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## Gorham Couple Receives National Award



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Don and Cindy Roy of Gorham have been named National Heritage Fellows for 2018.

BRUCE WEBB  
Contributing Writer

Gorham residents Don and Cindy Roy have received a prestigious National Heritage Award from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) in Washington D.C. The couple was recognized for their contributions to preserve the Franco American and Scots Irish musical traditions of Maine. This distinguished award is given to only nine recipients each year and includes such luminaries as BB King, Bill Monroe, and Michael Doucet.

Recipients received a \$25,000 award and were honored in Washington, D.C. at an awards ceremony, reception and concert on September 26-28.

The Roys, married for 37 years, have been playing music together that entire time. Don is a master fiddle player while Cindy excels in piano accompaniment, foot rhythms, and step dancing. They credit their family heritage for their musical talent – Don comes from a Franco family in Quebec and Cindy is from an Acadian family in Prince Edward Island.

They are both deeply committed to preserving their traditions and passing their musical culture on to future generations. Don teaches fiddling, makes fiddles, and plays various engagements with the Don Roy Trio. Cindy plays piano accompaniment and keeps the beat with foot tapping unique to the Quebec style of music. In the past, they played with the Maine French Fiddlers, which performed at Carnegie Hall and the Lincoln Center in Washington, D.C.

Don is the musical director and founder of Fiddle-icious, Maine's largest fiddle orchestra that has been play-

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## Election 2018: An Overview

KATHY CORBETT  
Staff Writer

Gorham voters will receive three ballots when they go to the polls on November 6, or when they vote absentee at the municipal center before Election Day.

On the local ballot are candidates for Town Council, School Committee and one referendum question. Running for the two three-year terms on the Town Council are Claude "Fred" Daigle III, Lee Pratt and Virginia Wilder-Cross. Two candidates, Anne Schools and Darryl Wright, are running for two positions on the School Committee. As in all races, there are spaces on the ballot to write-in candidates, but only votes for declared write-in candidates are counted.

Voters will also be asked to approve the Gorham School District joining the Greater Sebago Educational Alliance Regional Service Center (SEARSC), which will "more effectively provide goods and services" by accessing state funds for some joint programming and purchasing.

There are two state ballots: one for state and federal positions and the other for state referendum questions. One side of the candidate ballot has races for U.S. Senator and

Congressional District 1 Representative. These will be determined by ranked-choice voting. Voters will have an opportunity to rank first, second, and third choices if they desire.

On the reverse side of this ballot are candidates for governor, state senator, state representative, and Cumberland County positions. Voters will not use ranked-choice voting for these positions. For example, voters will mark only one choice for governor.

Gorham residents living in all wards will choose between Linda Sanborn and Amy Volk for state senator. Ward 1-1 and Ward 1-2 voters will choose between Roger Densmore III and Andrew McLean for state representative. Maureen Terry is running unopposed for state representative in Ward 2.

There is a separate ballot for state referendum questions. Question 1 asks, "Do you want to create the Universal Home Care Program to provide home-based assistance to people with disabilities and senior citizens, regardless of income, funded by a new 3.8% tax on individuals and families with Maine wage and adjusted gross income above the amount subject to Social Security taxes, which is \$128,400 in 2018?"

According to pages 15-16 of



the Maine Citizens Guide to the Referendum Election which is available on the Maine Secretary of State website, this applies to adjusted gross income exceeding \$128,400 reported on tax returns not only for individuals but also on joint returns. This is why the question references "individuals and families."

Questions 2, 3, 4 and 5 on the state referendum ballot ask voters to approve bond issues. Question 2 aims to invest \$30 million to improve wastewater treatment facilities and other needed infrastructure. Some funds would go to help homeowners with aging septic or sewer systems.

Question 3 asks for approval of a \$106 million transportation bond that

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## Fall Family Fun in Gorham

DIANE ABRAMSON  
Contributing Writer

September 22 marked the first day of fall with the Autumnal Equinox. This time of year signals an ushering in of cold, crisp air; the crunch of leaves underfoot; a kaleidoscope of vibrant colors; and, a period of festive outdoor activities.

The Gorham Farmer's Market will be coming to a close for the season at the end of October. Located on South Street next to the library, the Market operates every Saturday from 8:30-12:30 p.m., May through October. This time of year, shoppers can pick up fall favorites such as squash, mums, potatoes, cabbage, and beets as well as baked goods and dairy products.

"I love this market; it is so great to chat with everyone and share taste buds. This time of year is especially wonderful because the fall food flavors are so ripe and vibrant," said Mo Terry of MoMunch Granola. Thankfully, for Gorham residents who have come to love the vendors at the market, most

sell their goods at other locations during the winter months.

Stowe Watters, Manager of the Farmer's Market, has been a vendor since the market's inception six years ago. He grows his vegetables at Old Wells Farm and although he is sad to see the market end for the season, he is excited to start harvesting his fall/winter crops. His farm participates in a winter CSA called the Foothill Farm Alliance – with a pickup location at Carter's Green Market on Elm Street. The CSA is an opportunity for Gorham residents to "eat locally all winter."

There is no better way to celebrate the season of harvest than by discovering the perfect pumpkin or picking the juiciest apple. In its inaugural year, Mosher's Farm Pumpkins has opened through a collaboration between Paul Peters of Chick's Apple and Berry Farm in Monmouth and Al Mosher of Mosher's Farm. The farm, located at 424 Mosher Road (Route 237), is open seven days a week from 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. There are over 3,000 pumpkins ranging in weight from 5 to

40 pounds just waiting to be picked. Additionally, there are apples available for purchase.

If you are interested in picking your own apples in Gorham, consider Orchard Ridge Farm located at 236 Sebago Lake Road. The farm offers a variety of apples "perfect for fresh eating, baking, sauce, juice and storing." Additionally, all the trees at Orchard Ridge Farm bear fruit at a reasonable height so that even a toddler can pick. Once you've picked your apples, stop by the farm's bakery for pumpkin donuts.

Looking for grass-fed beef and seasonal vegetables? Stop by Findview Farm at 147 Mighty Street. According to owner Jenn Grant, they also have pumpkins so customers can pick their own or choose one at the farm stand. As always, there are animals to see - cows and calves, sheep, goats, pigs, and piglets.

Chappies' Farm, or the Farmery, on New Portland Road is happily headed into fall. According to farmer Emily Beagle, "the farm stand is bursting with winter squash, beans, greens, pumpkins, delicious baked goods and local eggs, beef, and pork." The Farmery is hosting fall festivities and a Halloween weekend extravaganza on Oct.

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# What Your Government is Getting Right

SEN. AMY VOLK

After witnessing what happened in Washington over the past couple of weeks, it's understandable for people to be cynical about, even disgusted with, government. Too often, tribal politics that dictate, "My side is right, your side is wrong" have become the prism through which we view every difficult issue.

Because of this, it's difficult to notice when progress is made and we, in government, get things right. During my time in office, I have seen proof that, on many fronts, we are heading in the right direction.

As the state senator representing Gorham, and parts of Scarborough and Buxton, I am proud of numerous legislative success stories.

Steps taken to protect our most precious resource, our children, is one example. Adverse childhood experiences result in a myriad of risks across a lifetime. In our last days of session this summer, we supported funding to increase the staff and pay for DHHS caseworkers so that endangered children receive the attention and protection they need. Along the same lines, I sponsored legislation that secured more than \$1 million in federal funding to expand and duplicate a highly successful whole family residential substance abuse treatment program which helps mothers recover and become independent of state involvement, while providing therapy to kids subjected to trauma. Another bill I sponsored resulted in

first-in-the-nation legislation that leads to earlier detection of lead poisoning. That legislation funded contaminated housing clean up and more funding was added this year.

Although we have more work to do, we have come together to address human trafficking in Maine, passing legislation that increases penalties on those who are convicted of human trafficking and protecting the innocent individuals who have been victimized by it.

We have also supported increased funding to K-12 education, while requiring more accountability, classroom-focus and transparency. The current two-year budget includes the largest one-time increase in public education funding in Maine history. Additionally, record numbers of students are earning college credit while in high school, lowering the cost of college and giving them the confidence to pursue higher education.

We have also invested in our community college and university systems, making them more effective, accessible and relevant to workforce needs. Most recently, I successfully helped advocate for the university system to add a third engineering degree at USM to meet future employment demand. We funded a new engineering center in Orono and have recommended improvement bonds to voters.

Workforce training has been a priority, as well, and we have moved many, many Mainers from welfare to skilled work through certificate programs, as well as associate and bachelor's

degrees. The State Workforce Board is turning its attention to including seniors, people in recovery and those with disabilities, criminal records and other challenges in Maine's workforce. We need all hands on deck in this economy!

Folks are tired of hearing about what their elected officials won't do together. They want to see us making progress, but the press prefers to report on drama and conflict.

Throughout my tenure in the Maine Legislature, I have prided myself on supporting whatever makes the most sense, not just ideas from within my own party. I originally ran for office because a friend told me I had a knack for expressing my views without alienating others. We must all make a commitment to find the "Sensible Center" on issues. The citizens of Maine deserve to be represented by lawmakers who listen, analyze, communicate and collaborate professionally in order to break partisan gridlock and move Maine forward.



Amy Volk is serving her second term in the Maine Senate and represents the people of Senate District 30 which includes Gorham and parts of Scarborough and Buxton. She is the Senate Assistant Majority Leader, the Chair of the Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development Committee and is also a member of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee. (207) 287-1505, (800) 423-6900, amy.volk@legislature.maine.gov

## Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor must be fewer than 300 words, signed with a first and last name, typed or e-mailed and include a phone number. The Gorham Times reserves the right not to publish letters that include personal attacks or inflammatory language. Letters are solely the opinion of the writer and not that of the Gorham Times. They are published at the discretion of the Gorham Times and are subject to editing.

Dear Editor,

Maine voters have approved Ranked Choice Voting at the ballot box twice and it is the law of the land governing primary elections for all state and federal offices, and general elections for U.S. Senate and U.S. House, including two races that Gorham voters will help to decide on Nov. 6.

Ranked Choice Voting is simple and easy. You have the option to rank as many or as few candidates as you like from your favorite to your least favorite. Ballots are counted in rounds in which last-place candidates lose until one candidate reaches a majority and wins. If your first choice can't win, your vote automatically counts for your second choice. You can't help or hurt your favorite candidate by ranking them.

Let's look at an example. When you head to the polls, you will be using Ranked Choice Voting in the U.S. Senate election that features incumbent Angus King (I) and challengers

Eric Brakey (R) and Zack Ringelstein (D). Instead of picking one, you now have the option to rank your vote.

Some liberals might rank Ringelstein as their first choice and King as their second choice. If Ringelstein can't win, their votes automatically count for King. Some conservatives might rank Brakey as their first choice and King as their second choice. If Brakey can't win, their votes automatically count for King. Other voters might rank King as their first choice and one of the other challengers as their second choice. Whatever you decide to do, you can't go wrong by ranking your vote.

Ranked Choice Voting simply gives you more voice and more choice in our democracy, and it encourages candidates to reach beyond their base and appeal more broadly for support. For more information about how Ranked Choice Voting works, please visit [www.MoreVoice.org](http://www.MoreVoice.org).

Kyle Bailey

Dear Editor,

Just as Maine's lack of quality, affordable homes affects Democrats, Republicans and Independents alike, so too must efforts to address it be

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### TOWN OF GORHAM ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 6, 2018

Pursuant to MRSA, Title 21A, Sec 101, you are hereby notified that the Registrar for the Town of Gorham, Maine will hold the following office hours for the purpose of registering voters and making corrections to the voter list:

Tuesday and Wednesday, October 30 & 31, 2018, 8:00am. - 4:00pm,  
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Laurie Nordfors  
Town Clerk

## Around Town

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driven without regard to partisanship. Senator Amy Volk has proven again and again – not only through her words, but also her actions – that she is the kind of leader who understands this.

Contrary to the assertion of a previous letter writer, Senator Volk not only voted for the senior housing bond, but was one of its earliest and most vocal supporters as well as a sponsor of several other important proposals to address our state's affordable housing crisis. Her strong, ongoing work at the Legislature has also made Maine a national leader in efforts to address childhood lead poisoning.

Senator Volk has shown that she can work effectively across the aisle to get things done for her constituents and all Mainers. In an era of increasing partisan gridlock, that deserves to be recognized and celebrated.

Greg Payne

*Dear Editor,*

When Sen. Amy Volk heard from southern Maine employers (such as myself) that a shortage of engineers was limiting the growth of their businesses and our state's economy, she got to work.

Because Maine currently ranks 49th in the nation of the number of engineering graduates per capita, she worked directly with the University of Maine System to develop a plan to nearly double its engineering enrollment. A \$50 mil-

lion strategic State investment for a new Engineering Education and Design Center at the University of Maine will allow for much of that growth. And if Ballot Question 4 is approved by voters in November, the University of Southern Maine will be able to expand its engineering program by more than 200 students.

Both of these historic investments Sen. Volk helped lead through the Legislature as part of her larger efforts to strengthen the state's public education system and increase the pathways it provide to good-paying Maine jobs.

As a proud graduate of UMaine which I now serve as Chair of the Board of Visitors, co-founder/President of MedRhythms, and a resident of Gorham, – home of USM, I have seen Sen. Volk champion our campuses and our students, business partners and communities. I have seen Sen. Volk work thoughtfully and collaboratively with both parties to improve business conditions in the state.

Just as Sen. Volk (also a UMaine alumnus) has supported public higher education and the opportunity it creates for so many Mainers, she deserves our support on Nov. 6.

Owen McCarthy

*Dear Editor,*

When I think of the upcoming election and who will move the Town of Gorham into a more progressive, fiscally responsible position, I think of Virginia Wilder Cross. I've known Ginny for almost 23 years, have

worked on committees with her and have seen her leadership in action. She has excellent communication skills, can see both sides of an issue and formulate a plan of action that is doable.

Ginny's many years as a small business owner has given her first hand experience with the trials that come with small business, and she has the vision that would make Gorham a more business-friendly community. She has the time to devote to our town's growth, having just retired from 23 years of teaching at USM. You might know her name from her years of chairing our wonderful New Year's Gorham celebrations.

Ginny understands our position as a "suburb" of Portland, and will work to preserve our "college town" atmosphere, while growing our town's tax base with long term fiscal planning. She is a tireless worker and is not afraid to "rock the boat." I urge you to join me in marking your ballot for Virginia Wilder Cross for Town Council on November 6.

Beverly Hosic Hallman

*Dear Editor,*

I am writing to encourage you to join me in voting for Amy Volk for Maine Senate this November. Amy is an independent thinker and tireless advocate for our community. As a legislator, she has recently championed important legislation on combating the opioid crisis, streamlining unemployment benefits and stopping human trafficking in Maine. She is a proponent of responsible govern-

ment spending, common sense education standards, lower taxes and balanced budgets.

As important as her legislative accomplishments are, it is Amy's dedication to her family, friends and fellow Mainers that is truly endearing. At times it seems Amy is everywhere—shuttling between Orono and Scarborough to participate in her kids' events, constantly campaigning door-to-door, routinely attending sporting and community events in Gorham, Scarborough and Buxton, and running back and forth to Augusta to represent her district in the seemingly endless congressional "special sessions." Somehow during all the tumult that seems to accompany modern life, Amy and her family found the compassion to invite an immigrant family from Burundi with no place to stay, to live at their home.

In short, Amy Volk is a decent, hardworking Mainer who cares deeply about her community. She fights for what she believes. She listens. She isn't afraid to change her mind or to disagree publicly with those in power. In her four years serving as State Senator she has been a champion for what is best in our town and our state. Please join me in voting for Amy Volk to serve two more years as our Senator.

Bill Benson

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would be used to match federal funds for roads and bridges, and for upgrading "municipal culverts at stream crossings." Question 4 is an educational bond of \$49 million that would be matched by at least the same amount from public and private funds to be used to modernize and improve university campus facilities.

Question 5 asks voters to approve a \$15 million bond for Maine's community college system. If passed, Southern Maine Community College (SMCC) would receive \$4.2 million to make repairs, improve energy efficiency, and upgrade its information technology system.

Gorham residents can register to vote

at the Municipal Center during regular business hours and at their designated polling place on November 6 by showing an ID with a Gorham address. Voters may request absentee ballots at the Municipal Center until 7 p.m. on November 1. Absentee ballots must be received by 8 p.m. on Election Day.

On November 6, residents living in Ward 1-1 vote at the Gorham Middle School; Ward 1-2 residents vote at Little Falls Activity Center; and Ward 2 residents vote at the Municipal Center. Ward boundaries can be found on the Town of Gorham website. The polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. For any voting or ballot questions, contact the Town Clerk's Office at 222-1670.

## Gorham Couple Receives National Award CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

ing autumn concerts for 15 years. The group plays tunes from a variety of traditions and is a very egalitarian group that welcomes players of all levels. The goal of the orchestra is to share these musical traditions with the Maine community, to engage local musicians, and to have fun in the process.

For the Roys, this award is strong affirmation for all their hard work over the years and verifies their efforts to preserve the traditions of a culture that has largely disappeared. Music was the center of their family experiences and reflects the cultural traditions and practices of another time.

The national recognition enables the couple to expand their scope into other ventures. Fiddle-icious has grown from 25 core members to a group

that now includes 100 musicians. The future may include spinoffs such as the Fiddle-icious Traditions program – planned for April 2019 – which will feature an intensive weekend of learning, teaching, and playing with others with similar interests. There may be other opportunities to expand the group with activities in other parts of the state or in New England.

When you see Don and Cindy at the local grocery store or the gas station, stop, say hello and congratulate them on this unique honor. Come to the next Fiddle-icious concert scheduled for Saturday, October 27, at 7 p.m. at the McCormick Performing Arts Center at Gorham High School and experience the results of their hard work.

# Lettuce be Healthy

BARBARA T. SCHNEIDER

Well into the busy Fall, finding time to craft menus, shop for ingredients, and do daily food prep becomes a real challenge. The recipes below provide some delicious and easy pull together alternatives using classic ingredients. The Trio

Potato Bake and the Cauliflower Roast are fun, nutritious and easy. The delicious aroma they make while baking will be sure to spur appetites. No one will turn away from the Angel Whip Blueberry Pie. You will not be disappointed when you give these recipes a try. Enjoy!

### Trio Potato Classic Roast

1 bag small round potatoes, any color, skins on, quartered  
2 large Vidalia onions, halved & sliced thin  
2 containers small portobella mushrooms, sliced  
Salt & pepper to taste  
Olive Oil, drizzle to coat  
¼ cup chopped parsley

Preheat oven to 400. Spray 9x13 baking pan with olive spray. In large bowl, combine all ingredients and turn gently with fingers to coat. Spread in baking pan and cook until golden; approximately 25-35 minutes.

### Cauliflower Roast

1 large head of cauliflower  
Spicy seasoning of your choice/or grated parmesan cheese  
Olive Oil spray

Preheat oven to 425. Line baking tray with aluminum foil. Cut bottom off cauliflower so it sits flat on baking tray. Spray entire top with olive oil spray (liberally). Coat with seasoning or grated Parmesan cheese, spray again lightly with oil spray. Bake for at least 1 hour until golden and tender to knife.

### Angel Whip Blueberry Delight

1 prepared 9-inch pie crust, cooked until golden brown, cooled  
1 large container of Cool Whip (family size)  
4 T of Wild Maine blueberry preserves  
1 pint Wild Maine blueberries  
1 t of sugar or agave  
1 jar of Lemon Curd

Gently fold preserves into Cool Whip, and refrigerate. Spread lemon curd on bottom of cooled pie crust. Mix teaspoon of sugar or agave with blueberries; spread evenly on top of lemon curd. Gently spoon Cool Whip on top of blueberries, shape and mound to center peak. Place in freezer to set; allow to thaw before serving.

Questions about the recipes can be e-mailed to Barbara Schneider at [bts@maine.rr.com](mailto:bts@maine.rr.com)

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# School Committee Candidates



**Full Name:** Anne E. Schools  
**Address:** 50 Hillview Rd  
**Education:** BA in history from the University of South Florida 2006, and a JD from

the University of Maine School of Law 2009.

**Personal:** I was born in Maine but grew up in Florida. I returned to Maine to attend law school and fell in love with the state, and later with my husband, who was born and raised in Gorham. I have lived in Gorham for the last six years with him and our two daughters. We love kayaking at Shaw Park, enjoying the local parks with the kids and our two dogs, or buying fresh produce at the local farmers' market on Saturdays during the summer. I truly cannot imagine a better community to raise a family.

**Employment:** I currently work for the Maine Bureau of Motor Vehicles as a Hearings Examiner. I am licensed to practice law in Maine and was a partner at a law firm in Westbrook prior to opening a law practice in Gorham and subsequently accepting my current position with the state in May 2017.

**Political and community experience:** My law firm was a member of the Gorham Business Exchange and we sponsored school programs such as the GHS musical. With a fourth grader and kindergartener in Gorham Schools, I will be serving as a parent volunteer. I attend weekly sporting activities and as many school events throughout the year as possible. I have provided countless hours of pro bono representation to lower income community members in Gorham and surrounding areas. I was a regular volunteer with the Volunteer Lawyers Project and Pine Tree Legal Assistance throughout my time at the University of Maine School

of Law and was the recipient of the 2009 Student Pro Award for providing the most pro bono hours of any student that year.

**Growth is a hot topic in Gorham. What do you see as possible solutions for managing growth in our town?**

I think it is wonderful that our town is one of the fastest growing towns in Maine, however, I recognize the difficulties this adds to our school district. Balancing the needs of students versus the capacities of our schools is a challenging situation. However, continuing to provide high quality education to each and every student in Gorham must remain our top priority.

I understand that the most recent attempt to reconfigure the elementary schools was aggressively opposed by members of the community, including parents and educators. I do not believe that reconfiguration is in the best interest of our students, or this town, and feel that the benefits of any proposed plan need to be carefully weighed against the potential detriment to Gorham families.

Our town is growing, and all our schools need to be able to handle this growth. We must have enough classrooms, updated technology, reliable transportation, and enough teachers to accommodate our growing student base. Any reasonable solution, such as expanding the high school, must be both affordable, and in the best interest of our students.

I wish I had the answer, but I realize how complicated these issues are. I welcome the opportunity to discuss potential solutions with committee members, community members, educators, and administrators, and will strive to be a meaningful part of the solution.

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**Full Name:** Darryl B. Wright  
**Address:** 26 Murray Drive  
**Education:** BS in Business Administration from the University of Southern Maine

**Personal:** Married with two children  
**Employment:** Vice President/Market Manager for People's United Bank

**Political and community experience:** Chairman of the Gorham School Committee (3 years); Member of the Gorham School Committee (7 1/2 years); President of the Board for the Gorham Arts Alliance; Member of the Gorham High School Building Committee; Volunteer for the Nonesuch Service Unit of Girl Scouts; Past President of the Westbrook/Gorham Community Chamber of Commerce; Director of the Gorham Founder's Festival; Previously served as a Board Member of the Portland Regional Chamber; Previously served as a Board Member for the Westbrook Housing Development Corporation.

**Growth is a hot topic in Gorham. What do you see as possible solutions for managing growth in our town?**

This is not an issue that the Gorham School Committee can address directly. This is a question that faces our Town Council and our councilors will need to

provide the solutions as to how to manage the growth in the Town. The role of the School Committee is to try to plan for this growth while maintaining a high quality education for all of our students using our tax dollars in an efficient and effective way.

**What do you see as the other major issues for our community and how might they be addressed?**

One major issue facing the district is the growth in student population. How our Town Council decides to manage this growth will provide the School Committee with a direction that will help us plan and prepare for the increasing numbers of students moving into our community. Another issue that will need to be addressed that ties into growth is in regards to our buildings and facilities. We are running out of space due to our increasing enrollments. This is going to require the School Committee to look for long term solutions on ways to handle this growth. Currently the School Committee is looking at a renovation and expansion of GHS, but we will also need to look at the Elementary Schools and the Middle School for possible expansions as well. The School Committee needs to look at the most effective and efficient ways to use our tax dollars to provide all of our students with a high quality education that will prepare them to be successful after they graduate.

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**What do you see as the other major issues for our community and how might they be addressed?**

There are many issues facing our community right now, but hunger and safety are two that I believe impact our school district significantly. While I feel that our schools should continue to work with local law enforcement and fire departments to ensure that our facilities remain safe, we also need to consider the health of our students.

Every student deserves to go to school and learn comfortably and safely and that is difficult to do if they are hungry. There are far too many children that come to school from lower income families that are unable to provide the basic school supplies, or even food, for their children. While many students rely on free and reduced lunch plans, fantastic programs such as the Backpack Program rely on volunteers and community donations to provide food for children who may otherwise go hungry over the weekend. Having nutritious meals is imperative to academic success, and I believe that no student in our community should have to worry where their next meal comes from.

**How would your perspective or experience benefit the Town Council/School Committee?**

I have lived in Gorham for six years and have two children in the school district. I have been a local business owner and have had the pleasure of meeting many community members throughout my time here as a resident and work

here as an attorney. There is no place that I would rather be. Being a lawyer, and serving as mediator at times, has trained me to see both sides to a situation and to work towards a successful resolution if possible. I am aware that you can rarely make everyone happy at the same time and that there are some potentially contentious issues that will likely face this committee in the upcoming years. However, I welcome the opportunity to be part of the dialogue and work towards solutions.

**Wright** CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5

**How would your perspective or experience benefit the School Committee?**

I come from a background in Banking and Finance and have a good understanding of the finances of the district. I bring my 7 1/2 years of experience as a member of the School Committee as well as my experiences of being a member of the Finance, Personnel and Policy Committees during my tenure, as well as serving as the Chair for the past three years. I have also been part of numerous ad-hoc subcommittees including All Day Kindergarten Committee, K-5 Reconfiguration Committee and the GHS Building Committee. My previous experience on the Committee will help provide historical perspective as we deal with issues that face our district now and in the future.

*Please check our next issue for profiles of the State Senate and House of Representative candidates.*

OCTOBER 2, 2018

**Town Council Meeting**

JACOB ADAMS  
*Staff Writer*

Cassidy St. Jernquist of Pleasant Street discussed her concerns that the Land Use and Development Code does not allow her pet pig, Wilbur, to reside in her home. She requested that the Council consider changing the Ordinance to allow farm animals in her area.

Councilor Benner reported that there will be an increase in recycling fees when bringing items to Ecomaine in the future.

Councilor Stelk urged residents to take the Gorham Village Alliance's survey which is available on the town's website.

Councilor Hager thanked Councilors Stelk and Benner for their years of service to the Council and the Town of Gorham.

Town Manager, Ephrem Paraschak, reminded residents of the upcoming election on November 6. He reported that polls will be open from 7:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m. and reminded people that Absentee Ballots are now available in the Town Clerk's Office until November 1.

Paraschak also reported that the Gorham Police Department's Citizens Police Academy is coming up and

he highly recommends it. You can find more information on the GPD website, [www.gorham-me.org/police-department](http://www.gorham-me.org/police-department)

Councilor Phillips added that there will be three Meet the Candidate Nights held at the Gorham Municipal Center, October 9 for Town Council, October 16 for School Committee and October 22 for State Legislatures.

The Town Council approved a renewal liquor license for Gorham House of Pizza, LLC, located at 2 State Street.

Automobile Graveyard/Junkyard Permits for 2019 were approved for the following:

Steve Luce of LKQ Corp/Gorham Auto, Jim Stone of Casco Federal Credit Union, Gary Nelson of Chet's Auto Sales, Gordon Reichert of Reichert's Auto Body, Shawn Moody of Moodys/Insurance Auto Auction and John Dumbrocyo of Dumbo Enterprises.

The Town Council amended the commercial Narragansett Development District into a Mixed Use District. The full amendment can be read on the town's website at [www.gorham-me.org](http://www.gorham-me.org) (6 yeas, 1 nay: Smith)

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**Planning Board** OCTOBER 1, 2018

MN8 Properties, LLC requested approval to expand 502 Main Street (Home Instead) with a 1748 sq. ft. addition, 1850 sq. ft. of new parking area and associated landscaping, septic and sign changes. Item was discussed and postponed.

Tannery Brook Subdivision presented a sketch plan for Phase 2 of the subdivision, extending Tannery Brook Road to access 14 new single family lots served by municipal water and

individual subsurface sewage disposal systems was discussed and a site walk is to be scheduled.

Discussion of plans to amend Land Use and Development Code to remove certain fire protection water supply requirements was moved to November 5 meeting for a public hearing.


Discussion of an amendment to allow a new Small Dwellings Overlay District was moved to November 5 meeting for a public hearing.

**Love to Sing?**




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Come join the Gorham Community Chorus! No auditions necessary. This lively chorus has been performing together for over two and half decades. The group welcomes vocalists of all levels (ages 12 to 80+ currently) and abilities who come together to perform a variety of choral music from Bach to Broadway. This fall's program includes music by Leonard Bernstein, as well as seasonal favorites from the Renaissance to the present day, and includes a performance at Gorham House as well as a main concert on Sunday, December 2, at Gorham High School. In addition, the Chorus will be performing as part of Gorham New Year on Dec. 31. Rehearsals are on Monday evenings from 7-9 p.m. at Village School (no rehearsals on holidays or school vacations). For more information contact Director John Rimkunas at 653-7683 or [gorhamcommunitychorus@gmail.com](mailto:gorhamcommunitychorus@gmail.com). "Friend" us on Facebook!



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OCTOBER 10, 2018

# School Committee Meeting

KATHY CORBETT  
Staff Writer

The Gorham School District transportation policy was again the subject of a public comment at the October 10 School Committee (SC) meeting. Magda Alden urged the committee to consider problems the policy creates for families with two working parents. The Policy Committee will review the policy at its November meeting. SC member Bill Benson urged parents and administrators to discuss problems with the current policy before the meeting as any changes can not be based on individual situations.

Superintendent Heather Perry announced that GHS juniors will be participating in college visits in Maine and New Hampshire on October 16. She also said that the Aspire Gorham initiative which focuses on reducing barriers for students as they move from early childhood, K-12, and then post secondary learning is up and running. They are talking with USM to increase dual enrollment and with the Business Roundtable about increasing opportunities for work experience.

Speaking for the School Committee, Darryl Wright thanked Denis Libby for his 13 years of service on the committee, praising him as a member and mentor. Libby is not running for reelection. Wright, who is running, was thanked by Stewart McCallister for his seven years on the committee. Libby

spoke briefly and said that he had seen great changes in his years on the committee, but his decisions had always been made based on what he believed was best for students and the community.

Assistant Superintendent Chris Record introduced the World Languages Program review, outlining the benefits of learning a second language and its cultural context. Gorham students have opportunities for language classes in the middle and high schools. Three GHS students spoke about their experiences. Caroline Dowdle is in her fourth year of Spanish and Ben Nault is a fourth year French student. Both emphasized that by taking the fourth year of a language they are becoming much more fluent. Ethan Allen said that taking Mandarin is rewarding, although very difficult.

When reporting on the Vocational Education Committee, Benson said that he hoped students would be interested in learning about the new PATH cyber security certificate program. In other sub-committee reports, the Policy Committee reported that any changes in the graduation policy will be made after learning what changes are coming from Augusta, and the GHS Building Committee is still reviewing options with the architects.

The SC voted unanimously to adopt the revised Wellness Policy and the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Policy.

# Volunteers Needed at the Middle and High School Level

TRACEY BASSINGTHWAITE  
Volunteer Coordinator (Grades 6-12)

Gorham has a great volunteer program with over 800 active volunteers. However, there seems to be a decline in parent and community volunteers once kids reach middle school and high school.

Currently, Gorham has 190 registered volunteers for the middle school and high school combined. The hope is to increase the number of parents and community members who get involved and encourage more volunteers to share their skills with this older group of kids.

Research has shown that parental involvement through the years leads to higher academic performance, improved school attendance, better homework skills, and an increased likelihood of graduation.

To get involved in the Gorham school volunteer program, one must attend a one-time volunteer orientation. Twelve orientations are held each school year; three mornings at the start of the year and nine eve-

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Scott Herrick's resignation from the Planning Board, was accepted and the Town Council expressed its appreciation for his service.

The Town Council appointed Brian Plowman to the Planning Board for Scott Herrick's remaining term.

The Town Council accepted the resignation of Megan Hills from the Baxter Memorial Library Board of Trustees and expressed its appreciation for her service on the Board of Trustees and to the Gorham Community.

Megan Gardner was appointed to the Baxter Memorial Library Board of Trustees for the remainder of Megan Hills' term.

Saturday, November 24, 2018 has been designated "Small Business Saturday." The Town of Gorham will celebrate local small businesses and the contributions they make to our economy and community. The Council urged residents to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year.

\$150 was appropriated from a Contingency Account to support the Greater Portland - Archangel Sister City Program Photo Exhibition.

The Town Council asked the Ordinance Committee to review the Land Use And Development Code to allow the keeping of small pigs in the Urban Residential Zone.

Complete minutes are available on the town's website at [www.gorham-me.org](http://www.gorham-me.org)

## Meet the Candidates

GoCat will offer one more Meet the Candidate event on Monday, October 22, for State Representatives. It will be held in the Municipal Chambers, 75 South St., at 7 p.m. Free and open to the public.

The recorded versions of all Meet the Candidate nights (Town Council, State Senate and State Representatives) will be available within several days of the events through broadcast on Public Access Channels 2 & 3. The video on demand can be found at [www.gorham-me.org](http://www.gorham-me.org), [facebook.com/GorhamCommunityAccess](https://www.facebook.com/GorhamCommunityAccess), Vimeo (search GOCAT Community Access Media) and You Tube's Gorham Times/GOCAT shared page (search gorhamtimes).

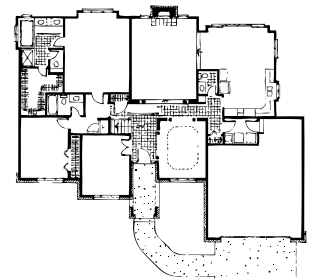


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*Pam Nicely joins her husband, Keith Nicely of the Bean Group (formerly the Maine Real Estate Network) as a Team Administrator and Buyer's Agent. Look to a future edition of the Gorham Times to read their spotlight story brought to you by the Gorham Business Exchange.*

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# October is National Bullying Prevention Month

## Gorham Schools Tackle Bullying Head-On

### Narragansett Fosters Kindness All Year Long

CYNTHIA REMICK  
Narragansett Principal

During the month of October, in honor of National Bullying Prevention Month, all Narragansett students will receive targeted instruction on bullying prevention skills, including guidance on the role of the “bystander.”

Narragansett’s teaching guidance counselor, Rachel Dunbar, teaches these lessons to K-2 students, and classroom teachers teach these lessons to the students in grades 3-5.

Students in grades K-2 receive social skills instruction for 45 minutes each week throughout the year. Lessons focus on the development of pro-social interactions, problem solving within social contexts, resolving peer-conflict, and much more.

Classroom teachers then conduct brief follow-up lessons throughout the week to reinforce these lessons and allow students time to practice these new skills in various educational contexts.



Photo credit Cynthia Remick

Carter Sprague, a student at Narragansett Elementary School, is practicing using his voice to stop behaviors that may lead to bullying in a role-playing exercise.

Specific information regarding the curriculum for these lessons will be shared with families on a regular basis, so skills can be reinforced at home, if families so choose.

Narragansett develops activities to reinforce their Code of Conduct,

fostering kindness throughout the year. The school celebrated “National Do Something Nice Day” on Oct. 4. They have also begun to assemble a paper “Kindness Chain” in the main lobby; with each link celebrating a specific act of kindness completed by a student.

Over the year, students and teachers will watch the chain of Kindness grow. The school is also participating in Socktober, collecting new socks for local shelters.

This is just a small sampling of the things all three K-5 schools do, here in Gorham, to foster kindness, compassion and respect.

### School Notes

Kindness Counts at Narragansett! It’s Socktober: Warm Feet, Warm Hearts. Narragansett is collecting new socks to donate to local shelters now through October 26. Students may bring new sock donations to the front lobby each morning and the community can bring donations to the main office during school hours. The goal is to collect 500 pairs of socks. To celebrate, Narragansett will have a Crazy Sock Day on October 25. Students are encouraged to join the fun by wearing their silliest socks to school.

The 2018 Madison Essay Contest is now open to all middle school age students in public, private or home schools. \$250 is awarded to the 1st place winner and \$100 each to the 2nd and 3rd place winners. Please email GorhamGOPcommittee@gmail.com to obtain an information packet which includes this year’s topic.

### Myths About Bullying

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Myth: Bullying is a normal part of childhood and you should just ignore it.

Myth: It is ok to hit someone who is bullying you, it will stop it.

Myth: Bullies are born this way, it’s in their genes.

Myth: Bullying only happens in schools.

Myth: You can spot a bully from the way they look and act.

Myth: Online bullying is just banter and harmless.

Myth: Cyberbullying doesn’t involve physical harm so what’s the harm?

Myth: Cyberbullying can only affect someone if they are online and have an account too.

Myth: It is not bullying if someone deletes the comment or post.

Myth: Reporting a bully will make things worse.

Myth: It is easy to spot the signs of bullying.

Myth: Children grow out of bullying.

Interested in learning more? Check out this great resource site <https://www.bullying.co.uk/general-advice/bullying-myths-and-facts/> from our neighbors across the ocean in the UK. Just shows how this issue is a global one, and one that involves the whole community to address.

### Great Falls Implements Bully Prevention Curriculum



Photo credit Jaime Tardif

In honor of National Bullying Prevention Month, Great Falls School is working hard to educate students on how to recognize, report, and refuse bully behavior, whether they witness it or are bullied themselves. Children learn best when they feel safe, respected, and cared for. In a continuing effort to create a safe and positive learning environment within the Great Falls school community, the school is implementing the Second Step Bullying Prevention curriculum school-wide throughout the month of October. This program is designed to help prevent bullying behavior and promote responsible, respectful student choices and actions. Students in grades K-2 are receiving this instruction during their social skills special with school guidance counselors Rachel Dunbar and Ellen Berry; students in grades 3-5 with assistant principal Stacey Sawyer and social worker Jaime Tardif. Great Falls is very excited to implement this program as they strive to eliminate bully behavior in their school environment and equip students with the necessary skills to be assertive, empathic, and responsible citizens. Students pictured above are holding signs that say “Be a Kid Against Bullying.”

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Superintendent Heather Perry’s October Blog Post, with a focus on bully prevention, is now available at: <https://gorham-superintendent.blogspot.com/>

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## Volunteers Needed CONTINUED FROM PAGE 7

ning orientations during the remainder of the year. Parent volunteers must also register each year on the school website for each child in the school system.

For specific questions, or for more information about the volunteer program, con-

tact [kelly.reed@gorhamschools.org](mailto:kelly.reed@gorhamschools.org) (grades K-5) or [tracey.bassingthwaite@gorhamschools.org](mailto:tracey.bassingthwaite@gorhamschools.org) (grades 6-12). To register, go to [https://www.gorhamschools.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\\_ID=456678&type=d&pREC\\_ID=990378](https://www.gorhamschools.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=456678&type=d&pREC_ID=990378).

## Fall Family Fun in Gorham CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

26-28. Activities include an autumn themed paint-and-sip night in the farm stand on Friday evening, and a weekend full of hayrides, pumpkin carving and contests, field games and farm crafts, and delicious treats. The stand is open daily 9 a.m.-6 p.m. through Halloween and on the weekends until Thanksgiving when it will begin selling Native Maine Christmas trees.

When you're done exploring the local markets and farms, take a hike through one of Gorham's many trails to view the transformation of leaves. The cornucopia of color and golden fields are a sight for any leaf peeping family. If you are looking for an easy walk through wetlands and forest, consider the Frazier Preserve, a popular spot for mountain bikers and walkers due to its location near the Gorham schools and USM.

If you are feeling adventurous and want something a little more difficult, consider the Frog Hollow Farm Preserve located at the end of Winslow Road off

of Route 237. The .8 mile out-and-back loop consists of peaceful meadows, forests, wetlands, and streams.

Enjoy some late season kayaking or canoeing at Shaw Park, which has numerous recreation facilities including a boat launch, picnic tables, and parking. South of the parking area at Shaw Park, walkers and bikers can follow the trail around "an old sand pit which was excavated by the former quarrying operations and then east to a pedestrian bridge above the Gambo Dam. Along the way there are visible remnants of the Cumberland and Oxford Canal and a submerged ruin of the Oriental Powder Mill," according to the Gorham trails website. For more information on all trails in the area, visit: [www.gorhamrec.com](http://www.gorhamrec.com), [www.prlt.org](http://www.prlt.org), or [www.gorhamconvention.org](http://www.gorhamconvention.org).

While this is just a sampling of Gorham businesses and upcoming activities, there are many more. Get out and explore what Gorham has to offer this fall.



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# Unified Flag Football Comes to Gorham

LISA BIRD

*Special Olympics Maine*

At the beginning of Gorham's varsity football season, Coach Hager told the team that he wanted to get them involved in volunteer work, so he was 100% on board with the idea of a unified flag football clinic on September 29. Plans were quickly made to start recruiting Special Olympic athletes. During the event, members of the football team treated the Special Olympic athletes to a huge breakfast and then everyone headed out to the field for warm ups, skills and drills, and three unified flag football games.

Unified sports bring together students who have intellectual disabilities or autism and students who do not have disabilities on the same playing field or court. They play on the same team, side-by-side, against other unified teams. The weather was incredible, the spirits were high, and the competition was fierce.

At the end of the event the Special Olympic athletes asked if they could come back the next day. Several of them also left the field chanting, "Let's go Rams. Let's go Rams" in support of one of their new favorite football teams. The football players also raved about the event and are hoping that this will now be something the team can participate in every year.

Special Olympics staff was incredibly impressed by the football boys com-



Photo credit Lisa Bird



menting, "They were incredibly helpful and encouraging with the athletes and everyone seemed to come away feeling really good about the event. The athletes had so much fun and learned several new warm ups and skills that will be helpful to them in their competitions. Many new friendships were made and we cannot thank the team enough for having us. A great group of boys and a great group of athletes."

The timing of the event was perfect because the Special Olympics flag football season is kicking off this month in Gorham at the Gorham Sports Center.

The Gorham High School football team recently hosted 45 Special Olympic Maine athletes at its first annual unified flag football clinic. GHS junior Jonah Bird (shown left with River Cummings) suggested unified flag football as he has been involved with Special Olympics and unified sports events for many years.

The Cumberland County Special Olympics program will be hosting several weeks of flag football starting on Saturday, October 26. Special Olympics Unified Basketball will kick off after the December break and Gorham will be participating for its second season.

For more information on Special Olympics or unified sports, please contact Special Olympics Maine at [www.somaine.org](http://www.somaine.org).

# Maine Marathon Results

COMPILED BY DESTINY COOK  
*Sports Editor*

The 27th Gorham Savings Bank Maine Marathon, Half Marathon and Marathon Relay was held on Sunday, September 30, in Portland's Back Bay. Throughout the race, runners had incredible views of the Portland skyline and Casco Bay. This race is USATF certified and an official Boston Marathon qualifying event. Ryan Dyer placed 50th in the Half Marathon and Dick Graves, at age 63, placed 101 in the Marathon. With almost 3,700 runners registered for the race, below are the times for the Gorham participants in the Marathon and Half Marathon:

### Half Marathon

- Ryan Dyer 1:26:22
- James Beardsley 1:40:22
- Timothy Zerillo 1:44:48
- Derek Bisson 1:45:46
- Jason Foster 1:47:55
- Shane Zerillo 1:48:51
- Hannah Whitten 1:49:30
- Kathy Hepner 1:49:38
- Julie Martin 1:50:47
- Julia Brown 1:51:30
- Katee Lausten 1:57:36
- Bruce Hepler 2:01:33
- Imani Clark 2:02:05
- Samantha Commeau 2:02:15
- Keith Orlando 2:02:55
- Karen Gaudette 2:03:10
- Hannah Monaco 2:03:13
- Douglas Popbee 2:06:56
- Charles Hartford 2:08:50

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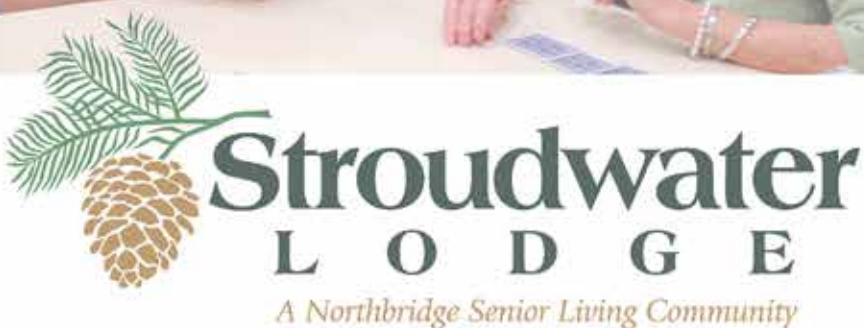


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# GHS Football Holds First Staff Appreciation Night

DESTINY COOK  
Sports Editor

At the “Staff Appreciation Night” game on September 28, Gorham High School varsity football players were encouraged to recognize a staff person who has made a positive impact on their high school career up to this point. Coach Sam Morrison said, “I learned about this when I coached in Virginia and it was a good way to show appreciation to a staff member as well as have them come see you play! I mentioned it to Coach Hager as well as the Administration and they kind of let me just run with it.”

The players picked a variety of staff, not necessarily picking a teacher or staff member they had, but choosing someone based on how that person made them feel. The staff members chosen wore the student’s jersey to school on game day and many attended the game that night to cheer the boys on.

Senior Jacob Benson chose his Mandarin 4 teacher, Bei Ju. She introduced him to the Chinese characters and taught him how to interact with a native speaker should he get the chance. Being in her class intrigued him to learn more about not only the language



Varsity football players pose with the staff who helped celebrate Staff Appreciation Night.

Photo credit Ryan Watts

but the culture of Chinese civilization, and he is now hoping to pursue an Asian Studies minor in college. According to Benson, Ju is just a positive person to be around.

Senior Nate Burchill picked Paula Suttle because even though she has never taught him she is always around in the hallways asking him how he is doing and making sure he is having a positive experience at school.

Senior Ethan Stump picked Neile Nelson because she is a teacher

that has taken the time to get to know him even though he has not had many classes with her. Nelson is always asking him about the season or how his offseason is going and is one of the biggest staff supporters.

Junior Joey Hansen picked Jessica Allen because he said she really made English class a fun and enjoyable experience for him.

Coach Morrison hopes this becomes an annual event for the players and staff.

## Marathon Results CONTINUED FROM PAGE 10

Samantha Grant 2:10:20  
Sean Williams 2:11:39  
Emily Deluca 2:16:03  
Matt McGillvray 2:17:22  
Ginger Reoch 2:19:46  
Alisha Smith 2:22:21  
Jeffery Mullin 2:22:28  
Eric Anderson 2:22:50  
Ashley Owens 3:09:43  
**Full Marathon**  
Michael Cushing 4:07:09  
Dick Graves 3:30:40  
Holly McCarthy 4:29:31  
Patricia Waters 3:50:54

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**4-H STEM Ambassadors will join Baxter Memorial Library in learning about the science of wild-life.** Activities will include "Be a Tooth Sleuth," Track, Scats and Signs" and more. Open to youth ages 9-13. Space is limited so sign up soon. Specific dates: 10/17, 10/24, 10/31, 11/7 and 11/14. FMI 222-1190

**The White Rock Friendship Club will hold an indoor yard sale** with baked goods to benefit its scholarship fund on Saturday, October 20, from 8 a.m.—1 p.m. White Rock Community Building, 34 Wilson Road.

**Cressey Road United Methodist Church will hold a Free Family Fall Festival on Saturday, October 20,** from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at 81 Cressey Rd. Games, music, bouncy house, pony rides, festive treats, ministry expo, hay rides and more. FMI cressseyroadumc@gmail.com or 839-3111.

**Martin-Place Farm will be open to the public on Saturday, October 20, from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. to celebrate fall.** Come out and play with baby calves, visit with 4-H, check out antique tractors, get your fall photo fix and play a round of corn hole. Pumpkins, local preserves and baked goods will be for sale to benefit the local 4-H group. FMI martinplacefarm@gmail.com.

**UCC at North Gorham will hold its last Bean Hole Bean Supper of the year on Saturday, October 20,** from 4:30-6 p.m. Serving authentic bean hole beans baked in the ground overnight, hot dogs, coleslaw, potato salads, homemade pies & brown bread. 4 Standish Neck Road Gorham. Come early to see the pit opened.

**Cressey Road United Methodist Church will host a Turkey Dinner on Saturday, October 20,** at 5:30 p.m. Proceeds supporting Vacation Bible School 2019. \$8 adults, \$6 kids 6-12, 5 & under free. 81 Cressey Road. FMI cressseyroadumc@gmail.com or 839-3111.

**The Gorham Lions will be meeting on Tuesday, October 23,** at the Old Elmwood School House on South Street (Rte. 114) at 6:30 p.m. New members always welcome. FMI, 929-9182.

**Baxter Memorial Library will be hosting National Food Day on Wednesday, October 24,** from 1-3 p.m. in the Children's room. Food Day is a day to celebrate local sustainable food. Learn to make butter and applesauce the old-fashioned way. Play "identify the vegetable" game and enjoy fresh local snacks. FMI 222-1190

**North Gorham Public Library will host a Meet the Town Council Candidates on Thursday, October 25,** at 7 p.m. Candidates will be available for your questions. Refreshments will be served. 2 Standish Neck Rd. FMI www.north-gorham.lib.me.us or 892-2575.

**Join USM for its annual SAAC Community Husky Halloween Party on October 28 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.** This event gives kids from the local community a safe environment to participate in many different Halloween-related activities including hayrides, the Husky Haunted House, bounce houses, face-painting, a costume parade, and more. Free for all children in grades five and under. For more information, contact Samantha Allen at Samantha.j.allen@maine.edu.

**North Gorham Public Library will hold a Trick or Treat event on Halloween, October 31,** from 5-8 p.m., 2 Standish Neck Rd. FMI libng@north-gorham.lib.me.us or 892-2575

**Artisan Fair on November 3** from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. at Moody's Collision Center, 200 Narragansett Street. Vintage, Treasure, Crafts, Art, Food and Fudge.

**West Gorham Union Church will hold a Bean supper on Saturday, November 3,** from 5-6 p.m. Ticket sales start at 4 p.m. Adults \$8/children under 12 \$3. Beans, BBQ hot dogs, clam casserole, chicken pie, mac and cheese, chop souy, coleslaw, salads, jello salads, homemade pies, coffee and punch. 190 Ossipee Trail/Route 25.

**White Rock Community Clubhouse will hold a Bean Supper on Saturday, November 3,** from 4:30-6 p.m. Homemade kidney and pea beans, hot dogs, coleslaw, potato salad, macaroni and cheese, homemade biscuits, as well as homemade pies for dessert. Adults: \$9/Children under 12: \$4. 34 Wilson Rd. FMI, whiterockcommunityclub@gmail.com

**Peter Allen, baritone; Bonnie Scarpelli, soprano; Paul Machlin, piano will perform "Sharing**

**Songs from the Heart" on Saturday, November 3, at 7 p.m., First Parish UCC on School Street.** Tickets available at the door: Adult \$15/Senior \$10/Student \$5 All proceeds benefit Safe Passage, a Maine non-profit which helps bring education and opportunity to children and families living in Guatemala City's garbage dump.

**Gorham's Tree Festival is back for a second year.** If your business would like to participate, place a decorated tree outside of your business by November 25 at 4 p.m. Members of the community will view during a Light Parade on that day and vote for a winner. FMI, cindy@greatfallsinc.com.

### SENIOR PROGRAMS

**Senior Meal Site will be held on Wednesdays at 12 p.m., St. Anne's Church,** 299 Main St. Cost is \$4. Volunteers are needed to assist in meal prep and clean up. FMI call 839-4857.

**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 last Wednesday of the month. FMI, David 892-9604; Thursday Table games at 10 a.m. and Friday Art Workshop at 9 a.m. FMI 892-0299.

**Lecky Brown Center:** Mondays at 1 p.m. "Remember When?" Historical items from Gorham's past and remembrances; Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. Knitting Group; Wednesdays at 10 a.m. the Originals; Thursdays at 2 p.m. Church Street Writers (2nd and 4th Thursdays each month); Fridays at 10 a.m. ARTrageous Seniors and 1:30 p.m. Tai Chi for Seniors. FMI: 839-6751 or firstparishoriginals@gmail.com

**The Gorham Medical Closet** located at the Municipal Center 75 South St is free and available to Gorham residents in need of portable wheelchairs, shower seats, commodes, walkers, canes and more. FMI 839-3859, 329-4976, 632-2178, 839-3494, 839-3630.

### USM NOTES

**Daniel Minter: OTHERED Exhibit will be on display at the USM Gorham campus Art Gallery, October 4—December 9.** FMI <https://usm.maine.edu/gallery/daniel-minter-exhibition-malaga-island-0>

**USM Department of Theatre presents Tartuffe by Moliere, October 19-28,** Tickets \$8-\$16. Russell Hall, 24 University Way, Gorham. To purchase tickets call the box office at 780-5151 or buy online through the USM Department of Theatre webpage.

### ON-GOING EVENTS

**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.

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

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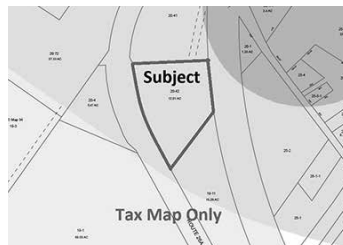


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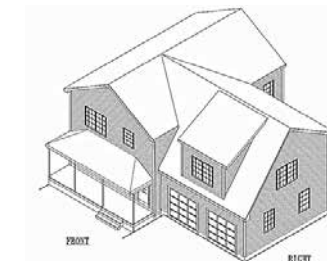
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Hay Field Drive caller reported man from Dingley Spring Road putting grass clippings on trail and spreading them out. Officer asked him to put clippings on own property or dispose of them at Public Works. Man agreed to do so.

Officer went to Patrick Drive for a domestic disturbance. Male was arrested for violating conditions of release and issued a warning for disorderly conduct.

Officer was not able to locate a McLellan Road man to serve him with court papers. Man was believed to be living in his car since leaving the house the previous day.

Sebago Lake Road man was worried that his wife would be arrested for allegations his wife's sister was making about personal property. He was advised this was a civil matter.

Gorham police received 16 calls in a three day period about IRS scam phone calls.

Mitchell Hill Road caller reported horses loose in road. One had gotten loose but was now back in paddock.

Porter woman who reported being harassed was referred to York County Sheriff's Office.

Terry Street woman filed a report alleging unknown person(s) had attempted to steal her identity. She had not suffered any financial loss nor fraudulent purchases. She was advised to monitor her credit report.

Caller reported a possible hit and run on South St. An unknown vehicle fled after striking a parked car. Driver's side mirror was hanging off the vehicle. Vehicle owner said this was old damage.

Officer responded to a disturbance on Elm St. Disturbance was verbal only and male packed up his property and left.

Solomon Drive caller wanted to report a suspicious vehicle in the area the previous night. No license plate was given. He was told to call back when the event is happening, not 12 hours later.

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### THURSDAY OCTOBER 18

- Baby Discovery Time (birth-18 mos), 9:30-9:50 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library
- Toddler Discovery Time (18-36 mos), 10-10:30 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library
- Sewing Club 2:30-4:30 p.m., Baxter Memorial Library

### SATURDAY OCTOBER 20

- Greater Gorham Farmers Market, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. South Street, Gorham
- Free Family Fall Festival, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Cressey Road United Methodist Church
- Martin-Place Farm Fall Festival, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Martin-Place Farm, Fort Hill Rd.
- Turkey Dinner, 5:30 p.m. Cressey Road United Methodist Church

### MONDAY OCTOBER 22

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

### TUESDAY OCTOBER 23

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

### WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 24

- National Food Day, 1:00-3:00 Baxter Memorial Library
- 4-H Wildlife Science sign-up, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Baxter Memorial Library

### THURSDAY OCTOBER 25

- Baby Discovery Time (birth-18 mos), 9:30-9:50 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library
- Toddler Discovery 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

### SATURDAY OCTOBER 27

- Greater Gorham Farmers Market, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. South Street, Gorham

### SUNDAY OCTOBER 28

- USM Community Halloween Party, 3-5:00 p.m. Costello Sports Complex

### MONDAY OCTOBER 29

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

### TUESDAY OCTOBER 30

- Halloween Parade, 9:30-10:15 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library
- Trick or Treat, 5-8 p.m., North Gorham Public Library

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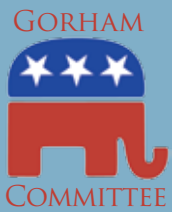
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