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## Town Considers New Industrial Park Option

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Staff Writer

The Town Council was expected to vote on a referendum proposal this week for \$4 million to purchase 141 acres from Matt Rines, brother of the late Bernard Rines, for whom the roundabout and bypass on Rt. 114 was named. This property abuts the current Industrial Park and is also accessed from Main St. near JP Noonan.

The current Industrial Park is almost 100% full but the Town needs to attract more businesses to ease the tax burden on residents. The taxes that homeowners pay do not cover the costs of our schools, public safety, public works, etc. The Town anticipates that TIF funds and the sale of lots in the park will pay for the \$4 million cost.

The Town has been negotiating plans for this project for several months. Town Manager Ephrem Paraschak “sees this project as having an enormous potential positive economic impact on the Town.”

## Gorham Police Chief Retires

SHERI FABER  
Staff Writer

Gorham Police Chief Dan Jones has announced his retirement. He has been the Chief in Gorham for the past four years and was previously the Deputy Chief in Kennebunk. He had also worked for the Sheriff's office in St. Lucie County in Florida. Jones plans to move back to Florida.

A retirement luncheon will be held at the Gorham Police Department at noon on September 6. Deputy Chief Christopher Sanborn has been appointed interim chief.

Town Manager Ephrem Paraschak said, “Dan Jones did a wonderful job during his tenure in Gorham. He helped the town through a period of unprecedented growth. He also engaged with the community and did a good job of running the day to day operation of the department.”

Jones said, “Gorham has been a great place to work. The Town government and community support are the best I've seen in my 30 year career.”

He also shared his belief that a police department is only as good as its con-



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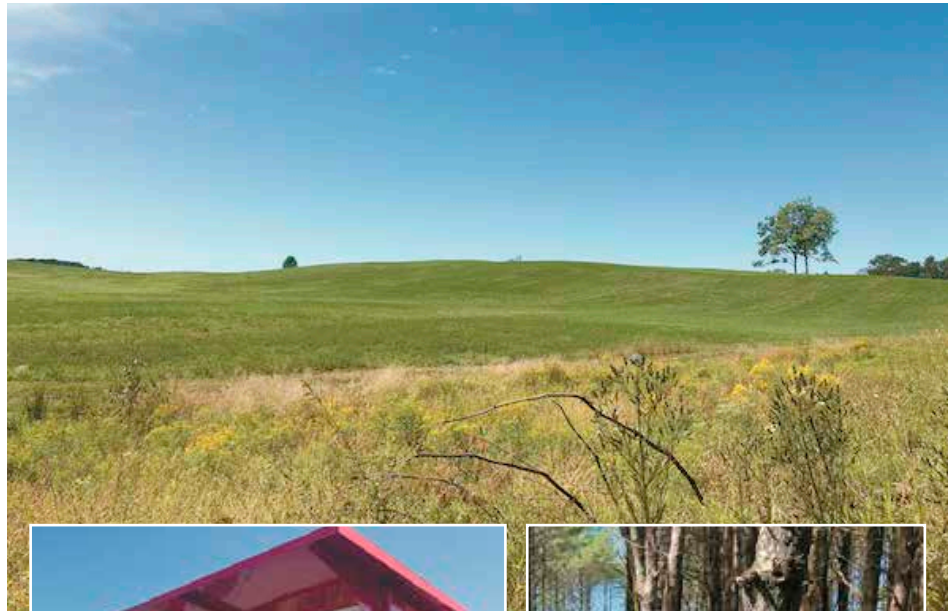


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A kiosk and signs point visitors to the numerous trails along Shaw Cherry Hill Farm. They will be open to the public once the town approves a proposed lease agreement.

Jon and Danny Shaw, owners of Shaw Brothers Construction and Shaw Brothers Family Foundation, a non-profit organization, have announced that their property on Lower Main St. (Rt. 25), now called Shaw Cherry Hill Farm, is ready to open to the public.

The foundation was established to support recreational, agricultural or other charitable causes; acquire and preserve farmland in the Town of Gorham and construct and maintain a community recreational park and trails for walking, riding, and snowmobiling; and to operate an educational farm and provide land for a future farm market to sell local foods.

The 258-acre parcel with nearly three miles of trails will open once an agreement is finalized with the Town of Gorham whereby the Town leases the property for \$1 a year in exchange for providing liability insurance. The foundation will maintain the property which includes plowing the roads and parking area.

This parcel was previously owned by ecomaine. The Shaw brothers purchased it in 2016 and have spent years preparing the land for public use, including mining gravel for the trails from an on-site quarry, clearing trees, and adding roads and bridges that will accommodate emergency vehicles.

The property includes a section of

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## Gorham Sightings



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# Mainers Deserve an Opportunity to Vote on Our Economic Future

SEN. LINDA SANBORN

During the last week of August, Gov. Janet Mills called the Legislature back in to vote on whether to send a modest package of four bonds that would have allowed Maine to make sensible investments in needed infrastructure — like roads and bridges, broadband, working waterfronts, wastewater treatment and more — to the voters for their approval. These bonds, which typically bring in more than a dollar in matching funds for every dollar invested and were supported by, among many others, the Maine State Chamber of Commerce, also would have helped grow our economy and strengthen our workforce.

The transportation bond, which funds important road and bridge maintenance projects and contributes to good-paying jobs in the construction industry, enjoyed broad bipartisan support. I don't need to tell you about the condition of our roads — you've driven on them, and you know how much work they need. I was proud to support this bond proposal, which the voters will have a chance to approve in November.

However, a minority caucus of Republican legislators denied the other three bond proposals the two-thirds majority they needed to move forward. This political stunt denies Maine voters the opportunity to have a say in our economic future, and will harm our economy.

One bond proposal would have

supported the Land for Maine's Future program, which helps protect our natural resources, and typically enjoys broad, bipartisan support. In Maine, our natural resources and our economy are inextricably linked — our great outdoors, parks system, working waterfronts and conserved lands bring in billions of dollars in revenue to small businesses in every corner of the state. This bond was supported by the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine and a number of other conservation organizations. Mainers should get to decide whether or not to support this program, but unfortunately, Republicans have denied them that opportunity.

Another bond proposal would have provided funding for career and technical education, high-speed internet access and National Guard facilities. These are critical investments for growing our economy and workforce, and something that leaders in both parties highlight as opportunities to move Maine forward. Unfortunately for us all, when given the chance to back up this talk with action, Republican legislators did not rise to the occasion. Instead, a small group of lawmakers denied Mainers the opportunity to vote on this proposal.

Another bond proposal that Republicans blocked would have helped Mainers make low-cost energy upgrades to reduce their dependence on heating oil. Maine is the most heating oil-dependent state in the country. The high, and often unpredictable, price of oil is a burden shouldered by working Mainers,

families, and taxpayers, who cover the cost of programs that help folks when they can't afford to heat their homes. The bond also would have helped communities invest in toxic sludge clean-up. This small investment from the state would have had a huge payoff. But Mainers have been denied a chance to have their say on this proposal.

This obstruction occurred under the guise of "fiscal responsibility," but this penny-wise, pound-foolish approach is nothing of the sort. At a time when interest rates are expected to remain low, and when Maine has under-invested in critical infrastructure and economic development for years, bonding is fiscally prudent.

At the very least, giving voters a say in these bonds makes sense. It's too bad that won't happen.

It is an honor to serve as your state senator. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact my office at (207) 287-1515 or email me at Linda.Sanborn@legislature.maine.gov.



Linda Sanborn is serving her first term in the Maine Senate, representing Senate District 30, which includes Gorham, part of Buxton, and part of Scarborough. She previously served four terms in the Maine House, and practiced family medicine in Gorham for 25 years. Senator Sanborn lives in Gorham with her husband, Jeff, a Gorham native. They have three adult sons and one granddaughter. (207) 287-1515, Linda.Sanborn@Legislature.Maine.gov.

## Around Town

Angelo's Pizza is now open at 474 Main Street.

Holistic Pathways is moving to 381 Main Street where they will be joining On Purpose WellBeing Center and linking with Theriault Chiropractic.

Georgia Humphrey, GoCat System Manager, received her Airman Certificate through the Federal Aviation Administration for remote pilot small unmanned aircraft systems (drones) which will enhance GoCAM video in community and government productions.

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## Public Trails Awaiting Town Approval CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

the former Cumberland and Oxford Canal that followed the Presumpscot River from Sebago Lake through the towns of Standish, Windham, Gorham, and Westbrook. The name Cherry Hill comes from a line of purebred cows raised by their ancestors, although Jon Shaw noted that cherry trees do grow on the property as well.

Shaw Cherry Hill Farm currently has eight trails. In warm weather, hiking, biking, and hand carrying canoes and kayaks to the river are permitted. Winter uses include skiing, snowshoeing, snowmobiling and sledding. Hunting, ATVs, alcohol, horses and fires are prohibited.

Approximately 100 acres have been cleared for use as hayfields in recognition of the Town's cultural roots. Portions of the property that are used for farming will be off limits to visitors unless the property is covered with snow. Shaw envisions adding more trails and perhaps working with the Town to flood a two-acre area for ice skating in the winter.

There are three commercial lots available for lease along Rt. 25. Sebago Brewing Company leases a 5.6 acres parcel for its headquarters, a brewery and a tasting room. In negotiating planned uses for this property, the Shaws required that the property along Rt. 25 be slated for commercial use only and that the businesses have an agricultural connection.

Over the years, there have been several different proposals for the property ranging from a gas plant to a 900-home development. The Shaw brothers are pleased that the property will be used for both farming and recreation.

Shaw has been contacted recently by several local organizations who are interested in using the trails and surrounding farmland. He is hopeful that he can meet their requests soon.

Chairman Ben Hartwell said, "I supported this project from the time it was a mere concept and am more than happy to see it through." Further discussion was planned at the Town Council meeting this week.

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# McClellan House Gets A Historic Rescue

EDMUND RICKER  
Staff Writer

The McClellan House at 77 South Street, believed to have been built in 1803 for James McLellan, a descendent of the McLellan family who settled in Gorham 278 years ago, has undergone quite a transformation since it was purchased in 2016 by Dr. Cory Murray and his business partner, Dr. Benjamin Lamarche.

Murray said, "shortly after we purchased the building, a pipe burst and intensified the need for renovations. We tore it back to the studs. We removed all the siding. All of the original structure was preserved and reinforced as necessary with two by fours and other structural support. Every sill was rotten, and the foundation was crumbling, so we lifted the house and built a new foundation."

In trying to keep with the historical significance of the original house, they decided to leave the hand-hewn beams exposed and sheetrock around them. They also incorporated exposed brick so it fit with the time period.

Prior to the purchase by Murray and Lamarche, the Town of Gorham leased McClellan House to Presumpscot Regional Land Trust (PRLT) for more than a decade at no cost. Mike Parker of PRLT said, "In 2014 it became apparent to both the Town of Gorham and PRLT that McClellan House would require an investment that was beyond what either could provide. Parker went on to say, "PRLT and David Cole (former Town Manager) met with Christopher Closs of Maine Preservation, who recommended federal and state historic preservation tax credits as the best means of funding the extensive repairs."

According to Parker, this required that the building be sold. "The Town Council was persuaded to put McClellan House on the market with the stipulation that it be renovated using historical preservation standards. On the second round of per-



Photos courtesy of Cory Murray

Extensive renovations were done to the McClellan House over the past several years.

spective buyers, dentists Murray and Lamarche, who had previously renovated a historic building in Porter, demonstrated a plan that the council found acceptable," he shared.

McClellan House currently houses Murray and Lamarche's business, Gorham Village Dental, and features four patient treatment rooms. A third

dentist, Dr. Franchesca Rolshud, recently joined the practice.

Parker noted, "It is a credit to the land trust for finding a means to rescue the building, the council for deciding to sell it for such a purpose, and Gorham Village Dental for investing the resources and vision to complete the project."



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## Back in the Day



Photo courtesy of GHS 1945 Yearbook

CHRIS CRAWFORD  
Staff Writer

Like many old buildings in town, after the McLellan House was no longer a private family home, it served the town in a variety of different ways over the years because of its central location. In recent times, it functioned as the School Department headquarters for a period of time, the offices of the Gorham Land Trust (now the Presumpscot Regional Land Trust) and the offices of the Gorham Times newspaper.

The following information about its history was gleaned from the Gorham High School 1945 Yearbook, when the building, which was then called the Sampson House, was used for teaching Home Economics. On the first floor, a sewing room housed two electric sewing machines and one treadle machine, two sewing tables, a filing cabinet, a full-length mirror and a clothes closet. There was a living room and dining room, and a large, up-to-date kitchen equipped with an electric stove and refrigerator, a coal range, four kitchen cabinets, two large porcelain sinks, an electric mixer, and other basic kitchen items.

According to the yearbook, 32 girls were enrolled in the Home Economics classes where they learned, "the principles of homemaking and gracious living" through subjects such as Elementary and Advanced Clothing and Textiles; Food and Nutrition; Food Processing; Child Care; Family Relationships; Personality Development; First-Aid and Home Care of the Sick; and Interior Decorating.

While the girls were busy in Home Ec, the boys were busy learning how to use and repair farm equipment and animal husbandry skills.

Thanks to Wilma Gould Johnson, for sharing her mother's yearbook. If anyone has more information about the history of the McLellan/Sampson house, please contact the Gorham Times [www.gorhamtimes.com](http://www.gorhamtimes.com) or Wilma Gould Johnson [iam-wilma@comcast.net](mailto:iam-wilma@comcast.net)

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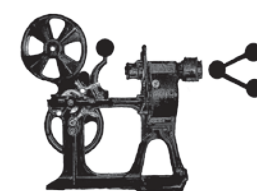


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# Leaving Your Job? What Happens To Your 401(k)?

ED DOYLE

If you are in the early stages of your working life – or even in the not-so-early ones – the chances are pretty good that you will change jobs at some point. When that happens, you will probably leave a few things behind – but will one of them be your 401(k)?

Of course, you would not really forget about your 401(k). It does happen, however – over the period from 2004 through 2013, more than 25 million people left at least one 401(k) or similar plan behind when they left their job, according to the U.S. Government Accountability Office. But you will have to do something with your account.

Essentially, you have four choices:

- You can cash out your 401(k). It is your money, but if you take it out before you reach 59½, you will owe federal income taxes, plus any applicable state and local taxes. Also, you will likely be charged a 10% penalty for early withdrawal. More importantly, if you liquidate your 401(k) when you change jobs, you will be reducing the amount you will have left for retirement.

- You can leave your 401(k) with your old employer. If your former

employer permits it, you can leave your 401(k) intact, even after you move to a different job. This might be appealing to you if you like the investment choices in your account, but you will not be able to make any new contributions. Plus, you will not face any immediate tax consequences.

- You can move the money to your new employer's 401(k). You can consolidate your old 401(k) with one offered by your new employer, if allowed. You will not take a tax hit, and you might like your new plan's investment options. And you may find it easier to manage your funds if they are all held in one place.

- You can roll your 401(k) into an IRA. You do not need the permission from any employer – old or new – to move your old 401(k) to

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Ed Doyle operates the Gorham branch office of Edward Jones. He is experienced in all aspects of financial planning, retirement income planning, tax-advantaged education savings plans. This article

was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

# What's New at the Library?



Young children take advantage of a new play area at Baxter Library.

Photo credit Leslie Dupuis

## BAXTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY STAFF

If you haven't been to the Baxter Memorial Library lately, you should stop by for a visit. The library was recently designated as a national Family Place Library. This designation means that the library has demonstrated a strong commitment to becoming a community center for early literacy and learning, early childhood development, parent education, and community-based information.

Director James Rathbun, and Youth Services Librarian, Heidi Whelan, attended a four-day intensive series of

workshops in New York to learn how to better serve children age birth to five and their families. They attended classes on early literacy, infant brain development, parent education, space design, community partnerships, and more.

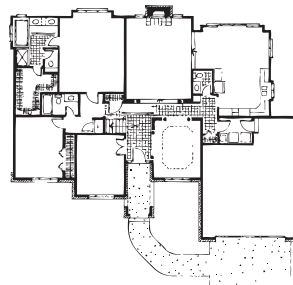
One of the most interesting take-aways for the librarians was scientific evidence indicating that "for children to reach their full potential, communities need to support the capacity of all families to provide a variety of stimulating and appropriate experiences in the earliest years, when a child's brain is optimally programmed to benefit from specific types of experiences, and then build on that sturdy brain foundation through continuous exposures to high quality, age-appropriate experiences throughout the later school-age years," according to the National Scientific Council on the Developing Child.

With their new knowledge and a helpful funding grant, they have reorganized the library space, improved the dramatic play area, planned fun "Play-to-Learn" Workshops, and added an evening Family Discovery Time for all ages to the library's schedule of events.

The Youth Services department will continue to offer favorite programs such as: Harry Potter Night, Read to a Dog, Sewing Club, Discovery Times, Lego Club, Polar Express, School Early Release programs, and our series of February and April Vacation Programming. Stay tuned for more exciting changes and additions to Baxter Memorial Library.

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## Full-Time Economic Development Director to Provide More Support

*Courtesy of Town of Gorham*

The Town Council will be moving forward with a full-time Economic Development Director. The full time position is to be offered to Tom Ellsworth, who is currently performing the job in a part-time capacity. The position will report to Tom Poirier, Director of Community Development, as outlined in the Town Manager's budget.

The Board will continue to have the ability to provide direction for this position and the overall economic development goals for Gorham. No changes are proposed in how the Economic Development Director and the Gorham Economic Development Corporation (GEDC) currently interact but Town staff would greatly appreciate input from the GEDC on what additional tools/resources the

group feels would be beneficial for the full-time position and what economic development activities need more attention from a full-time position. Ellsworth will have an office and meeting space at the Municipal Center and will have regular office hours of a typical Town Department.

The Town staff sees the full-time position providing better support for all the economic development efforts currently underway by the GEDC and the Town such as: Gorham Village Alliance, promoting availability of the Narragansett Development District parcels, reaching out to assist current industrial/commercial businesses currently in Gorham, helping develop and promote the next industrial park (MP Rines Parcel), and promote Gorham's Economic Development activities on a local and regional level.

### Financial Focus CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4

an IRA. Your money will continue to grow on a tax-deferred basis, and an IRA offers you a virtually unlimited array of investment options – stocks, bonds, mutual funds and so on. You can make either a direct or indirect rollover. With a direct rollover, the administrator of your old 401(k) sends your money directly to the financial provider that holds your rollover IRA. No tax is withheld because you never actually take possession of the money. With an indirect rollover, you are technically withdrawing the money and moving it to the IRA provider yourself. You have 60 days to make this transfer. You will face a withholding

of 20% of your account's assets, but you may be able to recover most of this amount when you file your tax return. Still, for the sake of ease of movement and avoidance of all tax issues, a direct rollover may be more advantageous.

Which is the best option? There is no one "right" answer for everyone. You will have to consider several factors and you will certainly want to consult your tax professional before making any decision. Do whatever you can to preserve – and hopefully grow – your 401(k) assets. These resources will help fund the retirement lifestyle you want and deserve.

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## Town Council Amends Marijuana Cultivation Ordinance

DIANE ABRAMSON  
Staff Writer

The Gorham Town Council amended Chapter 2: Section 2-17 – Adult-Use Marijuana Cultivation for Personal Use at its August 6 meeting.

The purpose of the chapter is to "regulate personal cultivation of marijuana for the grower's use on the property where the growers' residence is located." The ordinance prohibits individuals who do not live at the residence from cultivating marijuana, the sale of "adult-use" marijuana, and the cultivation of marijuana for commercial purposes.

By designation of the ordinance, an authorized grower is defined as "a person twenty-one years of age or older who resides on the lot where the adult-use marijuana is being cultivated in compliance with state law."

Cultivation indoors requires a structure that can be locked and outdoor cultivation requires that plants be located within a fenced-in area, where the fence is at least six feet in height and can be locked. Cultivation areas should be set back at least 50 feet from the property line and should not be visible from outside the residence.

Growers are allowed a maximum of three mature plants and twelve immature plants in an area of 50 square feet.

Amendments made to the ordi-

nance by the Town Council on August 6 include the additional standard that "the odor generated from marijuana cultivation or harvesting at the subject property shall not be reasonably detected from any adjacent lot or public right-of-way." Additionally, the initial permit for cultivation shall be valid for six months, not one year, and may be renewed annually for a one-year duration thereafter.

According to Ben Hartwell, Chairman of the Town Council, "home rule authority is a power granted to us by the State, but the State has the power to preempt our powers and that is exactly what they've done with recreational marijuana use. They have left us some room to regulate the use of marijuana in municipalities and that is exactly what this order did. So we really didn't pass this to allow the use, that has already been done at the State level and we can't stop it. This order allows us to regulate what we can."

Cultivation permit applications and extensions can be obtained at the Town Hall, however, Code Enforcement Officers will be tasked with ensuring that violations of the ordinance, including odors drifting over to a neighbor's property, are not being broken. Any violation or infraction could lead to the revocation of the permit, fines, and penalties.

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nection to the community; a big part of that is the school system. "Communities around the state are envious of the relationship between the Gorham Police Department and the Gorham School Department."

He said the men and women of the police department are hard working and committed to keeping Gorham safe, saying they deserve all the credit for any successes the department has achieved over the last four years.

"I feel it is time for me to retire from law enforcement. I always thought it would be a difficult decision to leave a profession I was called to so many years ago, but it was not. The Town of Gorham has been a great place to work and live; leaving here will be the only difficult part. The citizens, Town employees and members of the Gorham Police Department have all

been amazing," he added.

Reflecting on his decision, he noted three statistics that had more relevance to him with each passing year: Life expectancy in the U.S. is 76. If you make it to retirement age, your life expectancy grows to 85 unless you retire from law enforcement; a retired police officer only lives until 66 on average. A study of the general population revealed that people who retire at 55 live until they are 85, but people who retire at 65 live until they are 67.

He said, "Statistics are just statistics until they hit home. Two years ago, my best friend died of a massive heart attack at the age of 49. His death was attributed to stress brought on by the demands of his law enforcement career. Pooch's death affected me greatly. Their passing before they could enjoy retirement was a wake-up call for me."

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# Gorham Founders Festival Returns in 2020

KATHY CORBETT  
Staff Writer

Plans are underway for a Gorham Founders Festival to be held in 2020 that will coincide with the bicentennial celebration of Maine becoming a state. Traditionally an annual event, the festival last took place in 2015 after which the Town Council decided to set aside \$5000 each year to be used for a celebration in 2020.

Councilor Suzanne Phillips is organizing a committee to plan what she hopes will be a community-wide event to be held on two days, one in the spring and another in the fall. "Although a committee met once a few years ago," she said, "this time we will develop a comprehensive plan to involve many residents, businesses, and organizations in the festival and we will have some money to promote it."

Phillips envisions activities happening all over Gorham on each of the two festival days, with each location organizing its own event. These would be self-funded and the participating groups would keep any proceeds. There could also be a town-wide event, such as a float parade, that would tie the festival to the Maine Bicentennial.

The \$25,000 earmarked for the project from the the Town of Gorham would be used for festival publicity and coordination. "There may be some state matching funds available for a Maine Bicentennial component too," Phillips said.

The festival is in the preliminary planning stage. Phillis is asking people who would be interested in joining the committee to contact her at sphillips@gorham.me.us or 207-892-9847. The first meeting will be in mid-September.

# Beware of New Scams

Courtesy of Cumberland County Sheriff's Office

The Cumberland County Sheriff's Office has seen an increase in phone scams occurring throughout Cumberland County. A common scam that is becoming more frequent is a caller impersonating a police officer claiming that the victim failed to appear for grand jury or other court proceedings. The victim is then told that if he/she does not send a money order or gift card(s) to a certain address they will be arrested. Police Officers will NEVER call requesting an individual pay off court commitments with money orders or gift card(s).

A second scam that is becoming more common is predicated on Medicare. The scammer does research on their intended "targets" and then calls the victim. The scammer typically knows a great deal about the victim and then mentions that they have overpaid on their Medicare service. The scammer advises the victim that they want to

reimburse them and requests a bank account number so the scammer can deposit a check.

There is a follow up call later, usually by a female, who is crying and claims that she made a mistake and put too much money back into the victim's bank account. The scammer pleads for assistance as they have kids and they will likely be fired if they don't get the alleged "over payment" resolved. The scammer then requests that the victim send a check for the alleged difference, which is generally a large amount, to a fictitious address. Once the money or check is mailed by the victim then the money is gone and typically not retrievable. Any alleged checks mailed by the scammer to the victim directly, a bank, or allegedly direct deposited into the bank is a worthless check.

Everyone is encouraged to slow down, and verify any unsolicited requests for money, credit card numbers, social security numbers or gift cards.

# Arrests-May

Standish woman, 42, was arrested for OUI.

Windham man, 50, was held for another agency.

Waterboro woman, 38, was arrested for violating conditions of release.

Windham man, 25, was arrested for OUI.

Clay Road man, 40, was arrested for violating a protective order and refusing to submit to arrest.

Westbrook woman, 27, was arrested for violating conditions of release, operating a vehicle while license was suspended/revoked and violating probation/parole.

State Street woman, 41, was arrested for domestic violence assault and violating conditions of release.

Scarborough man, 19, was arrested for being a minor consuming liquor.

Hodgdon Road man, 38, was arrested for operating while license was suspended and for violating conditions of release.

Tink Drive man, 36, was arrested for unlawful possession of oxycodone (priors), and unlawful possession of fentanyl powder (priors).

Buxton woman, 57, was arrested for failure to pay a fine (6 counts), theft by unauthorized taking, OUI, criminal mischief, unlawful possession of fentanyl (priors), operating a vehicle after habitual offender revocation.

Van Vliet Drive woman, 32, was arrested for violating conditions of release.

Spiller Road man, 33, was arrested for domestic violence assault and assault.


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# Saying Goodbye to Another Longtime Staff Member

COMPILED BY ANDREA MORRELL  
School News Editor

In addition to the retiring staff we published in the July 25 issue, Paula Balcom announced her intention to retire in July.

Balcom retired from Village Elementary School after teaching 34 years in Gorham. She started teaching art “a la Cart” in 1985, teaching a total of 953 students between all four Gorham elementary schools: Village, Narragansett, White Rock, and Little Falls. Eventually, she settled down at Village with 475 students.

She graduated from Rhode Island School of Design (RISD), with a double major in illustration and art education. She did graduate work at RISD and the New School (NYC), and earned her M.Ed. from the University of New England.

After graduating from RISD, Paula taught three years in South Attleborough, MA, before returning to her beloved Maine. She taught art for nine years in Gardiner, grades 7-12; and taught one year in MSAD #6 before coming to Gorham.

She was very active on the Board of the Maine Art Education Association for many years, and she mentored nine student teacher/

interns during her career.

With a total of over 47 years in K-12 art education, Balcom has taught over 8,000 students and “loved almost every minute of it.”

Balcom has greatly appreciated the privilege of teaching in Gorham, because she felt it was an excellent school system in a wonderful community with fantastic kids, caring parents, and supportive staff.

She has especially loved teaching multiple generations of her students; teaching art to both children and their parents. She looks forward to continuing working with the kids and staff through subbing (at Village and K-12 art) and volunteering.

This summer, she spent a lot of her time cleaning out the art room so now rest and relaxation is next on her list of “things to do” and “no looking at the clock.” Her little dachshund, Tobi, says he is very happy that she is retiring.



Photo credit Dan Rubinoff

# New Principal Hired for Gorham Middle School

COMPILED BY ANDREA MORRELL  
School News Editor

The Gorham School Department is pleased to announce the hiring of Quinton Donahue as the principal at Gorham Middle School (GMS). Donahue most recently served as the principal at Mount View Middle School in Thorndike, Maine, where he has been since 2014.

Donahue came into school administration after ten years of service as a high school math teacher at Hampden Academy (RSU 22). During his time in Hampden he served as the chair of the faculty council and the math department chair.

He holds a Masters degree in educational leadership from the University of Maine at Orono (UMO) and will be finishing his Ph.D. in educational leadership from UMO later this fall. His dissertation is focused on the integration of higher-order thinking in middle-level and secondary-level schools. His undergraduate work resulted in a B.S. degree in secondary math education, also from UMO.

Donahue reportedly stood out during the hiring process which included an application review, initial interview, a presentation in front of students, parents, and staff at GMS, a second round

interview with the hiring committee and then a final interview with assistant superintendent Chris Record and superintendent Heather Perry before finally being approved by the Gorham School Committee on May 22, 2019 by a unanimous vote.



Photo courtesy of Jessica Donahue

“The Gorham School district has a strong history of student achievement and success both in and out of the classroom,” said Donahue. “Upon reviewing the district’s vision and core values, I saw a strong match with my own beliefs and philosophy of education.”

“We believe that Quinton is uniquely poised to lead GMS now and well into the future. While at Mt. View MS, he created a fully modernized advisory program for students, brought in rich after school activities, and worked diligently to mold a positive school climate within which all staff can work, and all students can learn,” said Perry.

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# Who's Ready to go Back to School?

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1. Cameron Walbridge (grade 9), Gorham High School *Photo Credit Susan Moore*

2. Jayne Rowles (grade 3), Narragansett *Photo Credit Leisha Rowles*

3. Eleanor Cole (Kindergarten), Great Falls *Photo Credit Lindsey Cole*

4. Marin (grade 9) and Stephen Graham (grade 11), both at Gorham High School *Photo Credit Katie Ward*

5. Ava (grade 3) and Christopher Scott (grade 2), Narragansett *Photo Credit Kelley Scott*

6. Sara Brawn (grade 5), and Mrs. Fotter (vice principal at Village), wore closely matching dresses the first day

7. Reid Minichiello (grade 2) and Milo Saucier (grade 5), Village *Photo Credit Jason Saucier*

8. Quinn (grade 2) and Braeden McAdams (grade 1), Great Falls *Photo Credit Haley McAdams*

9. Evelyn Rodstrom (Kindergarten), Great Falls *Photo Credit Emily Rodstrom*

10. Nolan (grade 3) and Kylie Delaney (grade 1), Village *Photo Credit Laurie Delaney*

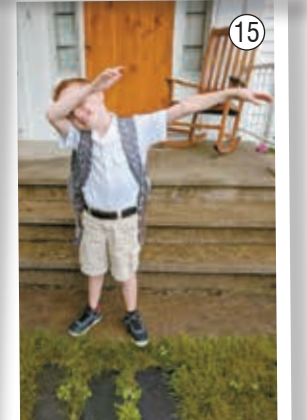
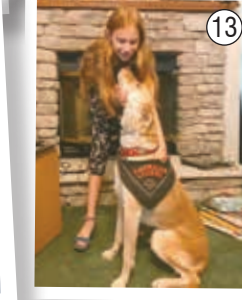
11. Kaleb (grade 3) and Adelyn Dyer (Kindergarten), Narragansett *Photo Courtesy of Dyer Family*

12. Brian Woods with his three children on the first day: Dominic (age 9, grade 4), Luke (age 6, first grade), and Nina (age 4, preschool), Narragansett. *Photo Credit Bethany Woods*

13. Rose Wandell (grade 6) with dog Duke, Narragansett *Photo Courtesy of Wandell Family*

14. Eva Wandell (grade 5) with dog Duke, Narragansett *Photo Courtesy of Wandell Family*

15. Atticus Wells (grade 2), Great Falls *Photo Credit Merrilee Warholak*



**Have a Great Year Everyone!**

16. Sophie Maclsaac (grade 4) with her little sister, Arloe, Village *Photo Courtesy of Maclsaac Family*

17. Cousins Luke Woods (grade 1) and Adelyn (Kindergarten) and Kaleb Dyer (grade 3), walking into Narragansett *Photo Courtesy of Dyer Family*



# New Faces in the Classrooms of Gorham Schools

ANDREA MORRELL  
School News Editor

The Gorham School Department has approved and welcomed its new staff for the upcoming 2019/20 school year. If you see them around our schools, make sure to stop and say hello.

**Melissa Bryant** is a first-grade teacher at Great Falls Elementary School (Great Falls), replacing Michelle Lesperance, who retired. She has a B.A. in psychology from the University of Southern Maine (USM).

**Jessica Romanoff Burton** is a .2 (one day/week) art teacher at Great Falls, replacing Pat Kaczmarek, who resigned this summer. She has a B.A. of fine arts and a M.S. in clinical mental health counseling from USM.

**Quinton Donahue** is principal of Gorham Middle School (GMS) (see article on page 7), replacing Bob Riley, who retired. He has a B.S. in secondary math education, and a M.S. and Ph.D. in educational leadership, both from the University of Maine at Orono (UMO).

**Richard Dowe** is the library/media specialist at Great Falls, replacing Meghan Oliver, who resigned to take another position out of state. He has a B.S. in Russian studies and a M.S. in library and information studies both from McGill University.

**Sharon Hamann** is a fifth-grade teacher at Great Falls, replacing Jessica Groleau, who resigned at the end of the school year. She has a B.A. in psychology/PE in outdoor education.

**Sarah Heald** is a 4/5 grade teacher in a new position at Narragansett School. She has a B.S. in elementary education from UMO.

**Kaitlin Flanders** is a third-grade teacher at Village Elementary School, replacing Lois Bywaters who took the art position vacated by Paula Balcolm's retirement (see article page 7). She has a B.S. in education from the University of Maine at Farmington (UMF) and a M.Ed. in education from USM.

**Rosemarie Lawrence** is a band teacher at GMS, replacing Kim Mathieu, who resigned mid-year. She has a B.A. in music education from USM.

**Colin Loveless** is a 4/5 health/PE teacher at Gorham High School (GHS) in a new position. He received a B.S. in physical education from Saint Joseph's College of Maine.

**Shellie Pride** is the adult education director, replacing Kate Rotroff. She has a B.S. in applied technology and masters in adult and higher education, both from USM.

**Stephanie Ramonas** is a special education teacher in the behavior program at GHS, replacing Jen McPherson, who moved into a resource room at GHS. She has a B.S. in sociology from Concordia University.

**Eteri Schvets** is a French teacher at GHS, replacing Marc Paradis, who resigned at the end of the school year. She has a B.A. in English and French literatures from the University of California, San Diego and a Ph.D. in French literature from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

**Jessica Shaw** is a resource room teacher at GMS, replacing Kellie Battaglia. She has a B.S. in psychology from UMF and a M.S. in special education from USM.

**Elizabeth Snyder** is a physics/intervention teacher at GHS, replacing Terri Bartick who resigned at the end of the school year. She has a B.S. in health, wellness, and occupational studies from the University of New England (UNE) and a M.Ed. in education, ETEP program, from USM.

**Amy Spagnoli** is a resource room teacher at GMS, replacing Linda Townsend. She received a B.A. in psychology and a masters in elementary/special education from Rutgers University.

**Rebecca Thibeault** is a fifth-grade teacher at Village, replacing retiring teachers Anne Stuart and Susan Adams-Thompson. She has a B.S. in elementary education from UNE.

**Nicole Wiesendanger** is a 4/5 social studies teacher in a one-year position at GHS, replacing Shaunna Dunn, who is taking a one-year unpaid leave of absence. She has a B.A. in history and a masters in American and New England Studies, both from USM, and a M.Ed. from St. Joe's.

**Marie Whitney** is a third-grade teacher at Great Falls in a new position. She has a B.A. in communication from Keene State College and a M.Ed. in education and completed the ETEP program at USM.

## New GMS Principal CONTINUED FROM PAGE 7

"His references describe him as an outstanding principal; someone who works tirelessly to create positive learning climates and support students achieving their personal best in all that they do," said Perry. "He is further described as someone who listens, is compassionate, approachable, and visible."

Donahue says he is most looking forward to meeting the students, supporting the teachers, and connecting with families. "I look forward to challenging everyone at GMS to accomplish great things."

He recently moved to Windham with his wife Jessica. They enjoy spending time outside and hiking and camping with their two dogs.

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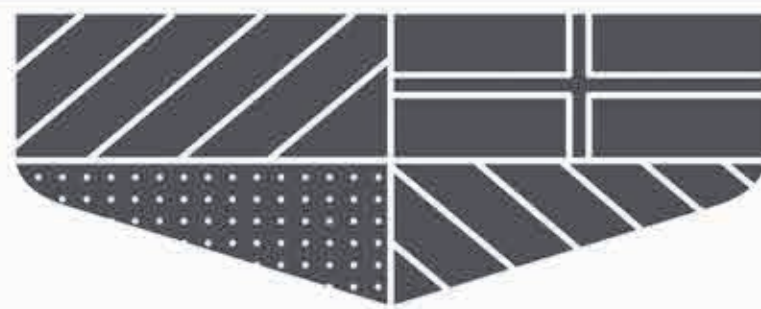
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**The Baxter Memorial Library** falls into Autumn with a full slate of activities for all ages, including special Discovery Times for babies, pre-school age, toddlers, and even whole families. All of these Discovery Story times are designed to introduce children to books and libraries in a positive and enjoyable way. They use stories, music, and movement to present and enhance early literacy skills and foster a love of reading, and offer three different age-specific programs and one all-ages program each week. Also included this month is a Lego Club, a Book Club, and a special time to help you create a Memory Journal for anything ranging from a summer vacation to a life achievement. Story times are not held during regular Gorham school vacations and holidays, or when they are closed due to inclement weather.

**Beginning in September, the Gorham Food Pantry will open one hour later on Thursday mornings.** New hours will be 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Thursday mornings, and 6-7 p.m. on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month as before. Please email [director@gorhamfoodpantry.org](mailto:director@gorhamfoodpantry.org) or call 222-4351 with any questions.

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**The Gorham Garden Club will be hosting a plant and bake sale on Saturday, September 7,** from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m at 71 South Street, next to Baxter Library. Come check out the beautiful perennials, gently used garden items and the delicious baked goods.

**The Gorham Lions Club** is a group of civic-minded men and women who have banded together to do the things they cannot do alone. It is one of 44,700 Lions Clubs actively serving their communities in 186 countries and geographical areas of the world. The next meeting of our local club is at the Public Works Cafeteria off Huston Road on September 10 at 6:30 p.m. Regular dinner meetings are the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. New members always welcome. FMI, 929-9182.

**Join the Presumpscot Regional Land Trust for a celebration of conservation at its Annual Meeting on Sunday, September 15,** from 5-7:00 p.m. at Randall Orchards in Standish. Arrive early and enjoy apple picking. A trail walk for the Randall Orchards (Phase 2) trail opening will begin at 5 p.m. Social hour will begin at 6 p.m. with appetizers and fresh cider followed by a slideshow presentation of highlights from the year along with annual meeting elections. Randall Orchards is owned by the Randall family and the Presumpscot Regional Land Trust holds a 500-acre conservation and agricultural easement on the orchard and surrounding forest. This event is free, but registration is required at <https://www.prlt.org/event-sign-up-annualmtg> due to limited space.

**A Family Fun DOG 'Pawrade,' a benefit dog parade for Gorham Elementary Schools, will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, September 21,** at Cressey Road United Methodist Church, 81 Cressey Rd. Donation \$10 per dog; spectators free. Dog & Handler Costumes also welcome. Preregistration is required at [CresseyRdUmc.Org](http://CresseyRdUmc.Org). FMI, 839-3111.

### TOWN OF GORHAM BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF MEETING SEPTEMBER 19, 2019

The Gorham Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 6:30 pm in the Burleigh H. Loveitt Council Chambers at the Gorham Municipal Center, 75 South Street, Gorham to consider the following:

Acceptance of the September 20, 2018 meeting minutes as printed and distributed.

Election of a New Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for the Board of Appeals.

**Appeal #19-01** Enlargement of a Non-Conforming Use or Structure. Joseph Wyman, property owner and petitioner of Wyman's Auto is seeking to enlarge a Non-Conforming Use located at 201 New Portland Road (Map 28 Lot 10). The subject property is located in the Suburban Residential Zone District.

### PUBLIC SUPPERS

**The West Gorham Union Church will hold a public supper on Saturday, September 7,** at 5 p.m. Tickets go on sale at 4 p.m. Beans, BBQ hot dogs, chicken pie, American chop suey, casseroles, salads, delicious homemade pies, coffee and punch. Adults \$8, Children under 12/\$3. Route 25 at 190 Ossipee Trail.

**First Parish Church, 1 Church Street, will hold a Chicken Pie Supper on Saturday, September 14,** from 5-6:30 p.m. \$10 adults/ \$5 children under 12. FMI 839-6751.

### SENIOR PROGRAMS

**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, Sue Chesler-Doherty, 272-3095; 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 Workshops at 9 a.m. FMI 892-0299.

### USM NOTES

**The University of Southern Maine's Art Department and Galleries will kick off their Fall 2019 season on Tuesday, September 3,** with an exhibition of work by visiting artist Joseph Lupo. In his show "Deconstructed Invincible Iron Man," at USM's AREA Gallery on the Portland Campus. The USM Art Galleries host exhibitions in Gorham and Portland showcasing multidisciplinary student projects in a range of media, as well as curated themes with socially engaged public programming that underscore USM's broadly inclusive mission. The USM Visiting Artist Series is sponsored in part by the Warren Memorial Foundation, continuing their multiple generous gifts to support the arts at USM for the 2019-2020 season. All exhibitions and events hosted by the USM Art Department and Galleries are free and open to the public. To learn more about 2019-2020 exhibitions and programs, visit the <https://usm.maine.edu/gallery>.

**Gorham is a college town, and with the new semester comes many new opportunities for the general public.** The Department of Athletics begins a full season of golf, field hockey, women's tennis and volleyball, men's soccer, and more. The Department of Theatre presents "Fortune," a quirky romantic comedy about finding love, whether it's in the cards (or not!). This production, featuring USM theatre students, was part of Deertrees Theatre's 83rd Summer Season and transfers to USM Russell Hall to the new season. Close to Gorham, the Southworth Planetarium continues its daily shows, and the Summer Book Arts Workshop culminates in an exhibition of student books.

**Save the date: Saturday, October 5, to join the whole USM and Gorham Community on the green in front of historic Corthell Hall for the 17th Annual Old-Fashioned Band Concert** conducted by Jackie Townsend, featuring the USM Concert Band. The concert begins at 1 p.m., sponsored by Sodexo, the campus dining service will provide a BBQ beginning at noon. The concert is free; the BBQ is cash only with individual food and beverage items ranging from \$1 to \$3.

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# As Fall Seasons Begin, Teams Gather for Fun

As the fall sports season approaches, several Gorham High School (GHS) teams gathered for team building exercises to kick off their seasons. Check the next issue of the Gorham Times for previews for all GHS teams.



The volleyball team held a car wash fundraiser at Carter's.

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The girls' field hockey team traveled north to King and Bartlett in Eustis, Maine.

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The cross country team took a canoe trip on the Presumpscot River at Shaw Park.

Photo courtesy of Jason Tanguay

## Sports Etc.

Coach. Gorham wishes you well with your future endeavors, Austin!

In the Gorham Times issue dated July 25, we told you about Austin Violette (GHS '16) who, after suffering a head injury, went from being a hockey player to Video Coach for the Maine Mariners Hockey team. Since then, Violette has accepted a new position with the San Diego Gulls AHL Hockey Team as their Video

The 8th Annual 9/11 Memorial 5K Run/Walk and Kids Fun Run will be held this Sunday, September 8, from 8:30-11:30 a.m. at the Gorham Recreation Department. The race benefits the Stephen G. Ward Memorial Scholarship Fund. For more information, visit the "Stephen Ward 911 Memorial 5K" Facebook page.




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# Ten Year Old Gorham Athlete Walks Into First Place at Nationals

DESTINY COOK  
Sports Editor

Daniel Smith, 10, of Gorham took first place in the 1500 meter Race Walk at the USA Track & Field Hershey National Junior Olympic Championship Meet in Sacramento, California on July 22, Smith won the 9/10 age group with a time of 10:37:08. It's Smith's second year competing at the national level; he took second in the same event in 2018.

"I started doing summer track through Gorham Rec when I was five. I tried shot put but got tired with it so I looked for another event to do. I have had great race walking coaches and teammates to look up to. The technique can be tricky to learn but I have been doing it so long that I'm addicted," Smith said.

Stef Meacham (GHS '20), a stand-out race walker herself, was his coach this summer. "As you know, Daniel is only ten years old, but I was so impressed with his work ethic, determination, and racing smarts throughout the whole season. He showed up to every practice and every meet ready to give his best effort and work hard, which allowed him to experience great success!" she shared.

Meacham shared that in race walking, it is difficult for some athletes



Photo credit Kate McDonald

Daniel Smith's focus and form earned him the top spot at Nationals in California earlier this summer.

to keep proper form. It is especially hard for the younger kids as they tend to run instead of race walk. At the bigger meets, kids can get disqualified if their form is not correct, but she said that does not usually happen until the state meet.

"There were times when kids would chase after Daniel with the incorrect form, but Daniel never once broke his form to try to cross the finish line ahead of them. He knew that to win he would have to cross the finish legally," she said. And Smith would always finish first because of that knowledge.

Smith was really happy he was able to compete at Nationals as he did not feel well. It was very hot in Sacramento, yet despite the heat, he and his teammate Rowan McDonald won their races. "It is fun to race against people from all over the country," he said.

Daniel is on the USATF-Maine Summer Youth Track Series for Gorham Recreation Track & Field and attends NYA. Prior to competing at Nationals, he took first place in the 800 m race at the Maine Youth State Meet held in Brewer on August 10.

# Racing to Win

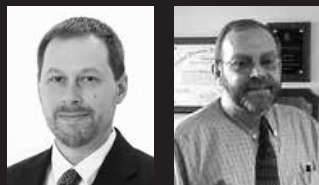


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Cruise LaBrie, an incoming eighth grader at GMS, recently took the checkered flag at Canaan Motor Club in the NHKA (New Hampshire Karting Association) LO 206 Junior Division Race #6 of 9 races. Flash floods washed away part of the track over a month ago, and LaBrie worked his way through the tough track to capture the win. This was his first season racing on an asphalt road course. LaBrie is currently the points leader. His next race is September 7 at New Hampshire Motor Speedway. LaBrie is pictured (left to right) with his mom Megan LaBrie, his dad Andre LaBrie, and his crew chief Mike Parker.



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Caller reported a bunch of people fighting in a yard on Fort Hill Road. When officer arrived, lots of cars and people were leaving. Multiple agencies responded to this call. The tenant was having a BBQ with his 15-year-old daughter for a friend who was moving away. The information about the BBQ got out on Snapchat and people just started showing up. He asked people to leave and when they didn't, he brought out his dog and herded them off the property.

Two people called from Leavitt Drive. One was walking his dogs and said there was no leash law as long as dog was under voice command and not walking on people's property. Man asked why he couldn't walk down a private drive. He was told that if the drive was posted as private, he needed to follow that request. The second caller asked that dog be on a leash and not walk on his property. He said man was upset and continued to walk on Leavitt Drive. There is a sign at the beginning of the road that prohibits walking dogs on a private way.

White Birch Lane caller reported the previous day that a person known to her drove by and saw her adult son in the doorway wearing only boxer shorts. Person yelled at son to put some clothes on. Caller was upset that officer was not going to do anything about this person looking in her door window.

Officer went to Brackett Road for a report of a man wearing a bright yellow shirt doing wheelies on a three wheeler ATV. Officer issued summons for operating an ATV on a public way and warned man for doing wheelies and having an unregistered ATV.

Woman reported that while checking her bank account, she noticed an unauthorized

purchase made with her debit card. No one had her card and she did not know how the information had been obtained.

Man sitting on the side of the road by Ace Hardware told officer he was doing okay but did not want to return home. He finally agreed and officer dropped him off at his house.

Officer responded to Wood Road for a report of a loose horse. Horse was back in the barn. Officer closed the barn door.

Employee on Sanford Drive was fired and escorted from the property.

Dyer Road caller did not like having a sex offender in her neighborhood and wanted to know what she could do about it. Officer advised that person had the right to live there as it was not within a restricted school or daycare zone. She asked what she could do to learn more about the man. She was directed to [www.WatchDog.com](http://www.WatchDog.com).

Shaw's Mill Road caller reported a vehicle had pulled into her driveway. Man got out and walked around. She had been awakened when a car alarm went off. She saw vehicle drive to the house next door. Officer spoke to the man who was from Ohio and was visiting his daughter and had gone to the wrong house and mistakenly set off his alarm.

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## CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Baxter Memorial Library, Toddler Discovery Time (18 mos.-3 yrs), 9:30-10 a.m.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

USM Department of Theatre, "Fortune" opening night, 7:30 p.m., Russell Hall, donation at the door.

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Gorham Garden Club, Plant and Bake Sale, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 71 South Street  
 West Gorham Union Church, Public Supper, 5 p.m. (tickets on sale at 4 p.m.)  
 USM Department of Theatre, "Fortune," 7:30 p.m., Russell Hall.

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

USM Department of Theatre, "Fortune," 2 p.m., Russell Hall.

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

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

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Baxter Memorial Library  
 • Baby Discover Time (Birth-18 mos), 9:30-9:50 a.m.  
 • Family Discovery Time (All Ages), 6-6:45 p.m.

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Baxter Memorial Library  
 • Toddler Discovery Time (18mos-3 yrs), 9:30-10:30 a.m.  
 • Book Club, Discussion of "White Rose, Black Forest" by Eoin Dempsey, 10 a.m.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Baxter Memorial Library, Lego Club (All Ages), 10 a.m-12 p.m.

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Presumpscot Regional Land Trust Annual Meeting, 5-7 p.m. Randall Orchards in Standish, RSVP required.

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

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

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Baxter Memorial Library  
 • Baby Discovery Time (Birth-18mos), 9:30-9:50 a.m.  
 • Memory Journal (ages 10 & up), 12-2 p.m.  
 • Family Discovery Time (All Ages), 6-6:45 p.m.




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