the ballot.

GHS Student Killed in Accident

Candace Tucker, 35, of Gorham was attempting to pass another vehicle on Rt. 302 in Bridgton, near the Naples line, when she lost control of her vehicle and crashed into a tree at about 5:50 p.m. on October 19th. Killed in the crash were

her son Branden Denis, 16, of Gorham, and Eric Morey, 35, of Portland. Police reported that their preliminary investigation indicated excessive speed contributed to the crash as Tucker was traveling southbound attempting to overtake

another vehicle when she lost control and hit a tree. Tucker, who has a history of driving infractions including suspension, an OUI charge and two accidents, suffered minor injuries after being hospitalized in fair condition.

Local Referendum Questions Part 2 of 2

BY ROGER MARCHAND
Staff Writer

There will be three local referendum questions on the November 4th ballot. The last edition of the Gorham Times outlined the grant and the question about "moral turpitude." The other referendum question is for the funding of a new public safety building at the present Main Street location at a total cost of \$4,988,281, which is down \$1.4 million from the Public Safety Building project at Little Falls that was rejected in referendum last year.

A study of the present facility pointed out specific needs for minor renovations. It also observed that it was cramped and undersized to house both the Fire and Police Departments. It recommended major remodeling and adjustment of spaces, as well as a new building in order to fully house all the operations for both of these departments. The study found, "The original building, built in the early 1970's, does not have the ability to house all of the requirements and needs of a modern Police and Fire Department."

The study listed needs that should be addressed in order for both departments to function now and into the future. They included: additional administrative spaces, sleeping spaces, ADA functionally sized bathrooms and showers, new and larger storage spaces, a renovated dayroom, separate decontamination showers, and two new pull-through garage bays to



Photo courtesy of Roger Marchand

An architectural rendering shows the new Public Safety building on the right, closest to Main Street, and the renovated current Public Safety building on the left. The new building is proposed to house the police department while the renovated building will house the fire department.

house emergency vehicles for the Fire Department. The original building was designed before there were any full time staff members and there were no accommodations for female members of the force.

The Police Department needs included: additional administrative offices, additional secure and private interview rooms, a secure intoxication and OUI testing room, a secure booking room with holding bench, a sally port to bring in suspects, secure evidence storage and evidence processing. All of these are now mainly handled in reconfigured spaces that were originally closets or simply storage areas. Secure parking for impounded vehicles and regular police parking are

also needed. A large training room and emergency operations center would also be included for use by both the police and fire departments.

The study concluded that the construction of a new police facility and the renovation of the existing fire facility would be a much better option. This was based on a financial aspect, an energy usage aspect, a building and site functionality aspect, and a construction time aspect versus creating an addition on the existing building. The new building, the study concluded, could be built to much greater energy standards, therefore reducing future operating costs, and could provide the Fire and Police Departments the tools it needs well into the future.

Local Farm Receives Nearly \$100,000 Grant

BY AVERY ARENA
GHS Intern

Plowshares Community Farm, located at 236 Sebago Lake Road, recently received a \$97,000 grant from the Local Food Promotion Program, of which they will have to match 25 per-

cent to receive the full amount. The grant was a result of the 2014 Farm Bill passed by Congress that opened up a national competition for grant money. Of the two types of grants awarded, Plowshares Farm received an implementation grant to carry out their vision of multiple improvements

to make the farm a hub for local products and produce.

According to Plowshares owner Steven Bibula, one of the farm's major changes will be the expansion of their u-pick apple orchard.

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Upcoming Bond Questions

By SEN. JIM BOYLE

As election season rolls around, it is the time of year where Maine citizens are considering their options on Election Day. There are many important issues on the ballot this November, and I hope you make sure to get out and vote – a healthy democracy depends on the participation of all citizens.

There are seven ballot questions for you to consider this November – six bond questions and one question about bear baiting.

Question 1 is the question regarding bear baiting laws in Maine. Currently, hunters are allowed to use bait, traps, and dogs to hunt bears. The question asks voters if they would like to ban those practices in Maine. If you would like to ban bear baiting, except to protect property, for public safety, or research, you will vote yes. If you would like to keep the law the way it is, you will vote no.

The first bond question, Question 2, is regarding an \$8 million bond that will provide a new diagnostic lab at the University of Maine. The lab will be used to study ticks, mosquitoes, and bedbugs to determine if they carry any diseases—particularly Lyme disease. Lyme disease is a terrible disease, and it is increasingly dangerous in Maine due to the ramp up in its incidence in

the northern and western parts of the state.

Small businesses in Maine are an essential part of our local economy, and our communities. Nearly ninety percent of Maine companies employ fewer than twenty people. That is why Question 3 would provide the Finance Authority of Maine (FAME) with \$12 million to help spur economic growth in Maine.

Of the \$12 million, \$4 million will go towards insuring portions of loans to small businesses to help with investment, while \$8 million will be used to make flexible loans to small businesses to create jobs and revitalize downtowns.

Questions 4 and 5 both involve bond money for biomedical research. Question 4 is a \$10 million bond that will be awarded through a competitive bidding process and will be matched with \$11 million in private funds to build a research center to discover genetic solutions for cancer and age-related diseases. The bond will help promote growth and retain our young professionals in medical research.

Question 5 is a \$3 million bond to be matched by nearly \$6 million in private and public funds, to modernize and expand infrastructure in a biological laboratory specializing in tissue repair and generation. This bond will also be up for competitive bidding,

and will aim at increasing workforce training in biotechnology.

In our state, we can all agree that our beautiful natural landscape makes us unique and deserves protection. Question 6 on the ballot is a \$10 million bond that will take a step forward in doing just that. The money will be used to protect drinking water sources and restore our vital wastewater infrastructure.

Finally, Question 7 is a \$7 million bond to grow our marine economy and increase the sustainability of our coastal resources. The money will be matched by \$7 million of private and other funds and is intended to increase our manufacturing and processing capacity for our fishing and lobster industries.

As a reminder, absentee ballots are available until Thursday, October 30th for those choosing to vote by this method. I hope that you will make your voice heard - on or before November 4th, and make sure to get out and vote.



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Letter to the Editor

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Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

Often times in elections that include choosing a governor and legislators, we overlook the candidates who are seeking election to our local boards and committees. I am writing to urge Gorham voters to spend some time learning about the candidates who are asking for your vote for the school committee. I believe we have one candidate who stands out as a perfect fit for this job—Forrest Genthner.

Forrest offers us a fresh, smart approach to the challenges our school committee will face in the immediate future. He went through our K-12 system and he is grateful for the preparation GHS provided for his continuing education. However, he realizes how important it is for our system to continue to prepare students for ever-

changing career opportunities ahead. Because he is living the experience, he can relate to the needs.

Forrest realizes that the school budget must provide the best education possible for our kids. This means hiring and keeping high quality teachers and providing them with the tools they need to get their job done. However, all this must be done with a keen eye for ways to do this within the taxpayers' means. He is committed to spending our tax dollars wisely.

If Forrest comes to your door in the next couple of weeks, invite him in and talk with him about your concerns related to our schools. His answers will assure you that he is prepared to meet the challenges, and that he is the best candidate for the job.

Virginia Wilder Cross, Gorham

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

I have known Amy Volk on a very personal level so instead of writing about her various political positions, I want to tell you about her character. I want to tell you why Amy Volk should be our next senator.

Politics is a tough business. It takes a strong person to do it well and with integrity. Amy Volk has proven that she is tough but fair and she does it all with grace and integrity. Amy has incredibly strong values and whether you always agree with her or not I think we can all agree that Maine, and America, would be better off if we had more legislators who maintain consistent family values. You can be sure

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Around Town

Lt. Christopher Sanborn has been appointed Acting Police Chief effective November 4 after Chief Shepard's retirement. This appointment will terminate upon the appointment of a full time chief or on February 4, 2015.

As recommended by the Gorham Village Parking Study, the seven parking spaces in front of Robie Gym will change to angle parking instead of head in parking.

The property at 10 Preble Street has been approved as a conditional zone for a three-unit residential property or a two-unit residential property with accessory space for light professional use. The town will retain the backyard section of the property for future use and will sell the rest of the property.

A tax acquired thirty-acre property off Libby Avenue near the Little River will be retained for public use.

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Event Schedule

Comedy on the Square
Season Kickoff Show
Thursday 10/23 7:30pm
Featuring Tim McIntire

Scarab Journey Tribute Band
Saturday 10/25 9:00pm

New Year's Eve on the Square
Wednesday 12/31 9:00pm

Space is limited - reserve tickets online at
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UPCOMING DEADLINES:

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Oct 29	Nov 6
Nov 12	Nov 20
Nov 26	Dec 4
Dec 10	Dec 18
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Kari Rae Seekins: Sound Design in Los Angeles, CA

By JACKIE FRANCIS
Staff Writer

Kari Rae Seekins, a 2000 graduate of Gorham High School, moved to Los Angeles to pursue a graduate degree in Sound Design and Integrated Media at the California Institute for the Arts. She stayed, she says, because of the “endless opportunities and the amazing weather.”

Today, Seekins is excited to be working as a technical director for a themed entertainment company in LA that is designing a Bollywood theme park in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. “This has been a new role for me,” says Seekins, who spent the previous year editing background music, sound effects and dialogue for Warner Bros. Studio London Tour - The Making of Harry Potter. “I’m now on the other end of the spectrum working on ensuring that the correct audio systems are installed to support the creative intent for rides and attractions.”

I caught up with this talented artist/composer via email.

Gorham Times (GT): Was there a particular teacher at Gorham High School who had an influence on your career?

Kari Seekins (KS): Darrell Morrow definitely had a huge influence on me. In guitar class [Seekins played bass], I learned the skills and gained the confi-

dence to perform music. I knew that I wanted to pursue music on some level after that.

GT: Electroacoustic composition isn’t exactly a major of study that guidance counselors steer students toward. What influenced you in your undergraduate major at Concordia University in Montreal?

KS: Even though I had a strong interest in art and music in high school, I didn’t really understand that these were things I could study in college that would lead to a career. In my first two weeks at Concordia as a [marketing major], I quickly realized that most people had chosen majors that they were passionate about. I minored in music so I could get better at the bass, and electro-acoustic composition was a requirement for the program. This concept involved approaching compositions not in terms of melody or rhythm, but instead by thinking about the textures, timbres and shapes that the sounds make, opening up a whole new world for me once I began to learn about it.

GT: What are some of your favorite projects you’ve worked on?

KS: Working on The Making of Harry Potter - Warner Bros. Studio Tour was rewarding because it had a meaningful impact on the fans and it was a great homage to the behind-the-scenes artistry that went into the films. It was amazing

to see first hand how just the right music cue paired with the reveal of the Great Hall, or the model of Hogwarts could bring about strong emotional reactions in the fans. Creating sound effects for Cirque De Soleil’s Iris production in Los Angeles was also pretty exciting.

[Composer/record producer] Danny Elfman was the composer for the production, and having my sounds play alongside his music was a pretty star-struck moment for me.

GT: Where do you see yourself in five years?

KS: I’ve always wanted to study the science of how sound affects the human body both physically and emotionally, so I’m hoping to work on a project that encourages me to do this type of research.



Photo courtesy of Kari Seekins

GT: Have you any words of encouragement or helpful advice for those wishing to pursue a career in Sound Design?

KS: Collaboration is the best education. I think this applies to most creative careers, but if you want to become a sound designer or composer, find filmmakers and theater directors whose work you admire and offer to do their soundtracks. Having a project to work on will force you to gain the skills you need to get the job done and working with other people gives you a great opportunity to get valuable feedback on your work.

AMY VOLK

For Maine State Senate



Governor Paul LePage signs Amy's Sex Trafficking bill into law.
June 2014

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Dear Editor,

My work has taken me to over 40 countries on 5 different continents. I have seen both the best and the worst in nations and governments. I have witnessed what happens when leaders abandon their people and what happens when they take care of their citizens. I have personally witnessed the incredible impact in communities when they actively care for one another. Locally, I have seen that caring spirit with Representative Amy Volk. As a former La Leche Leader, a Court Appointed Victims Advocate, founding Board member of Scarborough Young Life and a Board Member of the Root Cellar, Amy Volk has been giving of her time and energy long before she was an elected official.

She has also quietly and without fanfare had a major impact on the lives of many who have come to this country with nothing but the shirts on their backs and a dream for their kids. She does all these things not for show or to impress anyone but because she genuinely cares about others. For the past 4 years I have seen how Amy, as our State Representative, has taken that same spirit she used to improve her community to help get Maine moving in the right direction. She has worked hard to bring business sense to Augusta while never forgetting those most vulnerable. This was seen in her successful efforts with the bill she introduced addressing sex trafficking.

She has crossed party lines several times to vote for or against a bill based on her strong belief that she is there to do the right thing. We need more leaders with the sense of community that Amy Volk has. I urge you to vote for Amy Volk in November.

Darcy Pierce, Scarborough
Co-Founder & COO, Emancipation
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What's on Your Ballot? Election Day is Tuesday, November 4

The polls for the upcoming election will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 4. Gorham is comprised of two wards divided by physical address. If you do not know in which ward you are located, visit www.gorham-me.org or contact the Clerk's Office, 222-1670. Along with the statewide general and referendum election, Gorham will vote in the annual municipal election.

Statewide Elections

The questions, which will appear in the same order as on the November 4, 2014 Referendum Election ballot, are:

Question 1: Citizen Initiative

Do you want to ban the use of bait, dogs or traps in bear hunting except to protect property, public safety, or for research?

Question 2: Bond Issue

Do you favor an \$8,000,000 bond issue to support Maine agriculture, facilitate economic growth in natural resources-based industries and monitor human health threats related to ticks, mosquitoes and bedbugs through the creation of an animal and plant disease and insect control laboratory administered by the University of Maine Cooperative Extension Service?

Question 3: Bond Issue

Do you favor a bond issue to provide \$4,000,000 in funds to insure portions of loans to small businesses to spur investment and innovation and to provide \$8,000,000 in funds to make flexible loans to small businesses to create jobs, revitalize downtowns and strengthen the rural economy?

Question 4: Bond Issue

Do you favor a \$10,000,000 bond issue, to be awarded through a competitive process and to be matched by \$11,000,000 in private and other funds, to build a research center and to discover genetic solutions for cancer and the diseases of aging, to promote job growth and private sector investment in this State, to attract and retain young professionals and make the State a global leader in genomic medicine?

Question 5: Bond Issue

Do you favor a \$3,000,000 bond issue, to be awarded through a competitive process and to be matched by \$5,700,000 in private and public funds, to modernize and expand infrastructure in a biological laboratory specializing in tissue repair and regeneration located in the State in order to increase biotechnology workforce training, retain and recruit to the State multiple biomedical research and development groups and create a drug discovery and development facility that will improve human health and stimulate biotechnology job growth and economic activity?

Question 6: Bond Issue

Do you favor a \$10,000,000 bond issue to ensure clean water and safe communities across Maine; to protect drinking water sources; to restore wetlands; to create jobs and vital public infrastructure; and to strengthen the State's long-term economic base and competitive advantage?

Question 7: Bond Issue

Do you favor a \$7,000,000 bond issue to facilitate the growth of marine businesses and commercial enterprises that create jobs and improve the sustainability of the State's marine economy and related industries through capital investments, to be matched by at least \$7,000,000 in private and other funds?

Local Elections

The general election includes three questions, which are outlined below, as well as candidacy for Town Council (Michael J. Phinney and Ronald W. Shepard) and School Committee (Forrest B. Genthner, Dennis C. Libby, Sara M. Nelson, Suzanne E. Phillips). The questions, which will appear in the same order as on the November 4 Annual Municipal Election ballot, are:

Question 1:

Shall a capital expenditure not to exceed \$4,990,000 be approved to pay for costs of renovation, improvement and equipping of the existing public safety building and construction and equipping of a new police station on property located at 270 Main Street, such amount to be raised by the issuance of general obligation bonds and/or notes of the

Town, hereby authorized, with the bonds and notes to have such dates, maturities, denominations, interest rate(s) and other details (including provisions that the bonds may be subject to call for redemption with or without premium) as said Municipal Officers shall determine? Total estimated debt service of \$6,716,000 of which the maximum principal amount is \$4,990,000 and estimated interest thereon at 3.3% over 20 years is \$1,726,000.

Question 2: [Editor's Note: The town did not receive funding for this grant, but it was too late to remove it from the ballot. There is no need to vote yes or no.]

Shall the Town vote to accept a Federal Grant of up to \$632,690 to purchase new breathing apparatus and thermal imaging cameras for the Fire Department with local Town Funds not to exceed \$31,634.50, which local funds are already included in the budget and so will result in no change in the property tax rate?

Question 3:

Shall the Charter of the Town of Gorham be amended to add the following language which defines a crime of moral turpitude?

Section 5.5: Pursuant to Section 202 of the Town Charter, if a member of the Town Council is convicted of a crime of moral turpitude, the Council member's office shall immediately become vacant upon conviction of a guilty plea or a plea of no contest. For purposes of this Section, a "crime of moral turpitude" shall include conviction of Murder or a Class A, B, C or D crime, while in office, or a conviction of a similar crime if outside the State of Maine.

Don't forget to vote - Nov. 4th



Town of Gorham REGISTRAR General Election Annual Election November 4, 2014

Pursuant to MRSA, Title 21A, S101, you are hereby notified that the Registrar for the Town of Gorham, Maine will hold office hours between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 30th, 2014; 8:00 am to 1:00pm on Friday, October 31, 2014; 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday November 3rd and 7:00am until 8:00 Tuesday November 4th, for the purpose of registering citizens to vote and correcting the voter list.

Jennifer Elliott, Registrar

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Petrucelli, Rita Marie (Madar), 77, of Gorham, Maine, passed away on August 27, 2014. She was born in Bridgeport, CT on April 1, 1937 to her loving parents, Joseph & Matilda Madar (deceased). She was predeceased by her husband of over 40 years, William "Bill" Petrucelli. Rita and Bill lived in Trumbull, CT for most of their married life where they loved plants and had many lovely flowering bushes to enjoy in Spring. Rita loved animals - birds were her favorite - she would watch them as they built their nests in her yard. She moved to Gorham, ME after Bill's passing in 1999, to be close to family, and became active in her church. She worked as an Office Manager in the Circulation Department of The Bridgeport Post/ Telegram for over 35 years. She remembered everyone on their special days, including siblings, nieces, nephews, and friends and was a friend to many. Rita is survived by her 6 siblings: Bernice (Andrew) Barba; Geriann (William) Miller; Patricia (Sam) Negri; Daniel (Harriet) Madar; Joseph (Nancy) Madar; and Lynn Madar - she is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

A memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, October 18, 2014, 10 A.M. at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Gorham, Maine. Interment will take place at graveside at St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery in Stratford, Connecticut on Wednesday, October 22 at 11 A.M.

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Planning Board Results

- R.P. Weeman, LLC requested tabling their appeal for phased expansion of an existing building and gravel storage area.
- Preliminary approval was granted to Lilac Lane, a nine-lot subdivision located at 91 North Gorham Road. Final approval was moved to the November 2014 meeting.
- Normand Berube Builders' request for approval of an 11-lot subdivision with 1,500 roadway located at 101 Longfellow Road was discussed.
- Brian and Stacie Leavitt's request for a subdivision amendment with

a 502-foot private way to serve one existing and one proposed lot at 105 and 109 Files Road was tabled and a site walk was scheduled.

The following amendments to the Land Use and Development Code were sent for review to the Planning Board's Ordinance Committee:

- Review of a change to the definition of patios
- Allowing the keeping of domestic farm animals and livestock for the sale of products and to allow pasture fencing
- Allowing creative parking solutions in the village.

Library Grant CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

most vulnerable populations of Maine. Their specific interest areas include: children, elderly and displaced; basic human needs; education; and programs that enhance human health, social equality or Maine's economy and workforce.

The Gorham Town Council established the Baxter Memorial Library Centennial Endowment Fund in 2008 to honor the 100th anniversary of the library. This grant will bring the total in the Fund to over \$240,000. Interest from the endowment is used to purchase books and other items for the library's

collections. These funds are to be mainly used to augment the book budget and not to replace it.

The library applied for this grant at the end of March with a letter of interest. Their grant was chosen from over 700 letters of interest and grant proposals. Library Director Pam Turner said, "We are very excited and grateful about the grant since it will stabilize the library's ability to buy books and other items for generations to come." She also felt that this grant will become a tremendous legacy for the community.

OCTOBER 7, 2014

Town Council Report

BY ROBIN SOMES
Staff Writer

In a vote of 5-0 (with Councilor Suzanne Phillips and Shonn Moulton absent), the Town Council officially bestowed recognition to retiring Gorham Police Chief Ron Shepard. They expressed appreciation for his 42 years of dedicated service to “the members of the Gorham Police Department, Municipal staff, and the Gorham Community.” Shepard has served as Gorham’s Police Chief for 19 years. He is currently running for a seat on the Town Council.

In a related action, the Council unanimously voted to appoint Lieutenant Christopher Sanborn as acting police chief. Sanborn, who has been with the Gorham Police Department for 25 years and has been lieutenant since 2005, officially assumes the position on November 4, 2013 and will serve until a new police chief is appointed or until February 4, 2015.

With intentions of selling the house at 10 Preble Street, the Council voted 5-0 to authorize a plan that includes adopting conditional zoning for the property. This would allow for a three-unit residential property or a two-unit property with accessory space to serve as a profes-

sional office use such as a “lawyer’s office or real estate office or a similar use.” However, the condition also states that the backyard must be retained for future use by the town while the building is to be sold. The proposal will be sent to the Planning Board for a Public Hearing and subsequent recommendation. The property was purchased in 2012 for \$239,900 with the intention of using it for additional parking.

For the upcoming State General Election and Municipal Election on November 4th, a 5-0 vote by the Council approved that the polls will be open from 7 am to 8 pm; absentee ballots will be processed from Monday, November 3rd at 10 a.m. and Tuesday, November 4th at 9 and 10 a.m., 3, 5, and 8 p.m. In order to register citizens to vote, update the voter list and accept absentee ballots, the Registrar of Voters will be in session on: Tuesday and Wednesday, 10/28 and 29 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday, 10/30 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday, 10/31 from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Monday, 11/3 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Tuesday 11/4 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The following wardens and ward clerks were appointed: Ward 1: Warden Susan Emerson, Ward Clerk Laurel Smith; Ward 2: Warden

Patricia Clay, Ward Clerk Nancy Kenty; Central: Warden Laurie Nordfors, Ward Clerk Paula Nystrom.

In other action, the Council voted:

- 4-1 (Benner) to approve amending the contract zone related to Cumberland Farms located at 74 County Road that would permit larger signage for the commercial property.

- 5-0 to approve changing the parking in front of Robie Gym from head-in parking to angle parking as recommended in the Gorham Village Parking Study and to designate the 7 parking spaces on the north side of Robie Gym as public parking spaces.

- 5-0 to approve renewal of the Restaurant Liquor License of Gorham House of Pizza.

- 5-0 to approve renewal of the Restaurant Liquor License of Sebago Brewing Company.

- 5-0 to approve renewal of Automobile Graveyard/Junkyard permits for LKQ Corp./Gorham Auto, South Street Auto Body, M & D Rental, Chet’s Auto Sales, Hopkins Salvage, Young’s Auto Salvage, Reichert’s Auto Body, Moody’s/INS Auto Auction and Dumbo Enterprises.

Complete minutes are available on the town’s website at www.gorham-me.org.

Chief Shepard Reports



The Grand Jury returned the following indictments in October:

- Timothy Berry, 48, of Portland was indicted for aggravated assault, domestic violence assault, two counts of domestic violence terrorizing, domestic violence criminal threatening, violating conditions of release and terrorizing on charges brought by Gorham Police Department.

- Peter Cooley, 53, of Savannah was indicted for theft by deception on charges brought by the Department of Labor, Gorham and Portland Police Departments.

- Christopher Grover, 24, of Old Orchard Beach was indicted on two counts of trafficking in scheduled drugs on charges brought by Gorham Police Department.

- Andrew McDonald, 33, of Gorham was indicted for theft on charges brought by Windham Police Department.

- Corey Paradise, 41, of Gorham was indicted for assault on an officer, failure to stop for an officer, driving to endanger, operating after suspension, refusing to submit to arrest, criminal mischief, leaving the scene of an accident, possession of scheduled drugs, violating conditions of release on charges brought by Portland Police Department.

- Jessica Parker, 32, of Gorham was indicted for theft (with priors) on charges brought by Bridgton Police Department.

- Mitchel Thorpe, 29, of Gorham was indicted for burglary, theft and violating conditions of release on charges brought by Gorham Police Department.

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that Amy Volk will be the same person in the State Senate as she is in her personal life. There are no games, no masks and no misunderstanding with Amy Volk. She is woman of character and precisely who we need representing us in Augusta. I encourage you to vote for Amy Volk for State Senate.

Kim Samuelson, Gorham

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

I am writing as a parent to endorse Forrest Genthner for the Gorham School Board. Forrest graduated from Gorham High School in 2013, where he was a student leader, as evidenced by his founding of the Green Team. Forrest is pursuing his teaching degree from St. Joseph's College. He knows the Gorham educational system from a student's perspective and has educated himself on the issues that Gorham schools face from an educator's perspective. He is concerned about the financial responsibilities for education on the taxpayers, but is committed to maintaining quality education here in Gorham. Forrest understands the value of academics, as well as offering varied extra-curricular activities for students. Our schools play integral roles in preparing our children for their futures. The world our students will be going into will be faced with many technological challenges that we cannot anticipate. It is important to select incoming school board members who have leadership attributes to make decisions with the best long-term perspectives. I feel that Forrest Genthner has those attributes and will listen to the needs

of parents and students to make the best decisions for our future. Please join me in voting for Forrest Genthner for the Gorham School Board.

Mary Emerson, Gorham

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

The residents of Senate District 30, Gorham, Scarborough and Buxton, have an important choice on Election Day. Democrat Jim Boyle has done an outstanding job in upholding protection of Maine's environment and natural resources in his first term. Maine's economy relies heavily on our recreational opportunities, natural resources and diverse scenery—our calling card to the rest of the world. The League of Conservation Voters has given Senator Boyle a 100% rating, whereas Senator Boyle's challenger, Representative Amy Volk, received a 44% lifetime score and 62% for her most recent term in the Legislature.

Based on Senator Boyle's record, he will continue to be a trustworthy steward of our natural resources and will work to create jobs through the production of sustainable, clean energy.

Eileen Whynot, Gorham

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

As president and CEO of Jøtul North America, I am a member of the business community in Gorham. I am often keeping my eye on policymaking in Augusta as to how it impacts businesses and how it will grow our economy. If you talk to anyone running for office, they all support growing the economy and growing jobs in Gorham

and the entire State of Maine. We all know we have a lot of work to do.

I cannot be in Augusta day-to-day so it is hard to know who is truly supporting growing the economy. I decided to do some research and I was surprised to read the ratings from the Maine Economic Research Institute (MERI) of those who have been in Augusta. MERI is the only non-partisan group in the state that rates legislators solely on their votes from an economic perspective.

State Representative Amy Volk scored an impressive 88.40. She was ranked in the top 12 out of 151 legislators when it comes to casting votes that improve the Maine economy, help Mainers thrive and bring our young people home. In the race for state senate for Gorham, Scarborough and Buxton, the choice is clear; Amy Volk will support growing Maine's economy when we send her to Augusta. I encourage you to vote for Amy Volk.

Bret Watson, Yarmouth; President and CEO, Jøtul North America, Gorham

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

Those of us who have been putting on the free public Thanksgiving dinner at the Gorham Mr. Bagel for nearly five years wish to thank with immense enthusiasm the multitude of community members who help us put this on. Last year, again, the outpouring was heartwarming, whether it was food, monetary or time commitment. We had donations from local farm stand Kings in South Gorham; Roki Associates; Pit Stop Fuels; personal monetary donations from The Turners, Willis', Taber, Barr, MacVane, Biegel, Moody, Hanscom, Sawyer; donations of time from the Wood family, Tanguay, O'Brien, Lefebure, Sabastanski, Parsons, Liberty, Moody, Swain, Bickford, and food donations from the Walker family, The Fire/Rescue Crew, Sawyer, 'Jimmy.' Gorham Mr. Bagel crew and I pray I didn't overlook anyone because all the support is so very much appreciated.

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Kitchen and monetary donation of \$1,000 to the Gorham Food Pantry.

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Thad & Roxanne (Hanscom) Moody,
Gorham

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:


My husband Luke and I came to know Amy Volk last spring at the Gorham Business Exchange at USM. She approached our vendor table for The Lawn Duke and we quickly learned that she supports local small business and is taking steps to make the cost of doing business in Maine more affordable.

Luke and I were both very impressed with how genuine and sincere she is.

We've gotten to know Amy since that time and we've discovered that we have many commonalities with her. Some of her family is from my husband's hometown of Lee, Maine. She contributes to his family's non-profit foundation "House in the Woods," which offers support to veterans. I have a good friend who works at the Root Cellar and was happy to find out Amy is their board secretary. Mom to mom, we've chatted about things from parenting to our children's education. I'm glad to learn she facilitated bringing charter schools to Maine because Mainers need more education options. As a pediatric nurse, I can say that a "one size fits all" approach is not going to work for every child in Maine. It is great that someone is advocating and thinking outside of the box for our children. Her list of accomplishments goes far beyond just these.

Despite being very busy, Amy has found time to link me with resources regarding school, life and even car questions I had. She is a pool of knowledge and she loves the state of Maine. She will serve and represent us with dignity and intellect if elected for state senate this November. Amy has a flare that pushes her to work for family, business, community and our country. She has a genuine desire to serve the people who put her into office. We will be voting for Volk this November and we hope you will vote for her too.

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Women Must Know What to Expect from Social Security

By Ed Doyle

Everyone needs to be aware of the financial resources they will have available in retirement. But if you are a woman, you must be particularly diligent, for a variety of reasons. And that means knowing just what to expect from Social Security.

Why should you, as a woman, pay extra attention to Social Security? For one thing, women often take time off from their careers to care for children and older parents, so they may accumulate less money in employer-sponsored retirement accounts, such as 401(k) plans. Also, according to the Census Bureau, generally women live several years longer than men.

Clearly, then, you need to get the most you can from Social Security. To do so, you will need to consider at least three key factors:

- **Age:** You can start taking retirement benefits as early as 62, but your benefits may be reduced by up to 30% unless you wait until your "full retirement age," which is likely 66 or 67. If you delay taking benefits until 70, your monthly benefits may be up to a third larger than if you began collecting at your full retirement age. You will need to weigh a variety of factors—family longevity, income from employer-sponsored retirement plans and your anticipated financial needs—in determining when you should start taking Social Security.

- **Employment:** If you work while receiving Social Security benefits before you reach full retirement age, your benefits will be reduced by one dollar for every two dollars you earn over an annual limit, which generally increases each year. In the year you reach full retirement age, your benefits will be reduced by one dollar for every three dollars you earn over the limit before your birthday. But once you reach full retirement age, your benefits will no longer be adjusted for earned income.

- **Marital status:** As a spouse, you can generally receive Social Security payments based on your own earnings record or collect a spousal benefit of up to 50% of your husband's Social Security benefit. The benefit will be reduced if you start taking it before your full retirement age. To start collecting Social Security spousal benefits, you must be at least 62 years old and your spouse must also have filed for their own benefits. If you are divorced, and not currently married, you can generally receive benefits on your ex's Social Security record, as long as you meet certain conditions. For example, you had to have been married to your ex for at least 10 years.

No matter how much Social Security you ultimately receive, it is almost certainly not going to be enough to provide all the income you will need. So during your working years, try to contribute as much as you can, for as long as you can, to

your IRA and your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan. At the same time, look for other investment opportunities. And when you reach retirement, create a withdrawal strategy that allows you to stretch out the income you receive from your investments for as long as you can.

By saving and investing as much as possible during your working years, maximizing your Social Security payments and carefully managing your financial assets when you are retired, you can help improve your chances of enjoying the retirement lifestyle you deserve.

Investors should rely on information from the Social Security Administration before making a decision about when to take Social Security benefits. The general information in this article is not meant to cover individual circumstances. Your particular situation may be different, so be sure to discuss this with the Social Security Administration prior to taking benefits.



Ed Doyle operates the Gorham branch office of Edward Jones. He is experienced in all aspects of financial planning, retirement income planning, tax-advantaged education savings plans.

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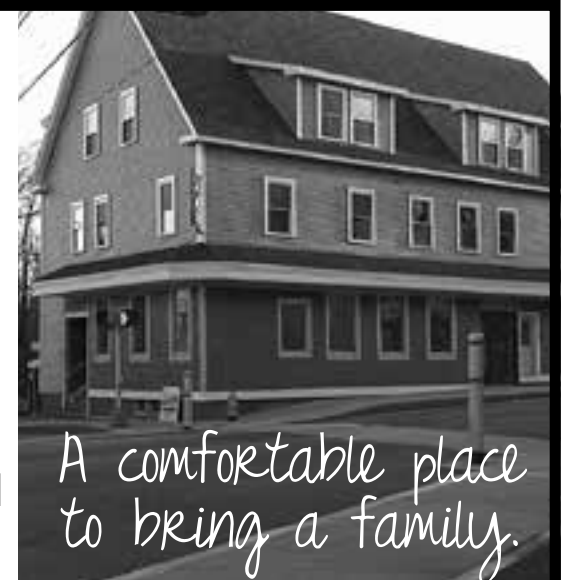
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Two GHS Seniors Receive Nods as Commended Students

BY GORHAM TIMES STAFF

Chris Record, principal of Gorham High School, announced that Douglas Beahm and Matthew Esposito have been named Commended Students in the 2015 National Merit Scholarship Program.

A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, was recently presented by Record to these scholastically talented seniors.

About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2015 competition for National Merit Scholarship awards, Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2015 competition by taking the 2013 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

"The young men and women being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success," commented a spokesperson for NMSC. "These students represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role their schools play in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation. We hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities and encourage them as they continue their pursuit of academic success."



Photo credit Judianne Demers of Demers Photography

Douglas Beahm



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Matthew Esposito

Village School Celebrates Summer Reading



Photo Credit Tami Reynolds

First grade teacher Rebecca West and fifth grade teacher Beth Kellogg set the stage during Village School's first assembly.

BY MIA DESANCTIS
Village School Secretary

This summer, Village School participated in a nationwide program through Scholastic Books called the "Summer Reading Challenge."

Before they left school in June, students were set up with accounts through Scholastic so that they could go in over the summer and log in the minutes that they spent reading.

At the school's first assembly of the year, staff celebrated the success of this program. The gymnasium was set up with tents, camp chairs and sleep-

ing bags to set the mood to replicate "reading under the stars."

Students recorded a total of 61,391 minutes read. The top three readers for Village were fifth graders Gannon Kuntz and Kate Dupuis and second grader Sam Merrow.

Moments before gathering to the assembly, the following local "celebrity" readers each read to a classroom: Chief Shepard, Officer Mark Sanborn, Ted Sharp, Chris Record, Bob Riley, Stacy Coleman, Sharon Babbitt, Beth Perkins, Trish Moulton, Mark Curtis, Winston Barton, Brian Porter and Robert Wilhelm.

Local Artist Donates Code of Conduct Mural to Village School

BY MIA DESANCTIS
Village School Secretary

At the start of the 2010-2011 school year, kindergarten parent and local artist, Meg Dermody, volunteered to create a bulletin board for the lobby of Village School showing the earth surrounded by children of the world. Around the earth were the words of Village's Code of Conduct: Courage, Respect, Responsibility, Honesty and Compassion.

Shortly after Dermody created the board, her kindergarten-aged son, Finnian, was diagnosed with brain cancer. Everyone at Village was in heart-felt shock of this news.

During the next few years, the bulletin board papers faded, curled or became unattached but the message stood strong. It was too special to take down.

Fast forward to this fall. Finnian is in second grade and Village School is once again honored by another donation by Dermody—a hand painted mural replicating the bulletin board she created years before.

Village School would like to thank Dermody who gave them this cherished gift.

Meg Dermody, pictured with her children, Shayla and Finnian, donated a bulletin board using Village School's Code of Conduct. Accepting the gift was Village School's vice principal, Jodi Mezzanotte, and principal, Brian Porter.

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USM Students Tutor Elementary Students

By AVERY ARENA
GHS Intern

The University of Southern Maine Gorham campus is offering a tutoring program for elementary students to help with math and reading skills.

The SMART Learning Lab began two years ago when director Alexis Kirby and faculty members Rachel Brown, Cathie Fallona, and Andrea Stairs received a grant from the Reading Matters to Maine Fund of the Maine Community Foundation.

A week of tutoring costs \$30, but is waived for students who qualify. The instructors are graduate students at USM enrolled in the school psychology, special education, and literacy education programs and who have completed their prerequisite work.

Parents can fill out an application for their child and arrange for a meeting to determine the level and type of tutoring needed. The child's progress is tracked using curriculum-based measurements once a week.

The SMART lab is a great way for elementary students to make progress academically, as well as helping the graduate students gain experience while making a positive difference in their community.

For more information, visit www.smartlearnlab.org.

Girl Scouts Renovate Playroom at Ronald McDonald House

Courtesy of the
Ronald McDonald House

Three 12-year-old Gorham Girl Scouts, Lindsey Nygren, Ava Pitman and Laura Bolduc, spent over 150 hours renovating the Ronald McDonald House's playroom for Silver Award, the highest award a Girl Scout cadet can earn. It allows girls to show they are strong leaders in organizing projects that improve their communities.

"These girls had such a vision for how they wanted to transform this playroom into a warmer, more welcoming place for children while they stay here at the House," said Alicia Milne, Development Manager.

With the help of their fathers, the room was transformed into a new nautical-inspired playroom.

"I'm really proud of what we did. I feel like happy with the way it turned out. Better than I imagined," Lindsay Nygren shared.

The girls also set up an Amazon.com Wish List that included 50 new toys for the space. Every toy on the list was purchased and mailed to the House. The old toys were re-purposed and donated with the assistance of Gorham recreation group, Teen Extreme, to Gorham kindergarten classrooms to help support their new all day kindergarten curriculum.

Gorham Savings Bank, Hall-Dale High School through Jobs for Maine Graduates,



Photo courtesy of Betsy Nygren

Shown in the newly painted Ronald McDonald House (RMH) playroom are: Kim Kenney, Gorham Savings Bank Assistant Vice President of Marketing; Laura Bolduc; Lindsey Nygren; Ava Pitman; Robin Chibroski, RMH Executive Director; and Alicia Milne, RMH Development Director and the Girl's project advisor for the Silver Award.

and the Helen King Memorial provided funding for this playroom, making the girls' project plan possible. They also received support from the following companies: Sea Bags for donating the expertise to reupholster a reading nook seat cushion from a donated recycled sail; Target for help-

ing to purchase the new SmartTV; and Schnitzer Steel for donating metal for the interactive magnet wall. Gorham companies participating in this project included: Hillside Lumber for donating wood to build new storage shelving, and Cook's Hardware for donating paint.

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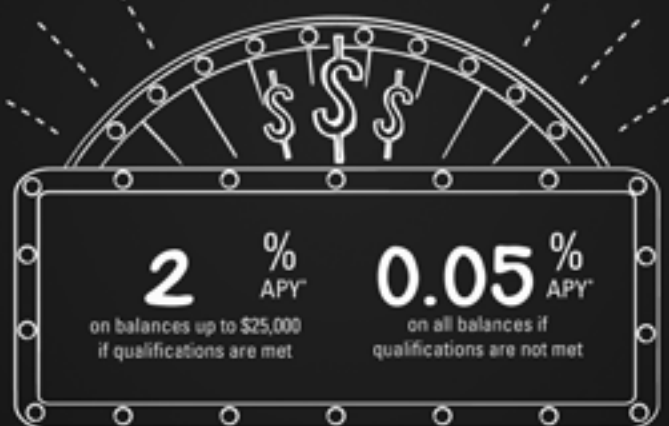
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Gorham Results for Maine Marathon and Half Marathon

Among the more than 1,000 runners who competed in the Maine Marathon in Portland on October 5, Scott Mannette was tops from Gorham, finishing 76th with a time of 3:22:52. Dick Graves finished 89th and third in the male 50-59 age division with a time of 3:24:26.

Other Gorham runners included Kelli Deveaux (498th at 4:23:53), Jillian Powers (595th at 4:34:44), Nicole Bastarache (705th at 4:50:13) and Peter Ryan (783rd at 5:11:14). Below are the 30 Gorham runners who competed in the half-marathon, which included close to 2,000 competitors:

Place	Name	Time	Place	Name	Time
174	Shane Zerillo	1:41:00	1102	Kristen Desrosiers	2:09:56
175	Kyle Purinton	1:41:09	1103	Katelyn Desrosiers	2:09:56
179	Tim Zerillo	1:41:16	1112	Rachel Baillargeon	2:10:08
335	Joe Allen	1:48:51	1316	Kathy Edelman	2:16:28
391	Brian Favreau	1:51:08	1437	Carlye Homan	2:21:36
395	Boyd Pritchard	1:51:14	1450	Caroline Pinkham	2:22:01
480	Elisabeth Lewis	1:53:32	1478	Jennifer Dubail	2:23:41
774	Karen Gaudette	2:00:32	1479	Jason Dubail	2:23:41
833	Diane Bell	2:01:56	1513	Rob Gaudette	2:24:56
936	Terry Deering	2:04:42	1554	Jennifer Leo	2:27:16
970	Betty Rines	2:05:49	1573	Larry Caron	2:28:03
992	Megan Drollinger	2:06:24	1638	Sharen Deering	2:31:58
1015	Keith Ellsmore	2:07:12	1672	K. Stinson	2:34:15
1063	Eric Anderson	2:08:38	1734	Laura Rancourt	2:39:34
1075	Daria McNamara	2:09:09	1740	Leesa Edwards	2:40:17

Strong Showing at State Golf Tournament

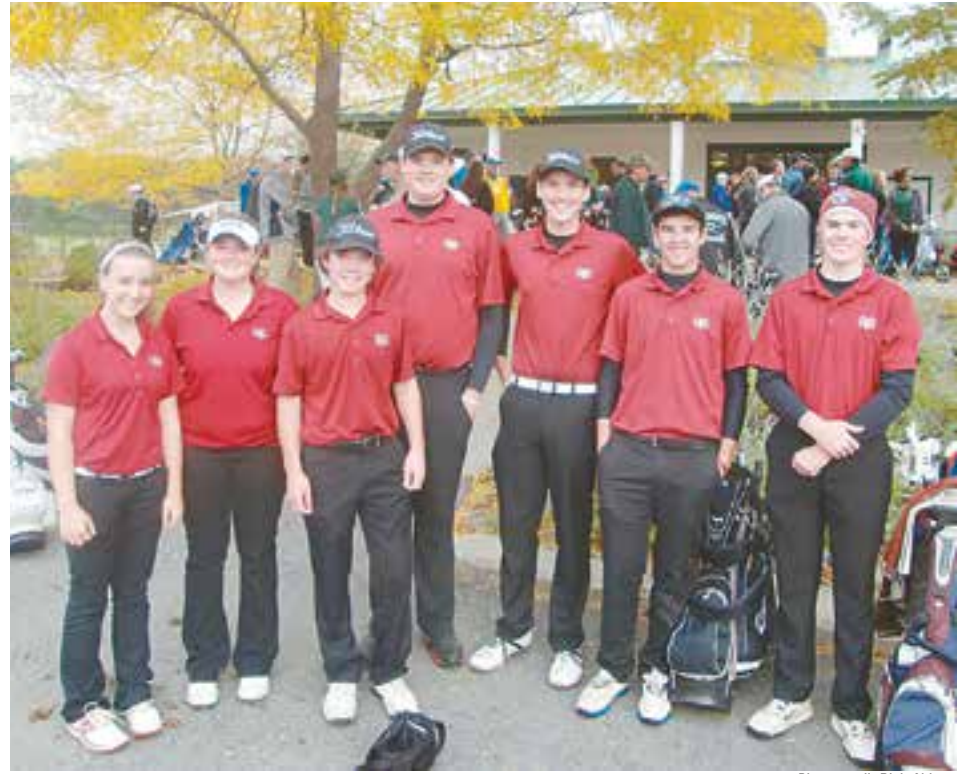


Photo credit Rick Altham

GHS sent seven golfers to the Maine State Individual Championships October 18 at the Natanis Golf Club in Vassalboro including five boys and two girls. Kenny Tuttle and Tim O'Neil were the top finishers for the Gorham boys, both shooting an 80 to finish tied for 10th among the 33 participants in the Class A tournament. In the girls' tournament, Sydney Caron finished 21st among the 49 participants with a 90-stroke total. Pictured above from the left to right are all the Gorham golfers: Caron, McKenzie Coyne, Lucas Roop, O'Neill, John Ennis, Max Johnson and Tuttle.

Upcoming GHS Varsity Sports Events

Saturday, October 25

Boys' Cross Country Regional Meet, time and place TBD

Girls' Cross Country Regional Meet, time and place TBD


Football @ Fryeburg Academy, 1:30 p.m.

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

sports Etc.

USM Women's Basketball Shooting Clinic for Girls: November 2, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Costello Sports Complex on the Gorham campus for grades 3-10. Participants should bring lunch, sneakers and appropriate clothing. \$35 fee in advance, \$45 day of clinic. FMI or to register, visit: www.southernmainehuskies.com/fanZone/clinics.



USM Men's Basketball Shooting Clinic for Boys: November 9 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Costello Sports Complex on the Gorham campus for grades 3-10. Participants should bring lunch, sneakers and appropriate clothing. Players will be grouped by grade and ability. \$45 fee in advance, \$50 the day of clinic. FMI, email coach Karl Henrikson at karlh@usm.maine.edu or register at <http://www.southernmainehuskies.com/fanZone/clinics>.



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In the Zone

State Fishing Champs: For the third year in a row, Alex Williamson (left) of Gorham won the individual Maine B.A.S.S. Nation High School fishing championship at Pemaquid Lake in Nobleboro. On September 13, he and teammate Daniel Rodgers (right) combined to win the team championship for the second straight year.

Second in Western Maine: The GHS field hockey team finished the regular season 13-1 and ranked second in Western Maine Class A. The team was scheduled to open the playoffs October 21 at home vs. the winner of the Cheverus-Portland game.

Cross Country Standouts: GHS freshman Anna Slager has finished first in five of six multi-team meets for the girls' cross country

team this season. In the fifth event, she finished second. Ben Foster, a GHS senior, won the Fit at 5K race that took place October 11th in Portland.

Hat Trick by Half Time: Jackson Fotter scored a hat trick in a 4-0 GHS boys' soccer win over Noble on October 9th, scoring all three goals in the first half. At press time, the team remained undefeated with a record of 10-0-3 and one more game left in the regular season on October 21.

Gorham Grad Named Assistant College Coach: Former GHS three-sport (soccer, basketball, softball) stand-out Rachele Burns (GHS Class of 2009) has been named as an assistant coach for USM women's basketball team.

GYSA Continues the Fight Against Cancer

By TARA BENSON
Staff Writer

Once again, the Gorham Youth Soccer Association (GYSA) gathered on the hill outside of the Maine Children's Cancer Center to help raise funds to cure childhood cancer. On Saturday September 20th, approximately 200 soccer players and their family members joined the community of Scarborough to run, walk, laugh, take pictures and enjoy a fun day with a great cause— Maine Children's Cancer Walk.

Maureen Higgins, who is a Cancer Health Outreach Educator for the Patrick Dempsey Center for Cancer Hope and Healing, has organized the GYSA walk team for years. She herself had children who grew up playing soccer for GYSA and joined the walk in 2003.

And she remembers her first walk well. It was the first walk in the memory of 11-year-old Lauren Hawkes. Lauren was a happy healthy Gorham child who loved to dance and play soccer with GYSA. She was diagnosed in June of 2001 and received a bone marrow transplant from an anonymous donor to treat her Acute Myelogenous Leukemia. She felt well enough to walk the event in 2002 with her soc-

cer team. Then, on July 21, 2003, Lauren died of complications from a bone graft rejection.

Nancy Hawkes, Laurens mother, remembers Lauren telling her that there were other kids "sicker" and worse off than her. "Although it is an emotional day for me, it's so good to see the GYSA here walking in Lauren's memory," Hawkes said. "These kids really get it. They get that not every kid gets to run and jump."

Hawkes was joined by her family and friends who rally to raise money for the annual event. GYSA raised \$5,000 for 2014 and over \$200,000 in the past nine years since Laurens passing. "These kids have ownership of doing something good in an important and powerful way," Higgins said while gazing out at the masses of youth around her.

When asked why GYSA continues to participate each year, current GYSA President Rob Callahan said, "Gorham has given so much to our kids. They understand their role in giving back to the community as well. Basically, the kids know, it is so much more than soccer"

For more information on GYSA's participation in the Maine Children's Cancer Walk, visit www.gorhamyouthsoccer.com/index.php/mccp-walk.

ern Maine as a possible place where we would like to live, and when the Gorham position opened up, it was the perfect opportunity," Gradone says.

During his first three months in Gorham, Gradone says he found Gorham to be a very strong family-oriented, close-knit community. "Families in Gorham love to participate, and they also offer to help out a lot," Gradone adds. "We have strong participation from the younger kids' pro-

grams all the way up to the adult ages. This past summer we had 22 teams in our adult softball league."

At press time, Mike and Stephanie were getting ready to move into their new home in Buxton. Mike is very much looking forward getting to know more families throughout the town: "Everyone has been very welcoming, and I look forward to running our wide variety of programs, from the traditional sports to Tai Chi and even Pickleball, which is huge among adults."

Meet Mike Gradone: The New Guy at Gorham Rec

By JEFF PIKE
Sports Editor

In June, Mike Gradone was hired as the new Director of Youth/Adult Sports & Community Events for the Gorham Recreation Department, replacing Alan Grady who had excelled in the position for several years. Gradone plans to continue most of the programs Grady started and hopes to add some new ones. He coordinated a family cookout at the Little Falls Recreation Area on September 28 and has also been appointed as the Executive Director of New Year Gorham.

"Mike brings Gorham a new and fresh perspective on community recreation," says Cindy Hazelton the Director of the Gorham Recreation Department. "His experience with adult programming at Boston Ski and Sports speaks very highly of his organizational, problem solving and personal outreach capabilities. He is also professional on all levels—we are pleased to have Mike on our team."

Gradone worked at Boston Ski and Sports for 10 years after growing up on Cape Cod. After he earned his Master's in Sports Management,



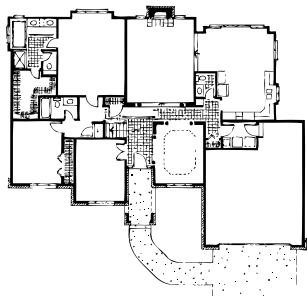
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Mike Gradone, the new Director of Youth/Adult Sports & Community Events for the Gorham Recreation Department.

he decided to transition to a career in municipal recreation. "My wife Stephanie and I had picked south-

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New Year Gorham Annual Auction

By VIRGINIA WILDER CROSS
New Year Gorham

On Friday evening, October 24, the committee planning New Year Gorham will present its annual auction to support the town's New Year's Eve celebration. The auction will feature both silent and live bidding for items valued as low as \$5 to more than \$300.

"In addition the wide variety of items for the silent auction, we are excited about the higher valued items we will offer at the live auction," remarked Bruce Roullard who is co-chairing the auction with Alice Grover. "This year we went beyond our local vendors to seek other kinds of valuable items up for bid." Among the offerings are: an overnight package at Foxwoods Casino, which includes

dinner; beautiful original art; tickets to Bruins games; auto detailing; antiques; six hours of contractor work, and much more.

"Folks will enjoy live musical entertainment as well as a cash bar and a complimentary assortment of refreshments," Roullard continued. "Whether or not people come ready to bid, we know they will have a good time—but, we believe everyone will be tempted by several of the good deals on the auction block."

The silent auction will begin at 7 p.m. and bids will be open until 8:30 p.m. Auctioneer Duane Dreger will open the live auction at approximately 8:30 p.m.

The event will be held at Spire 29, located at 29 School Street. Auction proceeds will support New Year Gorham, a community-wide and family-friendly celebration of performing arts.



New Year Gorham Annual Auction Friday October 24

What: The silent auction will feature more than 80 items valued from \$5 and up.

The live auction will feature various higher-valued items such as an overnight package to Foxwoods Resort, tickets to a Bruins game, original artwork, six hours of contractor work, antiques, auto detailing, and much, much more.

Live entertainment!

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Where: The Spire 29
29 School Street, Gorham Village

When: Friday October 24 7-9:30 PM

Why: Proceeds sponsor an affordable family-friendly New Year's Eve celebration featuring fabulous entertainment!

Partial list of auction items:

One night stay at the Foxwoods Resort Casino, \$100 Foxwoods Gift Card, \$50 Mobile Gas Card
Two tix for two Bruins games
Two Will Middlebrooks Sea Dogs bobbleheads
New Weber Smokey Joe portable charcoal grill
Auto detailing @ Lee Auto Mall
Tuesday night Ski & Ride at Shawnee Peak with Gorham Rec. Includes lift ticket, transportation, & rentals
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OF INTEREST

Three young entrepreneurs from Gorham presented their items for sale as part of the **Young Entrepreneurs Zone at the Common Ground Fair** in September. **Autumn Heil**, owner of Autumn Originals, creates hand-sewn items such as dragon sculptures, original watercolor note cards and one-of-a-kind designed iPad bags. **Grant and Mason Hawkes**, of Hawkeye Designs, create leather pouches, bow drills, hand carved wood spoons and Mason's bee houses.



Author Brian Daniels will join the **Baxter Memorial Library** on Thursday, Oct. 23 at 6:30 p.m. to talk about his book, "Thoughts of an Average Joe." Daniels usually brings along a guitar and sings humorous songs inspired by his stories. FMI, 222-1190.

The **North Gorham Public Library** invites Gorham voters to meet the candidates running for House District 129 and Senate District 6 on Thursday, Oct. 16 from 7-8:30 p.m. Tyler Kinney and Andrew Mclean, candidates for the Maine House, and Senate candidates Jim Boyle and Amy Volk will answer questions from the audience. Candidates for Gorham Town Council and Gorham School Committee will be introduced. The event will be held in the community room of the fire barn next to library at the corner of North Gorham Road and Standish Neck Road. FMI, 892-2575.



Fiddle-icious, Maine's largest fiddle orchestra, will perform on Saturday, Nov. 1, 7:30 p.m. at the **McCormick Performing Arts Center**, Gorham High School. Tickets at the door. \$10/children under 12 free!

The **Gorham Conservation Commission** invites Gorham families and business owners to join them at their very first "Volunteer Trail Day," Sunday, Oct. 26. This trail day will be focused on constructing and rebuilding the Tannery Brook Preserve trail system, located just off 10 Wentworth Drive (Gorham Savings Bank administrative offices). FMI, facebook.com/GorhamConservationCommission

The **8th Annual Haunted House at First Parish Church in Gorham** will be held on Friday, Oct. 24 and Saturday, Oct. 25 from 7-10 p.m. Tour the 200-year-old historic landmark while it is converted to an asylum of dark terrors and horror. Not recommended for anyone under age 5. Children under age 10 require adult supervision. Costumes encouraged! Kids \$5, Adults \$7, Family 4-pack \$20.

The **American Heart Association** will offer a **First Aid and CPR Certification Class** Monday, Nov. 10 and 17 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Cressey Road United Methodist Church. (\$15 for book optional - order by October 27) \$2.50 for certification card. Call 839-3111 to register.

A **Retirement Party for Chief Ronald Shepard** will be held on Saturday, Nov. 8 at the **Italian Heritage Center** in Portland beginning with a 5 p.m. social hour (cash bar), 6 p.m. dinner, and 7 p.m. video and presentation. \$37.50 per person (includes gratuity & gift). Please make checks payable to: Gorham PBA and mail to Julie Flanigan, 270 Main St., Gorham. RSVP to Julie 222-1660 Ext. 1, by Oct. 31, 2014. Payment must arrive by Nov. 3.



Dance Studio of Maine Dancers Natalie Brackett of Westbrook and **Maddie Poulin** of Gorham choreographed portions of a televised flash mob that aired on WPXT the CW's new hit show "The Flash" on Oct. 7 & 14. Brackett and Poulin, along with Dance Studio of Maine owner Trish Moulton, choreographed and directed the dance performance along with 30 other dancers made up of fellow dancers, parents, families.



Area residents enjoy reading the *Gorham Times* on the ferry dock on the Aran Islands off the coast of Ireland at the mouth of Galway Bay. Back: **David Michaud, Gary Dunlap, Laurie Dunlap, Brian Labanowski, Ed Dyson, Jack McCormack & Cindy McCormack**. Front: **Sharon Michaud, Jean Labanowski & Kathleen Dyson**.



USM NOTES

Piano Master Class with Andreas Klein on Thursday, Oct. 30 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Corthell Concert Hall, Gorham campus. Free and open to the public. FMI, usm.maine.edu

A Master Class on How to Audition with Mezzo-Soprano Megan Marino on Friday, Nov. 7 from 1:30 to 4:40 p.m. at Corthell Concert Hall, Gorham campus; Free and open to the public. FMI, usm.maine.edu.

USM Student-Athletes Annual Community Halloween Party, Thursday, Oct 30, 5-7:30 p.m., Hill Gym in the Costello Sports Complex. Pumpkin bowling, hayride, haunted house, face painting. Open to children in grade 8 and under. Free.

ON-GOING EVENTS

The **Gorham Food Pantry**, located at 299-B Main St. (parking lot of St. Anne's Catholic Church), is open every Thursday morning from 9 to 11 a.m. and the second and fourth Wednesday of every month from 6 to 7 p.m. Free for Gorham residents in need. FMI, 222-4351 or visit www.gorhamfoodpantry.org.

The **Lakes Region Senior Center**, White Rock Grange at 33 Wilson Road (off Rt. 237), is a great place for daily socializing, independent activities and good conversation. Mahjong lessons on Monday; poker, crafting and card games on Tuesday; Chair Yoga with a Nutrition and Weight Support Group on Wednesday; and Bingo on Thursday. FMI, call Cheryl 892-9879 or Blanche 892-5604.

The **Gorham Medical Closet** located at the Municipal Center, 75 South St., is free and available to Gorham residents in need of portable wheelchairs, hospital beds, shower seats, commodes, walkers, canes and more. FMI, call 839-4579, 839-3630 or 839-3936.

CLOSE TO HOME

The **Parson Smith House**, 93 River Road, Windham will celebrate the **250th Anniversary of its construction** on Saturday, Oct. 25 and Sunday, Oct. 26. The Windham Historical Society will host the two-day event from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. \$10 Donation/12 and under free. FMI, 650-7484.

Elite fly fisherman and photographer **Tim Shaw** will present slides and expert commentary on the **amazing fly-fishing opportunities** that Maine waters offer on Tuesday, Oct. 21 at 7 p.m. American Legion Post 62, 17 Dunn St., Westbrook. Open and free to the public. FMI, dlivingstonemiller@gmail.com.

Celebrating the Great Maine Outdoor Weekend on Sept. 27, local residents joined the Portland Water District to launch a fleet of 26 kayaks where the Sticky River meets Sebago Lake in Standish. A common loon family, bald eagles, painted turtles, fragrant water lilies, and whirligig beetles were just a few sights as kayakers paddled leisurely through the open water marsh into Sebago Lake.

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Antique Tractor Days at Parson's Farm

BY JACOB ADAMS
Staff Writer

Engines churned and idled October 11 and 12 at Parson's Farm on Buck Street. Tractors trudged through the fields as onlookers took pictures and checked out the antique equipment. Revelers chewed the fat and the delicious meals prepared by the Parson Family.

Hundreds of people, ranging in age from one to ninety, attended the two-day event that was sponsored by the Maine Antique Tractor Association. There were nineteen antique tractors from all over the state, varied in style and shape, which kept the steady plowing interesting. Many onlookers eventually participated by plowing a row or, at the very least, sitting in the driver's seat for a photo-op.

David McCullough, event coordinator and member of the Maine Antique Tractor Association, was present and had conversation and intellect to share with all who attended. McCullough's 12-year-old grandson, Nolan, was also in attendance and plowed just as many rows as the old timers.

McCullough hopes to encourage more folks to participate in the future. The plow rally presents an opportunity for people with older equipment at home to utilize it when they may not get to. He also stressed that the tractors don't necessarily



Photo credit Jacob Adams

This young calf acted as the welcoming committee to spectators at Parson's Farm.

essarily need to be antiques to participate. "You can bring anything, old or new."

A few brands plowing were McCormick, Ford, Deere and Oliver - not one seemed to be over represented, so the colors in the field were varied and created a stark contrast to the freshly turned soil. In less than eight hours the sixty-acre field was plowed (in some spots more than once!) and the practicing farmers were ready to start up again for the second day.

This was the event's third year at the Parson Farm, and they would be hard pressed to find a better venue! The land was flat, perfect for plowing. The food and company were outstanding. And being on a farm, there was also a young calf happily greeting guests.



Photo credit Jacob Adams

Young and old alike plowed together during Antique Tractor Days. Pictured on a 1952 Ford 8N is Nolan, the grandson of event coordinator David McCullough.

Local Farm Grant CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Bibula says by the end of spring 2016 they will have eight acres. All of the apples grown at Plowshares are of a very unique variety not found in grocery stores. They are also disease resistant, requiring very little spraying. Raspberries and high bush blueberries will also be available.

In addition to the orchard and berries, there will be new refrigerated cases for displaying fruits, vegetables, cheeses, and meats that will increase their selling capacity. This grant will also fund community programs that will be free to the public. Bibula says there will be 18 to 20 informative programs in the future, including presentations on locally sourced meat, cheeses, fruits, and even the possibility of

having local chefs. On October 25th there will be an apple cider and cranberry program.

Plowshares Farm is committed to the community and providing local food for everyone in Gorham and beyond. With this grant, they have begun advertising with a Maine marketing firm to get their message of farming with integrity out to even more people and become a destination for sustainable local farming. Their store, open year-round, carries products from all over Maine and the farm has a family-friendly orchard that even has trees sized with toddlers in mind so everyone can join in on the fun.

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Marchand Returns to the Gorham Times



Photo courtesy of Roger Marchand

Roger Marchand has returned to writing and taking photographs for the Gorham Times after a nine-year hiatus while he served on the Gorham School Committee. He previously covered the By-Pass Public Advisory Committee from fall 2000 to spring 2002 and the School Committee from November 2001 to November 2004.

He is recently retired after 53 years as a teacher and school administrator. Marchand is proud to say that during his time as an educator, he had the pleasure of teaching students from kindergarten through graduate school. He was also an administrator in both public and private schools.

He and his wife Peggy have lived in the same house in Gorham for 38 years. Both of his children graduated from Gorham High School and currently live in Maine after years of studying and working in other parts of the country and overseas.

Kayaking has become an important part of Marchand's life. He and

Peggy kayak the Presumpscot and Saco Rivers and any lake or pond that they come upon. From spring to mid-fall their Taurus wagon will often be seen topped with two red kayaks awaiting the next water adventure.

Photography has become a passion for Marchand and has become an integral part

of his life. He has taken pictures since his parents initially gave him a Donald Duck camera when he was eight. Four years ago, when he finally had more time to himself, Marchand decided to use the camera as an active way of viewing the world around him. He now keeps his camera with him at all times and continues to snap photos around town in hopes they will be useful to the Times.

Marchand says he is excited about the opportunity to write again for the paper.

By the way, watch out for that Taurus with the two kayaks on top. He may be in a rush to get in some last minute kayaking.

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By JAN WILLIS

Recently I had the opportunity to attend two "author talks."

The first was Sue Miller at Longfellow Books in Portland promoting her latest novel, "The Arsonist." To date, Miller's highest selling novel was her first one, "The Good Mother." Miller said whenever someone says to her, "I loved your book," she knows they are referring to the first one. "The Arsonist" is set in a small town in New Hampshire. There is a divide between the year-round residents and the "summer people." Fires are being set, but only at the residences of the summer folk.

The main characters are Frankie who has just returned from Africa, and Bud who left Washington, DC to move to the small town and buy the local paper. Their love story unfolds as Frankie deals with the onset of her father's struggle with Alzheimer's disease.

Several years ago, when Miller was living near Jefferson, New Hampshire, an arsonist was setting fires in the area. As I read the novel, I was drawn back to a few years ago when someone was setting fires in Gorham. Although the arsonist only targeted empty buildings, there was definitely fear in the community, which Miller vividly captures in her novel.

Miller compared her writing process to playing with dolls. She moves the

characters around. "He says this, and then she says that. They begin to reveal who they most deeply are, and then I revamp it." She termed it "pleasurable intervention."



Anthony Doerr was featured the following Saturday at Books-A-Million in South Portland. Roughly 30 people attended his PowerPoint presentation, which included an essay that explained how he got to the point of writing "All the Light We Cannot See." Although Doerr has published two short story collections, a memoir, and another novel, this is his "break-out" book. On that day, it was currently selling two books per minute, and more than 130 people were on the waiting list at the Portland Public Library. Doerr, a Bowdoin graduate, said one of the central questions he tries to address is, "Is it right to do something just because everyone else is?"

The book is set before, during, and after World War II. Doerr attempts to show the humanity of the characters and to have the reader understand that each experience is unique. He wants the reader to come away from the book thinking, "The truth is more complicated than I thought." Doerr's stated goal is "to nudge the world towards goodness." I loved this book. I resisted it for a long time because I did not want to read another book dealing with World War II, but this novel is unlike any other WWII book. Don't miss it.

Gorham Sightings



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Gorham School of Music: Expanded Location, Individualized Lessons



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Piano student Ivy Manning.

BY LEIGH-PAIGE SMITH
Gorham Business Exchange

Community. That was the sound that resonated from a recent visit to the Gorham School of Music.

Matt Wasowski and Jim Svendsen, founders and teachers of Gorham School of Music, accidentally stumbled upon the Gorham location for the school after realizing they had no desire to continue hauling marimbas, drum kits and guitars up and down three flights of stairs each time they had a performance or lesson. After looking around Portland and Westbrook, they met with Jon Smith to tour the space he had available at 17C Railroad Avenue. Initially, Matt and Jim thought the space was too large for their needs, but the School quickly grew to fill not only the initial space, but also three additional newly built classrooms. This space has allowed them to create the framework for their community, one note at a time.

Since opening the school a year and a half ago, Wasowski and Svendsen, along with eight other teachers from the local music community, have held countless recitals, lessons and jam sessions.

They pride themselves with having created a strong music community, not just a "lesson mill." A guitar session with Wasowski is liable to be an opportunity for Svendsen to join in with his bass, which, in turn, enhances Wasowski's lesson and creates new music. This type of collaboration is a key component of the school's mission. They strive to connect people together through music by forming ensem-

bles, writing songs, etc.—all based on rhythms. It is not unusual for Svendsen to distribute the same list of music to teachers, who, in turn, teach that music based on the student's particular instrument. This creates a rhythm that works to build confidence within each student for their particular part.

Svendsen and Wasowski hope to create a Community Center within their school—a place for students to come jam or just an open door for kids to come and practice their instruments anytime, aside from their scheduled lessons.

The Gorham School of Music teaches students of all ages—as young as five to the “we-don’t-ask ages.” The teachers tailor each lesson on what the student hopes to get out of it. They get to know students by first asking key questions such as: Why do you want to do this? Do you want to be a performer? Are you doing this for fun? What do you think your style is? Their answers determine how the lessons flow. The goal is to individualize each lesson by allowing the student to decide what genre best suits them and which songs they prefer.

Svendsen and Wasowski hope to create a Community Center within their school—a place for students to come jam or just an open door for kids to come and practice their instruments anytime, aside from their scheduled lessons. The goal for the school is to reach out and collaborate with other businesses while continuing to build their business and give back to the community.

To learn more about the Gorham School of Music, their teachers, the variety of lessons they provide, and their mission, visit gorhamschoolofmusic.com.



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Throwback to the 2004 Blotter

Shaws Mill Road caller reported two people were fighting and one had a metal pipe. She was confused as to what was going on and said she paid taxes and expected the police would come and help her. Officer went to the scene and determined subjects had separated.

Dundee Road caller advised he was out looking for three of his calves if the police should get any calls about them.

Car driving on Mosher Road was throwing eggs at oncoming traffic.

Suspicious activity on New Portland Road was man waiting for church to open.

Bartlett Road caller reported a tractor-trailer truck had run over shrubbery.

Caller said man was looking through the window of Goodwill with binoculars. It was a husband watching his wife shop and he told officer they “do this sort of thing all the time.”

Woman reported a subject all in black was talking loudly on a cell phone and she could hear some vulgar language. Man walked down Hemlock Street and she had not seen him since.

Paige Drive caller reported that his brother has been calling his girlfriend names and he had pushed his brother as a result of this. His brother retaliated and knocked his tooth partially out. He did not want rescue. Both brothers were arrested for assault.

Wood Road man reported that during the night cows made a mess of his yard and knocked down small trees and bushes. Officer spoke with owner of cows and the two neighbors agreed to work it out.

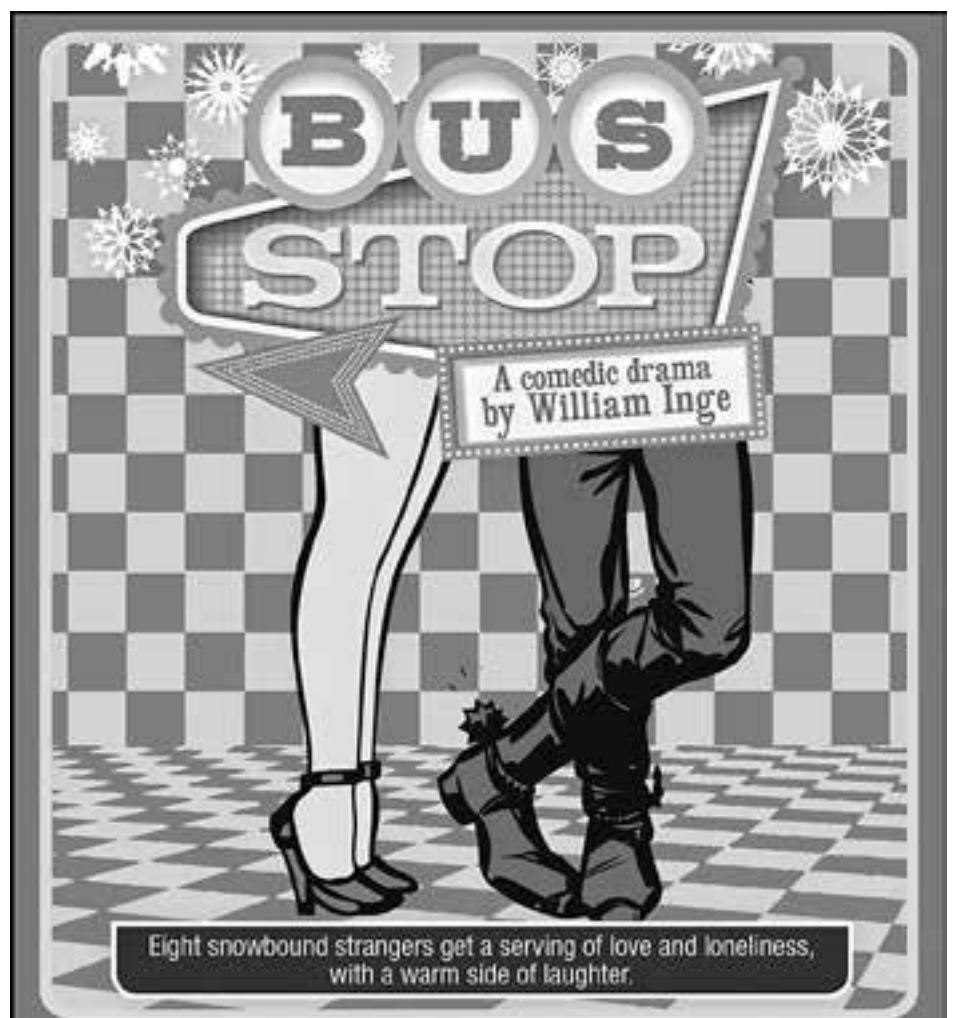
Officer gave verbal warning for speeding to German tourists.

Call about a disabled vehicle on Ossipee Trail turned out to be two older ladies looking for bottles.

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CALENDAR

THURSDAY, OCT. 23

- Author Brian Daniels, "Thoughts of an Average Joe," 6:30 p.m., Baxter Memorial Library. FMI, 222-1190.
- Baby and Me with books, music and movement, 9:30 a.m. ages birth-18 mos., Baxter Memorial Library.
- Toddler Time, 10 a.m., ages 18-36 mos., Baxter Memorial Library.

FRIDAY, OCT. 24

- K-12 Conferences. No school for students.
- Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Benefit Dinner, St. Anne's Church, Gorham, 5-6:30 p.m. "Operation Tribute" provides toys and books to the children of Maine's military families. FMI, 221-0296.
- ArtoberFest (formerly the Gorham Art Fair), 6-9 p.m., Shaw Gym, Gorham. FMI, gorhamartsalliance.org.
- Haunted House at First Parish Church, 7-10 p.m. \$5/\$7/\$20. Not recommended for kids 5 and under.
- New Year Gorham Annual Auction, Spire 29 on the Square, Silent Auction 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCT. 25

- ArtoberFest (formerly the Gorham Art Fair), 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Shaw Gym, Gorham. FMI, gorhamartsalliance.org.
- Final Greater Gorham Farmers Market of the 2014 season, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., South St. next to Baxter Memorial Library.
- Super Saturday Story Time in the Gazebo with Sue Sedenka, 11 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.
- Haunted House at First Parish Church, 7-10 p.m. \$5/\$7/\$20. Not recommended for kids 5 and under.

SUNDAY, OCT. 26

- Gorham Conservation Commission "Volunteer Trail Day," Tannery Brook Preserve, off 10 Wentworth Drive. FMI, facebook.com/GorhamConservationCommission.
- Gorham Lions Club Open House, 1-4 p.m. Gorham Lions Den, 414 South Street, Gorham. FMI, 839-6569 or nwedge@maine.rr.com.

MONDAY, OCT. 27

- Gorham Republican Committee meeting, 6:30 p.m. All registered Republicans are welcome. FMI, 415-2673.

TUESDAY, OCT. 28

- MemoryWorks Memory Café, 1 p.m., Gorham House Sunroom. Share your memory concerns with others. FMI, 797-7891.
- Pre-School Story Time and Halloween parade, 9:30 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 29

- Town of Gorham Senior Lunch Program, St. Anne's Church, Gorham. 12-1:30 p.m. \$4. FMI, 839-4857.

THURSDAY, OCT. 30

- Baby and Me with books, music and movement, 9:30 a.m. ages birth-18 mos., Baxter Memorial Library.
- Toddler Time, 10 a.m., ages 18-36 mos., Baxter Memorial Library.

SUNDAY, NOV. 2

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

TUESDAY, NOV. 4

- Gorham Cancer Prayer and Support Group, 6 p.m., Cressey Road United Methodist Church. All are welcome. FMI, 321-1390 or 839-3111.
- Pre-school Story Time with Walter the Iguana, ages 3-5, 9:30 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 5

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Baxter Memorial Library, 71 South St.

Cressey Road United Methodist Church, 81 Cressey Rd.

First Parish Church, 1 Church St.

Gorham House, 50 New Portland Rd.

Gorham Lions Den, 414 South St.

Greater Gorham Farmers Market, South St. next to Baxter Memorial Library

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