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## Election Results

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On Election Day, November 7, the following candidates were elected to the Town Council, School Committee and the Portland Water District.

### Town Council: (two openings)

Mark Faulkner	1124
<b>Suzanne Phillips</b>	<b>1949*</b>
Lee Pratt	1131
<b>Ronald Shepard</b>	<b>2237*</b>

### School Committee:

(three, three-year terms)

<b>William Benson</b>	<b>1928*</b>
Billie Capozza	1056
Michael Lewin	1162
<b>Kate Livingston</b>	<b>2336*</b>
<b>Jennifer Whitehead</b>	<b>1985*</b>

### School Committee:

(one, one-year term)

Aaron Carlson	1188
<b>Dennis Libby</b>	<b>2076*</b>

### Portland Water District Trustee:

<b>Thomas Grant</b>	<b>2532*</b>
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### State Referendums

#### Question 1. Citizen Initiative:

For a certain company to operate table games and slot machines in York County:

Yes 861 No 3346\*

#### Question 2. Citizen Initiative: To

expand Medicaid to provide health-care coverage for qualified adults under 65 with income at or below 138% of the federal poverty level (\$16,642 for a single person; \$22,412 for a family of two):

Yes 2459\* No 1738

#### Question 3. Bond Issue: Do you

authorize \$105,000,000 for construction, reconstruction and rehabilitation of highways and bridges and for facilities or equipment related to ports, harbors, marine transportation, freight and passenger railroads, aviation, transit, bicycle and pedestrian trails to be used to match an estimated \$137,000,000 in federal and other funds and for the upgrade of municipal culverts at stream crossings.

Yes 3060\* No 1127

#### Question 4. Constitutional

**Amendment:** Do you favor amending the constitution of Maine to reduce the volatility in state pension funding requirements caused by the financial markets by increasing the length of time over which experience losses are amortized from 10 to 20 years in line with pension industry standards?

Yes 2632\* No 1389

## Massive Effort Restores Power After Driving Rainstorm



Goodall Road and Middle Jam Road were both closed for an extended time due to downed trees and wires.

SHERI FABER  
Staff Writer

The driving rainstorm that started October 29th and continued through the night, knocked out power to 72% of CMP's customers in Gorham. While many people were reconnected to the power grid the following day, others had to wait for a week or more to have their power restored. This storm caused more power outages throughout the state than any previous storm in the state's history with almost 500,000 residences without power. Two thousand lineman and tree work-

ers, including crews from 14 states and three Canadian provinces, came to Maine to help with the restoration, joining 3,300 CMP workers.

The storm took out more than 1400 poles (.2% of all CMP poles). CMP is in the process of installing thicker and more durable poles in parts of Maine which are more likely to be impacted by a major storm. While CMP has \$10 million in a reserve fund for storm recovery, customers may potentially see an additional charge of \$1.61 in their monthly bills next year to cover CMP's additional costs. There were also significant costs to the Town in over-



Photos courtesy of Gorham Police Dept.

time, equipment, and fuel, as well as a delay in the rest of their work.

When there is a power outage, CMP's first priority is safety. The company secures downed lines, making sure they are not still live, and clears roadways for emergency access. The priority in power restoration goes to Public Safety buildings, hospitals, nursing homes, dispatch, gas stations (so that people can get gas for their generators) and grocery stores.

While some were frustrated with the length of time it took for their power

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## Honoring Our Veterans

ROGER MARCHAND  
Contributing Writer



Photos credit Roger Marchand

Gorham Girl Scouts greeted people as they entered the Municipal Center for the Veterans Day Ceremony

Community members were greeted by local Girl Scouts waving flags as they entered the Municipal Center for this year's Veterans Day ceremony. Maddie Rossignol, a Gorham High School senior sang the National Anthem, followed by Town Councilor Ben Hartwell leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

After welcoming the audience, Library Director, James Rathbun introduced the World War I video presentation entitled, In the Trenches with the Doughboys, which was written, edited, and produced by Georgia Humphrey, GoCat Station Manager.

The keynote speaker was Libby Bischof, Associate Professor of History at the University of Southern Maine. Bischof shared a brief history of the observance of Veterans Day, which was known as Armistice Day until 1953 when it was changed, in order to celebrate all veterans from all past and present military service. She focused on the many monuments to veterans of World War I, especially Gorham's which is located on the corner of South St. and Green St. It was dedicated in 1936 as part of the Gorham Bi-Centennial celebration. She spoke of the importance of monuments to help us remember the past and think about the people who made what we currently have possible.

The ceremony concluded with the playing of "Taps" by Georgia Humphrey and a thank you to all in attendance.

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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.

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# Special Legislative Session Update

REP. ANDREW MCLEAN

The Maine Legislature reconvened for a Special Session on October 23 to address several issues that had arisen since adjournment in August. The Legislature found bipartisan fixes to a "food sovereignty" law, ensuring that local farms will have the ability to continue selling their goods without violating federal law, and an oversight in the budget to restore funding to the Office of Geographical Information Systems, which produces important data for towns and business.

The Legislature also addressed two of the referenda that were approved by Maine voters last fall: marijuana legalization and ranked choice voting, a voting system that empowers voters with more voice and more choice and ensures that candidates who are opposed by a majority can never win.

Citizen's initiatives are actual pieces of legislation that are considered by voters. They are not suggestions or recommendations to the Maine Legislature for its consideration. On Election Day 2016, when you cast your ballot either in favor or against the questions of marijuana legalization and ranked choice voting, it was just as if you were sitting in my desk in the Maine House and pushing either the green button to vote "yes" or red button to vote "no" on a bill up for a floor vote.

Not only are you a "legislator for the day" when you vote on referenda, but your power to exercise this right derives from Maine's Constitution, which guarantees that the people, not the politicians, have the final say.

That's why I strongly believe that the Maine Legislature and Governor must respect the will of the people on referenda and make these voter-approved laws work for the Maine people.

I am frustrated and concerned by the Governor's opposition to a bipartisan solution to implement marijuana legalization, and the refusal of some lawmakers of both parties to vote with me and a majority of lawmakers to override the veto.

I am also frustrated by opposition to the common sense fix to bring Maine's Ranked Choice Voting law into constitutional compliance. The Governor and Republican lawmakers were unanimous in their support for repeal of the entire voter-approved law. Enough Democrats in the Senate and House joined them to kill this voter-approved election reform.

There are times when problems arise with voter-approved referendum questions. For example, sometimes the language of the new law conflicts with other laws on the books, or it provides loopholes that

need to be closed. As a lawmaker, I believe we have a duty to ensure that any new laws passed by voters are well written and enforceable. However, I do not believe that we should be repealing voter-approved laws in their entirety or refusing to implement them. We should amend the laws to make them work while recognizing the spirit in which they were passed.

Free and fair elections in which every citizen has the opportunity to cast a ballot are fundamental to American democracy. When voters approve – or disapprove – of a policy, I believe it is important to recognize and honor that vote. Whether I, as a legislator, agree or disagree with the policy is irrelevant. Recognizing and respecting the outcome of a vote of the people is paramount. This recognition and respect ensures that citizens maintain the trust and faith in our elections and democratic process that is so fundamental to our democracy.

Over the last few months, there have been many conversations about the Maine Legislature undoing referendum questions. I wanted you to know where I stood on this issue. Legislators have an obligation to implement and make voter-approved referendum questions work for Maine people. Moving forward, I will continue to support voter-approved referenda in the Maine Legislature, including the referenda approved last week.

As always, I appreciate hearing your thoughts and concerns about state government. I hope you and your family have a wonderful Thanksgiving.



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## Around Town

The Greater Gorham Winter Market will hold its opening day on November 18 from 9 a.m.—1 p.m. in the Gorham Rec Activity Room at 75 South Street. The market will also be open on December 16 and December 30, and will continue on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays January through April.

A new 5,300 square foot non-profit daycare, Seedlings to Sunflower, is being built near Mercy Quick Care on Route 22. Great Falls Construction broke ground last week and the grand opening is scheduled for June 2018.

The Gorham Tree Lighting & Light Parade will be held on Sunday, November 26, in Robie Park beginning at 4 p.m.

## Gorham Sightings



Photo credit Roger Marchand

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](http://www.facebook.com/gorhamtimes) or email us at [gorhamtimes@gmail.com](mailto:gorhamtimes@gmail.com). The photo of the mailbox in the November 2 edition was taken at 148 Sebago Lake Road in the White Rock area of Gorham.



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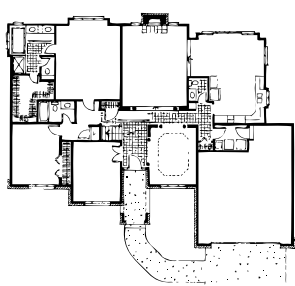
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WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

# Gorham Grads Aim to Simplify Online Marketing



CRAIG BELHUMEUR



BRETT CONNOLLY



ADAM MACDONALD

CHRIS CRAWFORD  
Staff Writer

In August, three members of GHS class of 2007, Craig Belhumeur, Adam MacDonald, and Brett Connolly, officially launched CJB Consulting Group, LLC. The three Gorham natives seek to collaborate with small and medium sized businesses to improve and implement smarter online strategies. Said founder and CEO, Belhumeur, "Our goal is to help businesses succeed online. Whether that means creating a website for the first time, executing a Facebook Custom Audience campaign or any other online initiative, we want to help drive real value in a cost effective way for anyone we partner with." MacDonald will serve as Chief Operations Officer handling operations/finances, and Connolly as Chief Customer Officer, working closely with Belhumeur on actual client projects.

Their friendship, which began many years ago, has strengthened as they've grown in their professional

careers. MacDonald said, "Growing up, the three of us have developed a history of teamwork, dependability and cohesiveness. This business represents an opportunity to build and grow something that is completely our own." Connolly agreed, adding, "We will be able to communicate and understand each other in a way normal business partners wouldn't be able to."

As the driving force behind the new company, Belhumeur brings years of experience as well as a genuine passion for the industry. He earned a marketing degree from Providence College in 2011 and is currently the Vice President of Business Development for 4Cite, a marketing technology company in Albany, NY. He said, "I am proud that I come from a small town in Maine. While we work with companies from anywhere in the United States, we aim to focus on Maine businesses. It's where we are all from, it's what we know and we're confident we can help."

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# Gratitude Drive to Benefit American Red Cross and Gorham Food Pantry

KIM MEGGISON  
Contributing Writer

Some people celebrate significant birthdays with a party or by traveling with friends, but Janet Willis MacLeod (GHS '86) has chosen to organize and host a "Gratitude Drive" in celebration of her December 1 milestone. A 13th generation Gorhamite, MacLeod is active in many community organizations including the Gorham Food Pantry, the Gorham Conservation Commission, and the South Gorham Baptist Church. While honoring Happy Healthy Gorham's "Kindling Kindness" November theme, MacLeod truly "kindles kindness" year round.

MacLeod is encouraging community members to share their gratitude for the season by donating


blood and/or contributing to the Gorham Food Pantry on Black Friday, November 24. In a true ecumenical spirit, Jan, along with friends and family from surrounding communities and a variety of churches, will welcome shoppers (and non-shoppers) to stop by the South Gorham Baptist Church from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for a free breakfast and to make donations. Participants are encouraged to sign up in advance at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or call 800-RED-CROSS.

This Gratitude Drive will also honor the memory of Jan's birthday twin, Janet Reid Willis, who passed away in February 2017 after a brief battle with cancer. Both Jans have been integral in promoting community involvement and have raised the bar for embracing kindness.

**GHS GRAD NEWS:** If you, or your son or daughter is a GHS graduate, we would like to share your achievements in the Gorham Times Of Interest section or in a Where Are They Now feature. Of Interest submissions should include the year of GHS graduation and should be no longer than 75 words. Contact Chris Crawford at [ckck5@maine.rr.com](mailto:ckck5@maine.rr.com), Kathy Corbett at [ktcorbett@aol.com](mailto:ktcorbett@aol.com) or Cindy O'Shea at [coshea2@maine.rr.com](mailto:coshea2@maine.rr.com).


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# November is Lung Cancer Awareness Month: “Saved By The Scan”

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- If lung cancer is diagnosed and treated at an early stage, it is more likely to be curable. Sadly, only 16 percent of lung cancer cases are diagnosed at this early stage.
- Lung cancer screening by a low-

dose CT scan saves lives by catching the disease early.

- Screening options in Southern Maine include both Mercy Hospital locations in Portland, Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston, and York Hospital in Wells.

For more information go to [SavedByTheScan.Org](http://SavedByTheScan.Org)

## Massive Effort Restores Power CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

to be restored, a number of factors influenced this process. CMP’s first goal is to reopen roads (blocked by wires) and to make things safe. Lucas Tree was hired to take down trees on wires in Gorham and was assigned to specific CMP crews. Public Works and the Fire Department also helped to cut back trees as long as live wires were not involved. One of the frustrations for the Town in the aftermath of the storm was that in some instances, people removed barricades from roads that were blocked off as unsafe and threw them in to ditches, thereby jeopardizing other people who were using those roads.

“The safety of people working for

CMP, Lucas Tree and Public Safety is paramount,” said Fire Chief Robert Lefebvre who also reminded residents that they should never touch downed lines. CMP grounds power lines before work begins so no power goes through those lines.

The high winds associated with this storm caused considerable damage but only a few poles snapped in town. In the ice storm of 1998, over 100 poles were snapped although fewer people lost power in that storm.

Public Works will be accepting storm damaged debris and will be doing roadside cleanup from the storm. For more information, please contact 892-9062.

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## GBE SPOTLIGHT: GORHAM HOUSE OF PIZZA

### Sense of “Home” Is A Winning Recipe

BAILEY O’BRIEN  
Contributing Writer

“I always say it’s not coming home unless you come to GHOP,” said George Sotiropoulos, general manager of Gorham House of Pizza. If you asked the students, sports teams, and families who have frequented this pizza (and more) restaurant over the years, they might say the same.

For 36 years, this establishment has served as an informal gathering place for Gorham residents. The popularity of this small-town hang-out spot has its roots in GHOP’s simple yet inclusive mission: “to provide quality homemade food to the community and provide a family friendly atmosphere where it’s like ‘home’ to anyone who comes here,” said Sotiropoulos. It is a house of pizza, but “home” seems more apt.

Like so many generations of Gorham youths, Sotiropoulos, the son of former GHOP general manager Angelo Sotiropoulos, spent his formative years at the restaurant with his friends. “GHOP was always the place we hung out after school, after games, and after special events,” said Sotiropoulos. These days, he is the manager, and his old friends are his customers. “I get to see my classmates bring their children,” he shared, calling them “the next generation of Gorham kids to grow up coming here. That makes me very proud.”

Gorham loves GHOP, but when speaking with Sotiropoulos, it’s clear



Photo courtesy of GHOP

George Sotiropoulos, general manager of Gorham House of Pizza.

that GHOP might love Gorham even more. “We are so thankful and lucky to be a part of a wonderful town like Gorham where the word ‘community’ still exists and has sincere meaning,” he said. Perhaps the clearest example of the strength of the community came after a 2012 fire above GHOP left the restaurant severely damaged and in need of expensive repair.

The town rallied together to raise money to restore the restaurant to its former glory. “We truly felt the love and support of the community around us. Gorham has and always will be the best town in Maine to live in because of that.”

Stop by GHOP at 2 State Street, call 839-2504, visit their website ([www.ghop.me](http://www.ghop.me)) or Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/ghopme](http://www.facebook.com/ghopme)) for more information.

### TOWN OF GORHAM BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF MEETING NOVEMBER 16, 2017

The Gorham Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, November 16, 2017 at 6:30 pm in the Burleigh H. Loveitt Council Chambers at the Gorham Municipal Center, 75 South Street, Gorham to consider the following:

Acceptance of the September 21, 2017 meeting minutes as printed and distributed.

**Appeal #17-11 Administrative Appeal.** Ms. Susan Duchaine, petitioner is seeking an Administrative Appeal of the Code Enforcement Officer’s determination letter dated September 15, 2017 on grandfathered/non-conforming uses on the property located at 560 Main Street, Gorham, Map 32 Lot 24.

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# Questions about Hunting Safety

JOHN ERSEK  
Contributing Writer

Two recent hunting-related shooting incidents have left landowners and homeowners in Gorham with questions about how hunting safety concerns could affect them and their family members. A hunting-related incident took place in Gorham on October 2 in which someone was shot in the face with birdshot, while hunting near Mosher Rd. A fatal shooting took place in Hebron on October 28, the first day of hunting season. In this incident, a non-hunter was shot and killed on her own land. News reports indicated she was in a fairly remote area away from her house, was not wearing blaze orange, that the land was not posted, and that she was apparently unaware that hunting season had begun.

Homeowners in Gorham, some in the Heartwood neighborhood located near the Gorham Middle School, have reported hearing or seeing hunters close to their homes. The homeowners believed that the shots were coming from the less developed area near the Gorham Bypass. In at least one case, a homeowner called 911, but was directed to the Maine Warden Service at the Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (IF&W).

In a recent phone interview with the Gorham Times, Town Manager Ephrem Paraschak said it was quite possible that callers reporting gunshots too close to their homes would be referred to Maine Warden Service. He stated that the decision of the dispatcher and the Gorham Police Dept. is based on the specific situation at the time of the call, including officer availability, and observed that incidents of this type may well increase, due to the frequency of new developments being built in traditionally rural areas.

Chief Dan Jones of the Gorham Police Department confirmed, "When we get this type of call, the officers respond unless they are tied up on another call. If we are unable to locate the hunters or cannot respond immediately, the call is referred to the Maine Warden Service. People may mistakenly believe we refer the



With hunting season upon us, the Gorham Police Department is reminding residents to outfit themselves and their pets in blaze orange when spending time outside.

call without any attempt to check ourselves first, but that is not what happens. People should always call 911 in any situation where safety is an issue."

Paraschak added that information about hunting rules is available on the Town website, including a downloadable town map showing the shotgun-only zones, and areas where hunting is prohibited. When asked if further hunting restrictions might need further review as the town population grows, similar to restrictions in other suburban Cumberland County towns, Paraschak confirmed it would be a Town Council decision to do so. He added that hunting restrictions were most recently increased in 2011.

Maine law generally allows the use of rifles anywhere that hunting is permitted, except in certain restricted areas. No shots may be fired within 300 feet of a home or business. In the Gorham town center, an effective (but not official) no-discharge zone exists, because of the dense concentration of homes, and because of the 500 foot restriction near certain locations such as schools, town buildings, and the library.

Other restricted areas include parks, game preserves, school athletic zones, and the town garage facility. Gorham has established a shotgun-only zone outside the town center (as shown on the town's map). The shotgun-only rules do not apply to each land parcel's owners and their family members, however.

A review of recent articles in the

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# Clerk's Corner

LAURIE NORDFORS  
Town Clerk

Thank you to all that came out and voted on Tuesday, November 7. We had a total of 4,228 ballots cast out of 13,479 active Gorham voters, which is a turn-out of 30%. For election results, visit [www.gorham-me.org](http://www.gorham-me.org)

Would you like a way to PAY IT FORWARD this holiday season? As the holidays approach, we start thinking about families that need a little extra help to get through the seasons. The Town of Gorham offers help to families in need during the holidays. You can help by sponsoring a family for Thanksgiving or Christmas. This is a great way for a community group, organization or a whole family to get involved. Call the Town Clerk's office

at 222-1670 for more information.

Don't forget to register your dog for 2018. You can do so by stopping by the Clerk's office, or online at our website.

Snowmobile registrations are here. You can register your snowmobile for the upcoming winter season at the Town Clerk's office or online at our website.

Hunting and fishing licenses make great holiday gifts. You can purchase a license for the 2018 season after December 1, 2017.



Laurie Nordfors may be reached at [lnordfors@gorham.me](mailto:lnordfors@gorham.me) or 222-1675.

# August Arrests

Wood Road man, 42, was arrested for speeding, 35+ mph over the limit.

Maple Ridge Road man, 18, was arrested for two counts of assault, criminal threatening, two counts of violating conditions of release and refusing to submit to arrest.

Auburn man, 18, was arrested for OUI, violating conditions of release, failure to report an accident, operating a vehicle without a license, driving to endanger and failing to report an accident.

Timothy Drive woman, 29, was arrested for domestic violence assault.

Portland woman, 51, was arrested for

failure to pay a fine and operating a vehicle without a license.

Massachusetts man, 24, was arrested for OUI.

Portland man, 36, was arrested for violating conditions of release.

Buxton man 32, was arrested for trafficking in prison contraband and OUI (1 prior).

Baldwin man, 19, was arrested for violating conditions of release, refusing to submit to arrest, operating after suspension, imprudent speed, failure to register a motor vehicle for more than 150 days, reckless conduct and eluding an officer.

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21 BROOKDALE DRIVE	VAN METER, ROBERT & MELISSA	HAINES, SUSAN	\$405,000
34 BURNHAM ROAD	MICHAUD, TODD & BRAYALL, JENNIFER	KERRMEZ DEVELOPMENT, LLC	\$319,355
24 BRIARWOOD LANE	CUTTER, VANESSA & VERILLO, LEWIS	VANMETER, MELISSA & ROBERT	\$223,876
715 GRAY ROAD	FOGG, KENNETH, JR.	FOGG, PETER	\$269,000
23 WINSLOW ROAD	HATCH, JULIE & MARTEL-STRONG, V.	SVOBODA, MATTHEW	\$139,600
168 OSSISPEE TRAIL	HILL ST. APARTMENTS, LLC	FIN, LLC	\$129,510
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# Fall Sports Recap, Part II

HAL D'AMICO  
Sports Editor

**Volleyball:** Coach Emma Tirrell said the team had a "Very exciting and energetic season. All the players worked hard, had fun, and never failed to be good teammates." Playing a very tough Class A schedule, the Lady Rams finished the regular season at 9-5 and brought a #4 seed into postseason play with a quarterfinal match against #5 seed South Portland at GHS. The two evenly matched teams fought hard and to the end, but the Rams were on the wrong end of the 3-1 score, a disappointing echo of the September 5 South Portland match. The 15-25, 25-21, 25-20, 28-26 tallies and the fact that the team is devoid of seniors gives the program and fans a lot to look forward to.

**Boys' Soccer:** On November 1, the Rams captivated a crowd and capped a season filled with talent, excitement, and a #3 seed to the home field to take on #4 Portland in the State Semifinals. Coach Tim King summed it up: "I was happy with the team's performance this season, but very disappointed not to have advanced to the State Finals game. The regular season ended with a 11-2-1 record and a #3 seed for the tournament. Post season wins over Cheverus (3-2) and Falmouth (1-0) set the stage for a rematch of last season's Southern Maine Regional final against Portland. I

thought the boys gave everything they had and ended the 80 minutes regulation time and two 15-minute overtimes tied at 1. Unfortunately, the game and season ended with PKs (penalty kicks), just as last year's state game ended."

**Girls' Soccer:** The Lady Rams finished a great season (10-3-2) with an overtime heartbreaker. Coach Jeanne Zarrilli and company (#4 seed) hosted Cheverus (#5 seed) in an October 24 quarterfinal match on a wet field. The Rams outshot Cheverus 4-1 in the first half, and applied good pressure. Early in the second half, with continued pressure, Emma Forgues took a shot, rebounding off a defender, and Hallie Shiers put it in the net. Zarrilli told the Portland Press Herald, "We struggled to finish this year. We should have scored a couple. You can't hold a one-goal lead against a team like Cheverus." Exceptional program, exceptional results. Heads held high, Gorham thanks you all for bringing it all season long.

**Field Hockey:** The field hockey team made the preliminary play-off round to cap off their season. Dropping a tough 1-0 loss to #5 seed Kennebunk, the #12 seed girls ended the season at 6-9, a record unindicative of a number of very close games and tenacious efforts. Coach Becky Manson highlighted the following player achievements: Senior Captain Vanessa Berrill was named MVP and received the Deans' Girl's Field Hockey

Scholarship. Senior Emily Murray was named 2017 Most Improved Player. Berrill was also selected to the All-State team and will be recognized at a banquet in December. The grass may be taking a break, but sights are set on the 2018 season, with the following captains named: Isis Adams, Sarah Stevens and Lydia McCrillis.

**Cross Country States:** The Maine State Championships were held on October 28 at Cumberland's Twin Brook course. Regarding the girls' sixth place finish, Coach Tanguay said, "The Gorham Girls team battled valiantly..." He added that due to the combined scoring formula for the day's three races they moved up in the standings and qualified for the New England Championships on November 11 in Belfast. Tanguay concluded, "These girls have shown all season long that they are a close team not only off the course, but they proved it once again on the course." Anna Slager and Iris Kitchen raced to top-20 finishes.

The coach also expressed pride in the boys' team, and wrote, "Over the course of the season, this boys' team had to overcome the loss of three of our top five runners from last season for various reasons, but they stayed focused and kept improving as individuals and this led to their goal of competing in the state championship." Senior Anthony Chase finished a solid 24th in his race.

## USM Home/ Local Schedule

### Tuesday, November 21

Women's Basketball vs. Bates, 5:30 p.m.  
Men's Basketball vs. Bates, 7:30 p.m.  
Men's Ice Hockey vs. Salem State, 7:00 p.m.

### Saturday, November 25

Men's Ice Hockey @ UNE (Biddeford), 4:00 p.m.

### Sunday, November 26

Men's Ice Hockey vs. Wentworth, 3:00 p.m.  
Women's Basketball @ Saint Joseph's, 5:30 p.m.  
Men's Basketball @ Saint Joseph's, 7:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, November 28

Women's Basketball vs. Bowdoin, 5:30 p.m.  
Men's Basketball vs. Bowdoin, 7:30 p.m.

\*All events are at USM unless otherwise noted.

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a Rams freshman cross country runner, is a Gorham Times "good-as-gold" winner for his selfless display of good sportsmanship at the State Championships, held at Twin Brook Recreational Area on October 28. Reed was in sight of the finish line when he stopped to help a fallen runner. Gorham coach Jason Tanguay sums it up: "Reed instinctively turned around and went back to help out the runner. What an amazing display of sportsmanship! Way to go Reed!" An email from either a Cheverus parent or coach was shared in the GHS Principal's Weekly News identifying the fallen runner as Donald Mahoney, a Cheverus freshman, and their top runner. The email said Mahoney had been suffering from mononucleosis, and was written, "to reach out and extend my deepest gratitude toward your runner. I'm not exactly sure who it was, but I can't express how much I appreciate this display of sportsmanship."

## Sport Etc.

**Road Running:** On Saturday, November 25, the Gorham Recreation Department and the Gorham Athletic Boosters will host the 20th Annual Burn off the Turkey 5k Run/Walk. The race starts at 9 a.m. Online registration closes November 20, with race day registration available. To register or for more information, go to [www.gorhamrec.com](http://www.gorhamrec.com).

**Good-As-Gold Sighting:** Reed Henderson,

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These items will be passed on to local shelters or agencies that assist homeless veterans and their families in the Portland, Gorham, Westbrook, Scarborough, Windham and Gray areas.

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# Hannah Prince: Field Hockey, Full Time



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USA Women's Indoor Hockey Team Captain Hannah Prince (left) sticks to it in more ways than one when it comes to field hockey. The team recently won the gold medal at the Pan American Cup in Guyana, qualifying for February's World Cup in Berlin. The U.S. beat Argentina (above) in the final, and went 7-0 in the tournament.

HAL D'AMICO  
Sports Editor

The U.S. National Women's Indoor (Field) Hockey Team won the Indoor Pan American Games gold medal on October 21 in Georgetown, Guyana. The title qualified them for the February World Cup in Berlin, a historical first for the U.S. program.

The Saint Joseph University (Philadelphia) women's field hockey team won the Atlantic 10 Conference Title and was headed to the NCAA Tournament for the first time. The Hawks would face big-brand, ACC member, University of North Carolina Tar Heels in their first tournament match on November 11. Besides field hockey, how are these facts connected? Hannah Prince. The Gorham High School graduate ('10), daughter of Greg and Theresa Prince, played vital roles toward both of these results.

Prince is the captain of the U.S. Indoor Team and she is a full-time assistant coach with the Saint Joseph's field hockey program. Following high school, she played field hockey for the University of Massachusetts. She earned a degree in public health in 2015, but Hannah's career has so far been in the sport she's loved since her early Gorham days.

She spent a year as a full-time resident player with the U.S. National

Field Hockey Team (outdoor), and was in a coaching position at the University of New Hampshire when she got the call from indoor head coach Jun Kentwell, asking if she was interested in playing for this very selective squad. The indoor program trains together on weekends at Kentwell's WC Eagles premier field hockey developmental club facilities in Spring City, Pennsylvania, about a 45-minute drive from Philadelphia. They train more when preparing for big tournaments. Like many of her teammates, she had to travel a long way to practice, driving from UNH for her first year with the team. The Saint Joseph's job was literally a good career move.

Saint Joseph's head coach Lynn Farquhar's website comments include this about the first year assistant: "Hannah is an enthusiastic and energetic leader that sparks a smile. We are firm believers in contagious energy." She continued, "Hannah is a tremendous role model for our Hawk student-athletes, as she brings playing experience from the A-10, NCAA, and international levels. Her leadership has continued to flourish while coaching at UNH and serving as the captain of the Indoor National Team. Hannah will have an immediate impact in strengthening our championship mentality,

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# GHS Fall Sports Awards

## 2017 Team Ram Awards

**Girls' Cross Country:** Outstanding Newcomer-Carson Battaglia; Most Improved Runner-Meadow Fortier; Coach's Award-Anna Slager

**Boys' Cross Country:** Most Improved Runner-Andrew Tinkham; Coach's Award-Wil Rossignol; Outstanding Newcomer-Reed Henderson

**Football:** Iron Ram Award-Jack Niles; Coach's Award-Hunter Poitras; Coach's Award-Noah Lambert; Special Team Player of the Year-Nate Hotham; Scout Team Award-Isaac Rollins

**Golf:** Most Valuable Player-Lucas Roop; Coach's Award-Ryan Kaczmarek; Most Improved Player-Tyler Haines

**Boys' Soccer:** Most Valuable Player-Kyle King; Leadership Award-Aaron Farr; Defensive Player of the Year-Garrett Higgins

**Girls' Soccer:** Coach's Award-Alexis Fotter; Coach's Award-Michelle Rowe; Coach's Award-Maddie Hinch

**Field Hockey:** Most Valuable Player-Vanessa Berrill; Most Improved Player-Emily Murray; Ram Award-Faith Dillon; Attitude Award-Lydia McCrillis; Hustle Award-Grace McGouldrick

**Volleyball:** Most Valuable Player-Isabelle Kolb; Coach's Award-Katie O'Donnell; Jack of All Trades-Alexa Corey

**Cheering:** Outstanding Rookie-Reighley Adams; Outstanding Rookie-Jordan Blakeslee; Senior Ram Award-Kate Gilbert

## All-Academic Seniors

**Cheering:** Olivia Garand; Kate Gilbert  
**Field Hockey:** Emily Murray; Sarah Shields

**Golf:** Zachery McGouldrick; Lucas Roop

**Boys' Soccer:** Aaron Farr; Garrett Higgins; Kyle King; Benjamin Nelson; Alexander Ousback; Jonathan Scribner

**Girls' Soccer:** Courtney Cushing; Lyndsey Estes; Alexis Fotter; Brooke Greatorex; Madison Hinch; Michelle Rowe

**Girls' Cross Country:** Meadow Fortier; Sarah Johnson; Grace Libby; Hannah Libby; Sierra Lumbert; Anna Slager

**Boys' Cross Country:** Conor Battaglia; Simeon Willey

## SMAA All-Conference

**Football:** 1st Team-Hunter Poitras, Jack Niles

**Volleyball:** 2nd Team-Meg Perry; Honorable Mention-Isabelle Kolb

**Girls' Soccer:** 1st Team-Emma Forgues, Hallie Shiers; 2nd Team-Maddie Hinch, Brooke Greatorex, Courtney Cushing

**Boys' Soccer:** 1st Team-Andrew Rent, Kyle King, Michael Knight; 2nd Team-Sam Burghardt, Trevor Gray; Honorable Mention-Garrett Higgins

**Boys' Cross Country:** 2nd Team-Wil Rossignol; Honorable Mention-Anthony Chase

**Girls' Cross Country:** 1st Team-Anna Slager; 2nd Team-Iris Kitchen, Kate Tugman; Honorable Mention-Meadow Fortier

**Field Hockey:** 1st Team-Vanessa Berrill; 2nd Team-Emily Murray; Honorable Mention-Grace McGouldrick; All-Rookie Team-Faith Dillon

**Golf:** 1st Team-Lucas Roop, Ryan Kaczmarek; 2nd Team-Tyler Haines

**SMAA Coach of the Year for Cross Country:** Jason Tanguay, Boys' and Girls' XC Head Coach

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## Healthy Candy Corn Alternative



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Jayne Rowles, a kindergarten student in Mrs. Lyford's class, enjoyed a Happy Healthy Halloween dessert at Narragansett consisting of oranges and pineapple topped off with a little whipped cream. The healthy Halloween dessert has become a tradition at Narragansett, and this year, it plays in with the Happy Healthy Gorham initiative.

## Kool Kids Klubs



Photo credit Stephanie O'Donnell

Eighty children at Narragansett School attended morning Kids Klubs during the month of October filling the halls with laughter and excitement each Tuesday morning. The next session begins in January. Pictured is the Healthy Snack Klub (left photo from l to r): Matty Ladd, Stephen Connolly, Luna Button, Ashley Connolly, PJ Joyce, and Cameron Cyr. Pictured right is the Math Computer Games Klub consisting of Josh Castonguay, Everett Rovin, Madison Sampietro, Peyton Wilkins, Natalie Wilkins, Kai Whitehead, Chloe Cyr, Zachery Chandler, Lindsay Farquhar, and Logan Chhoeung.

## Gorham Schools Raising Suicide Awareness

ZACHERY MCGOULDRIK  
GHS Student Intern

On November 7, freshmen from Gorham High School (GHS) took time out of the school day to plant yellow tulips around Village Elementary School as part of the Yellow Tulip Project, a program dedicated to suicide awareness. The Maine Department of

Health and Human Services notes that suicide is the second leading cause of death in the state among people between the ages of 15 and 34.

Julia Hansen, a Casco Bay High School student, launched the idea for the Yellow Tulip Project when she was just 16. The idea originated from losing two of her best friends in high school to suicide within six months of each other.

The focus of this non-profit organization is to create "Tulip Teams" at schools and organizations who will help talk about mental illness the same way that we talk about any physical illness. "Planting a Hope Garden is a communal way of bringing people together to talk about mental health and work toward smashing the stigma that affects 1 in 5 teenagers," according to the non-profit's website.

Yellow tulips were chosen because the tulip was one friend's favorite flower and yellow was the other's favorite color. The flower also represents happiness and hope. Hansen hopes the gardens serve two purposes: to raise awareness of those battling depression and other mental illnesses, and to serve as a visual reminder to those who are that people care.

Melissa Denick, Alternative Education teacher at GHS, said, "GHS' Graduation Standard regarding Civic Engagement and Jobs For Maine's Graduates' (JMG) focus on philanthro-



Photo credit Melissa Denick

Denisha Beeler, a freshman at Gorham High School, helped Griffin Berlinger, a second grader at Village Elementary School, plant yellow tulips around the school as part of the Yellow Tulip Project.

py provided a perfect opportunity to collaborate. Forty bulbs were planted at each school in the district, after students in the Alternative Education and JMG programs raised funds to purchase the flower bulbs."

Gorham joins other local schools including Casco Bay High School, Falmouth High School, Waynflete, and Scarborough High School in the creation of "Hope Happens" gardens. To learn more about the project, visit [Yellowtulipproject.org](http://Yellowtulipproject.org).



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# Schools Provide Support During Outage



Photo credit Stacy Sawyer

A group of students enjoyed the snacks provided by Unum during one of Great Falls Elementary's open evenings.

**JAMIE DOUGLASS**  
Contributing Writer

On Monday, October 30, Gorham residents, like many towns in Maine, awoke to downed trees and no power. School was canceled and most of the town's Village businesses were closed or running at a diminished capacity.

By the next morning, Gorham schools were back in session and the

Superintendent's office sent word via phone, email and social media, that it would be opening two "warming centers" for residents without power.

Great Falls Elementary and Gorham Middle School opened from 3:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. for those needing a shower, a phone charge, an internet connection, or just a place to be warm. They extended this invitation for two more evenings from

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# Bridge Building Behind Village



Photo credit Alison Penley

A group of Village fifth graders visited the Great Falls Construction site behind Hannaford to look at plans of the new building. The fifth graders will work to build a new bridge across the little stream behind Village.

**LUCY DUBAIL AND EVELYN RUSH**  
(Mrs. Penley's class)

**WINNIE DUBAIL**  
(Mrs. Kellogg's class)

This year, some of the fifth graders at Village Elementary School are getting to work on a special project working on making a new bridge across the little stream behind Village. The team is working with Great Falls Construction.

The fifth graders were given a survey asking if they had any interest in construction, engineering, and/or architecture.

They answered questions with a 1-5 statement to tell Mrs. Penley if they were interested in the subject. If they answered a 4 or a 5, they had enough interest in building the bridge and they were selected to work on the project.

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# School Committee Meeting

KATHY CORBETT  
Staff Writer

The School Committee (SC) welcomed newly elected members, elected chairpersons, and made sub-committee assignments at the regular November 8 meeting.

Kate Livingston, William Benson, and Jennifer Whitehead will serve three-year terms. Dennis Libby, whose term expired this year, was elected to fill a one-year term. The Committee elected Darryl Wright chair and Stewart McCallister vice-chairman.

Superintendent Heather Perry joined the Committee in thanking voters for their support. She announced that the changes to the Child Development Services (CDS) program that will impact the district have been postponed until FY20, after discussion in the next legislative session. She complimented student athletes on their fine seasons this fall.

Kim Fadrigon, K-8 unit leader, presented information about the Kindergarten Jump Start (KJS) program that screens children in the spring before they enter Kindergarten and again in the fall, along with new enrollments. In the past, children who knew fewer than 20 letters in the spring received special instruction over the summer. The program is now implemented at the beginning of the school year.

Teachers work with the students in small groups for two hours a day for six weeks. They communicate daily with parents about their child's progress. Fadrigon reported that this short-term intensive intervention produced much better results than the summer program.

The principals of the five district schools made presentations describing how they give their students Field Experiences, opportunities for learning beyond the regular classroom. For K-5 students it is a priority that they have one common experience in each grade, one that is the same for each of the three schools.

For example, all district Kindergarten students might visit a fire station, all fifth graders might visit the Gulf of Maine Research Center. Second experiences rooted in the curriculum, for example author visits, vary between schools but efforts are being made for more consistency there too.

In the past, money for K-5 experiences, mainly for buses and admissions, came from fundraising, but this has proved to be inadequate. Parents will now be expected to pay for field trips. The SC was assured that provisions will be made so that no child will be excluded.

According to Gorham Middle School (GMS) principal Robert Riley, middle school field experiences are funded by school dances. They include trips to the Portland Art Museum, the USM Planetarium, and Wolfe Neck State Park. Experts in various fields, particularly science and technology, also come to GMS for in-class learning experiences.

Gorham High School (GHS) principal Brian Jandreau stressed the importance of providing unpredictable, real life experiences for GHS students. In addition to connections made with local businesses, most of these opportunities come through participation in clubs, such as Robotics, one-act play competition, and Model UN. Clubs do their own fund-raising.

In other business, Wright reported that the GHS Building Committee and the Athletic Capital Campaign Steering Committee will be meeting with the Harriman architects on November 14. McCallister reported that the School Day Committee has an interactive survey out to parents and staff. They will report results at the November 29 workshop, at which time the K-5 Reconfiguration Study Committee will also report on options.

The SC voted (7-0) on the revised Immunization Policy which includes all state regulations, as well as to hire Lindsey Thomson as Swimming Assistant and Rachel Grady and Mary Ellen Blodgett as GHS History Club advisors.

# Hugo-Vidal Named a Finalist

ABBIE VANLULING  
GHS Student Intern

Virginia (Ginny) Hugo-Vidal, a senior at Gorham High School (GHS), has been honored as a finalist for the U.S. Senate Youth Program scholarship, run by the U.S. Senate. Every school picks one person for eligibility, and then the State of Maine chooses ten finalists.

On November 6, Ginny traveled to Skowhegan for a day full of interviews, as well as an on-the-spot speech she had to give about a topic chosen by the Committee.

Hugo-Vidal was nominated as the GHS school representative by principal Brian Jandreau. She had to fill out an application, write a research paper on what she would want the U.S. Congress to debate, and a write a statement of future intent.

For the first writing requirement, Hugo-Vidal discussed the idea of the U.S. Senate considering naturalized citizens eligible to run for President. And, as far as her future intent goes, she wants to pursue a four-year college education, and then graduate school, while focusing on a double



Courtesy of Abbie vanLuling

major of International Relations and Political Science.

"I'd really love to go into the State department, or some form of government," said Hugo-Vidal. "(My) dream is I'd love to be Secretary of State someday."

If chosen, Hugo-Vidal would receive a \$10,000 dollar scholarship as well as a week long, all expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C., where she would spend time with the U.S. Senate.

In the end, all 50 U.S. States will nominate two students to receive the scholarship and trip. The results of the interviews and application process will be announced next month.

## Schools Provide Support CONTINUED FROM PAGE 9

5-8 p.m., as Wednesday found over 2,000 residents still in the dark. By Thursday, the number improved but was still over 1,200.

Members of the Gorham Police and Fire Departments were on hand at GMS to direct participants to the library, where outlets and comfortable seating for internet use were located, and to the nearby locker rooms for showers. Nearly 60 people took advantage of the GMS option over the three-night span.

"We went over to the Middle School yesterday around 3:40. We were the only ones there at the time. We took showers, checked email and charged phones. It was quick and easy," said Stacie Hutchinson of her experience on Halloween day.

At Great Falls Elementary, each night offered food as well as warmth and showers. On Halloween, after being contacted by a parent of Village Elementary, GHOP donated a hot meal by way of pizzas. A mother of two said they came in for hot showers at 8 p.m. and still found the pizza warm and the environment inviting.

Unum also donated healthy snacks, and several young members of the Fire Department played games in the gym with kids who needed to release some energy while their parents used their computers or showered. On the final evening, November 2, the Gorham Nutrition Program provided soup, sandwiches and water to the effort. In all, 130 were warmed and fed during the week.

## School Note

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fast approaching! Open to all middle school aged Gorham students in public, private or home school. First prize winner receives \$250 and 2nd and 3rd place winners receive \$100 each! All entries due by November 21st. For more information, including essay topic and entry form, please contact The Gorham Republican Committee at gorhamGOPcommittee@gmail.com.

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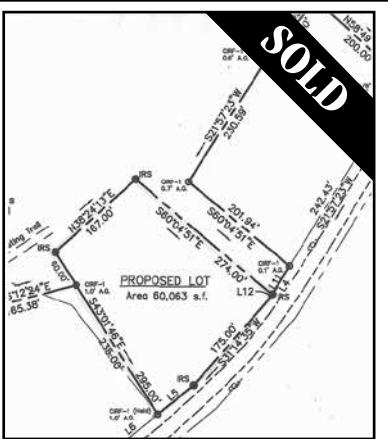
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## Where Are They Now? CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3

During college, Belhumeur landed several internships, including one in which he created the Portland Sea Dogs season ticket holder brochure and the ticket design for the 2011 season. After graduation, he began his professional career at a paid search agency called iProspect in Boston that helped brands with their ads on Google and Bing. Following that position he worked with AOL, DataXu, Ebay Enterprise and LiveIntent. Outside of work, he created a website to cover Providence College's men's basketball team where he interviewed players and coaches and hosted guests likes ESPN's Dick Vitale, Jalen Rose and Joe Lunardi on his podcast.

Connolly, a 2011 University of Connecticut graduate, majored in Natural Resources and works at UNUM as a Customer Specialist. He is excited about this new endeavor. He said, "CJB Consulting Group will be a great way to make a significant impact on our community. What better way for us to contribute, than to help drive evolution and growth to our local businesses, friends and neighbors."

MacDonald graduated from University of New England and has worked in the Pharmacy field since his graduation in 2013. He is currently

the Pharmacy Manager for Ludlow Pharmacy in Ludlow, VT. MacDonald noted, "Digital marketing and web design has piqued my interest over the past few years through my conversations with Craig. His passion for the industry is contagious and I'm excited to see what the three of us can build together."

The client list of CJB Consulting Group is growing and includes Twisted Sista, maker of women's hair and beauty products, Normanside Country Club, a semi-private golf course in Delmar, NY; NW Media Partners, a digital marketing agency in Seattle, WA; and Cathcart Manufacturing Technologies, a San Francisco based consulting firm specializing in artificial intelligence and advanced manufacturing solutions. As a good son, Belhumeur has also has created a website for his mother's customer service business, Be Nice, [www.benice.today](http://www.benice.today).

All three men speak highly of their experiences in Gorham schools. Connolly believes that Gorham schools helped instill core values about what it means to be a contributing member of a community. He said, "Teachers like Mr. Paradis and Mr. Jenkins helped introduce me to these traits, now it's my turn to do that for the next generation."

Belhumeur fondly remembers Mrs. Sedenka, who had students creating trifold and presenting to classmates and parents, in second grade. He credits her for challenging him at a young age to speak in front of a group, learning presentation skills that would eventually help him professionally. He also learned important lessons in Ms. Smith's freshman English class. Said Belhumeur, "She taught about writing with voice, an invaluable skill in my chosen field. Whenever I write an email or an article, I can still hear her saying 'Where's your voice, Craig?'"

For MacDonald, freshman history was one of his favorites. He said, "I will always remember to 'check myself before I wreck myself' and to stay humble, put in the effort and truly commit to being the best version of yourself."

All three friends enjoy playing fantasy sports and also share a love for the game of golf. Belhumeur currently lives in Rensselaer, NY. Connolly resides in Windham. MacDonald and his wife, Jenna (Wing), live in Rutland, VT.

Belhumeur is the son of Marc and Michelle Belhumeur, and his sister Nicole is a GHS grad ('09). Connolly is the son of Jack and Wendy Connolly. MacDonald is the son of Joe and Patti MacDonald (GHS '81).

Belhumeur will be participating in GHS Career Day on December 6. He plans to talk with students about the digital marketing industry as well as why they should begin taking advantage of LinkedIn at an early age. Belhumeur will be helping the high school create an official LinkedIn page. He is also hoping to assist in creating a GHS alumni network on LinkedIn so that current and future students, as well as alumni, can easily connect with one another for jobs/internships/industry questions or basic networking. For more information, contact Belhumeur at [craig@cjbconsultinggroup.com](mailto:craig@cjbconsultinggroup.com) or visit [www.cjbconsultinggroup.com](http://www.cjbconsultinggroup.com)

## Bridge Building Behind Village CONTINUED FROM PAGE 9

As a first activity, the group was able to go to the construction site to look at what Great Falls Construction was currently building. On their way to the construction site they went across the old

bridge. The bridge is very old, rickety, and part of the side has fallen off. This is why they are building a new bridge.

At the construction site, the kids saw what Great Falls Construction had been

doing. Students looked at the different types of plans to understand what they are working on and what they will do next. The team walked around the site asking questions about the project.

The bridge that the fifth graders at Village School are building should be finished by next school year. More information about the project will come soon.

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## Hannah Prince CONTINUED FROM PAGE 7

defensive grit, and fitness levels.”

Prince said the joy of coaching is, “Getting to push the girls; teach the girls and see them improve. See the drive to improve in these college athletes. I’m all about work ethic and playing out of your comfort zone.” The challenge at this high level, she said, is, “These athletes are perfectionists and have high expectations. They want to do things quickly, see results instantly. Process doesn’t happen in one hour or one practice.”

As for the Pan Am gold and the upcoming World Cup, Prince said,

“This was an incredible team effort. We are proud to be the first U.S. Women’s Indoor Team to qualify for the Indoor World Cup and especially proud to have the only female coach in the tournament. Jun (Kentwell) is a fantastic coach and motivator.”

Prince stays very connected to Gorham, and was quick to rattle off names of mentors and other supporters in the community. She stays in touch with varsity coach Becky Manson, who said, “Hannah Prince continues to be an inspiration to the Gorham Field Hockey program. Each

new season she contacts me and asks about how things are going. She sends the team something to handout to each player. She’s a tremendous human being and has shown what hard work can bring someone when they give it their all.”

Speaking of traveling, the tournament play in Berlin in February will likely be preceded by some scrimmages somewhere else on the continent. Be it Amherst, Durham, Guyana, Australia, Austria, or Philadelphia, Hannah Prince has her hockey equipment along for the ride.

## Hunting Safety

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Maine news media finds some consensus about basic safety tips for landowners: Everyone residing in or working in rural areas should wear blaze orange at all times when outdoors during hunting season; owners of dogs and large farm animals should consider protecting their animals in a similar way. Make sure you and your family members are aware of the opening and closing dates for deer season, turkey season, duck season, etc.

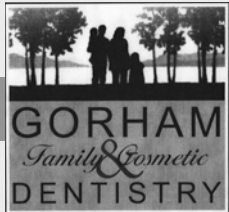
The Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife advises that if you see or hear people hunting too close to your home, farm animals, or other property, do not try to go out and look for the source of the gunshots, or confront the hunters directly. Call 911 to request local police response, but you may be referred to an IF&W game warden. If you are requesting that a police officer respond immediately, you may need to be specific about why the situation requires it.

A 1991 law requires hunters to identify specific parts of an animal’s body before they fire a shot at it. Hunters need know what is in back of their intended target, in case their shot misses the target.

Visit the Maine Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife’s website for more detailed information. The local number for the Maine Warden Service is 657-2345 and the 24-hour number for State Game Wardens in this area is 1-800-228-0857.

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**The Bookworm is asking customers to donate \$2 to purchase a gift-wrapped new book** with a small toy attached to accompany Christmas baskets being prepared for needy families in the area. The Bookworm has donated more than 100 books a year for this effort in the past 15 years. FMI, 839-2665.

**White Rock Community Clubhouse, 34 Wilson Rd., will hold a Bean Supper** Saturday, Dec. 2, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Homemade kidney and pea beans, hot dogs, cole slaw, potato salad, macaroni and cheese, biscuits, and homemade pies for dessert. Adults \$8/Children under 12/\$4. FMI, whiterockcommunityclub@gmail.com.

**The Gorham Lions Club will be selling fresh-cut Maine Christmas Trees** at Gorham Ace Hardware on Main St. in Gorham Nov. 30 to Dec. 17. FMI, Kenny Aldrich 929-9182.

**A Christmas Season Service of Comfort and Rest will be held on Sunday, Dec. 10,** at 2 p.m. at the West Gorham Union Church, Rt. 15 (190 Ossipee Trail). Sponsored by the Gorham Ecumenical Council and Dolby Funeral Home, the service will offer a quiet place to reflect and realize no one is alone. Candles may be lit if you choose to do so. Words and music of hope and comfort will be provided. Light refreshments will be served following the service. All are welcome.

**The Dance Studio of Maine's Competition Team held their annual Giving Back Campaign** as part of their community service requirement. The team is made up of over 100 dancers who spread out across the community to give back to the following organizations, schools, and events: The Ronald McDonald House, Great Falls Elementary School Outdoor Cleanup, Village School Outdoor Cleanup, The Gorham Food Pantry and collecting bottles for the Houston for the Holidays Bottle Drive.



**Visit Baxter Memorial Library to enjoy a presentation from the Animal Refuge League of Greater Portland.** They will be bringing one of their furry pet ambassadors for participants to meet! Enjoy making a special toy and learning about this great, local, animal shelter. Consider bringing a donation for the animals at the shelter. This is an all ages event. Friday, Nov. 17, Baxter Memorial Library, 3:15-4:15 p.m.

**Mister Bagel, 13 New Portland Rd., will once again host a Thanksgiving Dinner** with all the fixings on Nov. 23 starting at noon. Meals will be delivered for those who are unable to travel. Transportation is available upon request. FMI, reservations or requests for transportation, Roxanne Hanscom Moody, 839-4516 or tmoody6@maine.rr.com. Free, donations are appreciated and will go to the Gorham Food Pantry.

**Wheaton College student Karis Pillsbury of Gorham performed in the fall 2017 Concert Choir,** "Singing the Reformation: The Hymns of Luther and Praetorius."

**Jakub Jastrzebski, a 15 year old Gorham resident and a current freshman at Cheverus, recently graduated from the SEALSFit program** through the Maine Leadership Institute. Run by a former Navy Seal in conjunction with the Portland Police Dept, SEALSFit builds a sense of accomplishment, self-discipline, self-image, and self-respect. Jastrzebski holds a 2nd Degree Black Belt in Shotokan Karate and took first place in his age group for hurdles in the Maine USATF 15 & Under State Championship in August.

**USM student Lydia Story (GHS '14) is holding a toy drive for her senior project called Operation Holidays for Houston** that will benefit the victims of Hurricane Harvey. The drive is running through December 1 and toys can be dropped off at Cressey Road United Methodist Church, 81 Cressey Rd. FMI, contact Story at lydia.story@maine.edu or 756-9037.

**On Saturday, Nov. 4, First Parish Church hosted a community forum entitled "Ask a Muslim"** at which three members of the growing Muslim community in southern Maine answered audience questions on a variety of topics such as the experience of immigrating to Maine, the practices and values of their faith tradition, and what it's like to be a Muslim in Maine in 2017. The panelists included Humza Khan, a USM student and Gorham resident, Pious Ali, currently a member of the

Portland City Council, and Dr. Abdullahi Ahmed, Assistant Principal at Deering High School in Portland. First Parish member David Farrington facilitated the discussion. Pictured (left to right): Humza Khan, Pious Ali, Dr. Abdullahi Ahmed, and David Farrington.



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**A History and Geology Walk will be held on Sunday, Nov. 19 at 10 a. m. on the Presumpscot Regional Land Trust beautiful Hawkes Property.** Lindsay Spigel of the Maine Geological Survey will discuss evidence of landslides in the area over the last 10,000 years; Don Wescott will talk about the history of the C & O Canal and Towpath and the logging legacy; and Toby Jacobs will lead the group to the brand new bridge recently built by land trust staff and volunteers. The event is free and open to all ages. RSVP is required at [www.prlt.org/events](http://www.prlt.org/events).

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### LOCAL HOLIDAY FAIRS

**West Gorham Union Church, 190 Ossipee Trail, will hold their Old Fashioned Christmas Fair** on Nov. 18, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Raffles, craft tables, baked items, candy, slightly used Christmas decorations, jewelry, knitted and quilted items and handmade crafts. Rada Cutlery will also be for sale. Enjoy a lunch of fish chowder, sandwiches, sweets and drinks. FMI, 839-5946.

**Home for the Holidays Christmas Craft Fair at St. Anne's Church, 299 Main St.** will be held on Saturday, Nov. 18 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Crafts, raffles, jewelry, knitted items, Grandma's Attic room, baked goods, light breakfast, lunch and more. FMI, 839-4857.

**Gorham Tri-Town Ext. Group Holiday Craft Fair** will be held on Saturday, Nov. 18, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Harmony Masonic Hall, 33 Cressey Road. Crafts, baked goods, knitted items, greens and wreaths, Tupperware, doll clothes, basket raffles. Light lunch. Come meet Santa! FMI, 892-4249.

**North Gorham Public Library** will host its annual Holiday Craft Fair & Book Sale on December 2 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Crafters may reserve a table for \$10 or half table for \$5. FMI, [libng@north-gorham.lib.me.us](mailto:libng@north-gorham.lib.me.us) or 892-2527

**First Parish Church, 1 Church St., will hold its Holiday Fair** on Saturday, Dec. 2, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Silent Auction, Café Luncheon, Greens, Crafts, Gifts, Dessert Auction, Santa and more! FMI, 839-6751.

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### FRIDAY NOV 17

- Baxter Memorial Library 3:15 to 4:15 p.m. Visit the library to enjoy a presentation from the Animal Refuge League of Greater Portland. 71 South St., 222-1190

### SATURDAY NOV 18

- 5-6:30 p.m. Public Dinner at St. Anne's Church, 299 Main Street, Gorham. Adults \$8. Children 12 and under \$3.

### TUESDAY NOV 21

- Preschool Story Time (ages 3-5) 9:30-10:15 a.m. Baxter Memorial Library
- Gorham Lions meeting, Old Elmwood School House on South Street (Rte. 114), 6:30 p.m. New members always welcome. FMI, 929-9182.

### WEDNESDAY NOV 22

- No School (flex day for Gorham Schools)

### THURSDAY NOV 23

- LIBRARY CLOSED – THANKSGIVING
- No School for Gorham

### FRIDAY NOV 24

- LIBRARY CLOSED – THANKSGIVING
- No School for Gorham

### SATURDAY NOV 25

- 20th Annual Burn off the Turkey 5k Run/Walk, FMI www.gorhamrec.com

### TUESDAY NOV 28

- Preschool Story Time 9:30-10:15 a.m. (ages 3-5), Baxter Memorial Library

### WEDNESDAY NOV 29

- Toddler Time (18-36 mos) 10-10:30 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.

### THURSDAY, NOV 30

- Baby and Me (birth to 18 mos) 9:30-9:50 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library
- Toddler Time (18-36 mos) 10-10:30 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library
- The Baxter Memorial Library Book Group will meet at 10 a.m. to discuss "The Zookeeper's Wife: A War Story" by Diane Ackerman. Baxter Memorial Library
- Sewing Club (ages 7 and up) 2:30-4:30 p.m., Baxter Memorial Library

### SATURDAY DEC 2

- Bean Supper at White Rock Community Clubhouse, 34 Wilson Rd., 4:30- 6 p.m.. Adults: \$8/Children under 12: \$4



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## Staying Connected to Home

Gorham resident Ellie Chidsey picked up her copy of the Gorham Times at Whitman College in Walla Walla, WA. Ellie graduated from Waynflete in 2017 and is the daughter of David Chidsey and Rachael Brown.

## CLASSIFIEDS

### INDOOR FLEA MARKET AND CRAFT FAIR

**INDOOR FLEA MARKET AND CRAFT FAIR.** Saturday, Nov. 18, 9-3 pm, American Legion, 17 Dunn Street, Westbrook. Household Items, vendors, crafts, baked goods and door prizes. Sponsored by Rolling Thunder.

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### 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 9-11 a.m. and the second and fourth Wednesday of every month from 6-7 p.m. Free for Gorham residents in need. FMI, 222-4351 or visit www.gorhamfoodpantry.org.

**Lakes Region Senior Center,** located at the Little Falls Activity Center, 40 Acorn St. 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 839-3630, 839-2484, or 839-3859.

**Gorham Cancer Prayer and Support Group** meets the first Tuesday of every month at the Cressey Road United Methodist Church, 81 Cressey Rd., from 6-7:30 p.m. This monthly non-denominational event is a prayer and support group for anyone dealing with cancer including patients and caregivers.

## NEXT GORHAM TIMES DEADLINE: NOV. 21<sup>ST</sup>



## GORHAM'S TREE FESTIVAL

### Main Street and beyond

You have been cordially invited to participate in Gorham's Tree Festival. If your business would like to participate in being festive and lighting up Main Street and beyond here is the sequence of events: \*Place a Holiday Tree outside of your business and decorate it for the season by November 26th at 4pm. It can be traditional or themed. \*Our goal is to have all trees lit on the evening of the Light Parade November 26th 4pm. \*Members of the community will view the trees during the season and go to [gorhamstreefestival@gmail.com](mailto:gorhamstreefestival@gmail.com) to vote on their favorite tree. \*On the evening of New Year's Gorham a winner will be announced and presented with a traveling plaque to hold and brag about for the year! \*If you would like to participate or have any questions please email me at [cindy@greatfallsinc.com](mailto:cindy@greatfallsinc.com). A list of trees will be published for the community to visit. Too busy, but would like to participate? Let me know and I can help. Looking forward to a festive Main Street and beyond. Thank you for your time. Happy Holidays!!

**Sunday, November 26 at 4:00PM thru New Year's**

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