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Fire Inspector Finds Concerns

PineCrest Inn and Four Apartment Buildings Under Review

GORHAM TIMES STAFF

Following the disastrous fire in a multi-tenant house in Portland that killed six people, Gorham Fire Department has done inspections at many multi-unit rental properties, including ones at 180 Main Street, 626 Gray Road, 137 Plummer Road, and 771 Gray Road. They found problems with doors that were not self-closing fire-rated doors, as required by code. There were also holes in walls, which can permit fire to move to another room, as well as with electrical problems. Deputy Fire Chief Ken Fickett noted they are working with the landlords on these issues and are making progress.

Also recently inspected was PineCrest Inn, a bed and breakfast and restaurant located at 91 South Street. After two partial inspections, the Gorham Fire Department asked the State Fire Marshal's Office to assess the situation. They found a need for fire separation between the kitchen and guest rooms, egress windows that appeared to be smaller than the state mandated size, problems in the kitchen such as the lack of a proper cooking hood and fire suppression system, some electrical issues, as well as more rooms than permitted for a bed and breakfast.

They found nine guest rooms on the premises that can potentially house up

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News Travels



Courtesy of Kathy Corbett

Staff writer Kathy Corbett enjoys the anniversary issue of the Gorham Times in warm and sunny Hvar, a Croatian island in the Adriatic Sea.

Don't Forget to Vote! Election Day is Tuesday, November 3

COMPILED BY KAREN DIDONATO

The polls for the upcoming election will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3. 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 at 222-1670. Along with the statewide referendum election, Gorham will vote in the annual municipal election.

Gorham Annual Municipal Election questions:

The municipal election includes three questions, which are outlined below, as well as candidates for Town Council (Sherrie Benner, Muhammad Khan, Shonn Moulton, and Marla Stelk) and School Committee (Timothy Burns and Darryl Wright). The questions, which will appear in the same order as on the November 4 Annual Municipal Election ballot, are:

1) Shall the Town vote to amend Section 901 of the Town's Charter to allow the Town to accept and expend a third party grant or gift when the grant or gift is fully covering the expenditure or the Town's Share does not exceed \$250,000 with the following language:

Proposed Town Charter Amendment

Exemption of Grant-Funded Expenditures from Referendum Approval

2) Shall Sec. 901 of the Gorham Town Charter be amended as follows:
Sec 901 Capital Expenditures over \$250,000. Any proposed capital expenditure over \$250,000 except emergency ordinances as previously

defined in Article II, Section 213.1, shall be submitted to a referendum vote on the proposed expenditure. The Council shall fix the time and place for such referendum. A majority of the electors present and voting at the referendum shall determine the result. Notwithstanding the above, no referendum vote shall be required for any expenditure where (A) it is fully paid for by a third party grant award or gift fully covering the expenditure or where (B) the Town's share of the expenditure does not exceed \$250,000, as long as, in either instance, the Town Council, after a public hearing on the same, determines there will be no directly related costs accompanying such expenditure. The Council's determination on that issue shall be conclusive unless challenged by an action filed in Superior Court within thirty (30) days of such Council determination.

3) Shall the Town be authorized to borrow and expend up to \$600,000 for its share of a project to reconstruct Main Street in Gorham Village, with funds to be combined with funds from the Maine Department of Transportation and funds from the Portland Water District for a combined project estimated at \$2.2 million.

Shall the Town be authorized to borrow and expend up to \$1,175,500 to combine with \$440,000, previously budgeted, for major roof, locks and hardware and mechanical equipment projects at Gorham Schools.

Statewide Referendum Election Questions:

The questions, which will appear in the same order as on the November 3 Referendum Election ballot, are:

Citizen's Initiative

Do you want to change Maine law to allow publicly financed state candidates to qualify for additional funds under certain limits and rules in the Maine Clean Election Act, to improve the disclosure of who pays for political ads, and to increase penalties for violations of campaign finance law?

Bond issue 1

Do you favor a \$15,000,000 bond issue for the construction of new energy-efficient affordable homes for low-income seniors, the adaptive reuse of structures for homes for low-income seniors and the repair and weatherization of existing homes for low-income seniors, which will create jobs and will be matched by an estimated \$22,600,000 in private and other funds?

Total estimated life time cost is \$19,125,000 representing \$15,000,000 in principal and \$4,125,000 in interest (assuming interest at 5.0% over 10 years.)

Bond issue 2

Do you favor an \$85,000,000 bond issue for construction, reconstruction and rehabilitation of highways and bridges and for facilities and equipment related to ports, harbors, marine transportation, freight and passenger railroads, aviation, transit and bicycle and pedestrian trails, to be used to match an estimated \$121,500,000 in federal and other funds?

Total estimated life time cost is \$108,375,000 representing \$85,000,000 in principal and \$23,375,000 in interest (assuming interest at 5.0% over 10 years.)

Little Falls Receives Block Grant

SHERI FABER
Staff Writer

In 2013, the town of Gorham received a block grant to make some improvements in Little Falls. In a joint project with the town of Windham, decorative street light fixtures were added to the area along a 900-foot stretch. Several benches were added near the trail next to the former railroad tracks,

as well as near the Fire Department, the church, and one on each side of Sawyer's Variety Store. In addition, two bike racks were installed and a series of trees planted from the roundabout to the trail.

This year the town received another block grant from Cumberland County—this one for \$117,500 with a 20 percent or \$23,000 match from the town. In order to become eligible for the grant,

the town was required to demonstrate the area was a middle- to low-income area. The money will be used to reconstruct sidewalks, reset curbs and redo catch basins. This work is expected to start in the spring.

Also in the Little Falls area, but not part of the grant, a 12-unit condominium development, Simona Shores, is under construction just north of the roundabout.

**HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY
MRS. FRANCES BOOTHBY**

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The *Gorham Times* asked our three state legislators from Senate District Six, House District 26 and House District 27 to provide us with "News from Augusta." We publish their articles on a rotating basis. The submissions are devoted to updates of legislative and administrative news, proposed and passed bills and laws, and developments and events that are of interest and have an impact to Gorham residents. The *Gorham Times* reserves the right to edit the submissions and it further reserves the right to reject any submission, in its sole discretion.

Community Colleges Offer Valuable Education, Opportunities

SEN. AMY VOLK

Maine is fortunate to have a strong, successful community college system. In today's world, community college degrees and trade apprenticeships are often glossed over in favor of four year degrees. Both certainly have their worth, and education is always valuable. Four year degrees often come with a considerable cost, however, and it is worth taking a look at the opportunities we have here in Maine through the community college system.

Maine's community colleges are the most affordable higher education option among all of the colleges and universities in New England. The cost per credit hour is only \$90, with a full year of tuition and fees coming in at around \$3,400. Here in Maine, we have the seventh-highest average student loan debt in the nation--about \$30,000 per graduate. That makes community colleges seem like quite the bargain, not only for the actual cost, but for the return on the investment.

Upon graduation, community college students are prepared to enter some of the fast growing and highest paying jobs in the state. Among these are jobs in the health care and construction sectors. You may be surprised to learn that construction managers are among the highest paid, most in-demand jobs in the

state, with an average annual salary of more than \$70,000.

Construction and health care are projected to continue adding jobs each year through at least 2022, according to the Maine Center for Workforce Research and Information.

Employees for the manufacturing sector are also sorely needed in Maine. A survey conducted earlier this year showed nearly 900 job openings in manufacturing, with an average salary of nearly \$50,000. Manufacturing jobs have changed a lot over the years, and many require some level of technological training--training that is available through programs at our community colleges.

With so many students graduating today with backbreaking student loan burdens, I would encourage everyone to take a look at Maine's community colleges. You can even start out in a Maine community college program, and then transfer to a four-year school. The Maine Community College System has agreements with many other colleges and universities regarding credit transfers.

In addition to Maine's community colleges, we also have apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs in the state. As an apprentice, you not only receive an education, but also learn specialized skills on the job while earning pay for your work. Typically, an apprenticeship consists of 2,000 hours of on-the-job learning.

Auto work, carpentry, HVAC, welding, electricians, and boat building are only some of the many careers in which people can take advantage of the Maine Apprenticeship Program. The pre-apprenticeship program is open to students who are juniors or seniors in high school and are on track for graduation. To learn more about the apprenticeship program, and other training and education programs, visit www.mainecareercenter.com/services-programs/training/.

Every one of us has a different skill-set, and there are many pathways to a career. Maine has an opportunity for everyone to take advantage of an education or a training program. You just have to know where to look. Through my work on the Labor, Commerce, Research, and Economic Development Committee over the past few years I have become acquainted with what is available to Mainers. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you would like any more information on job training programs, scholarships, or our community colleges. I can be reached at 229-5091 or amy.volk@legislature.maine.gov.



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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:

A few months ago I had the pleasure of meeting with Marla Stelk and found her to be the most qualified candidate for Gorham's Town Council that I have seen in my 30 years of residency. Marla has a passion and vision for Gorham that, when shared, is inspiring, responsible, insightful and doable over time with the right planning.

As a professional policy analyst with a Masters degree in Community Planning and Development, Ms. Stelk understands the need for proactively planning for the change we want to see through proven sustainable development strategies.

The vision Marla has is based on making Gorham a destination, not just a drive through village. Those of us who love Gorham know that this town and its people have much to offer already and for that very reason Gorham is the fastest growing community in the state of Maine. Marla wants to make sure we manage that growth to avoid traffic congestion, sprawl, crime, pollution and the loss of the community's identity.

Better yet, she sees a beautiful walkable village, a village center that

celebrates and preserves its history, a community that is safe and welcoming, supports its seniors, and has thriving schools, agriculture, retail and restaurants. It's a beautiful vision!

Please join me in supporting Marla Stelk for Town Council in November.
Linda Sanborn

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

When I first started writing this, I was going to do it as a simple endorsement letter in favor of Sherrie Benner for Gorham Town Council. However, after writing draft after draft I couldn't fit in everything Sherrie has done over the past three years. Instead, I am going to write this as a thank you letter to Sherrie Benner. Thank you, Sherrie, for working to bring down taxes, preserve our historic downtown and preparing Gorham for the future with a strategic plan for growth and prosperity. Thank you for working for seniors, youth, parents, and business owners. Thank you for working to restore civility on the Town Council, as you are one of the only town councilors to do so. Thank you, Sherrie, for being easy to talk to, open to listening, and active in working

to make sure that Gorham residents are represented on the Town Council. Thank you, Sherrie. With all of the hard work you have done, the least we can do is to make sure you are re-elected. Thank you, Sherrie. I will be voting for you, and encouraging my family, friends, and neighbors to do the same. #Benner2015
Forrest Genthner

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

As an active member of this great community, I am often asked to write a letter in support of someone or if I can be used as a reference for someone applying for a new job. This is something I do not take lightly as I know how important a reference might be in helping someone attain a certain goal. I would never write one or supply a reference for someone if I didn't truly believe in them. One person I truly believe in and know will always have our best interest in mind is Shonn Moulton.

Shonn has served our community well for a number of years and I strongly

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Around Town

The first floor of the old Tinsel Bright building, located at 2 Main Street, is being leased to Ed and Allen Growen for a pet supply business called Gorham Growe.

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UPCOMING DEADLINES:

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Nov 11	Nov 19

ly believe he deserves re-election to the Gorham Town Council.

When it comes to electing local leaders I look to see if their actions speak louder than their words. Shonn has been an active member of our community, not only serving on the Town Council but being involved in community organizations, volunteering and coaching.

A person's actions will tell you everything you need to know. I don't believe in what he says; I believe in what he does to help make Gorham a great community to live and raise our children in.

Shonn and I might differ on many bigger national issues but I can respect and agree with him when it comes down to the grass root issues—issues about our safety, our schools and our kids, hometown issues that affect us on a local level.

I don't trust words; I trust actions! I trust Shonn Moulton to do what is right for Gorham. Please join me in voting Shonn Moulton for Gorham Town Council on November 3.

Al Garcia

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

I am writing in support of Shonn Moulton for reelection to Gorham Town Council. I have known Shonn for many years and have watched him grow into the informed town councilor he is today. He is dedicated to our town and works hard for us. Recently, Shonn worked tirelessly with the Lakes Region Senior Center in our quest to relocate to the Little Falls Activity Center (LFAC). He encouraged us to hang in there and visited us in our many different places where we held meetings before the final relocation at LFAC. Shonn was truly interested in our welfare. Sherri Benner also worked for Senior Center and we appreciate her efforts as well. I feel these two are responsive to the Gorham citizens who call them and always look into issues and return their calls. They have the best interests of the citizens of Gorham and will hopefully be reelected to our Gorham Town Council.

Gerry Day

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

As Gorham continues to grow and the needs of our community evolve, we need leaders with a strong vision for our future. If we are to have a vibrant downtown for the long-term, build on our proud agricultural heritage and ensure the community is safe and welcoming for all, there needs to be sustained commitment from our local government.

That is why I am pleased to support Marla Stelk for Town Council. Her background in community planning and development as well as her work on environmental issues give her a unique perspective, and more importantly, the know-how to make a positive difference for Gorham. She is thoughtful, determined and eager to listen to and learn from the community. Our town would benefit tremendously from her leadership.

Please join me in supporting Marla Stelk for Town Council.

Phil Bartlett

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

I am writing to express my support for Marla Stelk's candidacy for Gorham's Town Council. I have known Marla professionally for several years and know

her to be intelligent, thoughtful and an experienced planner—just the qualities we look for in an elected official. I have met with Marla several times to discuss her candidacy, and to hear her thoughts about Gorham and what can be done to help Gorham navigate its growth sustainably. Marla has a master's degree in Community Planning and Development and has helped other towns such as South Portland and Bowdoinham with the comprehensive plan updates. She is very knowledgeable in current planning strategies and has a long-term vision for Gorham. Gorham needs someone with Marla's skills and enthusiasm for community planning and development. I believe Marla is the best candidate running for Gorham's Town Council and encourage other residents to support her candidacy as well.

Jim Boyle, Former State Senator, District 6

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

I believe Principal Record and the Gorham School Committee are being bullied by the media and on social media regarding their decision to stop sponsoring dances at Gorham High School. I support the process they used and the spirit of goodwill in which the decision was made. Instead of being vilified, Mr. Record and the Committee should be commended for demonstrating the willingness to make a tough decision and stick with it under pressure. As a parent, I am grateful to have this behavior modeled for my children.

If this type of ugly media attention were being directed at one of our Gorham students, the town would come together and support the bullied student and I believe our adults deserve the same consideration.

Thank you for your service, Mr. Record and School Committee. It is a tough job and I appreciate your willingness to do it.

Jennifer J. Eaton

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

As a Gorham Town Councilor for the last three years, Sherrie Benner has gone to bat for the Lakes Region Senior Center. After we had to relocate to the White Rock Grange and then the North Gorham UCC Church, Sherrie gave her support—both personally and as a councilor—making sure there was a place for us in the refurbished Activity Center. I am thankful for her concern and urge Gorham voters to turn out next month and return her to Council.

David R. Alexander

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Happy 100th Birthday, Mrs. Frances Boothby

ALTHEA MASTERSON

Where do you begin to tell the story of a woman who just celebrated her 100th birthday, particularly when that woman is Frances Huse Boothby, a woman of great strength, compassion, kindness, and caring? The story really could begin anywhere over the course of those ten decades, because at any time in her life, there was a story to tell of a hard working woman devoted to her family and committed to helping others.

It might seem a little backwards, but let's start with her recent birthday, which fell on September 21, and which, she explained with a smile of appreciation, she had been celebrating with friends and family since the summer. After a service and reception on September 20 honoring her at her church of 88 years, First Parish in Gorham, Mrs. Boothby said she could not express how surprised and pleased she was by everyone's good wishes, adding "and now I'm ready for it all to settle down!"

Speaking of the celebration at First Parish and the kind words from Reverend David Butler, Mrs. Boothby said, "I had no idea David would talk about me. It was very flattering but



Photo courtesy of Frances Boothby

Frances Boothby

overwhelming, too. It will take me another 100 years to live up to what he said." After the service, with a reception awaiting her in Fellowship Hall, Mrs. Boothby moved around the sanctuary, greeting people whose physical limitations would make it difficult for them to attend. "That's pure Frances," said Donna Carll, a friend and fellow member of First Parish,

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Fall sports are all done... Head Over to Dance!

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Re-Elect Sherrie Benner for Gorham Town Council

Dear Gorham Voters,

For over 30 years I have been a part of the Gorham community; homeowner, business owner, serving on local community service organizations and volunteering in the schools. My daughter grew up in the Gorham School system and it was a wonderful experience; award winning schools with caring teachers. Gorham has done an impressive job in promoting the town as a great place to live, work and raise a family. However, this growth comes at a cost, straining our infrastructure and municipal budget. To broaden our tax base, the town needs commercial growth that should enhance our community, be sustainable and diversified without jeopardizing the quality of life in Gorham. Quality of life and economic development are interdependent objectives.



When I first ran for council in 2012, it was to give back to the community that I call HOME. I want to continue representing YOU as a voice of the community..... To serve with your elected officials as stewards for growth and change for 2016 and beyond. I look forward to my next 3 years as your Gorham Town Councilor and my next 30 years as proud Gorham Resident.

Thank you for your vote on November 3rd.

For more information on my campaign, please "like" my Facebook page at www.facebook.com/bennerforgorhamtowncouncil

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Lettuce Be Healthy

BY BARBARA T. SCHNEIDER

What a wonderful fall season we have had with warm and sunny days. Now it is time to pay the piper. Crisp, cold mornings and hat weather are arriving, but we can still take advantage of warm sunshine during the day, before the frost sets in for good.

There is nothing like using yummy autumn vegetables in a tasty comfort meal, such as eggplant stuffed with your favorite ground meat, fall spices

and some chopped veggies from the garden. Or how about taking advantage of just how wonderful fall veggies are simply roasted and enjoyed on their own? Then, of course, there must be some reward for all that healthy eating. Keep dessert light with a lemony taste of yum. The kids will love helping to make this heavenly dessert. Give it all a go... Enjoy this beautiful fall.

Questions about the recipes can be e-mailed to Barbara Schneider at bts@maine.rr.com.

Stuffed Eggplant

1-2 large eggplant, inside scooped out, leaving ¼ inch flesh (more if small eggplants are used)
 1 cup cooked red quinoa
 ½ cup corn
 ½ cup edamame or peas
 ½ cup chopped fennel
 Chopped eggplant from scooping
 1 cup cooked, crumbled sausage or ground meat
 ½ cup vegetable broth (maybe more needed if mix is dry)
 ¼ teaspoon smoked paprika
 Dash of celery salt, pepper, cumin, sriracha, and tomato sauce (optional)

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Mix all ingredients in a bowl, stuff eggplant to full. You may want to use shredded cheese on top. Cook for 25 minutes. Top with piping hot tomato sauce if you like. Dig in and enjoy.

Quinoa w/ Roasted Vegetables

2 cups cooked quinoa, rice or farro
 Mix of wild & sliced button mushrooms
 6 large red radishes, sliced
 1 fennel bulb, sliced
 1 large zucchini, julienned
 6-8 Brussels sprouts, sliced
 Canola oil
 Fish sauce
 Lemon juice
 Salt & pepper
 Couple of dashes of coriander, red pepper flakes
 ½ cup chopped hazelnuts or walnuts, toasted and cooled
 2 handfuls of escarole leaves, chopped or julienned

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Combine all vegetables in a large bowl; drizzle with canola oil, sprinkle with salt and pepper and other seasonings and a dash of fish sauce and lemon juice. Roast for 25 minutes. Add escarole after removing from oven. Serve over quinoa. Add toasted nuts before serving. Enjoy.

Angel Blueberry Lemon Chiffon Dream

1 angel food cake, cubed
 1 pint blueberries, sprinkled with 2 teaspoons sugar
 1 large container of Cool Whip with 1 teaspoon vanilla lightly folded in
 1 small package of lemon pudding, made ahead and cooled
 1 cup roughly crumbled vanilla wafer cookies
 ¾ cup white chocolate mini chips
 Drizzle of caramel

In a large glass bowl, cover bottom with cubed angel food cake, a layer of Cool Whip mix, blueberries, lemon pudding, vanilla wafers and mini chips; Repeat process, ending with large mound of Cool Whip. Drizzle with caramel. Sprinkle some blueberries and wafers on top for fun. Delicious.



Gorham Town Council Candidate

"A voice for Gorham's future"

"By encouraging value-added enterprises to come to our community, let's open up the doors for progress and success for Gorham. We can create a stronger local economy and encourage a greater community spirit by giving a voice to the young people of Gorham and creating well-paying jobs for working people."

"Humza brings a much needed perspective to our great town... He would serve as an active conduit between USM and the community. I truly believe our youth represent our future. They need to be at the table. Please join Chrissi and I in supporting Humza to the Town Council."

-Shawn Moody, Owner of Moody's collision center

"In my interactions with Humza, I have found him to be completely committed to any goal he pursues, intensely sincere, and always well-informed about his environment and community."

-Debbie Stirling, Longtime Gorham resident

"I am continually impressed with the high degree of maturity and professionalism Humza brings to everything he undertakes. He is a natural leader who will work hard to do what is best for his town and the people who live here."

- Heather Flanders, Lifelong Gorham resident

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Joint Task Force Targets Drug Activity

Lt. Chris Sanborn
Gorham Police Department

For three months last summer, the Gorham and Windham Police Departments formed a joint investigative team to target drug activity within both communities. This was the third year the Gorham Police Department was involved in this type of enforcement effort, but the first year that Gorham Police Department joined with the Windham Police Department in an effort to combat local drug problems within both communities. The team was made up of an investigator from both police departments. The Gorham and Windham Police Departments Criminal Investigations Supervisors oversaw the investigations.

Pre-meetings were arranged to discuss enforcement efforts and prosecution of cases between both Departments and the Cumberland County District Attorney's Office. The investigative team was actively involved in investigating 14 cases in Gorham and five cases in Windham for a total of 19 cases overall in both communities in the three month period. The team made 14 arrests and summonsed five violators for various drug charges. The investigative team seized heroin, crack, cocaine, hash oil/marijuana and various prescription drugs. They also seized various other items of contraband and \$5,121 in cash. This was considered to be a very successful multi-jurisdictional enforcement effort between both agencies.

Clerk's Corner

By Laurie Nordfors
Deputy Clerk

Absentee ballots are available in the Clerk's Office for the upcoming November election. Absentee voting will take place in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Center on Monday, October 26 through Wednesday, October 28 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and also on Thursday, October 29 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Absentee voting will close on Thursday, October 29 at 7 p.m. and you will no longer be able to obtain an absentee ballot.

Polls will be open on Election Day, Tuesday, November 3 from 7 a.m. until

8 p.m. If you are not aware of where you vote, you may call the Clerk's office at 222-1670.

Dog tags are available and residents may register their dog for 2016 in the Clerk's Office or online at www.gorham-me.org.

Snowmobile stickers are also available for 2016.



Deputy Clerk Laurie Nordfors can be reached by email at lnordfors@gorham.me.us or by phone at 222-1670.

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to 23 people and possibly as many as 26 or 27. A facility that can potentially house more than 16 people is classified as a hotel, which has different fire code requirements. These requirements include fire doors at the top of each flight of stairs, at least two exits from each floor, as well as a more extensive sprinkler system. Currently PineCrest has a Life Safety Code approved sprinkler system but if it were to be reclassified as a hotel, it would need a more extensive sprinkler system.

Matt Mattingly, owner of PineCrest, is required to submit a plan of correction and has advised he plans to limit his guests to the number permitted for a bed and breakfast, or no more than 15 guests at a time. The State Fire Marshal's

Office was asked to provide Gorham with technical assistance for the inspection, but the town handles enforcement of codes. Mattingly is expected to advise the town of the steps he plans to take to address the issues. Mattingly did not respond to a request for comment.

Deputy Fickett said the Gorham Fire Department initiated a Fire Safety Survey program for commercial and multi-family properties. The on-duty crews conduct these surveys and, although they are not full code compliance inspections, the items crews find have an effect on safety. Deputy Fickett and/or the Fire Inspector Charles Jarrett conduct full code compliance inspections, such as the one at 91 South Street.

Real Estate Transfers April 2015

Location	Buyer	Seller	Price
12 Hidden Brook Drive	Brayley, Brett M & Fox, Joanna M	The Crossing at Tannery Brook	\$401,000
33 Mighty Street	Hammit, Michael & Morriss, Shannon	Hubbard, Susan	\$210,000
5 Wilson Road	Johnso, Adam & Isabelle	Morin, Joseph	\$369,500
28 Canal Street	Allen, Nathan C & Martinique M	Schoepf, Kenneth	\$279,000
730 Fort Hill Road	Obrien, Steven F & Tatum J	Connick, Johnathan & Charlotte	\$300,000
9 Dyer Road	Lossie, Donnie M	Stammen, Karl	\$212,550
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Planning Board Results, September 15, 2015

In the September 15 meeting, the Planning Board:

- Approved with conditions the request from University of Southern Maine (USM) to renovate existing softball fields in the northeast corner of the USM campus.
- Recommended to the Town Council an amendment to the Land Use and Development Code be approved to permit off premises signs with dimensional variations in limited situations in Gorham village.
- Approved with conditions, a request by Jon Smith of JCS4, LLC for a master sign plan for 109 Main Street, utilizing a shared entrance format.
- Scheduled a site walk for a proposal by STJ, Inc. to amend the 1996 Village Crossing subdivision for six lots on lot 1 located on 2.17 acres at 12 Cumberland Lane.

- Approved with modified conditions of approval a request by DDI/Susan Duchaine for expanded office space and a 48-by-60-foot garage for DDI corporate offices at 166 Narragansett Street.
- Tabled pending submission of revised plans a proposal from Casco Federal Credit Union for construction of a new credit union at 393 Ossipee Trail.
- At Sebago Brewing Company's request, tabled an application for a contract zone on land at the intersection of Mosher Road and Lower Main Street.
- Tabled an amendment to the Land Use and Development Code to require written permission from abutting property owners to install farm stand directional sign.
- Discussed Shaw Brothers proposal to expand aggregate handling area, stockyard and laydown areas on undeveloped properties located at 341, 351, 353, 359, and 363 Mosher Road.

Town Council Report: October 6

JACOB ADAMS
Staff Writer

At the October 6 Town Council Meeting:

Councilor Moulton reported the next finance committee meeting would be held on October 27 at 5 p.m.

Councilor Phinney thanked the Public Works Department for the great job they are doing on the Little Falls Recreation Area ball fields. He reported that one field is seeded and they are working on the remaining two. He also thanked Public Works and the Police Department for their help with the rain event the town experienced at the end of September.

David Cole also thanked Public Works for their wonderful job with the streets during the rain event. He reminded people of the upcoming election on November 3 and urged everyone to get out and vote. He also noted that absentee ballots are now available.

Town Council voted to table the decision to divide Ward 1 into two voting districts until more information is obtained from the Secretary of State's Office. (7-0)

Town Council declined to refer a proposal to adopt a residential transfer overlay district off New Portland Road, near the Gorham/Westbrook town line, to the Planning Board for a Public Hearing and their recommendation. An overlay district permits denser development of housing. (0-7, all councilors)

Signage restrictions were reviewed. The Village shared entrance sign for businesses shall be restricted to the following sizes: One business shall be allowed a maximum of 28 square feet of sign area with all other businesses being allowed a maximum of 16 square feet of sign area. The bottom of the first business sign shall not be more than four feet off the ground. No spaces larger

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Grand Jury Indictments

In October the Grand Jury returned the following indictments:

Jerry Depeter, 30, of Hollis, was indicted for unlawful trafficking in scheduled drugs, unlawful possession of scheduled drugs and refusing to submit to arrest on charges brought by

Gorham Police Department. Nicholas Douglass, 25, of Gorham, was indicted for theft by unauthorized taking, violating conditions of release and unlawful possession of scheduled drugs (heroin) on charges brought by South Portland Police Department.

Jasmine Gorham, 21, of Westbrook, was indicted for criminal OUI, operating without a license and aggravated forgery on charges brought by Gorham Police Department. Devin Thomas O'Leary, 26, of Gorham, was indicted for aggravated assault, crimi-

nal threatening with a dangerous weapon and two counts of assault on charges brought by Windham Police Department. Waddah Siedahmed, 20, of South Portland, was indicted for receiving stolen property on charges brought by Gorham Police Department.



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GHS to Hang Up its Dancing Shoes (for now)

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MALLORY CAMPBELL
GHS seniors

"Treat each other well, treat our building well" is a mantra that every student at Gorham High School (GHS) is intimately familiar with, not only from Principal Chris Record's daily reminder on the morning announcements but also in the standard that all students and staff members are held to.

Recently, GHS has become the talk of news and media, after a letter from Record was sent out in September about the shift from a homecoming dance to a bonfire due to inappropriate dancing at last year's dance.

Many news outlets have weighed in on the subject, including CNN, the Portland Press Herald, the New York Daily News and even the Meredith Viera talk show. Despite the media attention that Gorham has been getting, both locally and nationally, Record works to keep his motto relevant.

"I remain deeply proud of GHS, GHS students, and the Gorham community," said Record. "I am sorry for the negative media attention. We will move forward and continue to try to improve teaching, increase learning, and enhance the climate of GHS. We've reached a boiling point where dancing (as it is now) and schools don't match, and we needed to try something different."

As a result, GHS' Student Council and administration collaborated to replace the dance with a bonfire, after teachers expressed their unwillingness to chaperone dances.

"It puts the chaperone in a very difficult situation," said GHS English teacher

Jason Simpson. "It can be turned on you very easily: 'What are you? A pervert? Is that your interpretation of this?' It's very awkward for the chaperones."

Record has been criticized on social media for the decision to change homecoming. "My number one job is to protect the safety of students, and if students aren't feeling welcome or safe at a school dance, that's a problem," said Record in response to this criticism. "To imagine 14-year-old girls, or guys, feeling pressured - that doesn't sound like a place we want."

The move away from dances and the decision to create a new bonfire tradition has both the students and faculty divided.

"People have a variety of dancing styles, and that, I don't feel is my business," said Rachael Grady, a GHS Social Studies teacher. "At the dance itself last year, some people left and that's their right."

"It's not very flattering of our school, which, in general, has a pretty good reputation," said GHS senior Connor Goodall. They really are trying to give us something, so we should take what we can get." Many freshman, however, seem wary of the change. "It's kind of unfair to cancel the whole thing over something that happened last year," said freshman Molly Duff.

"It didn't involve us last year, so we don't think we should be punished for it," said Caitlin Chasse, another freshman at GHS.

Gorham High School's senior class, however, is, for the most part, understanding of the decision. "I think people are being a little ridiculous because they did warn us that if people

kept grinding they would cancel the dances," said senior Nicole Caruso. "I honestly think it's fair."

The homecoming bonfire will be held Friday, October 23 at GHS following the football game.

A full interview with Record, as well as additional GHS staff and student opinions of these recent events, is available at facebook.com/GorhamTimes and tree-worthy.org.

School Notes

The Narragansett P.I.E. group (aka "the PTA") has a new Facebook page to communicate information and volunteer opportunities. To join the group, search "Narragansett School P.I.E." on Facebook and look under "groups" in the search results. The group is hoping to score new members who will help create fun, community-building activities for the children of Narragansett School. For more information, email Corinne Altham at mrsaltham@gmail.com.

Gorham Adult Education is offering new classes this fall: Advanced Finishing Techniques with Chalk Paint and Yoga/Pilates Combination. FML, call 222-1095 or visit www.gorham.maineadulted.org.

November 2 and 3 will be Junior Class College Visits.

Correction

In the October 8 edition, we incorrectly stated that Cassidy Landry would be showing her family's livestock at the National 4-H Congress. The correct information is that Cassidy will be attending the National 4-H Congress—the flagship event of the 4-H program. According to the University of Maine Cooperative Extension: "Congress provides youth ages 14-19 a quality, educational, and cross-cultural experience ... designed to address the needs and issues of young people while helping to develop capable, competent and caring citizens. Congress focuses on issues and trends in agriculture, cultural diversity, group dynamics and community service. The program is designed to help young people develop the knowledge base and leadership skills to positively affect change in our world. More than 1,300 youth from small towns, suburbs, farming communities and cities will come together for five to six days of discussion groups and workshops. They also have the opportunity to explore the sights of Atlanta, attend formal dinners and dances, meet with corporate sponsors of Congress and take part in community services actively." We apologize for the error.

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Gorham Does Have Talent!

AVERY ARENA
GHS student intern

The annual Gorham's Got Talent show was held on October 10 in the Gorham Middle School's (GMS) auditorium. Twenty-nine acts participated, representing many different talents, including: dance, singing, piano, and band arrangements.

The top three acts were: Caralin Mills singing "Rolling in the Deep" by Adele; Ethan Ho singing "Flashlight" by Jesse Jay, and taking the top spot were the Martel brothers. Isaac and Sam Martel sang "4 Chords," by Axis of Awesome, with both brothers singing and Isaac accompanying on the piano. They won \$100 in prize money.

The people's choice was decided by jars the audience filled with money. The jar with the most money won. Haley Crosby and Marissa Wilson, both dancers, won this award and a monetary prize of upwards of \$200.

This was the fifth year of Gorham's Got Talent, which was created by GMS teacher Jeffery Carpenter to help offset the cost of



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The Martel Brothers (Sam and Isaac) with their first place trophy.

students traveling to Washington D.C. and Maryland for the National History Day competition. This year the profits were also shared with Gorham Odyssey of the Mind.

"I think the almost standing-room-only crowd was a big surprise for me this year," said Carpenter. "Scheduling this on a holiday weekend was a big risk, but it paid off."

Full STEAM Ahead at Great Falls



Photo credit Stacey Sawyer

On October 2, Great Falls School held its second annual Family Fun STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) Night. Families chose from over 18 hands-on activities, including: monster slime, snowmaking, paper rockets, marble launch and more. Over 550 people attended the event. STEAM is an initiative designed to provide students with opportunities to be successful in the various career fields associated with STEAM. The goal is to make students and families aware of STEAM, and to spark an interest in students. Great Falls would like to thank all their participating school staff, the Northern Force Robotics Team, and the group of USM Engineering students who shared many popular projects. Pictured (from left to right) are: Ben Ely, Scientist Fortazy, and Kate Bishop.

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Searching for Macroinvertebrates at Gorham Middle School



Photo credit Kelsey White

Ms. Gospodarek's seventh grade Stroudwater Team at GMS recently explored the pond behind the middle school in search of macroinvertebrates to help the Vital Signs program at The Gulf of Maine Research Institute. Pictured back row (left to right): Megan Roberts, Delaney Seed, Colby Leavitt, Liza Klischch, Oliver Milliken, Emmeline Nelson, Mrs. Gospodarek, San Pritchard, Molly Murrar, Mrs. White, Lily Courtney, Jake Lesser, Kilee Sherry, Hayden Desmond, Josh Lehmann, and Treyton Rosario. Middle row (left to right): William Lamont, Haley Crosby, Jordan Blakeslee, and Maya Lee. Front row (left to right): Reed Henderson, Elijah Russell, Brayden Harjula, and Denisha Beeler.

KELSEY WHITE
USM ETEP student intern

The seventh graders on the Stroudwater Team at Gorham Middle School (GMS) are taking water quality into their own hands.

After days of preparation, Mrs. Gospodarek's classes ventured into the pond behind the school on October 5. The students were in search of macroinvertebrates--organisms without a backbone that can be seen with the naked eye.

The students had been learning about how these organisms can help make predictions about water quality. Using this knowledge and science skills, they submitted their data to the Vital Signs program at The Gulf of Maine Research Institute. Scientists throughout New England will use the information they submitted about the water quality at the pond.

Before their plunge into the water, the students learned about collecting

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Three GHS Teams Running Hot Heading into Post Season

JOHN CURLEY
Gorham Times Sports Writer

Three GHS sports teams in particular are making some noise with records well above .500 as they head toward the tail end of the fall sports season. At press time, the boys' cross country, boys' soccer and girls' soccer teams had combined to win 32 of their first 40 competitions. Gorham High School should be a busy place in the post season as the calendar marches toward November.

"I think the hill work really pays off," says Jason Tanguay, head coach of the boys' cross country team. "It gives us a definite advantage over many teams. The same goes with summer running...many of our athletes put down 200+ miles over the summer, and that base allows them to progress further in their training."

Depth within the roster has contributed toward team success in several ways. Yes, there is Jesse Southard, who has been way up there winning several meets, but the next nine or so runners have been fairly close, which has been key to winning races. In addition, healthy rivalries within the squad have also been beneficial. Sean Pratt/Collin Jones, Tommy Bernier/Anthony Chase and Tyler Bernier/Carlos Monsen have continually pushed each other in training and in the races.

For boys' soccer, head coach Tim King is working with a deep, talented and experienced squad, with eight starters returning from last season.

The always-stingy defense is led by goalie Trenton Bassingthwaite, sweeper Gerek Brown, and defenders Jackson Taylor, Emerson Fox and Ryan Firmin.

The offense is powered by leading scorers Jackson Fotter (14 goals) and Cody Elliott (11 goals) as well as Kyle King and Tyler Richman. Wing players Ethan Orach, Erik Andreasen, Sam Burghardt, and Nick Sturtevant have also been key contributors. The Rams have shown steady improvement throughout the season. Recent victories over highly-regarded Cheverus and Portland demonstrate their ability to make a deep post-season run.

For girls' soccer, head coach Jeanne Zarrilli is working with a team led by four spirited, talented captains. Defensive leaders Cady Houghton and Jenny Darasz anchor the backfield while offensive leaders Emily Bragg and Lizzie Sullivan direct activity in the front. Juniors Noelle "Doodle" DiBiase at right back and Emma Smith at keeper round out a defense that has recorded eight shut-outs and only surrendered six goals.

Other key juniors run the midfield: Jenna Cowan, Meghan Perrin and Narissa Libby. Two freshmen, including leading scorer Hallie Shiers and versatile Emma Forges, have made major contributions as midfield starters.

According to Zarrilli, "One of our strengths is offensive versatility. 12 people have scored our 50 goals so far this season, nine with more than

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Mountain Biking Gains Momentum in Gorham



Courtesy photo

Gorham's Mountain Biking Team: From left to right, Corey Theriault, Sam Morton, Rob Lavoie and Bill Moreno, who participated as a four-man team--Nuthin But a Thang--in the 12 Hours of Bradbury Mountain.

JEFF PIKE
Gorham Times Sports Editor

Interest in the sport of mountain biking is growing rapidly in Gorham, both in terms of the recent successes of Gorham mountain bikers and the work done on trails throughout Gorham. Existing trails are being

enhanced and new trails are being built under the coordination of the Gorham Conservation Committee.

In recent mountain biking events, GHS sophomore Ben Parsons won the Solo Open Junior Division of the September 19th 12 Hours of

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Mountain Biking CONTINUED FROM PAGE 9

Bradbury Mountain, a 12-hour endurance mountain bike ride in Pownal. The event required participants to complete as many laps as possible around the mountain within a 12-hour time window. At that same event, four Gorham residents finished seventh in the Four-Person Men's Division—Rob Lavoie, Bill Moreno, Sam Morton and Corey Theriault—while Jon Sturm, another Gorham resident, was part of a team that finished tenth. Theriault's four-year-old son, Corey, also competed—in the kids' race, the 12 Minutes of Bradbury Mountain.

Both Lavoie and Sturm also took on grueling individual events over the summer. Lavoie, who is chairman of the Gorham Conservation Commission, competed in the BC Bike Race in Vancouver, a seven-day mountain bike stage race covering more than 200 miles and ascending over 32,000 feet that required

approximately 27 total hours to complete. Sturm participated in the 24 Hours of Great Glen, a 24-hour mountain bike race at the base of Mount Washington. As a solo rider, he completed 25 laps in 24 hours to win the solo male 39-years-and-younger division.

"There are many mountain bikers throughout town, but there's a group of about 15 of us who regularly get together to ride and work on the trails in town," Lavoie says. "It's a close-knit, laid-back group. Everyone competes mainly to just have fun—there's no pressure to win."

As the president of the Gorham Conservation Commission, Lavoie is part of a group that oversees the building and improving of trails throughout Gorham. The primary trails for mountain bikers include the double track trails at Tannery Brook Preserve Trail, which can be accessed at the end of Wentworth Drive

behind the Gorham Savings Bank operations building; the Claire Drew Trail, which can be accessed behind that Narragansett School; the Robert R. Frazier Trail, which begins near home plate of the baseball field at Gorham High School; and the Weeks Road Property Trail, which begins behind Gorham Middle School.

All of these trails are also used by walkers and runners. The Tannery Brook and Claire Drew trails are also used by ATVs as well as snowmobiles, cross-county skiers and snowshoe walkers in the winter.

Lavoie says his mountain biking group and the Gorham Conservation Commission are always looking for new members—both to ride and to help maintain the trails. The commission is currently focused on building single-track loops off of the four main double-track trails. Anyone who wants to help out can contact Lavoie via email at dr.lavoie@gorhamchiro.com.



Courtesy photo

Gorham Youngster Takes on Mountain Biking! Four-year-old Rowan Theriault gets set to compete in the 12 Minutes of Bradbury Mountain—a mountain biking event for kids.

Gorham Runners in the Maine Marathon and Half Marathon

Six Gorham athletes were among the 858 runners who participated in the Maine Marathon that started and finished in Portland on October 3rd, and Dick Graves was top Gorham runner, finishing 83rd. He was also first among men in the 60-64 age group. Tara Rich was the first female runner to cross the finish line for

Gorham, placing 363rd overall.

In the Maine Half Marathon, 36 Gorham residents competed in a field including nearly 1,800 runners. Dan LeGage was the top finishing male from Gorham and 103rd overall while Anne Lapierre was the top Gorham female, finishing 230th overall. Diane Bell finished second in the

female 65-69 division.

Below are the results of all Gorham runners:

363	Tara Rich	4:06:26
450	Cyndi Knight	4:20:44
803	Linda Whitten	7:23:02
838	Jacob Piper	8:09:13

Maine Marathon

Place	Name	Time
83	Dick Graves	3:23:03
231	Jeffrey Turner	3:50:08
286	Rick Rand (GMS Teacher)	3:56:31

Maine Half Marathon

Place	Name	Time
103	Dan LeGage	1:36:42

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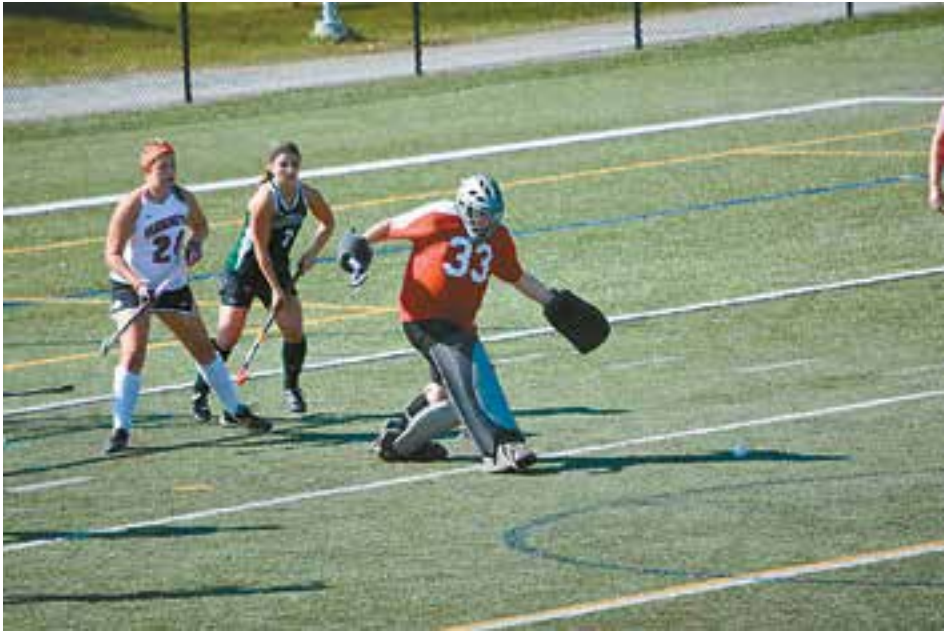
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Four-Time Field Hockey Player of the Week: University of Maine at Farmington junior field hockey goalie Patty Smith (GHS '13) has been selected as the North Atlantic Conference Defensive Player of the Week four times this season. Smith's record in goal at press time stood at 7-3 with a 1.14 goals-against per-game average and a save percentage of .857. She had also recorded three shut-outs. Earlier this season, Smith was tied for first in the nation in goals-against average and save percentage, and she is currently first in the conference in save percentage and goals-against average. She opened the season with 242 scoreless minutes before surrendering a goal.



Courtesy of Saint Joseph's College of Maine

Medalist at College Golf Tournament: At the USM Fall Classic at Gorham Country Club October 11-12, Saint Joseph's College of Maine junior Mike Caron (GHS '13) registered a 144 (69-75) stroke score to lead the men's golf team to a win and to top the field of 40 individual golfers from eight colleges. The win for Caron was his first of the season and seventh of his college career. In 2014, he was the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference Division III Co-Golfer of the Month for September and the Great Northeast Atlantic Conference Player of the Week five times.

October is Physical Therapy Month 5 facts about physical therapy you may not know

There have been many advances in the physical therapy (PT) profession since its inception. Physical therapy began in 1914 during World War I in response to the need to treat soldiers' injuries. Over the last 100 years, the evolution of the profession has led to the expansive scope of practice that physical therapists currently

provide today, from newborns to the very oldest.

In Celebration of National Physical Therapy month, here are five facts you may not know about physical therapy:

Physical therapists hold advanced degrees. Years ago, physical therapy programs culminated with a four-year bachelor's

degree. Due to expanding medical knowledge and areas of practice, all programs are now a three-year

doctorate in PT plus a bachelor's in a pre-professional PT program.

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Tommy Stirling Hits the Pro Golf Circuit

JEFF PIKE
Sport Editor

After graduating from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in December 2015, Tommy Stirling decided right then and there to go for his dream—to play professional golf.

The 2010 GHS grad moved to Florida and found a job with a private golf club in Sarasota where he could earn a little money and practice his golf game. He also landed a job with a software engineering and development firm that manufactures security devices. That helps make sure he has enough money to pay the bills.

Stirling then started competing on the West Florida Golf Tour as an amateur. “I wanted to test things out at first, and it costs a lot more to enter tournaments as a professional,” Stirling explained during a phone interview from Florida. “There were also a few amateur tournaments I wanted to compete in to get used to the level of competition.”

Between January and September, Stirling competed in 11 tournaments on the West Florida circuit. It is considered a mini-development tour and a stepping stone to full professional development tours such as the Web.com Tour, which is

one step away from the big time in golf—the PGA Tour.

In those 11 three-day tournaments, Stirling made five cuts and finished as high as eighth place. He also finished fourth and sixth in two one-day tournaments. But the big step for Stirling occurred in his final tournament on the West Florida Golf Tour in September when he decided to turn pro. This means higher entry fees, but it also means Stirling can now earn money if he does well enough.

“I did not make the cut in that last tournament, but I’m ready to go when the winter tour season starts up October 26,” Stirling said. “I plan to go all out and participate in about 25 tournaments.”

After a stellar golf career at GHS, Stirling first attended Southern Maine Community College where in 2011 he won the US Collegiate Athletic Association Golf Championship on his way to earning All-American honors. He then transferred to Southwestern Oklahoma State University and helped the team qualify for the Nationals in 2013.

As for his pro career, Stirling also has his sights set on participating in two or three Web.com tour events next summer. Anyone confident enough in their game, like Stirling, to pay the \$450 entry fee can enter



Photo courtesy of Southwestern Oklahoma State University

Gorham Grad Goes Pro: GHS Class of 2010 grad Tommy Stirling, shown above competing for the Southwestern Oklahoma State University golf team, recently turned pro by competing on the West Florida Golf Tour. He plans to compete in 25 more tournaments on the tour between October and April and hopes to compete next summer in three Web.com tours—which is one step below the PGA Tour where the world’s leading golfers compete.

the Monday qualifier of a Web.com event. Those who do well enough get to play in the tournament that week, and those who do well enough in the tournament can then qualify for future tournaments.

“It’s very difficult to get onto the Web.com tour and of course even more difficult to get on the PGA Tour,” Stirling says. “But once you qualify, more opportunities open up for you to keep your tour card, and it’s easier to attract sponsors to help with expenses.”

Who knows? Maybe someday, we will see Tommy on TV competing against the top golfers on the pro tour. Either way, Gorham is pulling for him all the way!

Upcoming GHS Varsity Sports Events

Friday, October 23
7:00 p.m. Football vs. Westbrook @ GHS

Saturday, October 24
12:30 p.m. Boys’ Cross Country Regional Meet @ Twin Brook Recreation Park, Cumberland
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"always thinking of other people first."

That same week, Mrs. Boothby enjoyed a birthday lunch at DiMillos with friends she made while in a writing group that met for 10 years. While a member of that group, which was an outcome of a writing class at USM's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), Mrs. Boothby's work was published several times in OLLI's publication, Reflections. One of those pieces, "The Road Less Traveled by Women," told the story of the education she sought at a time when avenues for women were much fewer than today.

Looking back over the 100 years of her life, Frances Huse was one of seven children. When she was very young, she and her family would endure the death of two of her sisters to diphtheria. A third sister also became ill, but she was rushed to Mass General in time to receive needed treatment, and she survived.

Mr. Huse was a grain salesman and the family lived "all over New Hampshire" until Frances was 10 years old, when they moved to Gorham. "Dad knew Fred Robie," she explained, "and Fred knew of a house for sale in Gorham." That house, on Main Street near Gray Road, is where the Huse family would live for the next 10 years.

With such a convenient location, "We walked everywhere," said Mrs. Boothby, including to the dance hall in the center of Gorham, where one Saturday night, she met the man she would marry, Clyde Boothby, five years her senior. After teaching two years in South Paris, she married Clyde, gave up her teaching position, and moved back to Gorham.

Clyde and Frances raised four children: Marion, who now lives in New Hampshire; Margaret (Pegs), who lives in Pennsylvania; Arthur, who lives in Connecticut; and Ron, with whom Mrs. Boothby lives in Westbrook. Making a good education possible for their children was a priority to Clyde and Frances, and she wanted to help financially too, so they agreed that after 16 years of being a stay-at-home mom, she would return to work. She raised the possibility of the Warren Mill in Westbrook, where several of her friends worked. Clyde's reply, as she explains in "The Road Less Traveled by Women," was to suggest that she return to teaching. That's exactly what she would do, beginning classes in September 1954 to earn the credits she needed to reinstate her teaching certificate, and graduating in June 1956. There were two graduations that year: Marion from Gorham

High School and Mrs. Boothby from Gorham State Teachers College. "We made the front page of the Portland Press Herald," she added. In September, Marion left for college and Mrs. Boothby returned to the classroom, with son Ron in her seventh grade class.

And she didn't stop there. While attending a teachers' convention, she heard a speaker discuss the need for women in high school guidance programs. Attracted to the thought of one-on-one relationships replacing a classroom of 40 students, she decided to pursue a master's degree in guidance. Not only did she face the challenge of working full time while raising her children, but she would also be commuting to Boston University every Saturday for her classes. After completing her degree, she was offered a position in guidance at Westbrook High School, where she worked for the next 20 years, helping students, as she said, "select their own paths." To this day, she continues to run into former students and, in fact, some of the over 100 cards she received for her recent birthday were from those very same students. Her son, Ron, said, "Whenever we would go shopping, it was inevitable that a former student would come over and give her a hug."

Reminiscing about her years in Gorham, she said, "We loved the small town life. She recalled riding the trolley from Gorham to Portland on Saturday mornings to take music lessons or to attend a show at the Strand Theater, which was located at 565 Congress Street, complete with a Wurlitzer theater organ. She attended the Charlotte Millet School, now the site of Ridgewood Apartments, and then Gorham High School, graduating in 1932. While at Gorham High School, she was a member of the school's first championship women's basketball team. At age 95, Mrs. Boothby would be inducted into the Gorham Athletic Hall of Fame, an honor she shares with both of her sons.

Asked about her recollections of Gorham during the Great Depression and World War II, she said that the war years were tougher than the Depression. Throughout all of those years, she said, "My father always had a job, and we never went without food. But the war years were tougher. There were many restrictions on key food items such as meat, and Dad often traded gas ration stamps for food."

Clyde's and Frances's retirement years did not take the course they had

hoped. "We looked forward to traveling in the winter and to summers at the house Clyde built at Prouts Neck." But while they were visiting Clyde's sister in California, he had a stroke and would live for the next 17 years with the toll it took on his health. "Those were tough years," Mrs. Boothby said, "but we made the most of them."

Close friend Marian Marsh of Gorham reflected on the friendship she and Frances have shared after meeting many years ago at First Parish. "We share books and have had many good discussions about them, as well as about our life stories. We have some similar life experiences that have brought us close together."

Asked for any advice she would have for others about living a long and healthy life, Mrs. Boothby replied, "I think it's the genes. I don't want to be giving advice, but certainly, living in a loving family makes a difference." Today that family includes five grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Reverend David Butler's words at the service honoring Mrs. Boothby sum it up best. He said, "As we get older, some of us are lucky enough to become genuinely wise and open to new things and new people - to all the blessings that come into one's life - and then pass it along to the next generation. Frances Boothby embodies all of that and is a blessing to all who know her."

Editor's Note: Read a longer, unabridged version of this story at gorhamtimes.com/FrancesBoothby.html.

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than one inch are permitted between business signs. (7-0)

To the General Assistant Ordinance, the Town Council adopted the new maximum levels of assistance as issued by the State of Maine. (7-0)

The renewal of two liquor licenses was approved for both Ocean Gardens Restaurant and Tavern and Gorham Sports Center. (7-0)

Also approved were renewal applications for the following Automobile Graveyard/Junkyard Permits for 2016: Steve Luce-LKQ Corp./Gorham Auto, 176 Narragansett St.; Chris Cataldo-346 South Street LLC, 346 South St.; Jim Stone-Casco Fed. Credit Union, 375 Main St.; Gary Nelson-Chet's Auto Sales, 475 Ossipee Trl.; Gordon Reichert-Reichert's Auto Body, 112 Shaws Mill Rd.; Shawn Moody-Moody's/ Ins. Auto Auction, 200 Narragansett St.; John Dunbrocyo-Dumbo Enterprises, 86 Longfellow Rd. (7-0)

Funds were appropriated, that have been deemed excess or surplus, by the Maine State Retirement System as follows:

1. \$371,738.47 to the School Department for School purposes.
2. \$396,844.92 to be placed in a reserve fund with annual appropriations of \$30,000 to be used as contributions towards the Town's annual costs of the State Retirement System (MainePERS), until the fund is depleted. (7-0)

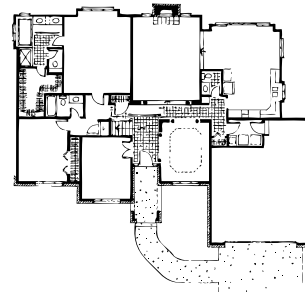
Town Council accepted a bid from Aceto Construction in the amount of \$142,904 to reconstruct a sidewalk in Little Falls using Community Development Block Grant Funds, and Town Funds. (7-0)

The Maine Department of Transportation will be notified that the estimated project costs have increased significantly; therefore, the town will not accept a state grant project for a pedestrian trail from New Portland Road to the Industrial Park. Town Manager David Cole recommended to the Council that the project is worth pursuing in the future. (7-0)

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Some of the Pickleball group who had fun and a lot of laughs playing for a worthy cause with players from all over Southern Maine. Addy stands just to the left of the sign.

CHRIS CRAWFORD
Staff Writer

Thirty-six players from all over southern Maine participated in a recent pickleball tournament at the Little Falls pickleball courts to benefit Addy Madsen, the 4-year-old granddaughter of Lew and MaryAnne McGouldrick of Gorham. Addy is battling a rare form of cancer but was home from the hospital for a few days and was able to attend a portion of the event. Karl Frank, organizer of the tournament said, "This was so great that the Pickleball community has ral-

lied to help Addy and her family." The group raised \$4,105. Addy has returned to Dana Farber and has had her last chemotherapy treatment and a successful bone marrow transplant. She will be in isolation for the next several months. If you would like to contribute, you can do still do so. Check out Super Hero Addy on Facebook or Adelynn Madsen on GoFundMe.com.

Special thanks to the following local businesses who kindly donated raffle prizes: Bookworm, Cook's Hardware, Hannaford, Gorham House of Pizza, Lazy Boy, MK Kitchen, and Sebago Brewing.



Photo credits Chris Crawford

Super Hero, 4-year-old Addy, proudly wearing her beautiful new Pickleball paddle charm necklace, a gift from the players.

Gorham Lions 10th Year of Displaying Stars & Stripes

KEN ALDRICH
Membership Chair,
Gorham Lions Club

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The Gorham Lions Club is small but powerful; their concentrated efforts produce scholarships for Gorham High School Students, new eyeglasses for the needy, sponsorship of youth activities, and partnership with the Gorham Recreation Department.

The Gorham Lions Club recently met with the help of a local Boy Scout troop to take down and preserve the flags until next year's service. The Lions will brave the cold again in early December to sell Christmas trees in the Cook's Hardware parking lot as a fundraiser for their charitable giving programs. In the meantime, the Lions meet at 6:30 pm on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at the Lions Den (old schoolhouse) at 414 South Street.

Always looking for hardworking new members, just stop in and lend a hand.

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MARRIAGES

The marriage of **Kaitlyne Anne Millette** to **Douglas Farrin Clement** was held on September 12, 2015 at the Spring Meadow Golf Course. Kaiti is the daughter of Toni and David Millette, granddaughter of Marie and William Stees; Donna and Robert Millette. Kaiti is employed at Unum. Doug is the son of Lynda Doak and husband Bobby and Robert Clement, grandson of Marian and Robert Robinson; the late Alverna and Robert Clement. Doug is employed at Moody's in Gorham. The couple resides in Gorham.



OF INTEREST

Candidates for Town Council and School Board will speak at North Gorham Public Library on Thursday, Oct. 22 at 7 p.m. Each candidate will introduce themselves and explain why they are running followed by a formal question and answer period. Refreshments will be available immediately following during which time the public may speak to candidates individually.

Jennifer Banks and Daren Meader and their family of Gorham were among the winners of the Fresh Air Fund's 2015 Photo Contest. Seven-year-old Frank Zheng of Brooklyn, New York spent seven days with them as part of the Fresh Air Fund's Volunteer Host Family Program.



Photo credit Jennifer Banks

The 9th Annual Haunted House at First Parish Church in Gorham will be held on Friday, Oct. 23 and Saturday, Oct. 24 from 7 to 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 children under age 5. Children under age 10 require adult supervision. Costumes encouraged! Kids \$5, Adults \$7, Family 4-pack \$20.

Fiddle-icious, an open community fiddle-based orchestra with over 100 musicians, will perform at the GHS McCormack Performing Arts Center in Gorham on Saturday, Oct. 24 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets available at door. \$10/\$5/under 12 free. FMI, visit www.fiddleicious.com.

There will be a meet and greet/ice cream social with local law enforcement on Saturday, Oct. 24 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Moody's Collision Center, 200 Narragansett Trail. Citizens will have the opportunity to meet Daniel Jones, Gorham's new police chief.

The Gorham Garden Club will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 26 at 7 p.m. at First Parish Church in Gorham. The group will present a program on herbal tasting. The public is welcome to attend. FMI, 839-3630.

Girl Scouts of Maine will host Parent Information and Registration Meetings in Gorham on Oct. 27 at Great Falls School, Oct. 28 at Narragansett School, and Oct. 29 at Village School. All meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. Parents and children are invited to attend. FMI, 772-1177.

The Gorham Cancer Prayer and Support Group will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 3 at 6 p.m. at the Cressey Road United Methodist Church. All are welcome. FMI, 321-1390 or 839-3111.

Galilee Baptist Church is partnering with Joni and Friends, an International Disabilities Center, to present a one-day Disability Ministry Conference on Nov. 7 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., 317 Main St., Gorham. Cost is \$35 and includes lunch. Topics may include Autism Spectrum Disorder: Building Bridges and Removing Barriers; Caring for the Caregiver and Parenting Your Child with Special Needs. To register, visit www.joniandfriends.org/new-england or contact the church at 839-6985.

USM NOTES

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat will be performed at Corthell Concert Hall, USM campus on Friday, Oct. 23 through Sunday, Oct. 25. \$15/\$10/\$5. FMI, 780-5555.

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, located at the Little Falls Activity Center at 40 Acorn Street, is open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Fridays starting at 10:30 a.m. Join them daily for coffee, tea and socializing. Ongoing daily activities include Mahjong on Mondays - beginners welcome. FMI, Diane 892-9529. Tuesdays include crafts, poker, cards and table games. FMI, Avis 892-0298. The Memoir Writing Group meets the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. FMI, David 892-5604. Thursday Bingo at 10 a.m. Want to play bocce ball? Call David, 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.

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134	Greg Hughes	1:38:14	1232	Kathy Edelman	2:15:35
171	Nathan Allen	1:40:25	1240	Abigail Rusak	2:15:59
207	Tim Zerillo	1:42:16	1250	Heather Picard	2:16:18
230	Anne Lapierre	1:43:09	1273	Stephanie Piacitelli	2:17:08
255	Shane Zerillo	1:44:08	1277	Linda Waterman	2:17:20
316	Tom Biegel	1:46:35	1287	Kristine Biegel	2:17:51
429	John Burke	1:50:24	1295	Holly Fontaine	2:18:30
514	Dennis O'Brien	1:53:15	1373	Rachel Trafton	2:23:06
632	Patricia Barth	1:57:02	1375	Audrey Forastiere	2:23:14
678	Melinda Shain	1:58:10	1376	Claire Walvick	2:23:22
778	Rachel Baillargeon	2:00:53	1408	Kelly Lemery	2:25:02
815	Diane Bell	2:01:49	1451	Clint Steele	2:28:42
878	Kristen Desrosiers	2:04:08	1521	Kathryn Caron	2:34:52
1004	Ginger Reoch	2:08:03	1533	Jennifer Michaud	2:36:23
1038	Haley Perkins	2:09:06	1690	Sue Britting	3:12:37
1105	Rachel Lamblin	2:11:12	1749	Robert Kutzer	3:52:54
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Physical Therapy Month CONTINUED FROM PAGE 11

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In the past many states legally required a referral from an MD for a patient to be treated by a physical therapist. Now all 50 states allow evaluation and treatment directly. Physical therapists are your entry-level musculoskeletal specialists.

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Physical therapists work in a variety of settings. You can now find physical therapists not just in hospitals or rehabilitation settings but in schools, private practice, home health, health and fit-

ness facilities, businesses, professional sports teams fields and even emergency rooms.

Physical therapists are health care professionals who diagnose and treat people of all ages—from newborns to the very oldest—who have conditions that limit their abilities to move and perform functional activities in their daily lives. Physical therapists examine each individual and develop a plan using treatment techniques to promote the ability to move, reduce pain, restore function, and prevent disability. In addition, physical therapists work with individuals to prevent the loss of mobility before it occurs by developing fitness- and wellness-oriented programs for healthier and more active lifestyles.

If you have any questions about physical therapy, please contact Mary at mkroth-brunet@maine-physicaltherapy.com.

GORHAM BUSINESS EXCHANGE SPOTLIGHT



Interior Design Firm Turns Two



Photo credit Sarah Adams

Lisa Hincer, owner of The Good Home Interiors & Design

SARAH ADAMS

Gorham Business Exchange

Warm colors, diverse textures, and a welcoming feeling is what you experience in the office of Gorham resident Lisa Hincer, owner of The Good Home Interiors & Design. Speaking with Hincer affords a glimpse into the beautiful and functional spaces she creates for both her family and her clients.

The Good Home is about to celebrate its two-year anniversary, and Hincer really prides herself in being able to address the specific needs of all their clients – from color selection to major renovations. This approach really draws on Hincer's strengths of being able to assess how space is used and how the clients want to use it to meet their needs.

Prior to opening The Good Home Interiors & Design, Hincer worked in greater Portland as a buyer and merchandiser for retail design shops and in New York she owned Decorative Painting and Design. This background, combined with her Masters Degree in Business Administration and commitment to working closely with each client from the initial consultation through project completion with her team of tradespeople is what The Good Home is most known for: satisfied customers. In fact, The Good Home Interiors & Design was recognized in January by the top rated website, Houzz, as a Best of Business for Customer Satisfaction.

As a mother of two active teenagers, Hincer is intimately familiar with the desire to refresh the home once the reality of an empty nest begins to set in. "Paint is your best friend," Hincer shares, as it offers dramatic visual differences to a space with minimal expense. The power of a lighting change cannot be minimized, and simply changing the bulb color or wattage and the shade on a lamp can make a significant difference to the feel a room emits. Perhaps the hardest task for those of us who have lived in one place for a few years is editing. Hincer recommends removing items seasonally and even shopping through the house to find a fresh place for a much-treasured item and giving a room a fresh look.

This Gorham businesswoman predicts that the trend towards cleaner lines and increased functional space unique to the homeowner will be one that stays. Gone are the days when most of us keep rooms that we only use for special occasions. Trends are often short-lived, so Hincer recommends decorating with longevity in mind. Use trendy items sparingly in a room through a few key pieces, such as the industrial look, with caged lighting and repurposed-looking coffee tables.

The power of social media, blogs and websites like Houzz are tools that are here to stay in the interior design business – and one that affords The Good Home well-earned exposure and lots of positive feedback.





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For more information, please contact:
Herb Broy at 207-653-3543 (Portland Area) or
Jay McKenna at 502-905-3776 (Windham/Gray area)



SMALL TOWN VALUES

Vermont woman lost her purse after she left it on top of her vehicle. Purse was turned in with the contents intact and returned to the woman.

Suspicious person parked next to the library on Standish Neck Road was using their wireless Internet.

Person parked illegally at Shaw Park was a man from Florida who had been canoeing on the river and was late getting back.

Sebago Lake Road caller wanted to know if his driver's license was inactive, as he had just received a seatbelt summons.

Lily Lane business owner was contacted by an unknown subject who said she won \$5,000 but would have to send back \$450.

Multiple calls were received about car break-ins on Willow, Birch, Maple, Hemlock, Ash, Mechanic, Plummer, Veranda, New Portland and Pinecone Lane.

Four subjects asking for gas money on Main Street were told to leave and they did.

Caller reported an attempted break in on

Sebago Lake Road but the suspect fled before entering the house.

Suspicious person on Terry Street was delivering newspapers.

Hemlock Drive caller reported his wife had discovered a fraudulent electronic check withdrawing funds from their bank account.

Portland cab driver called in a domestic assault. Cab was cancelled when he arrived and he was upset that he would not be paid for the drive to Gorham. He left a harassing note on the door. He was advised not to do that and that there was no theft of services, as he did not provide any service. He was told to leave.

Two callers reported hens in the road on Buck Street and on Spiller Road. Police did not find any hens in the road at either location.

Ridgeway Avenue caller had broken up with girlfriend and she would not give his dog back. Officer advised it was a civil matter.

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data, identifying organisms, and how to use life to indicate environmental conditions. The students formed groups and were responsible for collecting the data at a specific location in and around the pond. They made observations about their site and learned how to use the equipment.

Finally, their training paid off and they bravely walked into the water with waders and nets. Some shrieks could be heard during their initial steps as they experienced the strange feeling of being surrounded by water but dry in their waders.

It did not take them long, however, to get comfortable and the groups began trudging their way around the

pond. They dipped their nets into the plants and sandy bottom, lifted up and dug in to discover what life would emerge. By the end of the day, even those who were initially hesitant were picking up organisms and putting them in the collection bucket. Back in class following their day at the pond, each group identified the organisms they found and did more research on one specific macroinvertebrate.

The students are eager to submit their findings to Vital Signs to assist water conservation efforts. They have done an amazing job with this project and are looking forward to more real, hands-on science throughout the year.

Hot GHS Teams CONTINUED FROM PAGE 9

one goal." A late-season away match against a formidable Marshwood (on October 20 after press time) tested the Rams and helped both teams prepare for the play-offs.

Boys' cross country, with a season record of 11-3, is building toward the Cross Country Regionals on October 24th and the Cross Country State Championships on October 31st. Both competitions will take place at Twin Brook in Cumberland.

At press time, the boys' soccer team stood at 11-1-1 with a third-place ranking in Southern Maine Class A. Girls soccer was 10-3 and ranked fourth in Southern Maine Class A. The boys' and girls' soccer State Finals will be held at Fitzpatrick Stadium in Portland on November 7. The town of Gorham always hopes for a Ramfest, and they just might get one this season!

G O R H A M C O M M U N I T Y



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CALENDAR

THURSDAY, OCT. 22

- Baby and Me, ages birth-18 mos., 9:30 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.
- Toddler Time, ages 18-36 mos., 10 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.
- Sewing Group at Baxter Memorial Library, 2:30-4:30 p.m., Ages 7 & older. 7 & 8 year olds must be accompanied by adult.

FRIDAY, OCT. 23

- No School. Conferences for grades K-12.
- 9th Annual Haunted House, First Parish Church, Gorham, 7-10 p.m. \$7/\$5/\$20 family 4-pack. Not recommended for children under 5.

SATURDAY, OCT. 24

- Law Enforcement Appreciation Event, 1-3 p.m., Moody's Collision Center, Gorham.
- 9th Annual Haunted House, First Parish Church, Gorham, 7-10 p.m. \$7/\$5/\$20 family 4-pack. Not recommended for children under 5.
- Fiddle-icious Concert, GHS McCormack Performing Arts Center, 7:30 p.m. Tickets available at door. \$10/\$5/under 12 free. FMI, visit www.fiddleicious.com.
- Greater Gorham Farmer's Market, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Located on Route 114, next to Baxter Memorial Library.

MONDAY, OCT. 26

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

TUESDAY, OCT. 27

- Pre-School Story Time - Halloween Parade, 3-5 years, Baxter Memorial Library, 9:30 a.m.
- Gorham Garden Club Meeting, 7 p.m., First Parish Church.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 28

- Early Release for grades K-12.
- Town of Gorham Senior Lunch Program, St. Anne's Church, Gorham. 12-1:30 p.m. \$4. FMI, 839-4857.
- Free Open Mic Night for music, poetry and more, Spire 29, 6-9 p.m.

THURSDAY, OCT. 29

- Baby and Me, ages birth-18 mos., 9:30 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.
- Toddler Time, ages 18-36 mos., 10 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.
- Sewing Group at Baxter Memorial Library, 2:30-4:30 p.m., Ages 7 & older. 7 & 8 year olds must be accompanied by adult.

SATURDAY, OCT. 31

- Greater Gorham Farmer's Market, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Located on Route 114, next to Baxter Memorial Library.

TUESDAY, NOV. 3

- Itsy-Bitsy Store, Gorham House Lobby, 1:30-3:30 p.m. FMI, 839-5757.
- 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, ages 3-5 years, 9:30 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library. Theme: Woodland Creatures.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 4

- Town of Gorham Senior Lunch Program, St. Anne's Church, Gorham. 12-1:30 p.m. \$4. FMI, 839-4857.
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THURSDAY, 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.
GHS McCormack Performing Arts Center, 41 Morrill Ave.
Gorham House, 50 New Portland Rd.
Moody's Collision Center, 200 Narragansett St.
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