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## GBE Marketplace: The Herald of Spring!

BY JEFF PIKE  
*Gorham Business Exchange  
Marketplace Chair*

If you are looking to shake off the winter doldrums and jump into spring, you just might want to check out the Gorham Business Exchange Marketplace event. It takes place this Saturday, March 28 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the USM Costello Field House.

Marketplace has become an annual spring kick-off tradition in Gorham for the past 18 years. If you have not been before, it is a great way to simply get out of the house after this long cold winter and connect with many of your Gorham friends and local business owners.

While Marketplace is a great way to get to know Gorham business owners and find great deals on products and services from the 60+ businesses that will be on display, Marketplace is also a lot of fun. Gorham youth will be out in full force to display their wonderful talents.

This includes the Gorham Middle School Chorus as well as two Marketplace mainstays for many years—The Greater Portland School of Jukado and The Dance Studio of Maine. Another long-time favorite, Moody's Collision Centers, is back once again to demon-

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## GYBSA, Gorham Rec. Dept. Make Progress on Baseball/Softball Resolution

BY JEFF PIKE  
*Sports Editor*

The Gorham Youth Baseball and Softball Association (GYBSA) and the Gorham Recreational Department have continued their discussions over the past month to resolve how the town's Cal Ripken Baseball and Babe Ruth Softball programs will be administered for the upcoming season. These two leagues have served players in the eight through 12 year-old age groups in recent years.

The issues the two organizations have been working on include determining which one will collect player registration fees. They have also been

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## The Village People Tri for a Cure

BY SHERI FABER  
*Staff Writer*

On July 26, more than 4,000 women will take part in Tri for a Cure, which raises funds for cancer research and support through the Maine Cancer Foundation. For the fourth year, Village School staff will participate. They named their relay team the Village People. The first year they had one team of three, then three teams for the next two years, and this year they have nine teams of three, with all but two from Village School. Each team has one runner who does a 5K race, a swimmer who swims 1/3 mile in the ocean (wearing a wet suit) and a biker who does 15 miles.

The event is held at Southern Maine Community College (SMCC) where bikers ride to Crescent Beach and back, run by Bug Light and swim off the beach near SMCC. All along the route supporters with signs of encouragement such as "running is easier than cancer." Tri for the Cure is a nationwide program but only in Maine

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Photo courtesy of Mia DeSanctis

Members of the Village People include (front row, L-R): Mia DeSanctis, Allison Penley, Kim Meggison, Deidre Hamblen, Marcia Smith, Beth Kellogg, Sue Adams-Thompson, Beth Perkins; (back row, L-R): Jodi Mezzanotte, Nichole Lagasse, Samantha Morton, Danielle Underhill, Kathy Donnelly, Cindy Blake, Carrie Foley, Rebecca West. Not pictured: Lois Byewaters, Hollis Cobb, Mia DeSanctis, Kim Fadrigon, Cheryl Fotter, Betsy Fox, Jan Galloway, Andrea Hyland, Patti Joyce, Beth Kellogg, Nancy Owens, Anne Stuart and Gail Treforn-Kelly.

## Operation Tribute Founder Being Investigated for Fraud

BY SHERI FABER  
*Staff Writer*

Marc Badeau was well known in the Gorham community. He had served on the finance committee at St. Anne's Church, was a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Portland Kiwanis and was on the board of the Gorham Food Pantry and the Gorham Economic Development Corporation (GEDC). He was instrumental in obtaining a \$40,000 grant that allowed the Food Pantry to purchase their current facility and was a well-regarded member of the GEDC.

In 2007, Badeau founded a non-profit organization, Operation Tribute, which raised money to provide holiday gifts for the children of active members of the military throughout New England as well as in New York, New Jersey, Ohio and Pennsylvania. The organization was named Maine's outstanding non-profit in 2011. In 2012, Governor LePage declared December Operation Tribute month in Maine. Operation Tribute reported

having provided gifts to 4,800 children in Maine in 2012. Badeau reported revenues of \$476,000 in 2012 and expenses of \$463,000. Vermont's Governor Peter Shumlin named December 2013, Operation Tribute month in Vermont. Badeau told an undercover agent that he had sent out 34,000 gifts in 2013 and expected to send out 36,000 in 2014.

Badeau was born and raised in Lewiston and graduated from Bentley College with a degree in accounting.

In 1998, Badeau was living in Massachusetts and was the Chief Financial Officer of Cambridge Trust. An FBI investigation determined that he had stolen \$670,000 from Cambridge Trust using false bank entries. He was convicted in 1999 and sentenced to 18 months in federal prison.

In Gorham, Badeau's wife Margherita (Margo) is listed as the owner of their house on DeWayns Way, which was purchased in 2003 for \$278,000.

Badeau operated a business, Top Shelf Collectibles, and funneled money

raised from Operation Tribute through this business to buy toys, books and gifts for the children of military families. Between 2009 and July 2014, Operation Tribute raised \$1.14 million of which 93% was spent through Top Shelf Collectibles.

In December of 2014, the FBI obtained a search warrant for the home on DeWayns Way and the United States Attorney's office filed court papers to seize \$315,000 in several of the Badeau's bank accounts.

The Badeaus were targets of multiple investigations by several federal agencies. In January 2015, federal agents entered into plea negotiations with Marc and Margo. The Badeaus were accused of using money from Operation Tribute for cash (\$230,000), mortgage payments (\$138,000), vehicles (\$25,000), college tuition (\$24,000), and more than \$7,000 at New Hampshire State Liquor Stores. Another \$740,000 went to pay credit card bills

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# LePage Budget Cuts Its Way Into More Problems For Maine

REP. LINDA SANBORN

With the slogan "Vacationland" printed on each license plate, it is no secret that Maine's most successful industry is tourism. Visitors flock from near and far to enjoy our state's outdoor recreation and breathtaking scenery.

This multi-billion dollar industry depends on the maintenance and regulation of Maine's lands and reserves, and for that we rely in part on the Bureau of Parks and Lands, which is slated to be dissolved under the governor's budget proposal.

According to a report by the Maine Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Maine's tourism industry supports 85,500 jobs—or 13 percent of the state's overall employment. Of the 28 million visitors attracted to our state in 2012, 2.6 million were first time visitors, whose spending generated over \$70 million in tax revenue for the state. On average, the industry generates nearly \$5 billion annually.

Tourism is the backbone of many other industries in Maine and the revenue it generates supports countless initiatives, programs and services that help grow our economy, create jobs and improve our quality of life.

Gutting the departments and bureaus that support our state's tourism industry would cut the legs out from underneath our already struggling economy and jeopardize tens of thousands of jobs—and that's what the budget proposal would do.

The proposal collapses the Bureau of Parks and Lands, placing the management of more than 600,000 public acres under a newly created Bureau of Conservation. The move would eliminate important positions in forestry, policy and science, leaving many Mainers without a voice when it comes to protecting lands in Maine.

Moreover, this merger would produce a significant conflict of interest between doing what is best for the protection of Maine lands and what will produce the most revenue for the Forestry Service, which advocates for the forestry industry in Maine.

This plan would undoubtedly result in greater commercial access to public lands, leading to further degradation and exploitation of Maine's natural resources and beautiful landscapes—further depreciating our tourism industry. According to testimony by Walt Whitcomb, commissioner of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, it's "no secret" that logging would increase on public lands should the merger go through.

I hope lawmakers on both sides of the aisle can recognize the negative consequences of this element of the budget and will work together to save our forest rangers, our Bureau of Parks and Lands and our natural resources.

This example is indicative of the approach taken throughout the budget proposal. By cutting and gutting existing resources and departments, the plan not only terminates the employment of hardworking Mainers and law enforcement officers, but also mutes the voice of all Maine people who want to protect the wilderness they have come to cherish.

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## 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 Editor:

Our heartfelt appreciation goes out to the community of Gorham for the outpouring of love sent our way following the recent passing of our dad, Paul M. Neal. He was proud to have grown up here, raised his family here, retired here, and now Gorham will be his final resting place beside our mom, Barbara, his wife of 62 years. Dad always smiled when telling others that for his entire life, the places he called home were always within a few miles from each other, right here in Gorham. He considered this community to be part of his extended family, to the point that even the license plates on his cars read "Gorham."

He had an impact on a great many lives, as a volunteer with Gorham Fire Department, and later the Rescue Squad, or cooking for large crowds at church dinners. He was a Boy Scout leader, a business owner, an avid outdoorsman, and a Korean War veteran. He and Mom were devoted members of the First Parish Church and choir. Later in life he earned two degrees and practiced respiratory therapy. He was an amazing man. But to us, he was simply Dad.

Special thanks to the staff of Gorham House, Dad's home for the last several years. Your compassionate care



and friendship allowed Dad to spend his twilight years the way he always enjoyed: among friends and family, with a smile on his face, a story to tell, and always a quick joke at the ready.

We invite all who knew Dad to relive his journey with us, and join in a celebration of his life at the First Parish Church, 1 Church Street, Gorham, on April 11 at 10:30 a.m. Reception to follow.

Sincerely,  
 Stu, Steve, and Cliff Neal

Dear Gorham Times Editor:

According to the Town Council Report in the Gorham Times March 12, 2015 edition, at the March 3 Town Council Meeting the Council voted 5-2 to table a decision to go on record in support of the (Maine) Governor's proposed State budget. I did not find any discussion of this in the official Town Meeting notes online, however,

I thank the five members who voted to table this action and I ask them to not support the Governor's proposed budget, particularly on record as representatives of Gorham residents.

Why would any member of any Maine town council be in favor of a budget that proposes to eliminate state revenue sharing with towns? Why would anyone living in a Maine city or town be in favor of this? The rationales for eliminating revenue sharing are more fool's gold: "The plan would make Maine more competitive by reducing the income tax, creating an incentive for people to live here and have their businesses here." This is highly reminiscent of the infamous "trickle-down theory." That is, if we make life easier for the "haves" (at the expense of those of us who don't have a lot) then they will be attracted, establish great jobs (at great wages of

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### UPCOMING DEADLINES:

Ad Deadline	Publication
April 1	April 9
April 15	April 23

## around town

**Anderson Equipment** opened for business on March 23 on the site of the former Plan-It Recycling in the Gorham Industrial Park.

**Porter Drywall** has vacated their site in the Industrial Park.

# From Gorham Sidewalks To Paris Catwalks

## The male supermodel from Gorham

By JEFFREY CARPENTER, M.ED.  
staff, Gorham Middle School

Not until recently did Gorham resident Liam Little realize a dream that had been on the back burner for a while.

A couple of years ago his mother kept mentioning he should be a male model. He had the looks, the charisma, and the industry standard height/weight, yet his level of self-confidence was just not ready. Three months ago, he decided to take a chance.

His sister Sophie, an amateur photographer, took some head and body shots. They both felt the photos were really good and decided, after researching the best male modeling agencies in New York City, to email them to several agencies. Despite expecting to wait a few months for a response, they got an immediate response.

Quest Modeling Agency sent Little to New York where he met with about seven photographers. Head shots, fashion shots, location shots, and a lot of attention to the details of posing, walking, and various looks with hairstyles and make-up has led to an overnight success as an international male model. Little has just returned from fashion week in Paris with several catwalk turns under his belt. He has also signed with Bananas Agency in Paris, France.

Little spent his youth in the Gorham School System and struggled with attention skills and learning in a standard school environment. He struggled with homework and following through in his schooling. He is 18 years old and vows to finish his GED, which he is working on between modeling gigs.

His family is very supportive yet some of his friends think his chosen career is weird. "I have always thought I would have an alternative career that was non-traditional but allows me to express my creativity," he says.

Little has come from the scrawny, mischievous kid sweeping the streets and parking lots of Gorham with his skateboard to sweeping the catwalks of Paris with his sultry look.

Little also notes, "Your hopes are going up and down constantly, you are waiting around a lot. You have to stay optimistic and not let rejection get to you. You have to be very good at constant last minute travel changes and



Photo credit Kim Weston Arnold

reading maps (sometimes in other languages). You always have to be "on" no matter how you are feeling. You have to be good at first impressions and captivating to people who are judging your potential in a limited way. It is like having up to 12 job interviews in a single

day. You also don't get any feedback unless you are hired for a job."

He describes his current workload as being on call. Little says, "A call can come in and I need to be in Milan,

Italy in two days or in Paris or London. The work is intense and can last for a few days or a week at a time. I get little sleep when I am on location but it is so exciting to see the world and to meet and work not only with designers but with other famous stylists who make me look good in front of the camera."

He says, "My life is totally unpredictable. When I go to New York or one of the European cities, I am at castings and fittings or photo shoots with very little notice, sometimes I am there for a long time. I don't get much sleep during these weeks and my time is not my own. In between [locations] I might be able to get back to Maine for a week or two and it is quiet."

And so is the life of a male supermodel.

*"I have always thought I would have an alternative career that was non-traditional but allows me to express my creativity,"*

# The Gorham Times Welcomes Two New Board Members

The Gorham Times welcomes Alan Bell and George Sotiropoulos to the Board of Directors for three-year terms.

Alan, along with his wife Jane, own the Allstate Insurance office in downtown Gorham.

George, a 2000 GHS grad and attorney, also works with his father Angelo in managing Gorham House of Pizza.

The Gorham Times would also like to thank Katie O'Brien and David Willis for their service as Board members over the past six years.



Alan Bell



George Sotiropoulos

## The Village People Tri for a Cure CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

is it an all women event. Cancer survivors or those currently battling cancer wear pink caps to identify them to the participants.

Special Ed. Tech Marcia Smith commented that Tri for a Cure is an amazing team-building event.

Sue Adams-Thompson, the organizer said, "We are doing this to honor staff, family members and friends who have battled cancer by trying to do something positive." She went on to say, "We are doing it for friends and family who can't do it for themselves."

This event inspires people to get out of their comfort zones and, according to Smith, "nothing will ever feel better" than participating in this event.

Adams-Thompson believes they are

demonstrating to their students that older people can still be active. In participating in this event, they are also showing the value of doing something they might not be comfortable doing in order to benefit others.

According to Smith, the moment people finish their event, "they immediately want to sign up to do it again the next year."

Each participant must raise a minimum of \$350 in order to participate. The Village People Team will hold fundraisers for this program. Anyone wishing to contribute is asked to mail a check made out to Tri for the Cure to Sue Adams-Thompson, Village School, 10 Robie St., Gorham, ME 04038.

## Operation Tribute Founder CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

for Operation Tribute as well as for personal expenses. They also falsified information on the FAFSA forms used to determine the amount of financial assistance available to college students.

Richard Berne, attorney for Operation Tribute, was told about

the investigation and warned the Operation Tribute Board about it. No members of the Board or the charity itself are believed to have had any involvement in any wrongdoing.

On February 27, Badeau committed suicide at his home. The case against Margo remains under investigation.

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# How To Make a Real, Lasting Change

STACEY COLEMAN

Back in December, we held our second annual Ugly Sweater Bootcamp. Everyone showed up in their best corny holiday attire. In combination with the event, we held a food drive for local pantries. All who attended brought bags of groceries for those who need a helping hand during the holiday season. Each time we do events like this, I am overwhelmed by people who take time out of their busy holiday schedules to help others in need.

At My-FIT-24, we focus our attention on a six-part change process to help people reach their goals. We believe that anybody can complete a few workouts and manage their diet, but until they change from the inside, they will not change on the outside.

Exercise science and fat loss are just science. Exercise and fat loss science can be learned, practiced and performed. The equations are calculated, the results are estimated, and the math is done. The reality is that many people fail at their fitness goals because they have not made the change on the inside.

Fact: Most weight loss clients can trace their weight management difficulties back to an event or period of time in their past. They may relate it to a relationship, a stressor, or their job, or some combination of the three.

What is it that people who succeed at overcoming a challenge do differently? The truth is that they heal on the inside. This may be through addressing a childhood hang up, a failed relationship, or in some cases depression.

It may seem like a lot to ask people to do more than show up for the workout and eat as suggested. However, it is important to think about what life sequences have led them to their current situation. Once the obstacles are

identified, we can begin to get over them with steps two through six.

So what does this have to do with the Ugly Sweater Bootcamp/Food Drive? The final step in our six-step process is called "recycle." Recycle is our word for pay-it-forward. The final step in the healing process is to share what you have learned with someone else. Giving to others can help you to heal.

"Give and you shall receive" is not just a good lesson for your kids, it should be a lifelong mission. It feels good to give, especially when you know you will not get anything except the knowledge that you made someone else's day a little bit brighter in return.

We encourage people to share their goal-reaching stories. You do not have to have reached a major goal, or feel accomplished. You may only be starting your journey too. You never know how your story could inspire someone else.

My definition of Recycle: To re-use material, knowledge, or experience in an effort to reduce struggling in the world. Recycling is a process to change your past hurts and obstacles into new accomplishments for others; to prevent waste of potentially useful stories and lessons you have learned; reduce pain and struggling in the world; and to reduce the time it takes for others to go over the same obstacles you have faced by sharing your journey. Recycling is a key component of helping both the giver and the receiver to heal.



Stacey Coleman is Founder/Executive Director/Fitness Coach of My-FIT-24. She has a B.S. in Health and Fitness and 15 years of professional field experience

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course!) and we'll all benefit. The theory has never proven true. The "haves" don't worry about paying more property tax in lieu of revenue sharing for services such as fire, police, trash, public works, etc., because they can afford it! If the town had to drop trash pickup, they can afford private pickup. And so forth. What's the incentive to live here if you can't afford the property tax or town services are reduced?

Gorham voters should take note of Councilors who support a state budget that proposes to eliminate revenue sharing.

Jeff Christiansen

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

I am writing to express public appreciation to the Westbrook High School Wrestling coaches: John Nicholas, a resident of Windham and a teacher in Scarborough, Nick Marchant of Portland, and Peter Grant of Westbrook.

These men welcomed my son, Abraham Eaton, onto the Westbrook team as a Gorham partnership wrestler in 2011. Prior to his first day of practice at Westbrook High School, Abraham had never wrestled. These men invested in him, trained him and taught him like one of their own in spite of the fact he was sometimes forced to face their own Westbrook wrestlers and lose them team points when he won.

In four short seasons, these men turned a novice outsider into the Eastern Maine Regional Champion and second place finisher at the New England Qualifier, Class A, B and C.

These men gave a minimum of 25 hours per week during the season. Practices began before Thanksgiving weekend and Christmas 'break' included almost daily practice and multiple tournaments. February 'vacation' began with the Class A State Tournament, included practices throughout the week, and ended with the New England Qualifier. Every tournament begins with a 5 a.m. bus departure and ends well after supper.

As many coaches hope, these men take boys and turn them into men. These young men then go throughout the state and into New England representing Westbrook and Gorham extremely well.

Last season the primary fundraiser for the Westbrook Wrestling Boosters, the Westbrook Invitational Tournament, was relocated to accommodate a funeral at WHS. This season the tournament was canceled due to

weather—not once, but twice! This has left funding completely depleted. Will you express your thanks to these men by making a contribution? If you are unable to contribute, please send them a note of thanks.

Notes or checks made out to Westbrook Wrestling Boosters may be sent to Westbrook High School, 125 Stroudwater Street, Westbrook, ME 04092 or Gorham High School, 41 Morrill Avenue, Gorham, ME 04038.

Jennifer J. Eaton

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

I am writing this letter to inform you of how the recent "Agreement" between Gorham Rec. and GYBSA will affect the boys who desire to play Cal Ripken baseball in Gorham. As a mother of two boys, I have supported both organizations for years.

The facts: Last year 190 boys ages 8-12 played Cal Ripken baseball on 16 teams sponsored by local businesses and GYBSA. This year GYBSA expected that number to grow as it has the past two years and planned on adding teams to accommodate all who desired to play under Cal Ripken bylaws. Two weeks before tryouts the town restricted this number to 132 players or GYBSA will be unable to use the local baseball fields. This means out of the approximate 160 returning players at least 28 will be cut—not to mention any new or age-eligible boys planning to tryout this season.

Weeks away from opening day, Gorham Rec. is now offering a baseball program for 8-12 year-old boys. I seriously question the quality of this program. But that's not the point. The point is all the boys planning, preparing, and wanting to play Cal Ripken will be unable to. I find this to be a complete disservice to our young athletes.

I am angered that these boys will not be allowed to return to their teams and teammates. I have contacted the town asking why all the returning players will not be accommodated this season and why this is all necessary weeks before the season starts. I have not received an answer to those questions.

It is unacceptable to me, a mother, that any boy in this town will be unable to continue or begin their four-year Cal Ripken experience. Many of them follow in the footsteps of their family members.

To the "lucky" 132 allowed this privilege, I hope you have a memorable season. Good luck boys!

Amber Landre

## Town of Gorham, Maine REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS 10 Preble Street (Property ID# 102-92)

The Town of Gorham, Maine is seeking proposals to purchase the Town owned property located at 10 Preble Street. The lot is an approved Conditional Zone and is approximately 62 feet wide and 210 feet deep. Sealed proposals must be delivered to David Cole, Gorham Town Manager; Town of Gorham; 75 South Street; Gorham, Maine 04038 by Friday, April 10, 2015 at 2:00 PM. Questions should be directed in writing to: David Cole, Town Manager at the above address. Bidders wishing to view the property should contact Jeri Sheldon in the Town Manager's Office at 222-1650.

Copies of the complete RFP package and the adopted Conditional Zone are available on the Town of Gorham website at [www.gorham-me.org](http://www.gorham-me.org) under News and Announcements or call the Town Manager's office at 222-1650.

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# Honoring the Past, Building a Future

The Baxter Memorial Library is the proud recipient of a grant award of \$150,000 from the Next Generation Foundation of Maine. Originally, the grant money was to be put in the Baxter Memorial Library Centennial Endowment Fund. The library is delighted to report that the Next Generation Foundation instead asked the library to have a separate endowment fund in memory of Avis Cloudman. Held in trust by the Town of Gorham, the Avis Cloudman Endowment Fund was recently established for the library.

The library received the following statement from one of the Next Generation Foundation of Maine Trustees.

"The founder of the Next Generation Foundation was not only a voracious reader and avid patron of libraries, but the daughter of Gorham native Avis Cloudman. Two of the foundation's trustees are Avis's granddaughters. This branch of the Cloudman family left Gorham in the 1890s when her father Horace Cloudman died, leaving his widow with five young children and no income. Her mother Charlotte 'Lottie' (Lord) Cloudman remarried and resettled in Rumford Falls. As a young adult, Avis became a milliner. She and her sister Dorothy formed Dorothy Gray Cosmetics, one of the premier cosmetic companies in New York City in the early 20th century.

"Avis gave birth to the Next Generation Foundation's founder in 1918, moved to France in the 1920s,



Photo courtesy of the Next Generation Foundation of Maine

Avis Cloudman holding her daughter.

remarried and settled near Paris, and later returned to the US when the Nazis invaded in 1940. Avis relocated to Virginia where she lived in the country, grew a garden, studied the bible, and enjoyed her grandchildren, one of whom eventually moved to Maine. The Next Generation Foundation is pleased to honor Avis with an endowment gift of \$150,000 to her home town's library."

The library is very grateful for this tremendous donation from the Next Generation Foundation of Maine. The interest generated by the Avis Cloudman Endowment Fund will be used to enhance the library for many generations to come.

For information on library services and events, please contact the library at 222-1190 or Library Director Pam Turner at pturner@msln.net.



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lons of propane were transferred to another truck, lightening the load and making it possible for a wrecker to pull the propane truck upright and then to tow it away. The cause of the accident remains under investigation by the Gorham Police along with the Maine State Police Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division to determine whether or not the propane truck had been properly maintained.

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## CLERK'S CORNER

# Springtime Reminders

BY JENNIFER ELLIOTT  
Town Clerk

The spring weather we have been waiting for is right around the corner.

If you want to purchase your fishing license, stop by our office. People aren't the only ones tired of being inside all winter, dogs need to get outside and run around too. Dog licenses were due in December and the dog officer is currently visiting folks on the un-registered dog list. Please give us a call if you need to update your dog's status. There is a \$25 late fee in effect for those who have not registered their dog.

We have had many calls regarding cemetery questions. We will not be able to go into the cemeteries for any reason until the snow has melted and the frost is out of the ground.

Second half of property tax payments are due May 15.

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## Saturday, March 28

## 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

## USM Costello Field House

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FREE Admission

**10:00 AM**

Gorham Middle School Chorus

**11:00 AM**

Moody's Air Bag Deployment

**11:30 AM**

Greater Portland School of Jukado

**11:30 AM**

Elsa from the movie Frozen

**12:15 PM**

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**1:15 PM**

Moody's Air Bag Deployment

**1:30 PM**

Flamin' Raymin' and Sizzlin' Suzzin'

**2:45 PM**

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# See you at Marketplace!

## Marketplace CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

strate its air bag deployment, which it has performed at Marketplace every year since the very beginning in 1998.

We also have a few new additions to our entertainment, including special guest appearances by Elsa from the movie Frozen, and Slugger the team mascot of the Portland Sea Dogs. Capping off the entertainment at the end of the day are Flamin' Raymin' & Sizzlin' Suzzin', two high-powered DJs who are sure to get the kids going with dancing and hula hoops.

Adding to the fun for the kids are a climbing wall, an inflatable obstacle course, a kids' activity area with a castle bounce house, and the 9/11 Memorial Sprint. You will also want to make sure you check out all the great food. The Gorham Grind, Amatos, Sebago Brewing Company, Love K cupcakes and iSpoon will all be there to take care of just about any food and drink craving you have!

Thanks to many generous donations from Gorham Business Exchange members, we'll also be giving away lots of cash prizes and gift certificates as part of our Booth Hunt contest. The grand prize is \$100 cash to be awarded near the end of the day.

But perhaps the most important part of our event is something we are trying for the first time. The Gorham Business Exchange is sponsoring a food drive for

the Gorham Food Pantry in hopes that everyone who attends Marketplace can bring one or more non-perishable food items. To help collect the food, Po-Go Realty is donating the use of their truck, which will be just outside the USM Costello Field House entrance. Just drop off your food there and then head on in to Marketplace for some great fun!

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**GYBSA** CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

discussing how the two organizations will share those fees to cover the costs of running the two leagues, purchasing equipment, and maintaining the town fields on which the teams play.

As the two organizations have been working through these issues, the State of Maine Babe Ruth League, which includes the Cal Ripken Baseball Division, had put on hold the issuing of a state charter to Gorham. Obtaining the charter is necessary for Gorham Cal Ripken Baseball and Babe Ruth Softball teams to participate in post-season playoff games against teams from other towns in the state and to qualify for regional and national tournaments.

In separate March 20 phone interviews with GYBSA president Cressy Mollison and Gorham Recreational Department director Cindy Hazelton, both confirmed that Gorham has now successfully received the state Babe Ruth League charter, with GYBSA listed as the organization representing Gorham. Gorham teams are thus now cleared to participate in post-season tournaments.

Mollison and Hazelton also both confirmed that the two organizations have come to an agreement on how baseball and softball registrations will be handled and for which age groups both organizations will provide teams. On the softball side, there is no change from the previous year. All girls ages eight through 12 will be assigned to 12-and-under or 10-and-under teams administered by GYBSA. GYBSA is currently accepting registrations for the upcoming year.

On the baseball side, eight-year-old players are eligible to join the Gorham Recreational baseball league while 12-year-old players are eligible to join the GYBSA Cal Ripken league. Players in the nine through 11 age groups are eligible to try out for GYBSA Cal Ripken, or they may join the Gorham Recreational league.

As part of the new arrangement between the two organizations, GYBSA is limited to 12 teams in total across the 12-and-under and 10-and-under divisions that will include 132 total players. 12-year-old players are guaranteed a Cal Ripken roster spot while nine through 11 year-olds must earn a roster spot during tryouts, which are scheduled for March 28 and 29. Any nine through 11 year-olds who do not earn a Cal Ripken roster spot may then opt to register for the Gorham Recreational League where they will be guaranteed a roster spot.

Mollison and Hazelton also confirmed the two organizations were still finalizing the details as to what percentage of the registration funds collected by GYBSA would be paid to the Gorham Recreation Department in exchange for the use and maintenance of Gorham town fields and other services, as well as equipment that the Gorham Recreation Department provides to GYBSA. The two groups were scheduled to meet March 23 to see if they could come to an agreement on this issue.

For information on tryouts and signing up for GYBSA baseball and softball, visit [www.gybsa.com](http://www.gybsa.com). For information on signing up for Gorham Recreational baseball, visit <http://www.gorhamrec.com>.

## In the Zone

**All-State Swimmers and Diver:** Three high school students from Gorham were named to the Maine All-State Swimming and Diving Team as announced by the Maine Interscholastic Swim League during a banquet at the Augusta Civic Center on March 8: **Abby Longstaff** of Cheverus HS was recognized for three events--the 200 medley relay, 100 backstroke and 400 freestyle relay—while **Nina Greenwood**, also of Cheverus HS, was recognized for diving and **Allison La Ferriere** of Gorham HS was recognized for the 500 freestyle. All three swimmers are sophomores.

## Gorham Rec Basketball Champions



Photo credit Mike Gradone

Team Chicago, with a season record of 7-2, was crowned this year's 5th/6th grade boys' champions. Playing for the team and pictured above, front row from left to right: Nathan Chase, Josh Martin, Ben Tukey, Grant Nadeau and Gavin Lavoie. Back row: Alex Humiston, Bryce Lumbert, Aidan Farley, Coach Deb Tukey, Anthony Dugan and Hayden Desmond.



Photo credit Mike Gradone

The Gray team won the girls' 3rd/4th grade division with a come-from-behind 17-15 win in the championship game vs. the Gold Team. Playing for the Gray Team and pictured above, front row from left to right: Zoey Diffin, Julia Wareham, Faith Warren and Madison Woodcock. Back row: Head coach Rodney Bryant, Ava Bryant, Chloe Ruane, Lilly Ruane, Lillian Zidle, Jayden Warren and Assistant Coach Dan Warren. Missing from the picture is Cindy He.



Photo credit Kelly Cyr

Playing for the 3rd/4th grade Red Team that won the Gorham Rec. Basketball Tournament were team members, front row from left to right: Landon Turgeon, Dalton Ocegüera, Thomas Curtis, Sean Verrill, Cole Bishop and Ryder O' Brien. Back Row: Gabe Michaud, Caden Lavoie, Devin Dobbson-Jacques, Nick Phinney, Andrew Scribner and Patrick Cyr. The coaches in the picture are Dana Scribner and Eric Cyr.

## Showing Support for the Battle Against Cancer



Photo credit Amanda Landry

Members of Team Michaud and Team Reynolds, two sixth-grade girls' travel basketball teams, are demonstrating their support for Lisa Eid, the mother of Danielle—one of their teammates. Lisa is currently under-going treatment for lung and liver cancer. In support of Lisa, players from both teams wore white ribbons embroidered with Lisa's initials and uniform shoulder straps to symbolize strength, courage, unity and support. The girls have set out on a mission to work just as hard as Lisa is doing every day as she battles to conquer cancer. Lisa's husband, Dave, commented just how much the team's support and the support from the entire Gorham community has meant to the family. Members of the two teams pictured above, first row from left to right: Amalia Ionta, Kilee Sherry, Emmeline Nelson, Lauren Fotter, Lily Courtney and Molly Murray. Second row: Mia Kratzer, Tatyanna Biamby, Alison Walker, Grace Forgues and Olivia Michaud. Third row: Adele Nadeau, Sophia Kaufman, Anneka Bryant, Madeline Thibodeau, Danielle Eid and Ali Peterson. Missing from the photo is Katie Kutzer.



# Gorham Fifth-Grade Teams Combine for a 37-3 Regular Season Record!



Photo credit Amanda Landry

The Nelson/Michaud fifth-grade girls team finished with a regular season record of 9-1 and second in the conference tournament. Pictured above, front row from left to right: Courtney Rent, Jillian Morrill, Devan Sherry, Madison Michaud, Lexi Waterman and Emma Stevens. Back row left to right: Coach Tony Michaud, Kiah Curtis, Brylee Bishop, Kayleigh Cloutier, Anna Nelson and Coach Neile Nelson.



Photo credit Meagan Farr

The Bassingthwaite/Sutton fifth-grade boys finished with a 10-0 regular-season record and third in their conference tournament. Pictured above, front row from left to right: John Sutton, Jackson Smith, William Perry and Curan Bassingthwaite. Back row: Coach Sutton, Brandon Verrill, Quentin Wise, Charlie Gay, Sam Farr, Josiah Irish and Coach Bassingthwaite.



Photo credit Amanda Landry

The Morrell/Landry fifth-grade boys finished the regular season with a record of 10-0 and second in their conference tournament. Pictured above, front row from left to right: Connor Callahan, Ian Luciano, Asa Farley, Hunter Pelletier, Elijah Wyatt, Kyle Landry and Dylan Morrell. Back row: Matthew Reno and Ben Shields.



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The Walker/Woodbury fifth-grade girls finished with a regular-season record of 8-2 and fourth in the conference tournament. Pictured above, front row from left to right: Allie Myles, Nicole Walker, Julia Kratzer, Drew Baber and Allie Light. Back row: Megan Young, Sophia Michaud, Natalya Asali, Leah Woodbury and Julia Ordway.



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# State Free Throw Champions



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Photo credit Jennifer Beaumont

On the left is Mason Laskey (boys' 11) and on the right is Zack Beaumont (boys' 12) who both won their respective gender-age groups at the Knight of Columbus statewide free throw championships, which took place March 7 in Old Town. Laskey and Beaumont earned the right to compete by first winning the local Gorham competition and then being crowned the champions of the area Knights of Columbus district.

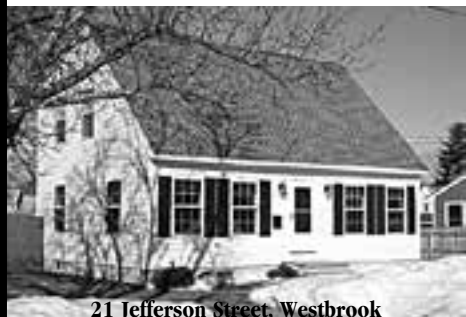
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# School Committee Report

BY ANDREA MORRELL  
School News Coordinator

The following items were discussed at the last School Committee Meeting:

Sarah Rubin, Gorham Middle School (GMS), spoke about the sustainability work students have been doing for the past three years. This year GMS partnered with ecomaine to learn how to bring the school closer to zero waste.

Students Patrick Bishop and Connor Donnelly reported on the results of their waste audit. Their analysis showed that GMS throws away 2,000 pounds of recycling each year. Recycling is often being put in trash bins and the compost bins both in classrooms and in the cafeteria.

According to Bishop and Donnelly, the sustainability program should be a school-wide effort. Only teachers and students are taking out the recycling. To increase composting and to educate students and teachers in which bins to put items, they proposed a lunchtime monitor to ensure recycling and trash are sorted properly. They will contact the Green Team at the high school.

Gorham School Superintendent Ted Sharp recognized the boys' hockey team for winning the Western Maine championship for the second year in a row.

The GHS boys cross country team received a letter of thanks from Preble Street for their donation of 220 pairs of socks. “It speaks volumes,” said Sharp. “Just one example of what kids in this district do every day for the greater community.”

Sharp said they are still dealing with the governor's proposed budget. The town does not yet know what the school funding will be until the legislature and the governor sign off on a budget.

Sharp also thanked the public works and maintenance crews for the work they did around the schools this winter.

John Doyle was appointed to represent the school committee in working with a committee for proficiency-based learning.

March 25 will be the first meeting for the search for a new principal at Narragansett as Principal Polly Brann is retiring. School Committee member Suzanne Phillips will be on that committee. Superintendent Sharp's replacement, Heather Perry, has been invited to start the transitioning process.

Gorham High School's comparative government and politics class testified in Augusta on LD 692 (teacher effectiveness assessment). Sharp said he heard from several legislators that they were outstanding.

Tim Burns was reinstated to the School Committee as he no longer has a work conflict.

Village principal Brian Porter, Great Falls assistant principal Becky Fortier and Narragansett principal Polly Brann reported on all-day Kindergarten (ADK).

“We have been thrilled,” said Porter. “It has far surpassed our expectations in lots of ways.” ADK has enhanced instructional opportunities, providing more time for reading and writing, technology and other aspects of classroom learning. Kindergarten teachers have reported that they now have more time for instruction. Managing behavior has also been greatly improved.

A next step is plans for kindergarten teachers across the three schools to revise and develop social studies and science curriculum and activities; develop extended learning opportunities for those students working above level; and continue kindergarten intervention and Jumpstart options.

Sebago Educational Alliance School will close on June 30.

Dennis Libby asked for a list of recommendations to fill two positions: JV tennis and seventh grade lacrosse.

By a vote of 7-0 the committee approved schedule B high school baseball program.

## school notes

Kindergarten registration is underway. Screenings are done by appointment only. Parents should contact their child's school if they haven't already done so.

\* Great Falls Elementary, April 14-17. FMI, contact 222-1050.

\* Village School, April 6-10. FMI, contact 222-1300.

\* Narragansett School, April 7 and 8. FMI, contact 222-1250.

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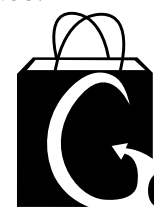
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# Totally Trades Conference Encourages Females to Try Trades

By CORI SHAW  
USM student intern

This past fall, ten Gorham High School females were selected to attend the annual Totally Trades conference, where girls in eighth grade and high school were encouraged to sign up for vocational programs that have previously been geared towards boys.

The conference is focused on showing girls more options in the workforce that they may have overlooked because they are not seen as feminine. It also aids in breaking gender norms and getting young girls to have a chance at hands-on learning.

Featured careers include: highway construction, bridge building, working with wood, building construction, cable technician, electrical, plumbing and heating, and alternative energy.

"Girls in high school are kind of shy about doing something that isn't your tra-

ditional thing," said Betsy Anastasoff, a GHS advisor. "They need to know they don't have to fit that mold."

More and more women are getting experience in trades that are socially seen as masculine occupations; opening many doors for younger girls to find something they might like but have been hesitant because of the way it has been portrayed in society.

If a woman wants to be a welder, for example, the Totally Trades conference encourages girls to branch out and break down those gender barriers. "There is potential beyond your appearance; if you're passionate about a trade you should go after that. Let other people's opinions simmer," said Anastasoff.

The program is statewide, stemming from the well-known group Women, Work & Community (WWC). Since 1978 they have served all around the state of Maine, educating



Photo credit Betsy Anastasoff

A few of the Gorham High School students selected to attend the Totally Trades conference this past fall are pictured (from left to right): Skylher Rawding, Tess Buzzell, Kristen Stoddard, and Nariah Cavaretta.

and encouraging women to reach their full potential.

The Totally Trades conference provides a day filled with hands on workshops, lunch and evaluations. Many local businesses participate, sending a message to people that they want women in the workplace working in trades just as much as they want men.

## O'Donal's Wins Big at Portland Flower Show



Photo credit Roger Marchand

O'Donal's Nursery was the winner of both the prestigious People's Choice Award, as well as the Best of Show Award at the Portland Flower Show earlier this month. The People's Choice Award is given to the exhibit that receives the most votes from flower show attendees. Robin's Nest Aquatics of Hollis and Hill View Mini in Etna assisted the O'Donal's Nursery design team.

## COMMUNITY

### ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Erland and Judith Cutter of Gorham (formerly of Westbrook) are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, **Megan Cutter (WHS '08)**, to **Craig Woodbrey (GHS '06)**, son of Mark and Vicki Woodbrey of Gorham. Woodbrey, a graduate of Saint Joseph's College with a degree in business management, is the assistant manager at Lovell Lumber Co. Cutter, a graduate of Saint Joseph's College with a degree in exercise science, will be graduating as a Doctor of Physical Therapy from the University of New England in May. A September wedding is planned.



Together with their families, **Evan Bradstreet** and **Jennifer Merrill** are overjoyed to announce their engagement. Bradstreet is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Bradstreet of Gorham, a graduate of the Stockbridge School of Agriculture and UMass Amherst, and is currently employed as an Asst. Superintendent at Redding Country Club in Connecticut. Merrill is the daughter of The Rev. Janet Leighninger of Sturbridge, MA and stepdaughter of Raymond Ainsworth of Duluth, GA. She is a graduate of Rhode Island School of Design and employed as a graphic designer at Alexander Isley Inc. in Redding, CT. A September 2015 wedding is planned at Stone Mountain Arts Center in Brownfield, Maine.



### MILITARY NOTES

Congresswoman Chellie Pingree announced that Gorham High School student **Abraham Eaton** has accepted an offer to attend the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Pingree nominated Eaton to the Academy in December. Eaton is home-schooled and captains the Westbrook High wrestling team and Gorham High lacrosse team. He is the son of Jennifer and Gary Eaton.



### OF INTEREST

**A Public Supper of beans and casseroles will be held at the West Gorham Union Church, 190 Ossipee Trail, Gorham, on Saturday, Mar. 28 at 5 p.m. Tickets on sale at 4 p.m. \$8/\$3 children under 12.**

**The "Potluck With a Purpose" supper will take place on Friday, Mar. 27 at 6:30 p.m. at the South Gorham Baptist Church, 53 County Road, Gorham. Karen Burnell will speak on the worldwide problem of labor trafficking and how we are able to impact this by purchasing fair trade items. Bring food to share. All are welcome. A freewill offering will be taken to support anti-human trafficking causes and programs. FMI, 892-4077 or 839-3457.**

**An Ecumenical Service based on the seven last words of Christ will be held on Friday, Apr. 3 from 12 to 3 p.m. at South Gorham Baptist Church, 53 County Road, Gorham. The Gorham Ecumenical Council will sponsor this Good Friday service. All are welcome.**

**The "Annual Writers Readings Event," will take place on Tuesday, March 31 at 7 p.m. at the North Gorham United Church of Christ, 4 Standish Neck Road, Gorham. The ten members of the**

Writers Group will present excerpts from their own writings, in the forms of both prose and poetry. Light finger food snacks will be available. FMI, 749-1857.

**Join the Happy Hoofers Dance Company, the Centre of Movement dance students and special guests tap dancers for an evening of hand-waving, feet stomping, hot doggin' fun!** The Festival of Feet, featuring the fabulous feet of Caitlin Johnson, member of the Boston Tap Company, will take place at the **Gorham High School McCormack Performing Arts Center on Saturday, Apr. 11 at 7:32 p.m.** \$15/\$12/\$8. FMI, [www.cmdans.org](http://www.cmdans.org) or call 839-3267.

**The Gorham Garden Club will meet on Tuesday, Mar. 31, 7 p.m. at the First Parish Church in Gorham.** The program will be on Hummingbirds presented by Anne Murphy. The public is invited to attend. FMI, 839-3630.

**The Gorham Woman's Club will hold a meeting on Thursday, Apr. 9 at 12:30 p.m. at the First Parish Church** in Gorham for the Gorham High School Art Show and Youth Leadership. Artwork will be judged at 1 p.m. with a brief business meeting to follow. An Art Show reception will be held from 3-4 p.m. at Gorham High School and is open to all parents and students; refreshments will be served.

**The 6th Annual 5K & 10K Race sponsored by the Gorham Lions Club will be held on Saturday, Apr. 18 with a start time of 9 a.m. at the Gorham Rec. Dept on Ball Park Road in Gorham.** Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. This is a run, jog, walk and wheel event with official timing provided by 5K Sports. All racers will be given an official racing bib. Pre-register at [www.running4free.com](http://www.running4free.com) and save \$12. All proceeds benefit our local and worldwide communities and charities. FYI, 839-6569.

### USM NOTES

**The USM Graduate Showcase will perform on Friday, Apr. 10 at 8 p.m. at Corthell Concert Hall, USM Gorham campus. Free and open to the public. FMI, 780-5555.**

### ON-GOING EVENTS & SERVICES

**A Support Group for Living and Eating Healthy will take place every Wednesday evening from 6-7 p.m. at Martin's Point Healthcare, 510 Main St., Gorham. FREE and open to the public every week. This not-for-profit group is not affiliated with Martin's Point. FMI, call Pauline 839-2092.**

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

**A Spring Wellness Clinic will be held on Sunday, Apr. 12 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Animal Refuge League of Greater Portland. \$15 Rabies Vaccinations, \$30 Microchipping and \$5 Nail Clipping. All services will include a general wellness screening with a veterinarian. First come, first served. Dogs should be on leash, and cats in carrier. FMI, 887-7217 ext. 102.**

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**Cressey Road United Methodist Church**  
81 Cressey Road, Gorham  
Rev. Michele Ewers, 839-3111  
Mar. 29: Palm Sunday, 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
(Children's Walk Through Holy Week)  
Apr. 2: Maundy Thursday, 7 p.m.  
Apr. 3: Good Friday Ecumenical Service, 12-3 p.m., South Gorham Baptist Church.  
Apr. 5: Sunrise Service at Fort Hill, 6 a.m.; Breakfast at Cressey Road United Methodist Church, 6:30 a.m.; Easter Sunday Service, 9 & 10:30 a.m.

**First Parish Congregational Church, UCC**  
One Church Street, Gorham  
Rev. David Butler, 839-6751  
Apr. 2: Maundy Thursday, Service of Tenebrae, 7 p.m.  
Apr. 3: Good Friday Ecumenical Service, 12-3 p.m. at South Gorham Baptist Church.  
Apr. 5: Sunrise Service, 6 a.m. (parking lot at the foot of the water tower on the USM campus) with breakfast to follow at Cressey Road United Methodist Church; Easter Sunday Service, 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.; Easter Egg Hunt, 9:30 a.m.

**Galilee Baptist Church**  
317 Main Street, Gorham  
Rev. David Christensen, 839-6985  
Apr. 3: Good Friday Service, 7 p.m.  
Apr. 5: Easter Sunday Service, 10:30 a.m.

**Grace Bible Church**  
74 Deering Road, Gorham  
Pastor Bob White, 839-8800  
Apr. 5: Easter Sunday Service, 10 a.m.

**LifeChurch**  
New Portland Road, Gorham  
Pastors Brian Undlin and Gordy Johnson, 839-6354  
Mar. 28: Saturday Palm Service, 5:30 p.m.  
Mar. 29: Palm Sunday, 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Apr. 3: Good Friday Service, 7 p.m.  
Apr. 4: Holy Saturday Service, 5:30 p.m.  
Apr. 5: Easter Sunday Service, 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

**Little Falls Baptist Church**  
Gray Road, Gorham  
Pastor Tony Bafiades, 892-4240  
Apr. 3: Good Friday Service, 7 p.m.  
Apr. 5: Breakfast, 8:30 a.m.; Easter Sunday Service, 9:30 a.m.

**Living Stone Community Church**  
190 Northeast Road (Rte 35), Standish  
Pastor Joey Marshall, 239-7574  
Mar. 29: Palm Sunday (Friend Day), 9:30 a.m.  
Apr. 3: Good Friday Service, 7 p.m.  
Apr. 4: EGGstravaganza, 2-4 p.m.  
Apr. 5: Easter Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m.

**Orchard Community Church**  
1 North St./Rt. 114, Gorham  
Pastor Gary Groves, 671-3612  
Mr. 29: Palm Sunday, 9 a.m.; Children's Program, 6:30 p.m.  
Apr. 5: Easter Sunday Service, 9 a.m.

**Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
410 Main Street, Gorham  
Rev. Timothy Sandeno, 839-7100  
Apr. 2: Maundy Thursday, Service of Tenebrae, 12 & 7 p.m.  
Apr. 3: Good Friday Service, 12 & 7 p.m.  
Apr. 5: Easter Sunday Divine Service, 10:15 a.m.

**St. Ann's Episcopal Church**  
40 Windham Center Road (Off River Road), Windham  
Rev. Tim Higgins, 892-8447  
Mar. 29: Palm Sunday Service, 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.  
Apr. 2: Maundy Thursday Seder Service with meal, 5:30 p.m.; Service of Washing of the Feet, 7 p.m.  
Apr. 3: Good Friday Reflection & Prayer, 12-3 p.m.; Stations of the Cross, 3 p.m.; Service with Veneration, 7 p.m.  
Apr. 5: Easter Sunday Service, 8 a.m. & 10 a.m. followed by Easter Egg Hunt for children in grades K-5.

**St. Anne's Catholic Church**  
299 Main Street, Gorham  
Rev. Joseph Koury, 839-4857  
Mar. 29: Palm Sunday, 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Apr. 2: Holy Thursday, 7 p.m.  
Apr. 3: Good Friday, 7 p.m.  
Apr. 4: Easter Vigil, 8 p.m.  
Apr. 5: Easter Sunday Liturgy, 9 a.m.

**South Gorham Baptist Church**  
53 County Road, Gorham  
Rev. Peter Beckwith, 839-3457  
Mar. 29: Palm Sunday Service, 10:30 a.m.  
Apr. 3: Good Friday Ecumenical Service, 12-3 p.m.  
Apr. 5: Easter Sunday Sunrise Service with Pastor Ron Robinson, 6 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 10:30 a.m.

**United Church of Christ at North Gorham**  
4 Standish Neck Road, Gorham  
Rev. Larry Kalp, 892-5363  
Apr. 5: Easter Sunrise Service (Atwood's Hill), 6 a.m. followed by pancake breakfast; Easter Sunday Service, 9 a.m.

**West Gorham Union Church**  
190 Ossipee Trail, Gorham  
Pastor Norm Rust, 839-5946  
Apr. 3: Good Friday Ecumenical Service at South Gorham Baptist Church, 12-3 p.m.  
Apr. 5: Sunrise Service on Rust Road, 6:30 a.m.; Easter Breakfast, 7 a.m.; Sunday Service, 9:30 a.m.

**Westbrook Baptist Church**  
310 Conant St. (Off Rt. 25), Westbrook  
Pastor Roland Gay, 776-0797  
Apr. 5: Easter Sunday Service, 10:30 a.m.

**White Rock Free Will Baptist Church**  
300 Sebago Lake Road, Gorham  
Pastor Jonathan Marshall, 893-1919  
Apr. 2: Maundy Thursday Service, 6:30 p.m.  
Apr. 3: Good Friday Service, 6:30 p.m.; Easter Breakfast, 7 a.m.  
Apr. 5: Easter Sunrise Service, 6 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Service, 10:45 a.m.

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**Oil Spill** CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5  
It did not appear that any propane had leaked from the truck but the Maine department of Environmental Protection and a team from Central Maine Power were on the scene.  
If propane had leaked from the truck, it could easily have ignited causing a fire or an explosion. Gorham fire trucks were on the scene and were prepared to spray water on the gas. Firefighters were using "extreme caution in their response" said Deputy Fire Chief Jim Poitras as propane is a volatile fuel. The Maine Department of Environmental Protection as well as a crew from Central Maine Power were on the scene in case the propane leaked from the overturned truck. Some gas and oil did leak from the engine of the truck.

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## Yeah! That's It!

**Caller wanted to know if police were looking for him. Officer said they were not looking for him but asked if there was a reason they should be. Caller said they should not be.**

Caller requested an escort while picking up some items in Lewiston. Officer advised it was a civil matter and out of their jurisdiction.

An alarm went off on Valley View Drive but house was secure and there were no tracks in the snow.

Suspicious person on Lincoln Street was reading while waiting to pick up her girlfriend.

Main Street caller reported a disturbance between herself and her live-in boyfriend. No crime had been committed and neither wanted to leave for the night.

Wintergreen Drive caller wanted to report a possible fraud, as advised by her CPA. She knew her identity information had been stolen through the breach at Anthem.

Occupants of a vehicle on the side of Fort Hill Road had pulled over to discuss family issues.

Several reports were received that Tink Drive had not been properly cleared of snow. Police advised that Tink Drive is not a town road and it is the responsibility of the developer to take care of it. The caller said the developer was "not easy to deal with."

Two parties were spoken to about a road rage incident on Main Street.

Flaggy Meadow Road man, who had been a victim of the data breach at Target and at Kohl's, said he had received a letter from the Maine Revenue Service that a tax return had been filed in his name.

Man on Longfellow Road was upset and drunk. Officers calmed him down.

Officer stopped a vehicle on Gray Road and charged the driver with exceeding the speed limit by 30 mph or more.

Suspicious person on the bypass was repairing his vehicle.

Officers spoke with a man who said he and his girlfriend had broken up. He packed her belongings but she refused to leave.

Man was arrested for OUI on Hodgdon Road.

Sex offender from Tink Drive came to the Police Department to update his registration status. He had dramatically altered his appearance so officer took a new photo of him with shorter hair, a trimmed beard and mustache, and yellow highlights on the sides of his hair line.

Sebago Lake Road called reported his mother's boyfriend was harassing him.

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### THURSDAY, MAR. 26

- Baby & Me, birth-18 mos., 9:30 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.
- Toddler Time, 18-36 mos., 10 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.
- Sewing Group, ages 7 and older, 2:30-4:30 p.m., Baxter Memorial Library.

### FRIDAY, MAR. 27

- Knights of Columbus Baked Haddock Dinner, St. Anne's Catholic Church, 5-6:30 p.m. \$9/\$5 under 12. Take out and gluten free available. All are invited.
- No School for students in grades K-12. Teacher In-Service.

### SATURDAY, MAR. 28

- Movie Matinee at Baxter Memorial Library, "The Caterpillar and the Polliwog" on the old fashioned, reel-to-reel projector, 11 a.m. All ages. No registration required.
- Dream Factory Happily Ever After Pancake Breakfast, 9-11 a.m., First Parish Church, Gorham.
- Gorham Marketplace, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Costello Fieldhouse, USM Gorham.

### TUESDAY, MAR. 31

- Pre-School Story Time – Baby Animals, 9:30 a.m., ages 3-5 years, Baxter Memorial Library.

### WEDNESDAY, APR. 1

- Town of Gorham Senior Lunch Program, St. Anne's Church, Gorham. 12 p.m., \$4. FMI, 839-4857.
- Early Release for grades K-12.

### THURSDAY, APR. 2

- Baby & Me, birth-18 mos., 9:30 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.
- Toddler Time, 18-36 mos., 10 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.
- Sewing Group, ages 7 and older, 2:30-4:30 p.m., Baxter Memorial Library.

### TUESDAY, APR. 7

- Pre-School Story Time – Flowers, 9:30 a.m., ages 3-5 years, Baxter Memorial Library.
- Gorham Cancer Prayer and Support Group meeting, 6 p.m., Cressey Road United Methodist Church. All are welcome. FMI, 321-1390 or 839-3111.

### WEDNESDAY, APR. 8

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

**St. Anne's Catholic Church, 299 Main St.  
 First Parish Church, 1 Church St.  
 Baxter Memorial Library, 71 South St.  
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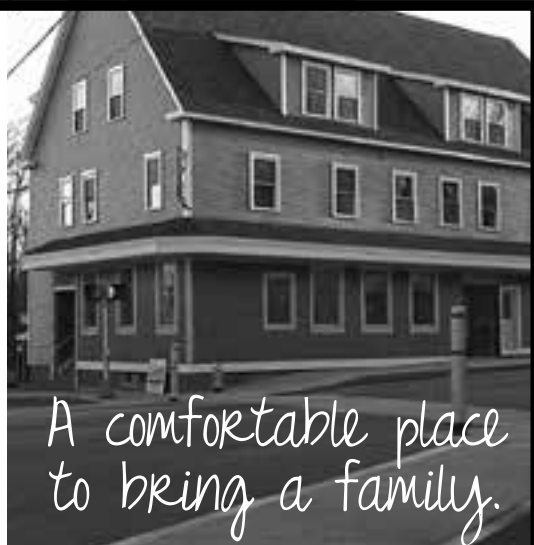
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