Village Launches Revitalization

Gorham Times Staff

The Town of Gorham is the latest municipality in Maine to join the Maine Downtown Network, a program that uses a proven economic development approach to downtown revitalization. Maine Downtown Center Program Director Anne Ball announced Gorham’s acceptance into the program at a “Toast to Main Street” event in Westbrook on November 9.

“We are thrilled to have Gorham as part of the Maine Downtown Network program. During our visit to Gorham, our site visit team was particularly impressed by the diverse group of stakeholders that are enthusiastic and willing to support the long-term efforts to revitalize Gorham Village. It was clear that the municipality, local businesses and organizations and residents are all at the table and ready to work together,” said Ball.

The Maine Downtown Center,

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Town and DOT Discuss Concerns About Dangerous Intersection

Sheri Faber

Staff Writer

State Representative Andrew McLean is “very concerned about the number of accidents and the severity of them” at the intersection of Libby Ave. and Main St. (Rt. 25).

McLean asked several top officials from the DOT, including the commissioner, to come to Gorham and meet with Fire Chief Lefebvre and Police Chief Dan Jones and others to discuss concerns about this intersection and to talk about interim measures that can be put into place to ensure this intersection’s safety, along with some of the long-term fixes that the DOT envisions for this location.

A meeting is scheduled for December 4 at 8:30 a.m. in the fire station conference room. The public is welcome to attend.

Since a recent article about plans to install a traffic light at this intersection, along with other road improvements, in 2020, the Gorham Times has heard from many readers about the need to address this dangerous location well before that timeframe.

The problems are exacerbated during busy times when there can be long waits for vehicles attempting to cross Rt. 25 leading some of those drivers to try to cross when it is not safe to do so.

Rolling in With the Holidays

Santa came to Gorham on November 26. He and Mrs. Claus toured the village as part of the Gorham Tree Lighting festivities. Fire and Town trucks were brightly decorated for the season as they made their way to Robie Park. After the parade, Santa and Mrs. Claus met with boys and girls in the municipal center.

Holiday Giving Opportunities in Gorham

Compiled by Leslie Dupuis

Editor

The holidays are upon us and Gorham has many families who could use a little extra help this time of year. While there are numerous ways to assist others in our community, a few are outlined below.

The Town Clerk’s Office is collecting funds for the Gorham Fuel Fund. Donations can be made in person at the Gorham Town Clerk’s Office or mailed to: Gorham Fuel Fund, Gorham Town Office, 75 South Street, Gorham, Maine 04038.

The Town Clerk’s office also has opportunities for individuals to Pay It Forward. You can help by sponsoring a family for Christmas. This is a great way for a community group, organization or a whole family to get involved. To learn more, call the Town Clerk’s office at 222-1670.

The Gorham Food Pantry accepts donations of food and money so that it can offer food assistance at no cost to any Gorham resident in need. Items may be brought to the Gorham Food Pantry at any time and left in the dropbox outside the door at 299-B Main St. The Gorham Food Pantry is currently in need of the following items: canned potatoes, canned spinach, canned beets, canned creamed corn, toothpaste and toothbrushes.

Donations of $10 Hannaford Helps boxes are also appreciated to supplement Christmas baskets and to have on-hand for emergency food when the Pantry isn’t open. Please be sure to mark the boxes for Gorham Food Pantry. For more information, please call the Food Pantry at 222-4351 or email info@gorhamfoodpantry.org.

Home Instead Senior Care in Gorham is once again sponsoring its “Santa for Seniors” program. Last year, the effort provided gifts for over 300 seniors. “We know there are a variety of gift initiatives out there, and are so grateful to have our partners and community come together to support this important cause that will bring some much-needed holiday spirit to many of our senior neighbors,” said Kathy Damon of Home Instead.

“Santa for Senior” trees are located at Sebago Brewing, The Blue Pig, Gorham House and Home Instead through December 6. Holiday shoppers can choose an ornament, buy the requested gift and return it with the ornament attached. Volunteers will wrap and deliver the gifts.

Baxter Memorial Library has a Giving Tree dedicated to teens and tweens, although gifts for any age group are appreciated. Donations of pet food and toys are also being accepted for the library’s “Pet-a-Tree” and will be given to the Animal Refuge League in Westbrook.

Many other Gorham businesses, organizations and churches are involved with holiday efforts such as Coats for Kids and Toys for Tots to help those in need in our community. Be sure to check around town for more holiday giving opportunities.
Working to Eliminate Lead Exposure

Before 1978, lead-based paint was popular among homeowners because it was both washable and durable. It was endorsed by government at all levels and specified for use on government-owned buildings until the mid-1970s. Its popularity peaked in the 1920s at a time when little to nothing was known about the dangers of lead poisoning, particularly for infants and young children. By the 1940s, the use of lead paint for interiors was on its way out and by 1978, the federal government banned all consumer uses of lead paint.

While much is still unknown about lead poisoning, we do know that exposure is more detrimental to infants and young children, and that it can affect nearly every system in the body, causing a number of long-term side effects including developmental delay, learning disabilities, lower intelligence, language or mental delay, learning disabilities, and include a phone number. The Gorham Times reserves the right to publish letters that include errors, omissions, or typographical errors. The Gorham Times disclaims all legal responsibility for any such errors, omissions, or typographical errors. The Gorham Times will print corrections if notified within 48 hours.

Dear Editor:

No one knows when life’s greatest challenges may face each of us personally – or when we might need support to get life back on track. The Pantry is supported w...
Save the Date for New Year Gorham

Virginia Wilder Cross
Contributing Writer

The countdown has begun! It doesn’t matter what your age, there is something on the program that will give you reason to come and celebrate with the Gorham community. If you like to laugh, dance, entertain (audience participation is awesome), tap your toes, be amazed, watch fireworks, volunteer a little of your time while having fun, you will want to be where the action is on New Year’s Eve. Volunteers make New Year Gorham possible, and they extend their fun beyond being part of the audience. If you would like to join the group that organizes this event, there are still volunteer opportunities, such as decorating the buildings, hanging posters, making puppets, greeting guests and more.

Along with our dedicated volunteers, generous businesses and individuals have sponsored many of the performances, and have made it possible for the admission cost to remain at $5 per person, with a $20 cap for families.

If you would like to volunteer or contribute in any way, please call 222-2248. In the meantime, mark your calendar for the best New Year Gorham EVER, and look for a complete program listing in the next edition of the Gorham Times.

Additional information is available on Facebook and http://www.newyeargorham.org.

Quality and Hard Work Lead to Success

Bailey O’Brien
Contributing Writer

Gorham’s Flagship Landscaping, one of Southern Maine’s expert landscaping services, had humble beginnings. Nick Flagg, owner of Flagship, recalls the early days when running a thriving business felt miles away.

“I started the company part-time back in 2002 with just a Jeep Cherokee, a snowmobile trailer, and a John Deere riding lawn mower I bought on a credit card,” Flagg said. These days, it’s a full-time operation and growing so quickly that the company just moved to a larger space.

“We have more than doubled in size over the last two years and were busting at the seams. The new property at 298 New Portland Road allows opportunity for future expansion, better visibility, and increased efficiency,” he said. So to what does he attribute his success? It seems as though a company that starts out with “never saying no to job opportunities and focusing on communicating with our customers” will blossom.

Flagship offers landscaping services for residential, commercial, and association properties throughout the region and shows no signs of slowing down. “Hearing our customers tell me how great our staff is and how they love working with certain members of our team is the best part of owning this company,” said Flagg. “It makes all the hard work worth it.” Beyond customer satisfaction, Flagship aims “to be the best landscaping company to work for in Southern Maine. We truly care about our staff and do all we can for them,” he shared. Whether his team is perfecting a front yard, tidying a business’ hedges, or donating landscape services to area nonprofits, Flagg is confident it’s their best work.

“Always doing the right thing, standing behind our word, and doing quality work are the real reasons why the company has seen tremendous growth while doing almost no advertising,” he said. For more information, visit http://www.flaggshiplandscaping.com, call (207) 510-7777, or stop in their new office at 298 New Portland Road.

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Creating Warmth This Winter

Gorham pickball players were among almost 100 volunteers who committed acts of kindness by turning out to assemble 398 insulated window inserts that will help keep folks in Gorham and 15 surrounding towns warmer this winter. An average size window insert will save approximately 10 gallons of fuel per year, so people will be helping Planet Earth and will save money on their fuel bills, too. If you missed an opportunity to participate in this project, or would like to order window inserts, it’s not too late. You can contact WindowDressers, a non-profit, volunteer organization at http://windowdressers.org/ to find out more. Pictured front row L to R: Lucia Malley, Cindy Smith, and Kerry Dyer enjoy a break in rehearsal with director John Rimkunas.

Tony Rimkunas
Contributing Writer

On December 3, the Gorham Community Chorus will begin the celebration of its 25th year with a Prelude to Christmas Concert at 3:00 p.m. at Gorham High School. Admission is free but a suggested $5 donation is appreciated to support scholarships for Gorham music students.

Over the years the annual concert has developed from a dedicated holiday concert to one that now includes more variety. Director John Rimkunas confirmed this concert features something for everyone - several songs that the chorus has done before, some that are entirely new.

“We are doing showy music, like ‘Wavin’ for the Light to Shine,’ and intellectual music, like the ‘Cantique de Jean Racine’ by Faure. We’re doing music that is a mixture of a cappella and accompanied. I think it’s an eclectic program,” said Rimkunas.

One of the highlights of the Prelude to Christmas is getting to perform with the Gorham High School Chamber Singers. Rimkunas said, “We all really enjoy the chance to work with them and hear them sing.”

The Gorham Community Chorus is comprised of Gorham residents and members from surrounding communities, and includes singers of all ages and abilities. The goal of the group is to have fun and make great music. There is no audition. Rehearsals for the Spring Concert begin in January and new members are always welcome.

“A big goal for the community chorus is to grow,” said Rimkunas. For more information, visit the Gorham Community Chorus Facebook page, or email gorhamcommunitychorus@gmail.com.

Mike Moras

Ever been woken in the middle of the night with that horrible cramping pain in your foot and your poor toes all curled up? Or been in the middle of a great jog and all of a sudden been hit by a muscle cramp, spasm, or charley horse? There are various causes of muscle spasms in muscles that attach to bone, muscles that we typically have voluntary control over such as the muscles of our hands, feet, arms.

Common causes of muscle spasms: Overuse or muscle fatigue. Doing too many repetitions of an activity, doing it too quickly, or doing it with poor mechanics can place abnormal demand on the muscle.

Dehydration. Muscles need hydration to create a proper contraction. If the nerves to the muscles are deprived of water and sodium they can become over sensitive and involuntarily contract or spasm.

Electrolyte imbalance. Muscles need the right balance of glucose, sodium, potassium, calcium, and magnesium to produce an effective contraction.

Atherosclerosis, or narrowing of arteries, reduces blood flow to muscles which alters the oxygenation, hydration, and electrolyte supply. Chronic Pain can send impulses to the brain that tell muscles to contract and guard against further injury. Pinched nerves can alter signals to the muscle causing them to be painful and cramp.

Some medications can cause spasm or cramping.

Ways to manage muscle spasm pain. Put some weight on it. If it is your calf or foot try standing up. If it is a muscle in your hand or arm try putting your hand on a table or wall and leaning some body weight into it.

Self-massage/trigger point pressure can counteract the muscle spasm and help bring blood flow to the muscle increasing oxygen and electrolytes. Apply direct pressure to the sorest part of the muscle spasm and hold for 60-90 seconds and release.

Gentle stretching can counteract the effects of the spasm by elongating the contracted muscle tissue. Common stretches include wrist stretches, hamstring stretches, and calf stretches.

Ice/heat: Heat is typically better for muscle spasms because heat can be relaxing and also increase blood flow to the muscle spasm. Some people respond better to ice because it reduces the pain which can reduce the muscle spasm; but be careful, ice can be an irritant and cause the spasms to worsen in some people.

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**November 14, 2017**

**Town Council**

JACOB ADAMS  
Staff Writer

Town Clerk, Laurie Nordflor, reported that the November 7 election had a 51% turnout.

Ron Shepard and Suzanne Phillips were elected to the Town Council. Dennis Libby, William Benson, Jennifer Whitehead and Kate Livingston were elected to the School Board. Thomas Grant was elected to be Gorham’s Portland Water District Trustee.

The State Referendum question results were: Question 1 – NO; Question 2 – YES; Question 3 – YES; Question 4 – YES. Laurie Nordflor swore in newly elected Councilors Ron Shepard and Suzanne Phillips.

The Town Council elected Ben Hartwell as the Chair and Sherrie Benner as the Vice Chair for the 2017-2018 year.

Councilor Benner reported that she, along with Councilors Hartwell and Stelk, attended a Toast to Main Street where it was announced that Gorham was selected as a Main Street Community. The announcement was the result of a lengthy application process started by the Gorham Economic Development Corporation and continued with the Gorham Village Alliance.

Councilor Stelk thanked Kathy Garraud and Dee Perkins for all of their hard work with the application process. She stated that there is always room on the Gorham Village Alliance Committee for new members and anyone else who might like to get involved.

Town Manager, Ephrem Paraschak, reported that Becky Sladen, of Baxter Memorial Library, was presented with a 10-year service pin.

Paraschak reported that he will be meeting with the Maine Turnpike Authority to get an update on the Gorham Connector Project.

Chairman Wright thanked the Gorham Fire Department and Police Department for their help during the recent power outages. He reported that Gorham was able to open up two schools to families without power for three nights. The schools served a total of 199 residents without power. He also thanked the Gorham Business Community for donations of food and other items during the power outages.

The following people were appointed to the following committees:

1. Finance Committee: Jim Hager, Chair; Suzanne Phillips, Paul Smith
2. Ordinance Committee: Sherrie Benner, Chair; Ron Shepard, Marla Stelk
3. Appointments/Personnel Committee: Marla Stelk, Chair; Sherrier Benner, Suzanne Phillips
4. Economic Development/Capital Improvements Committee: Ron Shepard, Chair; Jim Hager,qn; Sherrie Smith
5. Representative to Greater Portland Council Of Governments: Marla Stelk, Ephrem Paraschak
6. Representative to Eco Maine: Sherrie Benner
7. Representative To Jetport Noise Abatement: Jim Hager
8. Representative to Pacts Policy Committee: Bob Burns
9. Representative to Metro Regional Coalition: Ron Shepard
11. Gorham Athletic Campaign Committee: Jim Hager
12. Cable Franchise Committee: Ron Shepard, Jim Hager

The Town Council approved the new State maximums for the General Assistance Ordinance.

The Town Council amended the Land Use & Development Code definition of Day Care Homes and Day Care Centers to include adult day care. A renewal liquor license for Lucky Thai Restaurant, located at 563 Main Street was approved.

The Town Council partially abated taxes in the amount of $1,125.52 for the property at 53 Jordan Drive for the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 fiscal years to correct an overvaluation error in the town’s assessment.

A proposal to amend the Land Use & Development Code Minimum Standards for the allowance of mobile vending units (food trucks) was sent to the Planning Board for a Public Hearing and their recommendation. The proposal will allow food trucks in the following areas: Roadside Commercial District, Industrial District, Narragansett Development District, Agricultural/Industrial District, Village Commercial Area. (5 years, 2 nays: Benner, Smith)

The Town Council approved the transfer of $1,675 to the Town of Gorham seized in a criminal case. The Town Manager is authorized to sign the approval form on behalf of the Town of Gorham.

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

**November 6, 2017**

**Planning Board**

SHIRI FABER  
Staff Writer

Central Maine Power is requesting approval to upgrade the substation on Shaws Mill Road. At the request of the applicant, the item was tabled until the December 4 meeting.

Webber Properties, LLC is requesting approval for a 1,600 sf expansion (Phase 1) off the north side the existing Plas-Tech building and a future 5,700 sf addition off the rear of the building. The property is located at 22 Bartlett Road. Approved with findings of fact and conditions of approval.

W. A. One is requesting approval of a 9.5-acre subdivision on 41.5 acres located off Gordon Farms Road and Madison Way. Item was placed on consent agenda.

Bramblewood, LLC is requesting approval to amend Glenwater Village Subdivision to realign the horizontal curve on Dogwood Lane. The property is located off Glenwood Avenue. Approved with findings of fact and conditions of approval.

Risbara Properties, LLC is requesting approval of Deering Road Apartments, a five-unit apartment complex consisting of two duplexes and a single unit building located on Deering Road. Item was discussed.

An amendment to the Land Use & Development Code to update Chapter 3-16 Narragansett District to meet recommendations of the 2016 Comprehensive Plan was discussed and referred to the Planning Board Comp Plan implementation committee for review and recommendations. An amendment to Chapter 7 of the Land Use & Development Code to modify the requirement for extension of sidewalks was discussed and moved to the next available meeting for a public hearing.

**Fatal Accident on County Road**

SHIRI FABER  
Staff Writer

One person was killed and two suffered serious injuries in a head-on collision on November 22. Kyle Phelan, 21, of Limington, was driving a 2008 Ford Edge eastbound on County Road when he crossed the center line and struck a 2008 Ford Taurus driven by Richard Green, 78, of Gorham.

The Gorham Fire Department extricated Green and his wife, Marion Green, 78, and transported both to Maine Medical Center with serious injuries. Marion Green later died from her injuries.

Buxton Fire/Rescue was called to assist and also transported Sidney Brown, 18, of Limington, to Maine Medical Center. Brown was a passenger in the Ford Edge.

County Road was shut down between Deering Rd. and Hodgdon Rd. for several hours. The crash is under investigation and charges may be filed.

**Historical Society Seeking New Home for Archives**

KATHY COBRETT  
Staff Writer

The archives of the Gorham Historical Society may be housed in the old Wescott School building on Narragansett Road, according to Brenda Caldwell, the Society’s executive secretary and former archivist. The historical artifacts and documents are boxed and ready to leave the city-owned brick building on School Street where researchers have used the collection for 40 years. That building needs major repairs and lacks parking. Mold has made it unsafe both for people and the Society’s collection.

Shawn Moody owns the one-room school house next to his company headquarters and has used it for storage. He has offered it for the archives if the building can be made suitable for the Society’s needs. It would provide a safe environment for the valuable historical resources which have been at risk in the water-damaged current location. Parking would be available on Moody’s nearby lot.

Gorham Historical Society president Suzanne Phillips said the organization is also looking to rent, operating after suspension and violating conditions of release on charges brought by Gorham PD.

Jacob M. Nelson, 21, of Windham, was indicted for aggrieved assault, assault and criminal threatening with a dangerous weapon on charges brought by Gorham PD.

Nathaniel Cupka, 18, of Gorham, was indicted for reckless conduct with a dangerous weapon, two counts of assault, refusing to submit an officer, driving to endanger, violations of release.

Daryl W. Terry, 19, of East Buxton, was indicted for violating at some other possible locations, including space on the USM Campus. "If anyone has an appropriate place we might consider," she said.

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Main Street and Beyond
November 26 thru New Years

We now invite you, the community, to go visit the Festive Trees. After viewing the trees send an email to gorhamstreefestival@gmail.com to vote or use the QR code to scan for your favorite tree. Votes and comments are all welcome.

Please join us at New Year’s Gorham where a winner will be announced at Gorham High School in the McCormack Performing Arts Center at 6PM. The winner will be presented with a traveling plaque and bragging rights for the year.

Here is our current list of participating Gorham businesses:
Chalmers Insurance Group/Norway Savings Bank • Gorham Hair & Co. • Sebago Brewing • In Home Senior Services • MK Kitchen • Gorham House Spire 29 • Gorham Arts Alliance • Great Falls Construction • ACE Hardware
POGO Realty/State Farm • Atlantic Dance Arts • First Choice Title Company
Blue Pig Diner • School Street Pub • Willis Real Estate
Kerwin Chiropractic & Nutrition • The Bookworm

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Success as a Student of Ultra Trail Running

Chad Allen holds the Vermont 100 Endurance Race finishers’ belt buckle. He is pictured with his support crew: Chuck Allen, his father, and Kelly, his wife.

On Saturday, July 15, 2017, Gorham’s Chad Allen joined a group of runners and bikers who were competing in the Vermont 100 Endurance Race. The race is a 100-mile trail race that winds through the Vermont countryside and takes runners over 10,000 feet of elevation.

For Chad Allen, the Vermont 100 Endurance Race was a culmination of years of training and preparation. He had been training for several months leading up to the race, and he had set his sights on finishing in the top-20.

The Vermont 100 Endurance Race is one of the most grueling endurance races in the world. It was the first time Chad had attempted the race, and he was excited to see what he was capable of.

As Chad approached the finish line, he felt a sense of accomplishment and pride. He had pushed himself to the limit, and he had come out on top. He had finished the Vermont 100 Endurance Race in 17 hours, 50 minutes, and had finished 100 miles in 14:45.

Despite the long hours and the physical toll, Chad felt exhilarated. He had accomplished something that he had never thought possible. He had reached the top of the Vermont 100 Endurance Race, and he had done it with determination and hard work. It was a moment of triumph and a testament to the power of perseverance.
Success as a Student of Ultra Trail Running

for high blood pressure at 29 years old, Allen had an awakening. “I was thirty pounds more than I am now and was miserable. I was working a lot of hundred-hour weeks. I knew I had to make a change,” he said. He credits his wife with catalyzing the shift as she was planning to join the Gorham gym, MyFit24, and she “signed Chad up” with a family membership.

They attended boot camp classes and Allen mostly did gym work, but incorporated running as well. He decided to enter some Spartan and Toug Mudder races, which blend running with strength-and-technique obstacles. He quickly discovered at these events that, “The running, especially climbing and descending, brought a smile to my face.”

Research led him to race events held by Trail Monsters, a Southern Maine trail running club, and in 2013 he entered his first race in the Bradbury Mountain Series. The club hosts running and snowshoe races and has regular group runs. He became part of this community, and met Parlin, a club founder. Training and racing on weekend ends with these runners, by 2015 Allen was racing 50k (31 miles) and built up this community, and met Parlin, a club founder. Training and racing on weekend ends with these runners, by 2015 Allen was racing 50k (31 miles) and built up to a couple of 50 milers in 2016.

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Celebrate the Life of Dahlov Ipcar

Several staff members at Narragansett discovered that they shared a mutual love for the work of Dahlov Ipcar and the mural she painted on the wall at Narragansett in 1981 (see photo at right).

Staff felt that November, her birthday month, would be a significant time to appreciate this irreplaceable work of art at Narragansett and renew awareness of this treasure within the community.

It dovetailed nicely with recognizing acts of Compassion at Narragansett. During an assembly, personal stories were told from special guests Deb Buker and Heidi Whelton, Baxter Memorial Librarians, who had the honor of spending time with Ipcar before she passed away. They shared photographs from their visit with her and presented Narragansett with a poster board of those photos.

Students also had the opportunity to hear and sing some of Ipcar’s favorite folk songs. The singing was accompanied by illustrations of the folk songs and images that can be found in the mural.

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Dahlov Ipcar was an artist who painted nature. She was born in the state of Vermont on November 12, 1917. She died on February 10, 2016. She lived to be almost 100 years old.

Her parents were William and Marguerite Zorach. They were artists also. When she was a child, she lived with her family in the summer in Maine at a farm on Georgetown Island, which is six miles from Bath, and in the winter in New York City. She went to Oberlin College in 1930. It was there she met her husband, Adolph Ipcar. He was a teacher.

She loved Maine so much that she and her husband moved to her family’s farm at Robinhood Cove in Georgetown Island for the rest of their lives.

They had two sons, Robert and Charles. The family lived with no electricity, used a wood stove for heat, used oil lamps, and had an outhouse, just like Colonial times.

Besides painting murals and illustrating books, she also made paintings, cloth sculptures, hooked rugs, and drew graphics. She painted every day. Her art is on display at the Portland Museum of Art through her work because of her great use of color. It’s creative and interesting and shows her skill. Her mural at Narragansett (textbox at left), in particular, will be a treasure forever.

School Notes

A group of students in the Gorham School system are working together to create a new library for students in Africa. There are collection boxes at the entrances at Gorham High School, Gorham Middle School, and Village Elementary School. The goal is to collect 1,000 children’s books to send to Africa so that children there may enjoy the opportunity for Education. FMI email: gorhambooksforafrica@gmail.com.

The GHS freshman class is sponsoring a “Parents Night Off” at the high school on December 16 from 4:30-8:30 p.m. for kids between the ages of 4-10 (potty trained only). There will be a pizza dinner, crafts, a movie, cookie decorating, and more. Tickets are $20 per child and can be purchased at https://giftoftime.brownpapertickets.com/. FMI, contact Sarah Drury at sarah.drury@gorhamschools.org.
Youth in Government Session

Over the Veterans Day weekend, 12 Gorham High School (GHS) students participated in the annual Maine Youth in Government session at the State House in Augusta. This model legislative program brings together students from across Maine for three days of presenting, debating, and voting on bills addressing a wide range of current statewide political, social, economic, educational, and environmental issues. Over 100 bills were considered at this year’s session, including five sponsored by Gorham students. Youth in Government is offered each fall at GHS as an extracurricular program and is open to all interested students. Pictured left to right is Emelia Nejezchleba, Olivia Paruk, Virginia Hugo-Vidal, Kasey Jiang, Ben Nault, Hailey Merritt, Sarah Stevens, Grace Terry, Jacob Dupuis, Sam Pocock, Bruce Wyatt, and Ryan DeSanctis.

GHS Production of “Radium Girls” Proves Somber and Emotional

Gorham High School’s (GHS) fall play this year was D.W. Gregory’s “Radium Girls.” The production opened November 17, with a total of four shows over the weekend. The show was directed by GHS teacher Josie Tierney-Fife.

With a cast of 14 actors, and a crew of 15 members, the show discussed an actual series of events that happened in the 1920s, when young women (now referred to as Radium Girls) were poisoned by radium. The owners of the company they worked for, U.S. Radium Corporation, denied involvement.

The story follows the chain of events experienced by one of the young women, Grace Fryer (portrayed by senior Hannah Beliveau), who was hurt by the radium poisoning. Fryer quit her job but tried to sue the company and her former employer, Arthur Roeder (portrayed by junior Isaac Martel).

In addition to being harmful to the health of the workers, the company then tried to hide the truth behind the scenes.

ELEN WENTWORTH
GHS Student Intern

GRACE TERRY
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Members of the cast and crew of “Radium Girls.”

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SCHOOL

Count Me In for Attendance

Fifth grade student Alison Smith entered a poster contest about daily attendance, sponsored by Count Me In, which works to improve student attendance, engagement, and academic achievement. Her poster was chosen for publication out of many from across the state. On November 14, Susan Lieberman presented Smith with multiple copies of her poster in a brief celebration in front of her peers.

GHS Club Partners with Local Company for Fundraiser

Gorham High School’s Interact Club recently sold t-shirts to help raise money for the new Gorham Backpack Program. Pictured from left to right is Club Advisor Neile Nelson, Aaron Farr, Abbie vanLuling and Catalyst for Change founder Kyle Poissonnier.

ZACHERY MCGOULDICK
GHS Student Intern

Gorham High School’s (GHS) Interact Club recently held a fundraiser selling t-shirts. The company who provided the shirts is Catalyst for Change, located in Westbrook and run by Kyle Poissonnier, who is from the small town of Smithfield, Maine. The company focuses on donation, helping different charities each month, with a special focus on ideas such as suicide prevention. The merchandise revolves around the singular idea that being from Maine is not something to loath, but something to cherish.

One of their most popular designs, while arguably the simplest, is a t-shirt that, in plain white text, says, “Just a kid from Maine.” The Interact Club approached Poissonnier about changing the design to say “Just a Kid from Gorham,” and he accepted. “Our Club, through this fundraiser, sold 317 t-shirts, which essentially means that after all our expenses are paid, we will have netted about $2,700,” said Neile Nelson, a GHS teacher and the club’s advisor. According to Poissonnier, this was a record in Catalyst for Change’s school program for the most shirts sold.

The Club is donating 50 percent of its earnings to the Gorham Backpack Program, a new program that provides weekend food to students in need.

GMS Receives STEM Grant

Gorham Middle School (GMS) announced recently that it received a $5,000 STEM grant from the Toshiba America Foundation. These funds will support various exploratory experiments in the field of neuroscience. The grant money will be used to purchase specialized equipment from Backyard Brains (backyardbrains.com), giving students the tools and procedures to perform experiments, such as: tapping into the nervous system of a cockroach to control its movements; looking at the electrical signals generated by our own brains that cause our muscles to move; and even using the signals generated by our movements to manipulate a robotic hand.

Neuroscience isn’t really a field that many people have the opportunity to explore, which is what makes the acquisition of this equipment so powerful. The purpose of buying these materials is to give students the chance to experience what it might be like to go into this field in a hands-on, engaging and age-appropriate way. During the experiments, students will focus on using the scientific process, taking data and analyzing results, and blending outcomes with design thinking to imagine what kind of problems could be solved with this knowledge.

Toshiba’s grants fund projects designed by individual classroom teachers. This “direct-to-teacher” approach brings immediate results. Teachers are able to change the way they teach Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) subjects because the grant supports equipment for hands-on experiments and inquiry-based approaches to the curriculum.

The grants provide teachers with the tools they need to be more effective educators, making the classroom a more exciting place for both teachers and students.

Kindness Matters

Village Elementary School began “Kindling Kindness” in the month of November with celebrations of appreciation, letters of thanks to Veterans, and will continue to do community service projects throughout the month of December. To kick off Kindness Week, Gorham Police Officers served lunch, assisted with tray disposal, and chatted with students during all three lunches. Pictured (left to right) is: Officer Todd Gagnon, Officer Dean Hannon, LT Mike Nault, Officer Mark Sanborn, School Resource Officer Mike Coffin, and Animal Control Officer Scott Nystrom.

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Village Launches Revitalization Effort

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a program run by the Maine Development Foundation in Augusta, is the state coordinator for the National Trust for Historic Preservation’s Main Street Program. The program follows a specific approach to downtown revitalization that is currently used in more than 2,200 communities in 44 states.

Taking an organized approach to implementing changes in Gorham Village has been researched and discussed by Town officials and the Gorham Economic Development Corporation (GEDC) for several years. To that end, both the recently updated Main St. Master Plan and Comprehensive Plan include a recommendation to participate in one of the Maine Downtown Center programs.

Earlier this year, several GEDC members formed the Gorham Village Alliance (GVA) to complete an application to become a Downtown Network community and lead the initiative. The GVA Organization Committee consists of volunteers representing business, residential, community and municipal interests.

With new businesses and development attracting more and more people to the Village, the time is right to take a more structured approach to improving the Village and realizing its full potential as a vibrant downtown center. As a Downtown Network community, we’ll have access to resources, training and ideas to build on what we already have,” said Kathy Garrard, GEDC Board member and GVA Co-Chair.

Downtown revitalization through the Downtown Network program is a community-led, community driven, and inclusive effort. “Gorham has a great deal of community pride and spirit and people want a welcoming downtown area where they can support local businesses and attend events.

There are many ways interested Gorham residents and businesses can participate in this initiative, either by joining one of the four committees – Organization, Design, Promotion, Economic Vitality – or by volunteering to assist with a specific project,” said Dee Perkins, GVA Co-Chair. “GVA will be reaching out to businesses and residents over the next few months to provide information about this effort and recruit volunteers.”

Gorham will have Downtown Network community status for 2018 and 2019. At the end of the two years, the Town has the option of remaining a Downtown Network community, applying to become a Main Street Maine community, or leaving the program altogether.

To volunteer or learn more about the Gorham Village Alliance call/text 207-234-2573 or email gorhamvillagecall/text@gmail.com.

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A Look Back at the Fire of 1880

Compiled by Kathy Corbett
Staff Writer

The following article is from the May 17, 1880 edition of the Eastern Argus, published daily in Portland. Many versions of this event are part of the historical lore of North Gorham, also known at the time as Great Falls. This is the one reported by the press. Today we would not call a person with a disability a cripple. We do not know how Mr. Henry Irish first saw the fire in the house across the street. The original house has seen some updates since, but still remains at the same location.

A photo of the Irish home at the corner of North Gorham Road and Standish Neck Road taken in the late 1800s. It was from the upstairs window that Henry Irish first saw the fire in the house across the street. The original house has seen some updates since, but still remains at the same location.

There were sleeping upstairs, were got out of the blazing house. Very little of the furniture was saved. All of the contents of the stable including a horse, two cows, several carriages, and a lot of farming implements were burned. The house was 1/2 storyed with all attached, each room very neatly and comfortable furnished. The loss is not far from $1,500, and on the property was insurance to the amount of $900.

Of course the question of how the fire caught was quickly agitated by the crowd of neighbors who thronged thither at daylight to survey the ruins. It was soon decided that it must be the work of an incendiary, and the people were not slow in charging the crime of arson which had nearly proved so fatal to human life, upon a young man named Edward Anderson, a relative of Mrs. Dole, who was known to have made threats against Mr. Dole. There is very strong circumstantial evidence against this fellow as will be seen further on.

Mr. Dole sent word to Marshal Bridges, by W.H. Libby, who drives the stage from North Windham to White Rock, requesting him to come out immediately and investigate the affair. Mr. Bridges lost no time in responding to this request and was soon driving post road toward Great Falls.

On arriving there he found the tracks of this Anderson left fresh in the loam in the rear of the barn in the plowed ground next thereto, and where he had crossed the bridge as well as unmistakable traces of him for quite a distance along the road. Anderson is a cripple, walking with the assistance of a crutch and a cane, with prints of both of which supports were plainly visible on either side of the boot marks. From this and other evidence Mr. Bridges made up his mind to arrest Anderson at once, and accordingly rode to the place where Mr. Anderson made his home when not at work in Lewiston.

It was not there and had not been there, so the folks said, since Friday evening, when he left the house saying he was going to the store. Mr. Bridges procured a fresh horse and drove to a number of places in the vicinity where it was thought Anderson might be, but found nobody that had seen him since the fire. The Marshal then drove to Sebago Lake, but was told by the depot master there that Anderson had not got on the train from the depot since the fire. After visiting several other places, with like results, Mr. Bridges started for home reaching there at 11 o'clock Saturday night.

Some of the people at Great Falls expressed the opinion that Anderson might have thrown himself into the river, as he was noted for strange mental freaks, at times almost verging on insanity. Others thought he might have burned his buildings and would be forced to come out by hunger in a day or two.

The latter opinion proved the correct one, and yesterday Mr. Bridges was notified that Anderson had been seen in the woods early that morning. He immediately rode out and arrested Anderson at the house of Elijah Emery, an uncle of the incendiary. At first Anderson was very reticent, but the marshal finally got a confession from him that he set the fire. Anderson said that Mr. Dole and his wife had lied about him and slandered him, and he was not sorry he burned his buildings. He said he stayed in the woods Saturday night and then came out and slept in a little shed until daylight, when hunger compelled him to go to his uncle’s for something to eat. The marshal brought his prisoner into the city and lodged him at the jail, where he now remains.

Mr. Dole, whose buildings were burned, is said to be a fine man and respected by the community in which he lives. He said he knows no reason why Anderson should entertain ill-will against him. Anderson formerly owned an interest in the property, but Mr. Dole bought him out, paying him a fair price. But some of the neighbors state that Anderson was not satisfied at the trade and had declared repeatedly that Dole would not come out of it any better than he did. Dole is a trader at Great Falls and also postmaster.

Anderson, or Thompson, which he says is his right name, is a well-educated man, and has taught several terms of school. Lately he has been employed at a box shop at Lewiston. He left Lewiston about five days ago and went to Great Falls, undoubtedly, as the people there think, with a mature plan for burning Mr. Dole’s property.

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OF INTEREST

Fat Weeks of Gorham was a guest speaker recently at a meeting of the local Beta chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa. Weeks, a talented artist, shared several insights into her painting techniques. She also showed many of her works and gave Beta members an opportunity to dabble with paints and brushes.

The Bookworm is accepting 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.

The local Beta chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, an organization for teachers and retired teachers, completed its annual Samaritan’s Purse Operation Christmas Child shoebox project. These boxes of gifts will be sent to areas of the United States or the world where children would otherwise be without a Christmas. Back row, l. to r.: Madeleine Bates, Anne Sullivan, Anne Tewhey, Jean Davis, Lynn Silcox, Barbara Cilazzo, Judy Wing, Christine Sawyer, Teresa Keahon, and Nancy Burnham. Front row: Susan Morneault, Regina Minot, and Ellen Durgin.

The Gorham Lions Club will be selling fresh-cut Maine Christmas Trees at Gorham Ace Hardware on Main St. from 11/30 – 12/17. FMI, Kenny Aldrich 929-9182.

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, homemade biscuits, as well as homemade pies for dessert. $8/Children under 12: $4. FMI, whiterockcommunityclub@gmail.com.

The Gorham High School swim team will be selling fresh-cut Maine Christmas trees on Saturdays and Sundays through Dec 17 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at Robie Gym Lawn (corner of South St. and Preble St. Gorham). Gorham Ice Hockey will be selling holiday wreaths along with the swim team. Come support your local athletes.

Are you an adult fan of Legos (AFOL)? Perhaps you’ve heard of our Lego Club on Saturday mornings, but thought it was just for kids? If you are 13 and up, please join us at Baxter Memorial Library on Dec 13 at 5 p.m. Bring something you’ve built to share!

The Gorham Lions will meet on December 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the Public Works Cafeteria off Huston Road, 6:30 p.m. New members welcome. FMI, 929-9182.

Gorham Memorial Post 10879, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will meet on December 12 in the Gorham Fire Department training room, 270 Main St. at 6:30 p.m. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

“Home for the Holidays” 27th Annual Scholarship Gala, Friday, December 1, 6 p.m., Cortell Hall, USM Gorham Campus. Gala tickets—$125 individual / $200 Host Committee (a portion is tax deductible). Tickets may be purchased over the phone or via email from: Binney Brackett at (207) 780-5003, brackett@maine.edu or Lori Arsenault at (207) 780-5142, loris@maine.edu.

The 3rd Annual Comfort & Joy Christmas Concert will take place on December 8 at 7 p.m. and December 9 at 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Spires 29. Free and open to the public. Donations for the Gorham Food Pantry will be accepted. Presented by Galilee Baptist Church, this gathering of local musicians seeks to present a mixture of Christmas songs along with the stories behind the songs. FMI, www.facebook.com/conjoymix.

The Gorham Community Chorus and Gorham High School Chamber Singers present the Prelude to Christmas concert on Sunday, December 3, at 3 p.m. at Gorham High School McCormack Auditorium. $5 suggested donation.

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). The local Ecumenical Council along with Dolby & Dorr are co-sponsoring this service, which will offer a quiet place to reflect and realize no one is alone. Light refreshments will be served following the service. All are welcome.

Baxter Memorial Library will be holding a special holiday event on Tuesday, December 12, at 6 p.m. with Gorham’s own Chief of Police, Dan Jones. Conductor Jones will be reading “The Polar Express” by Chris Van Allsburg during a “pajamas highly encouraged” story time. This is an all ages program with no registration required. Hot cocoa will be served and all children will take home a small memento. (Snow Date is Dec 14 at 6 p.m.)

HOLIDAY FAIRS

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 or 892-2527.

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

CLOSE TO HOME

Scarborough Free Baptist Church, 55 Mussey Rd., will hold a homemade bean supper on December 2 from 4 to 6 p.m. Two kinds of beans and hot dogs, chop suey, cole slaw, biscuits, brown bread and dessert. Half of the proceeds will go to the Youth Group trip to Kentucky. FMI, 423-5851.


ON-GOING EVENTS

The Gorham Food Pantry, located at 209-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 7-7 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 Lakes Region Senior Center, in Gorham, is seeking volunteers who would be willing to teach an art class or a craft. This would be on a Friday morning, or early afternoon. It could be for a one-time class or a succession of classes. If you would be interested please call Gerry at 839-3859 or Blanche at 892-5604.

The Gorham Medical Closet located at the Municipal Center ‘75 South St is free and available to Gorham residents in need of portable wheelchairs, hospital beds, shower seats, commodes, walkers, canes and more. FMI 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.

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 ckic45@maine.rr.com, Kathy Corbett at ktcorbett@aad.com or Cindy O’Shea at costea2@maine.com.
CALENDAR

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
• Sewing Club (age 7 and up) 2:30-4:30 p.m. Baxter Memorial Library

FRIDAY DEC 1
• 10-11 a.m. Sensory Friendly Story Time, Baxter Memorial Library
• Home for the Holidays Gala, 6 p.m., USM Gorham, FMI call 780-5003 or 780-5142

SATURDAY DEC 2
• Bean Supper, White Rock Community Clubhouse, 4:30-6 p.m. Adults: $8/Children under 12: $4. FMI, whiterockcommunityclub@gmail.com.
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SUNDAY DEC 3
• Gorham Community Church, Prelude to Christmas Concert, GHS, 3:00 pm. $5 donation.

TUESDAY DEC 5
• Preschool Story Time (Ages 3 to 5) 9:30-10:15 a.m. Baxter Memorial Library

WEDNESDAY DEC 6
• Toddler Time (18-36 mos) 10-10:30 a.m. Baxter Memorial Library
• Crazy 8’s 4-H club 3:30-4:30 p.m. Sign up required. Baxter Memorial Library
• Family Gaming Night 4-6:45 p.m. Baxter Memorial Library

THURSDAY DEC 7
• 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
• Sewing Club (age 7 and up) 2:30-4:30 p.m. Baxter Memorial Library
• Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Baxter Memorial Library

SATURDAY DEC 9
• Lego Club 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Baxter Memorial Library

TUESDAY DEC 12
• Preschool Story Time (Ages 3 to 5) 9:30-10:15 a.m. Baxter Memorial Library
• “The Polar Express” Special Reading. 6-6:45 p.m. Baxter Memorial Library

WEDNESDAY DEC 13
• Toddler Time (18-36 mos) 10-10:30 a.m. Baxter Memorial Library
• Adult Fans of Lego, 5-6 p.m. Baxter Memorial Library

THURSDAY DEC 14
• 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
• Sewing Club (ages 7 and up) 2:30-4:30 p.m. Baxter Memorial Library

NEXT GORHAM TIMES DEADLINE: DEC. 6TH

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MUSIC LESSONS

SERVICES
CLEANING POSITION. Sought by local mother and daughter. Every other week available. References available. Call Pat after 2 p.m. 839-6827


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Visit the Stay in Touch section of www.gorham-me.org for program guides for Gorham Government Education TV (Channel 2 on Time Warner Cable) and Public Access (Channel 3 on Time Warner Cable).

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Small Acts of Kindness Go A Long Way in Gorham

In celebration of Kindling Kindness week November 12-18, the town of Gorham came alive with kindness and generosity. Over 3000 acts of kindness were performed at Gorham Middle School, the Gorham Police Department served lunch to students at various schools in town, Gorham House Preschool distributed love notes with flowers throughout the town, Gorham House residents and Great Falls Elementary students sent thank you cards to staff and public servants, and the Interact Club at Gorham High School passed out Kindling Kindness booklets throughout the town to name just a few.

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