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Gorham Gets a **Fresh Look**



Photo credit Roger Marchand

The Town has installed three new signs along the border of Gorham, replacing the old ones in need of maintenance and adding a secondary sign proudly claiming to be the home of the University of Southern Maine. This comes as part of the Town's initiative to incorporate USM more fully into the town.

Gorham Historical Society Seeks Resurgence

KATHY CORBETT Staff Writer

Seeking to appeal to current members, and attract new ones, The Gorham Historical Society will hold a re-organization meeting at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, September 26, at the Municipal Center.

Until recently, members gathered for monthly meetings, but these had been discontinued due to poor attendance and several officer resignations. "In addition to electing new officers, we hope that many of the nearly 100 members will bring suggestions for future programs and projects," said Suzanne Phillips, one of the meeting organizers. Although Gorham residents have donated records and artifacts to the society since its founding in 1968, Phillips said newer residents may not know the organization exists. The Historical Society has maintained an historical archive open to the public in a town-owned building on School Street which formerly housed municipal offices. The water had been turned off due to leaky pipes, but the Town recently replaced them, making the collection of records and artifacts once again avail-

A Challenging Growing Season for Local Farms

BAILEY O'BRIEN Staff Writer

While meteorologists were happy to report clear skies and warm days, this spring's temperature fluctuations and summer's minimal rainfall have thrown Maine farmers a big curveball.

The drought in Maine, most severe in the southern counties, has been declared a disaster by the US Department of Agriculture, with the Maine Drought Task Force agreeing that this is one of Maine's driest summers in over a decade.

Gorham's Findview Farm is one of the many local farms that has felt the repercussions of an exceptionally dry growing season. Jenn Grant, who runs the farm with her husband Jeff, sells fresh vegetables, meat, and hay.

"The vegetable crop did pretty well this year considering the conditions, but by Labor Day weekend, we were at the end of our season," said Grant. "The drought caught up with us. Normally we're still selling veggies this time of year."

Her cows and sheep typically graze on the farm's pastures, earning her meat its "grass-fed" title, but since the pastures have dried up under the sunny skies, Grant has already had to break into their winter feed.

Worst of all, though, is the impact of the drought on her hay crop. "Our second crop of hay is below average by almost 50%," said Grant. "I've had to turn people away this year. We've



Photo credit Bailev O'Brien

Enterprise apples are almost ready for picking at Orchard Ridge Farm. Despite the tough growing conditions, these apples will be quite large and will make excellent baking apples, according to Orchard Ridge owner Steven Bibula.

taken a bigger hit on hay sales than on vegetables."

Another Gorham farm, Orchard Ridge, is facing its own set of challenges this season. "Our biggest difficulty has been and continues to be the effects of the warm March followed by two big chills in April," said farm owner Steven Bibula. "For us, that dwarfs the drought."

The severe temperature fluctuation lured the farm's berry bushes and fruit trees to come out of dormancy too soon, and the April chills either killed

many of the flower and leaf buds or impacted growth later in the season. "Our blueberry bushes produced lots of fruit, but certain varieties didn't have any leaves," said Bibula.

Most damaging has been the spread of fire blight among the apple trees. A relatively new disease to Maine, fire blight is spread by pollinating insects under warm, humid conditions. "Usually our apples bloom for five to seven days, but this year most bloomed for six weeks. It was incredibly hard to manage the beetles, moths, and pollinating insects that can damage the fruit during bloom." A significant number of trees were affected by fire blight. "We lost about 90% of our golden russets," Bibula said.

Bibula's orchards are irrigated, a necessity for his dwarf and semi-dwarf trees. "These trees must have irrigation. They don't have a big root system, so the irrigation keeps them alive. They're not drought tolerant," said Bibula. More rain may have helped his trees, he said, but they are not entirely dependent on it.

Although both farms have endured revenue losses this season, Grant and Bibula seem to understand the significance of remaining optimistic. Grant's pumpkins, although a smaller crop than usual, are freshly picked, and Bibula's next crop of apples, SnowSweet, will be ready in just a few days.

"I don't remember having a season this dry before," said Grant, "but you just have to go with the flow."

Preserving Gorham's Agricultural Land

SHERI FABER

polines out front for a number of years. Chappie was an environmental steward, capturing and reusing the rainwater off their roof. They sold live bait they stocked in one of the ponds. Shirley had beautiful flower gardens and also grew flowers and vegetables in their greenhouses. She worked at Barrow's Greenhouses for many years along with her aunt Carrie Chick (Shawn Moody's great aunt) who later donated the Chick property to the Town. The property now houses the Public Safety Buildings as well as several playing fields. inside *the*Times WHAT'S GOING ON **@ YOUR LIBRARY 14** Blotter ARTICLE ON PAGE 3 **15** Calendar

Chappie passed away in the fall of 2009 and Shirley Chapman later moved in with her daughter and sonin-law, Carol and Tim Wagner, whose father owned Wagner Farm. The landscape of Gorham continued to change from its more agricultural roots. Barrow's Greenhouses was subsequently purchased by Paul Allen who ran it for more than 20 years before selling the property when he and his wife wanted to retire as no family members were interested in taking over the business. That property

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Staff Writer

Shirley and Wey "Chappie" Chapman owned their 20 acre homestead at 140 New Portland Road, across the street from Shawn and Chris Moody, for over 25 years. "They were wonderful people, the best neighbors you could ever wish for," said Shawn Moody.

The Chapmans had a long history of providing recreational and agricultural benefits to Gorham. They had a miniature golf course and tram-

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NEWS FROM AUGUSTA

Policy on News from Augusta: The Gorham Times asked our three state legislators from Senate District 30, 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.

Unintended Consequences of Welfare Reform in Maine

Rep. Linda Sanborn

The past several years have been tough on Mainers. A surging drug crisis, a declining manufacturing base and the lingering effects of the recession are all taking a toll on our state. Nowhere is the struggle more evident than in the statistics on childhood poverty and hunger.

According to the most recent data available, approximately 48,000 Maine children are living in poverty, defined as about \$20,000 a year for a family of three. Between 2010 and 2014, Maine saw the sharpest increase of any state in the country in the rate of children living in extreme poverty – \$10,000 a year for a family of three - which grew by 50 percent.

Growing up in poverty is known to cause lifelong consequences for individuals and their communities. These consequences include poor health, poor school attendance, increased contact with the criminal justice system and a weaker connection to the labor market. Childhood poverty comes at a painfully high cost.

Welfare and poverty reduction have become unnecessarily divisive issues, and Maine's children are paying the

price. Regardless of our political views, most of us believe that government has a responsibility to make sure that children do not go without the basics like food, shelter or medicine.

Demonizing welfare recipients does nothing to end generational poverty. Recent so-called welfare "reforms" have really just been cuts in aid to struggling families instead of changes that would actually help people get back on their feet.

So here is the good news: Maine people are hardworking, generous and have a "can-do" spirit. While being fiercely independent, we come together to help in times of need. Most of us are optimistic that we can turn things around. Maine has many strengths, including natural beauty, abundant natural resources, a high quality of life and a reputation for high-quality products. We can create an economy where everyone has a fair shot, does their fair share and plays by the same fair rules.

Now is the time for a smart, commonsense overhaul of the welfare system that demands accountability from everyone. To that end, we need to end Maine's one-size-fits-all approach to welfare and get people the tools and support they need based on their

particular circumstances. That way people can begin to move toward sustainable employment the day they start receiving welfare. We must do a better job of coordinating services across state agencies and hold government officials accountable when the system isn't effective.

The reality is most people want to find good jobs with decent wages, but there are even people working 40 hours a week who don't make enough money to provide for their families. Many of the jobs are part time, with unreliable hours and unpredictable schedules. In order to fix welfare, we also need to fix the larger economy and provide more opportunities for education and training so people can move out of poverty. This upfront investment in families today will ensure that they have every opportunity to leave welfare and poverty behind in the years to come.



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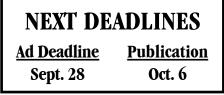
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Around Town

Town Manager David Cole issued 5-year service pins to Zoning Administrator David Galbraith and **Customer Service Clerk Paula** Nystrom.

Ben Hartwell, Matt Robinson, Paul Smith and AI Garcia have taken out nomination papers for Town Council. Kyle Currier has taken out nomination papers for the School Committee. Nomination papers are due to the Town Clerk no later than Friday, September 23, at 1:00 p.m.

Property tax bills for the current fiscal year will be mailed to residents beginning this week.

Maine Natural Gas will be extending their gas line on Main Street (Route 25) and South Street (Route 114) through Sept. 23. Overnight construction will take place between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. Delays should be expected.

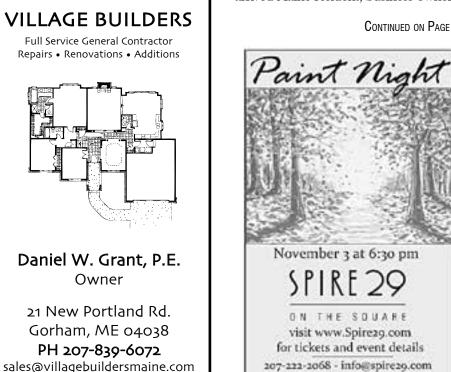
letters to the Editor

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 Gorbam Times,

Senator Amy Volk brings common sense, energy and commitment to the Maine State Senate.

As an Army veteran with 24 years on active duty and over 42 months deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan, it is easy to support Senator Amy Volk for reelection. Her recognition by the American Legion in March 2016 as "Legislator of the Year" by itself should



motivate veterans to support her. She has an unwavering concern for veteran health issues and was a key supporter of state tax relief for military retirees.

Importantly, Senator Volk is far from a single issue candidate. I first met Amy when she was campaigning with her husband in 2014. They made the long drive up to our home, and then spent the better part of an hour discussing parenthood, business and how to make Maine a better place. As a newly arrived Maine resident, business owner,

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As of Sept. 19, Babb's Bridge on Covered Bridge Road/Hurricane Road was closed to traffic and pedestrians for approximately 30 days while the roof, the gable ends and some of the boards on the outer walls are being replaced.

The public is invited to a dedication ceremony for the Firefighter Memorial, followed by a cookout and an open house for the two Public Safety facilities on October 2 at 12:00 p.m.



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BUSINESS PROFILE

DB Productions Supports Young Musicians



Seven Seconds Left performed at Spire 29 on September 16 during a show organized by Brian Dunn of DB Productions.

ELLE SPURR GHS Student Intern

Gorham resident Brian Dunn started the production company Dream Bomb Productions to provide an opportunity for high school age bands to perform shows. Dream Bomb Productions, or DB Productions, organizes a place for teenage bands to play shows outside of the club and bar scene.

So far, Dunn has organized three local shows, all at Spire 29 on School Street. He provides the lighting, stage, props, and backdrops for the bands. The most recent show was on September 16 at Spire 29 and featured Millipede Twin, Air Away, and Seven Seconds Left. DB Productions was created when Dunn saw a demand for younger shows and venues for smaller bands after his son's band, Seven Seconds Left, started performing. Brian saw a need for a place for teens to gather, have fun, and go to shows, especially with the dance controversy at Gorham High School last year. He wanted there to be a safe place in town where parents felt comfortable dropping their kids off for the evening.

Dunn hopes to keep growing DB Productions as long as there are local bands who want to play and venues willing to host. If teen bands are interested in performing, he recommends messaging Dream Bomb Productions on Facebook. Readers can also check the FB page for upcoming show dates.

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What's Going On @ Your Library

JAMES RATHBUN BML Director

It's a great time to visit the Baxter Memorial Library. Story times have begun for the school year. Thanks to our new hours, in addition to the usual Preschool and Baby & Me programs, we're now able to have Toddler Time twice a week, on both Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 10 a.m., to accommodate the crowds. Each session will be the same so just choose the day that works best for you.

In previous years we've opened early for Gorham Public Schools early release days. This year, there's no need because we're open anyway. Don't forget about our new hours. We open every day Monday - Saturday at 9:00 a.m. and are open late until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday - Thursday.

For the grown-ups, our adult book discussion series has begun for the fall and winter. This program is held roughly every other week on Thursdays at 10 a.m. While there are definitely some patrons that come to every session, everyone is welcome to drop in as they please. Check our website for the full schedule of books and dates and feel free to come to any or all sessions. The Friends



of BML annual fall book sale will be held on Friday, October 14th from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. and Saturday, October 15th from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Gorham Recreation Multipurpose Room next door to the library. As always, we have a huge selection of donated books for this sale.

Finally, this fall we will have a great selection of new programs for adults and kids alike. We'll be celebrating Banned Books Week, discussing how to defeat ticks and mosquitoes, learning Zentangle, discussing Medicare options, and playing board games at our new monthly game nights.

For more details on these and all our upcoming events, be sure to follow us on Facebook and Twitter, sign up for our monthly email newsletter, check our online calendar of events at www. baxterlibrary.org, and visit us often.

Gorham Sightings

Do you know where in Gorham this photo was taken? Join our visual trivia discussion by entering your best guess on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/gorhamtimes or email us at gorhamtimes@gmail.com. The photo in the September 6, 2016 edition is the plaque on the front of the Historical Society Building on School St.





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Gorham Conservation Commission to Host Trail Day

CHRIS CRAWFORD Staff Writer

It has become a rite of fall as friends, neighbors, and families gather to help maintain and improve the beautiful trail system at Tannery Brook Preserve in downtown Gorham. This year, the Gorham Conservation Commission (GCC) will hold its 3rd Annual Fall Trail Day on Sunday morning, October 2 at 9:00 a.m. The group will meet at the end of Wentworth Drive off Gray Rd. (Route 202). There is plenty of parking available.

The volunteers are passionate about doing their part to help maintain this natural gem. There are jobs for all skills, ages and abilities, from brush clearing, trash pickup, path improvements, to wooden walkway repair more. Wear sturdy shoes and bug repellant and bring work gloves and a water bottle. If you have a favorite pair of loppers or cutters, please feel free to bring them, too, but there will be plenty of tools for everyone.

Conservation Commissions were created by the Maine legislature in the 1970's as a way for individual towns to identify, preserve and protect unique local natural resources.



It takes teamwork to keep the Tannery Brook trails in good hiking shape for everyone in Gorham to enjoy.

Led by Dr. Rob Lavoie, GCC's seven active members meet regularly. Lavoie said, "Along with advocacy for preserving land and open space, we have been tasked with creating and maintaining this trail network. It is a slow process but we have accomplished so much already."

In addition to Tannery Brook, the GCC is also responsible for developing and maintaining the Claire Drew Trail, located behind Narragansett School and the High School to Weeks Road Trail. Maps for all the GCC trails can be found at their website is http://www.gorhamconservation. org/. These year round trails are bike- and dog-friendly. Bring your

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father and husband I was impressed by the amount of time Amy took to get to know our thoughts and concerns. During that discussion while standing in our driveway, Amy never asked our political affiliation, pandered to our circumstances or pushed an agenda. My wife and I were deeply impressed and have found her to be the most accessible and genuine political figure we have had the pleasure of knowing.

On veteran's issues the decision to vote for Amy Volk is an easy one. She appreciates the sacrifices of veterans and veteran families, and she demonstrates that appreciation with her vote. Beyond her support of veterans, Senator Volk earns my support through the commitment and energy she brings to improving Maine's environment for small business and for her common sense in setting the conditions for Maine's families to prosper. Amy Volk is the right choice for Maine Senate.

Colonel (retired) Bill Benson

Dear Gorbam Times,

I am excited to support Andrew McLean's re-election to the Maine House of Representatives. Over the last four years, Andrew has proven himself an effective leader and advocate for Gorham families. He has worked behind the scenes to build consensus around legislation to reduce property taxes, fix our roads and bridges and grow our economy.

Andrew has been particularly impressive when it comes to transportation issues, so much so that he was appointed Chair of the Legislature's Transport ation Committee after serving just two years. He has emerged as a respected leader in Augusta on many issues, including transportation, education and economic development.

For those of us who are frustrated by partisan bickering, it's refreshing to be represented by Andrew, who invests significant time and energy in building relationships with his colleagues across the aisle. Time and again, he has demonstrated the capacity to work with others and bring people together to find common ground.

Andrew McLean is just who Gorham and Scarborough need back in Augusta. In this political climate of extremes, we can't afford to go backwards.

I hope you will join me in voting for Andrew McLean this November. Peter Allen

Dear Gorbam Times,

Having served four terms in the State Legislature, I know what it takes to be an effective legislator and Jean-Marie Caterina has got it all! She is the best candidate for Senate District 30 (Gorham, Scarborough and Buxton).

Caterina will bring a varied and extensive work experience to Augusta. She currently co-owns five small businesses and is a Scarborough Town Councilor, but also has experience as a social worker and teacher.

Caterina's understanding of the interplay between state revenue sharing, property taxes and education funding is exceptional. She recognizes the need for the State to return to the towns their full amount of revenue sharing so that towns are not forced to raise property taxes to fund their schools. Her strong commitment to keeping property taxes low, allowing our seniors to age in place and equipping our public schools to excel, is the change we need in Augusta.

Please join me in voting for Jean-Marie Caterina for Senate! Rep. Linda Sanborn







Join us Friday, September 30th at our Gorham clinic from 5:30-7pm for food, fun, and entertainment.



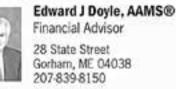
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Trail Day CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4



Photo credit Janet Macleod Willis

Some younger volunteers get ready to test a newly constructed wood walkway built to bridge a wet area on the trail.



Photo credit Janet Macleod Will

Just minutes from downtown Gorham, the pond at Tannery Brook is a tranquil spot to relax and enjoy the beauty of nature.

3rd Annual Fall Trail Day on October 2 at 9:00 a.m.

JACOB ADAMS Staff Writer

Councilor Roullard reported that the new location of the recycle bins at Public Works has less debris than the old location - this was echoed by Public Works Director, Bob Burns.

Councilor Hartwell is concerned about the traffic lights and traffic backed up at the Rt. 22 and Rt. 114 intersection. He also reminded people of the severe drought in the area and encouraged people to pay attention and conserve water.

Chairman Robinson reported that there will be a dedication ceremony on October 2 from 12:00 - 4:00 p.m. for the new Public Safety building. He thanked voters for supporting the project and encouraged everyone to take the opportunity to go and look at the two new buildings.

David Cole reminded people that nomination papers are still available for three positions on the Town Council and two positions on the School Board. Nomination papers are due by September 23 at 1:00 p.m. He also acknowledged that Eco Maine Recycling will hold an open house on September 24.

An updated and amended Comprehensive Plan was approved by the Town Council.

The Town Council sent an updated Cemetery Ordinance to the Ordinance Committee for review and recommendations.

A liquor license renewal was approved for Ocean Gardens Restaurant and Tavern located at 390 Main Street.

SEPTEMBER 6, 2016 Town Council Report

The Town Council chose not to endorse a letter supporting the gifting of two parcels of land located off New Portland Road, by Shaw Brothers Construction to the Town for Recreational Trail purposes, in lieu of filling in some wetland on their property on Mosher Road. (3 yeas, 4 nays; Benner, Roullard, Stelk, Hartwell.)

A request to amend Chapter II, Section XIV of the Land Use and Development Code regarding Dog Kennels, was referred to the Ordinance Committee for their review and recommendations.

The Town Council authorized the purchase of a ladder fire engine from Ferrara Fire Apparatus Inc. for \$825,726 to replace the 27 year old ladder fire engine as approved by voters in June 2016.

The Town Council also authorized the purchase of a tank fire engine, from Ferrara Fire Apparatus Inc. for \$511,147, to replace the 26 year old tank fire engine, as approved by voters in June 2016.

Cyr Drive, located in New Portland Industrial Parkway Industrial Park, off New Portland Road, was accepted as a public road, and will be locally classified as an Industrial/Commercial street.

Jenna Drive, also in New Portland Parkway Industrial Park off New Portland Road, was accepted as a public road, and will also be locally classified as an Industrial/Commercial Street. The polls will be open for the November 8th State Presidential Election and the Annual Municipal Election between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Absentee ballots will be processed on November 5 at 9:00 a.m., November 7 at 9:00 a.m., and November 8 at 11:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.

The Registrar of Voters will be in session: November 1 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., November 2 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., November 3 from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., November 4 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., November 7 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., November 8 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The following Wardens and Ward Clerks were appointed for the November 8th State Presidential Election and Annual Municipal Election:

Ward 1-1 Warden: Susan Emerson and Ward Clerk: Laurel Smith

Ward 1-2 Warden: Kathy Corbett and Ward Clerk: Connie Loughran

Ward 2 Warden: Marty Towle and Ward Clerk: Nancy Kenty

Central Warden: Paula Nostrum and Ward Clerk: Alida Landry.

The Town Clerk is authorized to make changes to these appointments as needed.

Complete minutes are available on the Town's website at www.gorham-me.org.

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Gorham Police Department Arrests

• Maplewood Drive resident was arrested for Domestic Violence Terrorizing and Criminal Mischief

• Arundel man was arrested for Domestic Violence Terrorizing

• Shirley Lane resident was arrested for Domestic Violence Assault

• Strout's Way woman was arrested for Operating after Habitual Offender Revocation and two charges Unlawful Possession of Scheduled Drugs and Drug Paraphernalia and Misuse of Identification

• Westbrook man was arrested for Violation of a Protection from Harassment Order

• Naples man was arrested for operating after Habitual Offender License Revocation

• Standish woman was arrested for Operating Beyond License Restriction

• Brown Road man was arrested for Domestic Violence Assault

• Portland man was arrested for OUI and Violating Conditions of Release

• Sebago Lake Road man was arrested for Criminal Restraint, Aggravated Assault, Domestic Violence Assault and Obstructing Report of a Crime

• Buxton man was arrested for Forgery

• Tink Drive man was arrested for Aggravated Assault

 Limerick woman was arrested for Operating Beyond License Restriction
Cumberland Lane man was arrested for OUI

• Willow Circle man was arrested for two counts of Failure to Pay Fine, and Operating while License Suspended/ Revoked

• Deering Road man was arrested for Violating Conditions of Release, Criminal Threatening and Domestic Violence Assault

• Windham woman was arrested for OUI

• Limerick man was arrested for Violating Conditions of Release

SEPTEMBER 2016 Grand Jury Indictments

The Grand Jury returned the following indictments for September:

• Dustin Flowers, 35, of Gorham, was indicted for unlawful possession of scheduled drugs (heroin) and OUI refusal on charges brought by the Westbrook PD.

• Luke Stovall, 30, of South Portland, was indicted for operating after license revocation and violating conditions of release on charges brought by Gorham PD.

• Arthur Ray Wilson, 61, of Limington, was indicted for possession of a firearm by a prohibited person (felon) and unlawful possession of scheduled drugs on charges brought by Gorham PD.

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Compiled by Bruce Wyatt Student Intern

Whether students play a school sport or not, there are many other clubs and teams offered by the schools to reach as many students as possible. Contact the advisor to learn more about the club/ team and how to get involved this year.

GORHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS: FALL

6th, 7th, 8th Grade Boys and Girls Cross-Country 7th, 8th Grade Girls Field Hockey 7th, 8th Grade Boys Soccer 7th, 8th Grade Girls Soccer 6th, 7th, 8th Grade Boys and Girls Tennis

WINTER

7th, 8th Grade Boys Basketball 7th, 8th Grade Girls Basketball 6th, 7th, 8th Grade Cheerleading 6th, 7th, 8th Grade Boys and Girls Indoor Track

SPRING

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WINTER

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SCHOOL

Gorham Times Welcomes Student Interns

COMPILED BY ANDREA MORRELL School News Editor

If you see these students in the halls, at the game, or at the grocery store, be sure to let them know what a great job they are doing and any possible story leads - we are always looking for new ideas.

Avery Arena is a senior this year at Gorham High School (GHS). She has interned with the Gorham Times since



she was a freshman. She also participates in Odyssey of the Mind, School Council, Tennis, and as an intern on political campaigns. Arena decided to join the Gorham Times as a student intern after she wrote an independent article about a competition she went to and decided to keep going.

Matilda McColl is a sophomore at GHS. She wrote several articles for the Gorham Times when she was in seventh grade, so when her

English teacher approached her regarding an internship, she was very excited. McColl has been dancing at the Dance Studio of Maine for four years and this year will be her third competition season. Outside of school and dance, she enjoys volunteering through the high school's Key Club. She hopes to be even more involved in the community and



Gorham Times. Elle Spurr is a senior at GHS and

to expand her writing skills through the

has been interning for the Gorham Times for almost a year. She feels it has been such an amazing experi-

ence as she has been able to interview many interesting people and write lots of articles. She is looking forward to college next year and is interested in the arts and film as well as journalism.

Lydia Valentine is a freshman at GHS and has been writing for the Gorham Times since she was in fifth grade. She runs

the violin, and plans to take part in the GHS production of "Footloose" this spring. She is very excited to write for the Gorham Times this year with new opportunities.

Abbie vanLuling is a junior at GHS and is new to the Gorham Times this year. She is involved in many activities: GHS Varsity volleyball, school

musicals, the GHS Interact Club, and GHS Chamber Singers to name a few. vanLuling has a passion for photography, design, and literature. When the opportunity to join the team of interns for the Gorham Times was offered, she was thrilled to have the chance to work with great writers and designers and was also very excited to have the opportunity to take photographs for the newspaper. vanLuling is excited to work towards her goal of a career in photography with the Gorham Times.

Marie Walton is a junior at GHS and is new to the Gorham Times this year. She loves to write, play field hockey and lacrosse, and be

involved with music and theater. She's very excited to work with the Gorham Times, learn a lot, and publish some great writing.

Erin Wentworth is a sophomore at GHS and is new to the Gorham Times this year. She enjoys participating in the con-

cert band at GHS, playing flute and piccolo, and playing the alto saxophone in the jazz band. Wentworth also plays soccer for the GHS girls' soccer team. She decided to intern for the Gorham Times because she would like to become more involved with the community and find more chances to write, and what

a great opportunity to do both. She's looking forward to a great year. Bruce Wyatt is a

sophomore at GHS and is new to the



building mountain bike trails, volunteering at Preble Street Soup Kitchen, and doing activities with First Parish Church. He loves helping other people and volunteering, so when he was told about the internship in the Gorham

Times, he was more than happy to volunteer and appreciates being given the opportunity.

Photo credit Abbie vanLuling (except Megan Bennett is courtesy of Megan Bennett and Bruce Wyatt is courtesy of Wyatt family)

Gorham Times this year. Basketball is his main focus when it comes to

sports, but he also makes time for bik-

ing, surfing and snowboarding. This summer, Wyatt put the majority of his

energy towards biking. He completed

Prouty. Although school and sports are

his primary focuses, he makes time for

the 180 mile, three-day, Trek Across

Maine and the 100 mile, one-day,

The Gorham Times would also like to recognize Megan Bennett, who is currently studying Communications



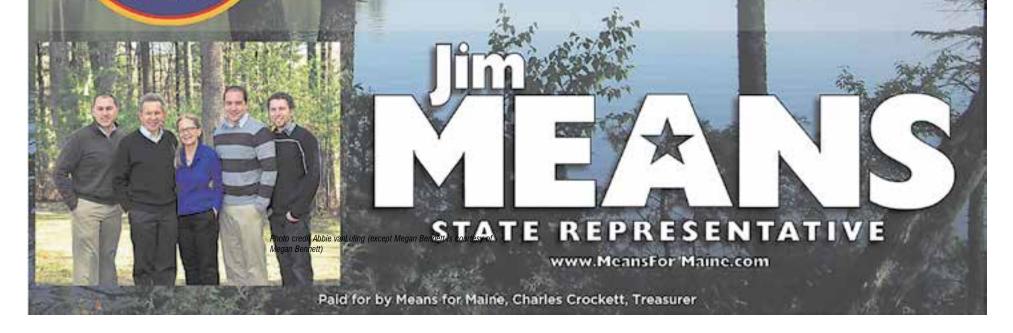
as a sophomore at the University of Southern Maine. Bennett has been an intern for the Gorham Times since her sophomore year at GHS. She has written many stories for the newspaper, but one of her biggest contributions has been coverage of the GHS graduations in 2015 and 2016. Bennett shared that the Gorham Times has been an outlet for her to pursue her love for writing and she is thankful for the unique opportunities the paper has given her to be a part of the team.

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SEPTEMBER 14, 2016 School Committee Meeting

KATHY CORBETT Staff Writer

At the first regular meeting of the School Committee, Superintendent Heather Perry announced that 2,745 students are enrolled in district schools, an increase of 48 students over fall 2015. However, there are 64 more students in grades K-5 than last year and 16 fewer in grades 6-12. The district now has 13 kindergarten classrooms in its three elementary schools.

Gorham will participate in a regional Substitute Teacher Job Fair on October 1 at Husson University. Perry said the district has 20 fewer substitute teachers than at the end of last year and is looking to fill those positions. She also reported that Star 360 testing has begun across the district. This new formative evaluation test takes less time and provides more useful data than the NWEA test used previously.

Each of the district principals reported on the first week of school, citing student enthusiasm and parent involvement in welcoming activities. Brian Jandreau, GHS principal, commented that the students appreciate the new 70 minute class schedule with fewer subjects each day. All expressed appreciation for the improvements to the facilities made over the summer.

Norman Justice, facilities and transportation director, gave an illustrated report on the projects completed with bond funds from last fall's referendum. These ranged from less obvious but vital improvements to roofs, HVAC systems, locks, alarms systems and security cameras to more visible upgrades to staff break rooms and work space at Village School, the cafeteria prep area at GHS, and the libraries at both Village School and GHS. Maintenance staff and bus drivers did much of the preparation work before contractors came in to finish the jobs.

Assistant Superintendent Chris Record reported that Title I funds will be used to provide supplemental reading and math instruction for K-5 students in the lowest 25% for achievement in those subjects. Additional Title I funds are being used for professional development.

The School Committee voted (5-0, Wright, Burns absent) to approve the 2016-17 Proficiency Based Learning Action Plan submitted by Superintendent Perry. The plan advances the goal of implementing a PBL system district-wide by the 2020-21 school year. It is posted on the Gorham School District website, as are Superintendent Perry's goals for the 2016-17 school year and those of the School Committee, which were also unanimously approved at the meeting.

In addition to creating a strategic plan for the district and moving forward on implementing the PBL system, the superintendent's goals include discussions on lengthening the school day, improving internal and external communication, and working with the school committee to address capital needs at the high school and adjacent athletic fields.

The committee voted unanimously to hire first-grade teacher Samantha Morton and girls' soccer coach Jason Simpson.

GHS Staff Deliver "Ram-sicles" to Beat the Heat



With temperatures reaching near 90 degrees during the second week of school, the GHS principals and athletic director teamed up to deliver 960 popsicles (a portion of which were donated by Gorham Hannaford), known at the high school as "ram-sicles," to students and staff. Pictured (left to right) are: Assistant Principal Ryan Watts, Assistant Principal Kim Slipp, Principal Brian Jandreau, and Athletic Director Tim Spear.



School Notes

The fourth annual Madison Essay Competition, sponsored by the Gorham Republican Committee, is now open to all Gorham residents in grades 6, 7, and 8. This includes students in home school programs and private schools. This year's question is: Is There a Conflict between Liberty and the Common Good? Submissions must be received by November 4. One entrant will receive \$250 prize money and two runners-up will each receive \$100. FMI, and to request your essay packet, e-mail: GorhamGOPCommitte@gmail.com.



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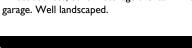
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2nd Annual Memorial Golf Tournament Recap

SCOTT BURNHEIMER **Guest Writer**

The second annual Julie P Burnheimer Golf Scramble took place at the Gorham Country Club on July 16. The tournament benefitted the Jimmy Fund with the intent to also sponsor two Gorham High School scholarships in memory of Julie.

A full field of thirty-six teams turned out to have fun and support the fight to cure cancer. Key Bank was again the tournament sponsor with Moody's Collision Centers sponsoring the air cannon on the first hole. The cannon, which was a big hit with all of the golfers, gave participants a chance to fire their golf ball toward the first hole with a firing device instead of their drivers. With a successful firing of the cannon, the shooter had a good chance of landing their ball on the green near the hole, therefore giving their team a good kick start to their scores.

Local golfers David Gushee, Vaughn Gushee, Ian Ryan, and Rocky Myers won first place gross prizes, while a team of friends from Bentley University won the net first place.

GHOP, Maine Total Technology, Carter's Auto and Great Falls Marketing were card sponsors. Over 30 other businesses and individuals partnered with the tournament as hole sponsors. Poland Spring Water of Hollis gifted cases of water through their nonprofit donation program, and many businesses and golf courses donated articles for door prizes as well.

The Burnheimer family wishes to thank the many participants, businesses and individuals who partnered in some way to make this tournament again a success. With everyone's



Local resident Keegan Ballantyne fires the air cannon toward the first hole during the Julie P Burnheimer Memorial Golf Tournament.

efforts, the tournament surpassed last year's fundraising by raising over \$14,000. The family will soon be visiting Dana-Farber and presenting the hospital with a large donation. Next year's tournament date has been set for July 15, 2017.

Sports Etc.

A Little Tennis Anyone?: Gorham resident Dhafir Johnson, a member of the Gorham Recreation Tennis Group, was hired as a private tennis instructor for Mitt Romney's grandchildren on Lake Winnipesaukee this summer.

More Than A Race: The Stephen Ward 9/11 Memorial 5K



Photo courtesy of Jason Tanguay

Members of the Gorham High School Cross Country team and their parents were among many volunteers who helped make the Stephen Ward Memorial 5K Race a moving and memorable community event on the 15th anniversary of the September 9/11 terrorist attacks.

MARTIN GAGNON Sports Editor

"Grief is a bully. Staging the 9/11 5K is standing up to the bully. It's the refusal to spend the anniversary of that borror cowering and crying and filling my bead with memories of bow my brother died. Instead, I will stand with my family and create an event to attend on September 11th that is respectful to the memory of that day, but is also hopeful and forward thinking. That has been and will continue to be our goal." - Susan Moore, sister of Stephen Ward

Marking the 15th anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks, over 200 participants of all ages took part in the annual Stephen Ward 9/11 Memorial 5K Run/Walk that honors the memory of Gorham's Stephen Ward and all those killed in the tragic attacks.

The overall winner of the 5K race was Gorham's Peter Downing with a time of 18:20. Other Gorham residents finishing in the top fifteen included Bill Benson (7th), Tim Zerillo (8th), Brendhan McDevitt (10th), Barbara Slager (11th), Sarah Plummer (12th), Maria McInnis (13th), Luke Walsh (14th), and Shane Zerillo (15th).

The Ward family established the Stephen G. Ward Memorial Scholarship Fund in memory of the GHS graduate who lost his life in the attacks while working on the 101st floor of the North Tower of the World Trade Center. Proceeds from the 9/11 Memorial 5K go into the fund which awards a yearly scholarship to assist a Gorham High School graduate in attaining a post-secondary education.

A full listing of all the finish times can be found at http://www.coolrunning.com/ results/16/me/Sep11_911Mem_set1.shtml

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ENROLLMENTS

Thomas Leach (GHS '16) enrolled at Champlain College, Burlington, VT for the fall 2016 semester. Leach is a first-year student studying Computer Science and Innovation.

Collin Jones (GHS '16) joined the Class of 2020 at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY, for the 2016-2017 school year.

HONORS

Jordanne Mercier (GHS '16) was accepted to Susquehanna University's highly selective Honors Program. Approximately 10 percent of each entering class is invited to join the Honors Program. To remain in the program, students must maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.4. Mercier is a language-undeclared emphasis and French major in the Class of 2020 and is the daughter of Pam and Doug Mercier.

DEAN'S LIST

Alexandra Sturtevant (GHS '12), Delaware Valley University, Doylestown, PA

FUNDRAISERS

The Gorham-based dog rescue Helping Paws will hold their annual fundraising event on October 1 from 6 to 11 p.m. at Spire 29, 29 School Street. Light snacks, cash bar, silent auction, raffle, live band "Under the Covers". \$15. FMI, helpingpawsme.org.

OF INTEREST

The White Rock Grange #380, located at 33 Wilson Road, recently honored two long-term dedicated Grange members: Steve Orach for 65 years and Pauline Spencer for 40 years.

USM's Office of Admissions will host a college fair on Sept. 27 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Costello Sports Complex on the Gorham Campus. Come chat with representatives from more than 160 colleges and universities.

The public is invited to a dedication ceremony for the Firefighter Memorial, followed by a cookout and an open house for the two Public Safety facilities on October 2 at 12:00 p.m.

The 30th Anniversary Celebration and Annual Meeting of the Presumpscot Regional Land Trust will be held at Randall Orchard on Sunday, Oct. 2 at 5 p.m. to celebrate their first 30 years with a cider pressing and tasting tour, and a program highlighting 30 years of conservation successes and the leaders who made it possible. Free, but space is limited. RSVP required at www.prtt.org/links.



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Fall Trail Day with Gorham Conservation Commission at Tannery Brook. Help ready the trails for winter! Sunday, October 2 at 9 a.m. at the end of Wentworth Drive (off Gray Road).

The First Parish Congregational Church, 1 Church Street, will hold a **Chicken Pie Supper on Saturday, Sept. 24** from 5 to 6:30 p.m. \$10 adults / \$5 children under 12.

West Gorham Union Church, 190 Ossipee Trail, will hold a Public Supper on Saturday, Oct. 1 starting at 5 p.m. with tickets on sale starting at 4 p.m. Three kinds of beans, hot dogs, chicken pie, American chop suey, casseroles, salads, homemade pies. \$8/\$3 children under 12. FMI, 839-5946.

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.gorham-foodpantry.org.

The Lakes Region Senior Center, located at the Little Falls Activity Center, 40 Acorn Street, is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Join them daily for coffee, tea and socializing. Ongoing daily activities include Mahjong on Mondays - beginners welcome. FMI, Diane 892-9529; Tuesday crafts and card games. FMI, Avis 892-0298; The Memoir Writing Group meets the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. FMI, David 892-5604; Thursday Table Games at 10 a.m. and Friday Art Workshop at 9 a.m. FMI, 892-0299.

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, 839-4579, 839-3630, 839-2484 or 839-3859.

USM EVENTS

The Department of Theatre will present "Under Milk Wood", a play for voices by Dylan Thomas, directed by Andrew Harris from Sept. 30 to Oct. 9. \$15 general public; \$11 seniors/USM employees/alumni; \$8 students. FMI, 780-5151 or usm.maine.edu/theatre.

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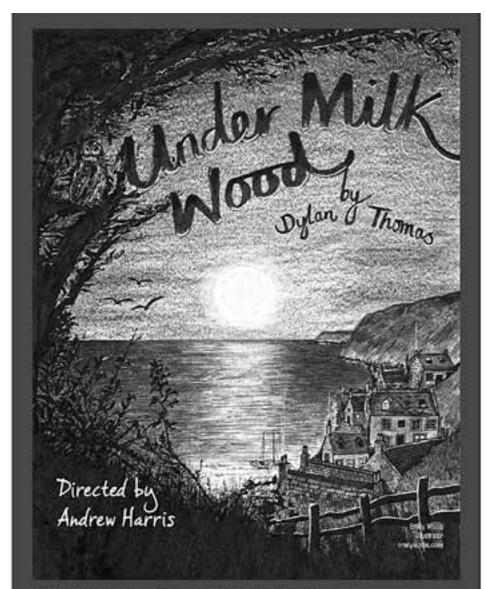
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Willowdale caller reported blasting around 7:20 p.m. Officer did not find any blasting. Officer spoke with a neighbor who thought it might have been a tremor.

Officer assisted a citizen who was lost with directions on how to get to the mall.

Burglaries were reported on Tapley Drive and Weeks Road.

Two intoxicated women on Shaw's Mill Road were transported to their homes.

Ossipee Trail caller wanted person's vehicle removed as everyone was intoxicated.

Officer responded to a disorderly conduct call. It was an argument between property owner and a driver who had stopped in man's parking lot to use his cell phone. Parties were separated.

Suspicious person hunting turkeys on Gordon Farms Road was gone when officer arrived.

Weeks Road driver was charged with OUI and endangering the welfare of a child.

was bought and developed as a subdivi-

sion. Hawkes Farm was on the other

side of Main Street and many locals

patronized their farm stand, buying

fresh corn and raspberries for many

years until they closed. The property

was sold to a developer who turned it

into Hawkes Farm subdivision. Wagner

people picked strawberries every sum-

was likely for the Chapman's 20 acre

property unless they intervened. When

it came on the market, they decided to

purchase the property and restore it as

The Moody family has lived in

Gorham for four generations and

the Chapmans and the agricultural

a working farm.

The Moodys knew that the same fate

Farm on Libby Avenue, where many

mer, is now a subdivision as well.

Moody Land/Farm Stand CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1



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are attempting to maintain some balance between the green space and the homes being built."

Caller was concerned that she might get

poked by porcupine needles in her dog. Officer told her that was very unlikely.

Suspicious person on Spiller Road was turkey hunting. Hunter was advised to contact

property owner in the future to get permis-

Mosher Road caller reported a squirrel

trapped in a bedroom. Officer opened the bedroom window but did not not see the

squirrel. Officer provided caller with a have

Sebago Lake Road caller reported neigh-

bor's chickens were getting into her yard by

coming under the fence and were chasing

her children. Neighbor apologized. Had not

Amy's Way caller reported a fox got two of

realized chickens were roaming that far.

sion to hunt on his property.

a heart trap.

their chickens.

The Moodys just finished planting a cover crop that will be plowed under to create nutrition for the soil. Chris Moody is fixing up the interior of the house on the property, and at a later date, work will be done to the exterior.

Once the work is done, they plan to contact The Maine Farmland Trust, an organization that works with beginning farmers who are looking for their first farm. The Moodys hope that a family will live in the house, work the land and own their own business.

They plan to build a farm stand building and hope to be selling vegetables and flowers beginning next summer. They haven't decided on a specific name yet, but will choose one that honors the Chapmans for their many contributions to Gorham.

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working community and I would like to see it still working," Moody said. "We

wanted to do something to honor both

background of Gorham. "Gorham is a

Historical Society Update CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

able for research. George Watson, the long-time archivist, retired at age 93. Brenda Caldwell, the Society's executive secretary, now serves as archivist and works with other volunteers to keep the archives open by appointment.

In addition to the archives, the Historical Society owns a 72 acre farm on Barstow Road donated in 2006 for educational, historical agricultural and recreational purposes. Hay harvested at the Jim Eddy Homestead property helps pay for upkeep.

Members hope that the re-organization meeting will generate ideas for creative, educational programing that will give greater visibility and involve more Gorham residents. Open to anyone interested in Gorham history, membership is \$10 annually.

In addition to offering monthly programs and establishing regular archive hours, the Gorham Historical Society would like to make people aware of the Town's rich history by partnering with local organizations and participating in civic events.

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, SEPT. 22

- Ultimate Frisbee Pick Up Game, 5:30 p.m. Gorham Middle School fields. No charge. Beginners welcome. FMI, Benjamin Quang, benquang@gmail.com.
- Baby & Me (birth-18 months), 9:30-9:50 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library. FMI, 222-1190.
- Toddler Story Time (18-36 months), 10-10:30 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library. FMI, 222-1190.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 24

- Greater Gorham Farmer's Market, 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m., 71 South Street (Public park adjacent to Baxter Memorial Library). May through October.
- Chicken Pie Supper, First Parish Congregational Church, 1 Church Street (Route 114), 5-6:30 p.m. \$10/\$5. FMI, 839-6751.

MONDAY, SEPT. 26

- The Gorham Republican Committee meets every fourth Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. All registered Republicans are welcome. FMI, 415-2673.
- Community dinner, sponsored by the Gorham Ecumenical Council, Catholic Church of Saint Anne, 299 Main Street. Roast turkey dinner with all the trimmings. 5:30 p.m. Free food and fellowship! All are welcome. Donations are accepted.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 27

- Preschool Story Time (ages 3-5), 9:30-10:15 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library. FMI, 222-1190.
- Toddler Story Time (18-36 months), 10-10:30 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library. FMI, 222-1190.
- College Fair: Representatives for more than 160 colleges and universities, USM, Costello Sports Complex, Gorham, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 28

- Story Time, birth-3 years old, 10-10:30 a.m., North Gorham Public Library. FMI, 892-2575.
- Town of Gorham Senior Lunch Program, St. Anne's Church, Gorham. Opens at 11 a.m. Lunch served promptly at 12 p.m. \$4. FMI, 839-4857.
- Adult Zentangle Class with Sarah Copperberg, 6-6:45 p.m., Baxter Memorial Library. Zentangle is a relaxing and fun way to create beautiful images using repetitive patterns. This form of art increases focus and creativity. Seating is limited to 30 students, register at 222-1190, baxtermeetings@msln.net or stopping by the circulation desk.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 29

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- Struggling Readers: Sarah Rimkunas of Magic Moments Tutoring will lead a program on spotting reading difficulties and how parents can help with their child's reading success. 6-7 p.m., Baxter Memorial Library. FMI, 222-1190.
- Book Club: "The Negotiator" by George Mitchell, Baxter Memorial Library, 10 a.m. FMI, 222-1190.

SATURDAY, OCT. 1

- Greater Gorham Farmer's Market, 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m., 71 South Street (Public park adjacent to Baxter Memorial Library). May through October.
- Helping Paws Annual Fundraising Event, Spire 29, 29 School Street, 6-11 p.m. Light snacks, cash bar, silent auction, raffle, live band "Under the Covers". \$15. FMI, helpingpawsme.org.

SUNDAY, OCT. 2

- Gorham Conservation Commission at Tannery Brook, Fall Trail Day, 9 a.m. at the end of Wentworth Drive. Help ready the trails for winter.
- Join the Lakes Region Senior Center at Oxford Casino for brunch! Bus leaves Little Falls Activity Center, 40 Acorn Street, at 8:30 a.m. Riders contribute to carpool gas fund. FMI, 839-6353.
- Dedication Ceremony and Open House for the Firefighter Memorial and Public Safety facilities, 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCT. 4

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

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