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Election Update

KATHY CORBETT
Staff Writer

Seven people are running for three positions on the Gorham Town Council this November. Seeking



reelection are James J. Hager, Jr., Benjamin Hartwell, and Paul R. Smith. Also on the ballot will be Richard A. Davis, Jr., Tyler J. Gowen, Janet Kuech, and Daniel Nichols.

Janet Kuech is employed by the Gorham School Department, and therefore, is prohibited by the Town Charter from serving on the Town Council. "At this time I am continuing to seek a seat," she said, "and reviewing my viable options."

James Brockman, Phillip Gagon, and incumbent Stewart B. McCallister will be vying for two positions on the Gorham School Committee.

There will be a local referendum on the ballot for authorization for the town to purchase land for an industrial park (see article below), as well as any questions authorized by the state legislature.

Gorham residents may register to vote and request absentee ballots at the Town Clerk's Office in the Municipal Building any time during regular business hours. Registered voters may also request an absentee ballot by calling the Clerk's Office or by requesting one online through the town website. These will be mailed to the voters.

Beginning in the first week in October absentee ballots will be available at the Clerk's Office and can be completed there. All absentee ballots must be received at the Municipal Building by November 5 to be counted in the election.

Referendum for Industrial Park on Ballot

DIANE ABRAMSON
Staff Writer

On September 3, 2019, the Gorham Town Council approved the referendum proposal to purchase approximately 141 acres of land by the Town of Gorham from the M.P. Rines Trust.

If approved, the property located along Libby and Cobb Road and abutting the current industrial park will be sold to the Town of Gorham for \$4 million on or before January 17, 2020.

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Gorham Grown: A Harvest Celebration

CATHY WALTER
Staff Writer

The folks at the Cumberland County Soil and Water Conservation District (CCSWCD) are throwing a Harvest Celebration on September 28 from 10 a.m.-noon at the Phinney Food Forest on the corner of South Street and Green Street in Gorham.

As part of its ongoing efforts to establish two food forests as well as the "Edible Main Street" of planters filled with herbs and vegetables available to all to harvest, the CCSWCD is holding this event to continue to educate the public about not only its existence, but how the public can take advantage of its resources.

They will be offering guided tours to both identify all of the different types of plants and to share their deep knowledge of their many uses. These tours will be starting at intervals so drop by anytime to learn what healthy sustainable free food is available right now.

There will also be a raffle. The CCSWCD has created a Facebook page "Gorham Edible Main St and Food Forest" and is running their Photo Scavenger Hunt raffle there. Every couple of days, they are posting a request



Photo credit CCSWCD

A photo scavenger hunt, such as "Find the Bee," is currently taking place on Facebook leading up to the Harvest Celebration later this month. Planters around town are ready for harvest and contain everything needed for a fresh salad.

for photos of a specific type to be taken at one of their planters or either of the food forests and then posted to their account; for example, "Find a Bee." Every post response is an entry to the raffle. More details and maps to locate the forests and planters are available on the Facebook page.

The CCSWCD is working hard to make these sustainable food sources a success but they need you. To learn more, visit www.cumberlandswcd.org, check them out on Facebook, and/or join them at the Harvest Celebration.

Shaw Cherry Hill Farm Officially Open



Photo credit Leslie Dupuis

After Town Council approval on September 3, Shaw Cherry Hill Farm is now open to the public. The 258-acre parcel with nearly three miles of trails is located off lower Main Street (Route 25) near Sebago Brewing Company. Shaw Cherry Hill Farm currently has eight clearly marked 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. Parking is available.

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Policy on News from Augusta: The Gorham Times asked our three state legislators from Senate District 30, House District 26 and House District 27 to provide us with "News from Augusta." We publish their articles on a rotating basis. The submissions are devoted to updates of legislative and administrative news, proposed and passed bills and laws, and developments and events that are of interest and have an impact to Gorham residents. The Gorham Times reserves the right to edit the submissions and it further reserves the right to reject any submission, in its sole discretion.

It's Back-to-School Season

REP. MAUREEN "MO" TERRY

It feels surprisingly sudden, but autumn is here. I have already noticed tree leaves beginning to turn from green to fiery hues of red, orange and yellow, signaling the bittersweet end of summer. Personally, after the unusually warm summer we had, I'm grateful to be back in the season of cool, crisp temperatures, leaf raking and pumpkin bread baking.

For students and parents, this time of year also marks back-to-school season. As a mom to college students, I spent the past few weeks helping my daughters get packed up and ready for the fall semester. And just as a reminder to all high school seniors and returning college students, FAFSA applications open up just around the corner on October 1.

As a state legislator, back-to-school season is also a time to check in with parents, students and educators about the progress we've made legislatively to improve our state's schools. School districts all across Maine will receive increased state funding in the next fiscal year. Here in Gorham, the state will increase funding for our schools by \$641,939. That's a significant improvement to the state funding that the Gorham School District previously received. With this additional money, the town of Gorham will have the opportunity to lighten the financial burden currently being placed on property taxpayers to fund our local schools.

For a relatively small school district, we have extraordinary talent among our educators and school

administrators and, with the additional state funding, they'll be able to provide our students with better resources and more educational opportunities.

I was so happy to see that Heather Whitaker, the alternative education teacher at the Gorham Middle School, was named the 2019 Cumberland County Teacher of the Year. Her passion for supporting Gorham's students, both inside and outside of the classroom, is an example of the kind of professional excellence we have within Gorham's schools. Heather started the middle school's garden, which has donated hundreds of pounds of produce to the local food pantry, and she is the founding member of the Gorham Backpack Program, which provides students experiencing chronic hunger with food over the weekend. What's more, she's actively promoting civic engagement among her students by getting them involved with these programs.

Heather has found a way to help those in need, while simultaneously educating our students about one of our state's most pressing issues. Maine has one of the highest rates of hunger in the nation, as nearly one in five of our children live in food-insecure homes. This problem is likely to get worse, because under a proposed Trump administration change to food stamp rules, 44,000 low-income Mainers are at risk of losing their food assistance.

Fall is traditionally the season of the harvest, and as our local farmers are selling this season's bounty at the Gorham Farmers Market, a bill I co-sponsored to expand the use

of the Women, Infants and Children Special Supplemental Food Program (WIC) to farmers' markets will soon be going into effect. This new law will provide more opportunities for food-insecure families to feed their children nutritious, locally-sourced food. Just as the garden that Heather started at the Gorham Middle School promotes healthy eating while simultaneously helping to feed those in need, this type of legislation supports families in need while also giving them healthier food options.

From properly funding our children's education to addressing the issue of hunger in our state, the work that happens in Augusta has a huge impact on our daily lives in Gorham. As we continue into the harvest season and our students are getting settled in their new classrooms, we will begin seeing the ways in which our state policies are working and the areas that need improvement will become clear.

If you have any thoughts about these subjects, or any others, please feel welcome to get in touch with me. As always, I am best able to serve the needs of our community when I hear directly from you.



Rep. Maureen "Mo" Terry is serving her second term in the Maine House of Representatives. She is a chef and small business owner with more than 25 years of experience in the food service industry. She

serves on the Taxation Committee. (207) 712-9735, (800) 423-2900, maureen.terry@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,

I enjoyed reading Edmund Ricker's article about the latest revitalization of the McClellan House and the sidebar that briefly mentioned that the Gorham Times was a tenant in the building along with the Presumpscot Land Trust. A bit more detail about the Gorham Times' role and how we got here may be of interest to readers as well.

It was in September 1995 that the GT published its first edition. With 15-20 volunteer staff members, we needed a place to meet and an official office. We knew the Land Trust was only using one front room for meetings so we approached them to let us use the other front room.

Problem was, that space was in very rough shape. Buckled floor, broken windows, holes in walls, sagging ceiling, etc.

We knew several very handy and professional, skilled tradespeople

in town and we got them to volunteer their time on a long fall weekend and had our own local House Makeover. With a sign out front skillfully made by the late Bob Masterson, we showed everyone passing by we were in business.

I know I have missed a couple of people and I do apologize. Those I recall that helped remodel the space were Ted Libby, Gene St.Cyr, Peter Blunda, Steve Earnest, Paula Weymeyer and Bill Caiazzo.

Every other Wednesday was ad deadline day. The late Barbara Neal held court as our office secretary and local businesses would call or stop in to drop off ads. We had two sales reps that literally went door to door from GHOP to the Westbrook line soliciting ads. Thank you Donna Shaw and Vicky Woodbrey.

Every other Monday evening, 8-10 people would meet at our production meetings to review the

last paper and to plan the next. I recall a lot of laughs, a lot of friendships established, and a lot of insight to what was going on in Gorham.

Time has moved on and the staff meets in other places now. They use today's technology to produce the paper where we once used land lines, fax machines, Kodak film, floppy discs, and even typewriters.

The McClellan House served us and the Land Trust well. I am sure its recent major makeover will allow its present tenants a long and prosperous occupancy. It is a tribute to all that its historical charter has been sustained.

Maynard Charron

Editor's Note: As Maynard Charron is the founder of the Gorham Times, we made an exception for the length of his Letter to the Editor so we could learn more and reminisce about the history of our local newspaper.

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Angelo's Pizzeria Restaurant



Photo credit Leslie Dupuis

EDMUND RICKER
Staff Writer

Angelo's Pizzeria Restaurant opened at 474 Main Street on August 21. Kristo Papailia, who co-owns the restaurant with his wife Merita, describes Angelo's as a family restaurant that seats 59 patrons and features a menu of scratch made pizza, calzones, pasta, sandwiches and a variety of desserts.

The pizza dough is made fresh daily and hand stretched for each pizza. Angelo's also uses its own blend of natural cheeses and sauce made from fresh tomatoes, not concentrate.

Papailia said the only things in his freezer are the fried appetizer items such as buffalo and chicken fingers, wings and mozzarella sticks. He said unlike some other pizzerias that use a conveyor style pizza oven, Angelo's uses an old-style pizza stone deck oven that is monitored by dedicated employees who ensure that every pizza is cooked to perfection, "whether it has two toppings or ten."

Angelo's also has a variety of draft and bottled beer, wine, and Coca-Cola products. There are currently seven employees but the Papailias would like to hire two or three more.

The Papailias have been in the restaurant business for over twenty years. Prior to opening in Gorham, they owned two other Angelo's locations. The first location in Lisbon, Maine was recently sold through owner financing to the employees of that location. The second location was in Lewiston and was sold this year to their niece.

Angelo's is currently open 11 a.m.-9 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday, and 11 a.m.-10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. The restaurant is closed on Monday. Beginning in October, the hours will be 11 a.m.- 9 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday, and it will remain closed on Mondays.

To view the complete menu or learn more about Angelo's Pizzeria Restaurant, go to www.angelospizzagorham.com, visit their Facebook page, or call 207-222-2232.

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

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Dear Editor,

Recently, my children and I were traveling north on 114. As we attempted to turn onto Huston Road, not one but two vehicles were at the end – one hoping to turn left and one hoping to turn right. Each was blocking the other's view, and each pulled out further into oncoming traffic. As I attempted to make the left turn onto Huston, my right of way, I had to brake forcefully and swerve considerably to avoid someone side-swiping my family's vehicle.

Only one day later, a run brought me along 114, including this portion near Huston Road. I knew to be cautious, and I was. As I maneuvered the sharp turn, the guardrail that allowed me to move over only so far to the left, and cars flying by at 50+ mph in an area that has little-to-no sight lines, however, my heart jumped into my throat. Do cars expect runners like me? How about cyclists? How much time

do they even have to react appropriately once they do?

People who are familiar with the area might ease off the gas in this quarter-mile stretch, maybe. Or they may be preoccupied with X, Y, or Z. Or they may be Lake folks or others, who simply are not familiar with the area and would have no idea that slowing down is not just a good idea, but – more times than not – actually quite necessary.

I'm sure you have your own Huston Road close-call story.

The question is: Are we willing to ignore this issue and risk our family's safety each time we travel this route? Isn't it time we officially lower the speed limit to 35 mph in this area and post a couple of "Caution: Turning Traffic" signs? I think it's long overdue, don't you?

Be safe, Gorham.

Deb Tanguay

Heating Safety Tips For Fall

CHARLES JARRETT
Gorham Fire Department

With the return of the morning chill, it is time to think about heating safety:

- Have you had your heating system(s) serviced? Fires related to heating appliances are second only to cooking.
- Chimney and vents should be cleaned and examined now while there is still time to make repairs before the heating demand increases.
- Do you have working smoke detectors? Nearly 60% of home fire deaths nationwide did not have operational smoke detectors pres-

ent. Working residential sprinkler systems and interconnected smoke with CO alarms provide the best protection.

- Do you have a working Carbon Monoxide detector? CO is a colorless and odorless gas that in low to moderate concentrations has symptoms similar to the flu but can lead to death when higher concentrations are reached.

- Have you cleaned the lint out of the dryer and vent? Most home clothes dryer fires occur in the fall and winter.

Please visit USFA.FEMA.GOV, CPSC.GOV, NFPA.ORG and/or contact the Gorham Fire Department at 222-1660 for more information.

Gorham Sightings



Photo credit Roger Marchand

Do you know where in Gorham this photo was taken? Join our visual trivia discussion by entering your best guess on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/gorhamtimes or email us at gorhamtimes@gmail.com. The photo in the September 5 issue, as correctly identified by a former student who helped with the project, is the rock garden at the entrance to Gorham Middle School.

— Job Posting for Gorham Food Pantry —

INVENTORY COORDINATOR

The Gorham Food Pantry seeks a caring, detail-oriented individual as its new Inventory Coordinator. Position requires energetic and physically able person for moving and lifting often heavy (50 lb.+) boxes. Position involves stocking shelves; organizing storage areas; tracking donation and waste data; and working with both clients and volunteers in a professional and confidential manner. The Inventory Coordinator will work closely with the Executive Director to establish a weekly schedule, place orders, manage large food drives, delegate volunteer tasks, and address other operational matters as they arise. This is a part-time position that involves a combination of flexible and set hours, and offers a small monthly stipend. (FMI: job.gorhamfoodpantry.org)

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The Business Case for a Safe Workplace

ETHAN JOHNSON

Every business has industry-specific risks that can threaten safety and productivity. The simple and necessary act of protecting your employees from health and safety risks makes for healthier, happier and more productive employees—who, in turn, make your business more successful. Maintaining effective workplace health and safety can generate the following business benefits:

Reduced absences—Improving workplace health and safety measures reduces employee absences and sick leave. Simply put, healthy employees miss fewer working days. Minimizing employee absences and sick leave saves money on both direct and indirect absence costs.

Lowered insurance costs—Maintaining an ideal standard for your workplace health and safety programs can help lower your insurance premiums. A top-notch workplace health and safety program can lower the number of accidents in your workplace, thus reducing employers' liability premiums.

Improved productivity—Workplace stress and accidents are two of the biggest causes of

absences. Whether they cause short, unscheduled absences or long-term illness, they can have a serious impact on your productivity and profits.

Protected reputation—Preventing accidents and ill health helps you maintain a caring reputation for you and your business. Just one workplace accident or scandal can tarnish that hard-earned reputation. A blemish on your business's reputation can be hard to remove and can include fines, negative public opinion, plummeting sales and media scrutiny.

Exemplary health and safety not only equips your business for future growth, but it can protect you from the costly fees associated with workplace exposures. For more information about best practices in workplace safety and risk management strategies contact your local independent agent.



Ethan Johnson of Chalmers Insurance has over 14 years of experience in the industry. A USM graduate, he is passionate about helping people and giving back to Gorham, where he lives with his family.

The Four Seasons of Charlotte Millett's Life



Photo courtesy Maine Memory Network



Photo courtesy Marilyn Sweetser Dailey and Maine Historical Society

WILMA GOULD JOHNSON
Contributing Writer

Her name was Charlotte. There was no need to call her Miss Millett or to use her full name, Charlotte Adelaide Millett. If you spoke the name, Charlotte, everyone in Gorham knew who you meant. She was a confident, no-nonsense type of person who loved the outdoors. She could fry an egg on a rock or fillet and cook a fish over an open fire. For over half a century, she fostered an appreciation of nature and the great outdoors by providing opportunities for Gorham's youth to learn outdoor skills through the Camp Fire Program.

Along the way, she also taught by example that being your own person was a fine thing to be indeed.

The Spring season of Charlotte's life began in Palmyra, Maine where she was born on July 17, 1881, the only child of Thomas and Jennie Millett. Her family moved to Gorham when Charlotte was 10, where she attended grade school in the Academy building and then graduated from Gorham High School in 1899. She graduated in 1905 from Bates College, one of the first colleges in the U.S. to be coeducational from its establishment in 1855. After college, she returned to Gorham and worked with her father and her uncle in the family T. F. Millett Fire Insurance Company until 1914. Their stately Victorian home at 88 State Street is now the home to several businesses including Dr. Lavoie's Chiropractic Clinic of Gorham. Millett also owned and cared for the family cottage at Pine Point.

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When: Saturday, October 19th
Registration 6pm, Race 7pm

Where: Behind Narragansett Elementary School, Gorham

Cost: Entry Fee - \$10
T-shirts for sale at Race

What: An intense, heart beating 2-mile trail run where competitors try to avoid getting tagged by Zombies

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Benefiting the University of Southern Maine Women's Cross Country Team

Gorham Business Exchange Announces New Director

LESLIE DUPUIS
Editor

The Gorham Business Exchange (GBE) recently announced that Suzie Phillips has been named Director, replacing Katie Sherman. The GBE is a non-profit organization that provides local businesses with opportunities to network with other businesses, connect with community members, and assist them with getting the resources they need to be successful.

President Ethan Johnson shared, "In addition to our advocacy for businesses, we are also a strong supporter of the local community. Each year we provide two scholarships to graduating seniors of Gorham High School, make a sizable donation to the Gorham Boosters, and support other local non-profit organizations that are in need of assistance. Gorham truly is a special community and we want to help in any way we can to give back."

Phillips is a graduate of Gorham High School and the University of Southern Maine. She has served on the Town Council for three years and is currently the Vice Chair. She previously served on the School Committee, and has held positions in many town organizations including president of the Gorham Historical Society, coordinator of the Gorham Taste Walk, secretary of the Gorham

SnoGoers, and she is on the Gorham Founders Festival committee. Additionally, she has been a nanny for the past 20 years, and works as an art teacher and director of a daycare center.

"I have taken great joy in calling Gorham my home. As a long time resident, with a family-run business, I understand the need to have a vibrant and strong business community within town. Our business community participates, sponsors, and supports various non profits and community organizations throughout town. As a member of the Town Council, I have continued to advocate for business growth. I look forward to my new opportunity to help Gorham grow and prosper," Phillips said.

Johnson added, "We are thrilled to have Suzie Phillips as our new Executive Director of the Gorham Business Exchange. Suzie's background speaks for itself. We feel that her experience, connections in the community, strong work ethic, and success running prior events will help take our organization to the next level."



Photo courtesy of Suzie Phillips

Planning Board Results

SEPTEMBER 9, 2019

East Coast Communications, LLC's request for approval of a new materials lay down area, installation of replacement septic system and updated stormwater features was approved.

East Coast Communications, LLC's request for approval of a subdivision amendment to the New Portland Parkway Subdivision located off New Portland Road and Libby Avenue, with an increased amount of impervious area allowed on Lot 2.008, was approved.

The Board recommended to the Town Council a Zoning Amendment, requested by Walter Stinson, to the Land Use Map to change Map 32, Lot 19 from the Roadside Commercial Zone to the Industrial Zone.

The Board recommended adoption of a Contract Zone Amendment proposed by Avesta to remove the reference to development on the undeveloped portion of Unit 3 to allow for development of multifamily housing

on any portion of Unit 3.

Avesta Housing Development Corporation's request for approval to construct a 4-story, 22,520 square foot building to include 22 one-bedroom and 5 two-bedroom apartment units, to be located in the footprint of Building 3 which is to be demolished, was moved to a future consent agenda.

Michael Wagner's (of Ossipee Trail Gardens) request for after-the-fact approval for site plan expansion was discussed and postponed with a site walk to be scheduled.

STJ, Inc.'s Tow Path Road Condominiums request for approval of a 4-duplex condominium development of 8 units and associated parking and infrastructure off Tow Path Road was moved to a future consent agenda.

Walter Stinson's request for approval of a self storage facility at 551 Main St. was discussed.

Town Council Meeting SEPT. 3, 2019

JACOB ADAMS
Staff Writer

Janet Kuech asked the Council to consider changing the Town Charter to allow town employees to be able to run for town office. She stated that she has enough signatures on her nomination papers but is not allowed to run for the Town Council because she works for the School Department.

Chairman Hartwell expressed his concern with the ongoing issues at the Silver Bullet recycling bins around town. He would like the town to better enforce the rules on recycling to cut down on contamination at the bins.

Town Manager, Ephrem Paraschak, addressed the concerns of the public on the Main Street construction project. He reminded people that the reason the steel plates were on the roads was because the DOT does not allow construction over holiday weekends. Going forward, he stated that there will be improvements in the Village. He also congratulated Chief Dan Jones on his retirement and thanked him for his four years of service to the Town of Gorham. He revealed that the Fire Department has received a grant for \$94,000 to help install sprinklers in the West Gorham Fire Station. He also recognized Sharon LaFlamme and the Finance Department for earning the Excellence Award in Town Financial Reporting for the 15th consecutive year.

School Council Chairman Wright thanked staff and parents for helping to make the transition into the new school year go as smoothly as possible. He detailed the list of summer work that had been completed at the schools. He noted that the GHS Building Committee reviewed the latest designs for the GHS Renovation/Addition and agreed that the School Committee needs to discuss the next steps. He reported that the Narragansett Modular project is continuing to move forward.

The Town Council will not send a

proposed amendment to the Land Use & Development Code to the Planning Board for public hearing and their recommendation. The proposed amendment would require a satisfactory water test on private wells prior to the issuance of a certificate of occupancy. The full proposal can be found on the town's website. (1 yea, 6 nays: Phillips, Wilder Cross, Pratt, Smith, Hager, Hartwell)

The Town Council will amend the Land Use & Development Code to allow for a reinstated Middle School Impact Fee.

The Town Council will adopt a Disorderly Housing Ordinance. The purpose is to eliminate the proliferation of properties with occupants who disturb the peace and tranquility of their neighborhoods. The full ordinance can be read on the town's website.

A liquor license renewal was issued to M and G X-Max II, LLC, dba Ocean Gardens Restaurant and Tavern located at 390 Main Street.

The Town Council authorized the Town Clerk to issue the warrant for the November 5, 2019 Annual Municipal Election. The polls will be open from 7 a.m.- until 8 p.m.

The Town Council appointed the following people for the designated voting districts and if any of the following should fail to serve, the Town Clerk is authorized to appoint substitutes.

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

District 1-2: Katherine Corbett, Warden and Cornelia Loughran, Ward Clerk

District 2: Martha Towle, Warden and Nancy Kenty, Ward Clerk

Central: Paula Nystrom, Warden and Teresa Sanborn, Ward Clerk

The Registrar of Voters be in session between the hours of 8 a.m.-4 p.m. on October 29 and 30; between the hours of 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m. on October 31; between the hours of 8 a.m.-1p.m. on

The Ins and Outs of Gorham Road Work

CATHY WALTER
Staff Writer

There were three large construction projects and several smaller ones undertaken in Gorham this summer impacting almost every state highway in town and travel for most of its

residents as well as the summer tourists. Have you ever wondered why these projects were being done when you've noticed other roads with bigger potholes or old crumbling

asphalt? Well, there are many reasons. One is diminishing returns.

"There comes a point when a road is beyond needing maintenance and needs major repairs or reconstruction. In this case repaving wouldn't be a good use of limited funds. Therefore the town may choose to implement routine maintenance to an aging but not yet failing road over tackling one with more obvious disrepair," explained Bob Burns, Gorham Public Works Director/Town Engineer.

Another reason is the type of road. There are several types of roads

that have different construction standards and maintenance oversight. In Gorham, we have state highways and town roads. In general, The Maine Department of Transportation (MDOT) is responsible for all state highways and the Gorham Public Works Department is responsible for town roads, but there

is some overlap of duties. There is an agreement called the State Urban Compact between the state and the towns that outlines maintenance/repair agreements for all our roads where they overlap.

"You may have noticed small diamond shaped black and white signs on the side of the road, these mark areas of state roads that the town is responsible for," said Burns.

Both MDOT and the Public Works staff are running "windshield surveys," driving around the town to monitor and record the state of our roads, bridges and traffic to determine not only what needs to be done but to prioritize the work. Both use the latest software to analyze the data collected, create proposals, and then run

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Town Council Meeting CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5

November 1 and between the hours of 8 a.m.-4 p.m. on November 4.

The Town Clerk will be processing absentee ballots on November 4 at 10 a.m., 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. and on November 5 at 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Brian Plowman's resignation from the Planning Board was accepted. The Town Council expressed its appreciation for his services to the Town of Gorham.

James Hall was appointed to the Planning Board. His term will end on April 1, 2020.

The Town Council authorized a referendum for November 5, 2019 which will authorize the Town to borrow and expend up to \$4,000,000 to finance the cost of the purchase of 93 acres located off Cobb Road and 47.88 acres located off of Libby Avenue, from the M.P. Rines Trust. The referendum will also authorize the Town to borrow and expend up to \$1,900,000 to finance the costs of survey, design, local, state and federal approvals, and the construction of the initial phases of road and utility infrastructure on the property. A public hearing is scheduled for October 1, 2019 to discuss the referendum.

Paraschak was directed to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement with M.P. Rines, Trustee of the M.P. Rines Trust, in a form found in the full minutes on the town's website, for the acquisition of approximately 141 acres of land located on Libby Avenue and Cobb Road in Gorham, for a total cost not to exceed \$4,000,000.

The Town Council authorized the

transfer of \$25,000 from the Land Acquisition Fund for the purposes of concept design work for a future industrial park. The funds will be replaced in the Land Acquisition Fund after the issuance of bonds for the project.

The Town Manager was instructed to transition the position of Economic Development Director from part time to full time as outlined and approved in the FY2020 budget. (6 years, 1 nay: Smith)

The Town Manager was also authorized to enter into a lease agreement with the Shaw Family Foundation for the purposes of public use of the Shaw Cherry Hill Farm property located off of lower Main Street. The Town Council offers its utmost appreciation on behalf of the citizens of Gorham for the continued generosity of the Shaw Family in promoting and maintaining outdoor opportunities in the Town of Gorham.

The Town Council authorized staff to hire a third party estimator to review projects before going to the voters as determined by the Council. (5 years, 2 nays: Shepard, Hager)

The Town Council adopted a revised fire/rescue department fee schedule. Full details can be found on the town website.

The Town Manager was authorized to enter into a three-year agreement with Cumberland County for continued regional assessing services.

The Town Council went into an Executive Session for the annual performance evaluation of the Town Manager.

The full town council meeting minutes are available at www.gorham-me.org

Referendum for Industrial Park on Ballot CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

According to Town Manager Ephrem Paraschak, the proposal will be on the November ballot as a referendum question.

"The question will ask voters to approve a bond for 5.9 million dollars for the purchase and development of the next industrial park for the Town." Four million dollars will be allocated toward the purchase of the land, while the additional \$1.5 million will be used to "start the initial phases of designs, approval and initial construction of roads and infrastructure."

Currently, the town has limited space available for industrial development. The town's original industrial park is almost at capacity and the Olde Canal Business Park located off of Mosher Road is quickly filling.

"This plan would supplement the Town's commercial growth over the next ten to twenty years by getting industrial zoned land available for development," said Paraschak.

In terms of impact, the purchase and development of the land will aid schools over the long-term. "As commercial properties develop, they provide a valuation to the tax base that supports both municipal and school

operations," explained Paraschak. "The Town also has the ability to TIF larger properties or zones (sheltering tax value from state and county tax formulas) which results in state aid to education, municipal revenue sharing, and lower County tax commitments."

For taxpayers, the initial effect to the mil rate would be an estimated \$.08 or less with the TIF funds. This amount would lessen as lots are sold, the bond payments decrease, and/or future TIFs become available to pay for the initial amount borrowed or for future infrastructure investments. According to Paraschak, "the payback of the industrial park when developed would more than cover any initial investment by the taxpayers and lessen future tax impacts felt by Gorham residents."

The Town will be working with consultants over the next few months to create a visual representation of what the industrial park may look like in concept and plan. As a more specific plan comes to fruition, it will be released to the public prior to the vote in November.

A public hearing is scheduled for October 1, 2019 to discuss the referendum.

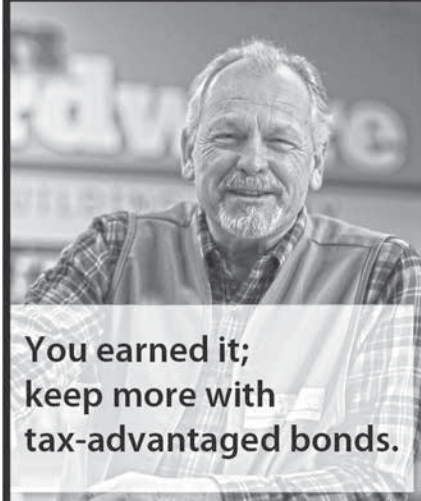
Gorham Fire Department Benefits from Federal Grants

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Gorham Fire Chief

Each year local fire departments apply for grants from the federal government, often in conjunction with other fire departments. This year, Gorham, along with Buxton, Standish and Windham, has been awarded almost \$800,000 in grants for joint projects.

The following amounts were awarded:

- \$94,000 will go to installing sprinklers into the West Gorham Fire Station.
- \$304,780 will go to Gorham, Buxton and Standish to replace a large diameter hose that goes from a fire truck to a hydrant, along with various fittings and equipment for the hose.
- \$454,254 will go to Gorham, Buxton, Standish and Windham to upgrade the radios on fire trucks and to upgrade portable radios carried by firefighters.



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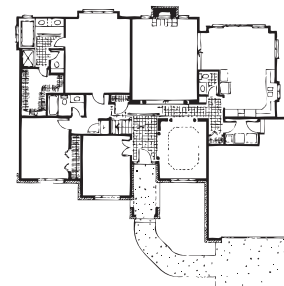
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The Four Seasons of Charlotte Millett's Life CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4

During the Summer season of her life, Millett was a healthy, active young woman who enjoyed the outdoors immensely. She could often be found hiking or camping in the great outdoors, mostly in the Katahdin area, often with her good friends, Emmie and Herbert Whitney. Maine Memory Network photos show her tending a camp fire, hiking Katahdin, or canoeing on Daicey Pond. This was the lifestyle that she loved and a joy that she wanted to share with others.

The Autumn season of Charlotte's life was probably her most rewarding time as she found a way to share her love of the outdoors with many young children growing up in Gorham. Millett would spend the next 58 years devoting her time and energy to founding and then running the Camp Fire Program in Gorham.

Millett often shared a story about how she came to start Camp Fire in Gorham. She had planned a trip to Portland with her Sunday School class of boys. They took the trip via the trolley and had invited some of the young girls to join them. At the exhibition they were attending, there was a demonstration of the Camp Fire program. The girls became excited and wanted to start their own group. Millett agreed and a group was formed in 1914. The following year, Gorham's first Camp Fire was chartered by the national group. The Camp Fire watchword, WoHeLo, represented work, health and love. This program consisted of three age groups: "Blue Birds" were the youngest; the next age group was the "Camp Fire Girls;" and the high school aged were members of the "Horizon Club."

In 1925, the senior group won the Harriman Medallion for outstanding work and Millett went to Chicago to receive a personal award as the most outstanding Camp Fire Girl in the nation. In 1951, she was the first Bates College graduate to be honored as an outstanding alumna. In 1952, she received the Good Citizen Award from the Gorham Kiwanis Club. In 1961, the Campus School on School Street was renamed in her honor and became known as the Charlotte Millett School. The school was closed 20 years later and then torn down in 1983 to make way for the Avesta Senior Housing complex.

The eight points of the Camp Fire Law were meaningful to Millett: Worship God, Seek Beauty, Give Service, Pursue Knowledge, Be Trustworthy, Hold on to Health, Glorify Work, and Be Happy.

Gorham Camp Fire groups were very active. They marched in Gorham's Memorial Day parade every year with Millett marching alongside them until she was no longer able, and then she would take a seat in an automobile. Every March, for about thirty years, a Dad and Daughter banquet was held at the college. During World War I, the Camp Fire Girls "adopted" a French orphan. In other projects, friendship boxes were sent to Japan and care packages were mailed to Greek families. Money to fund these projects was earned by selling doughnuts, candy and corn balls at Gorham fairs. Christmas for Charlotte meant it was time for lollipop making, aided by groups of Camp Fire girls invited to her home to help produce tasty red or green lollipops flavored with cinnamon or peppermint, which were then poured into her famous collection of molds.

In the Winter season of her life, Millett lived alone in her large old Victorian home where the upkeep and repairs became difficult. At that time, she took in college boys and offered them room and board in return for upkeep of the house. It has been said that Millett was not fond of cooking, so some of the boys took over kitchen duties, too.

Millett died on October 8, 1972 at the age of 91 at her home in Gorham. She left behind many wonderful memories after giving so much of her time and talents to the children of Gorham. Millett gave all the children in Camp Fire (boys were included in the program in 1975), the courage to take risks and to stand by their convictions. Charlotte was one of a kind who lived the Camp Fire motto: "That light which has been given to me, I desire to pass undimmed to others."

Gorham's Rock Stars

Painted rocks with kind-hearted messages have been spotted around town. Have you seen any? If so, post them on the Gorham Times Facebook page. Let's keep the kindness flowing.



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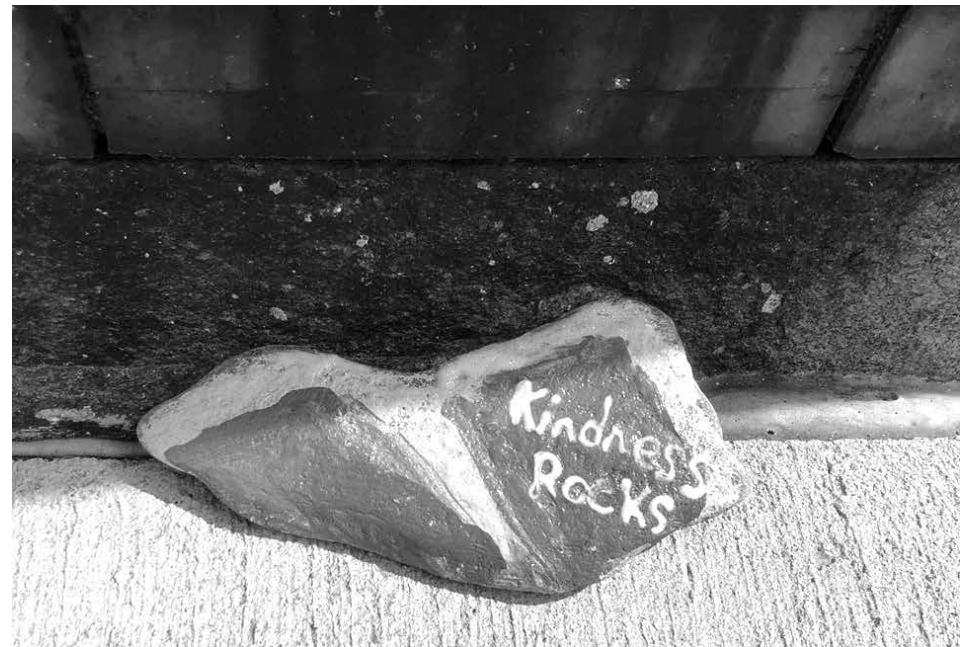
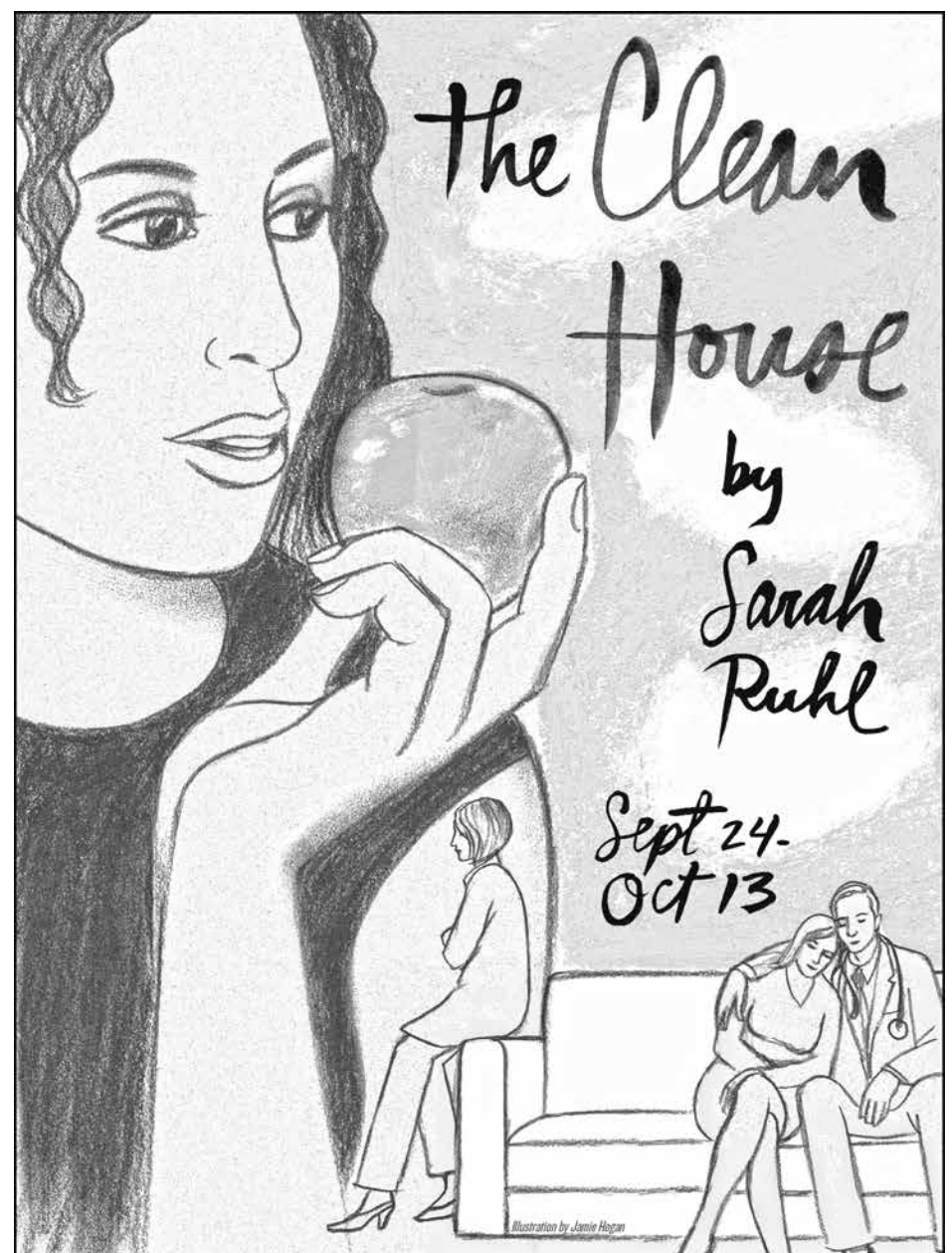


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GHS Fall 2019 Sports Preview

COMPILED BY DESTINY COOK
Sports Editor

Volleyball: Senior captains this season are Haley Burns, Ursa Steiner, and Meg Perry. Coach Emma Tirrel said the team is looking fierce on defense with some key returning players including Meg Perry, Caralin Mills, Haley Burns, and Talia Catoggio. The girls lost a few key players; however, they have seven returning seniors stepping up to fill the void. The team had a successful season last year going 16-1 and the expectation for this year is the same. Tough match ups on the schedule will be Scarborough and Falmouth; but along with the seniors, the team looks to rookies Skylar Price and Maddy Berry to make an impact.

Football: Coach Andy Hager is in his 6th year as Head Coach of the Rams. Players to watch this season are seniors Isaac Rollins, Kyle Ouillette, Jack Van Zandt, and Tyler King.

It is an experienced group heading into this season and the boys will be looking to compete in every game with the end goal to position themselves for a home playoff game. The Rams will be looking to lean on the experience of the upperclassman and in turn bring some younger players along in key positions.

At the Rams home opener against Noble, the team honored Wayne "Pooch" Drown and held Police Appreciation night beginning with the Gorham Police Department honor guard and a moment of silence. To cap off the night, the Rams celebrated a 34-7 win.

Field Hockey: Becky Manson-Rioux is in her 11th season as head coach. The girls had a great season last year with an 11-4-1 record. The team lost a few players; however, key players returning are Faith Dillon, Kacie Walton, Lauren Green, Lydia Gaudreau, Molly Murray, Kate Downey and Molly Rathbun.



Photo credit Gorham Police Department

Gorham Police Department presented colors at the Gorham Rams Varsity Football home opener.

The team welcomes newcomers Julia Edwards, Maeve Donnelly and Sydney Connolly.

The Gorham Rams return their three captains: senior Faith Dillon, senior Kacie Walton and junior Lydia Gaudreau. Along with the captains, also adding to the starting line-up are leading scorer junior Molly Murray and tenacious defender senior Lauren Green. With speed, stamina and grit, the Rams look to earn one of the top spots in the SMAA. Key match ups are Westbrook, Thornton Academy, Massabesic,

Scarborough and Falmouth.

Boys' Soccer: The captains for the boys 2019 soccer team are seniors Andrew Rent, Brady King, Kyle Hamblen, and Travis Matheson. The boys had an incredible record last season of 16-1-1, losing to Lewiston in State Finals 1-0.

With the return of many starters and experienced players from last year's team, the Rams are looking to build an identity while dealing with early season injuries. The hardest

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hit to the team was losing Andrew Rent, an All-American in 2018, to an ACL injury. Key offensive threats looking to step up and make an impact include senior Ryan Farr, senior Colby Christakis, senior Javin Stickney, and Hamblen. The defense is led by Matheson, King, junior Grant Nadeau, and sophomore Andrew Farr.

Girls' Soccer: Coach Jeanne Zarrilli's team comes off an impressive season with a record of 10-2-2. Key players returning include Maddie Sweatt, Brittany Landry, Jill Nichols, Katie Kutzer, Gracie Forgues, Maddie Michaud, Lauren Fotter, Olivia Michaud, and Lily Courtney. Key newcomers hoping to add to the team are Lexi Waterman and Brylee Bishop.

Key match ups this season are against Scarborough, Windham, Bonny Eagle, Cheverus and Falmouth. The Rams competition is going to be strong across the board with a lot of parity in the league; the girls should compete in every game. Zarrilli said with some younger players in starting roles, the team will look to grow its game and chemistry over the course of the season as they prepare for an extremely tough playoff scenario.

Boys' Cross Country: Coach Jason Tanguay shared the boys 2018 season ended with a 6th place finish at the Regional Championship and 12th place at

the State Championship. Key returning athletes include senior Andrew Tinkham, junior Reed Henderson, junior Josh Lehmann, and sophomore Calvin Cummings.

The Rams will look to place at the Southern Maine Classic on September 14 and the Festival of Champions on October 5.

Tanguay said, "Our team does return some runners from last year, but I am not sure about where we stand in regards to depth of our pack." The team's top veterans have put in the necessary work over the summer. Tanguay said the boys are ready to make some big, positive strides this season and he thinks it will be exciting to watch unfold. With about a third of the team being new additions, the development of this group will be the key to whether or not they are able to compete for a spot in the post-season.

Girls' Cross Country: The Rams 2018 season ended with a 6th place finish at the Regional Championship and 7th place at the State Championship. Key athletes returning are senior Kate Tugman, senior Iris Kitchen, senior Carson Battaglia, and junior Emily Paruk.

As with the boys' team, the key meets are the Southern Maine Classic on September 14 and the Festival of Champions on October 5.

Tanguay said the summer looks to have been a good one for the

program as many runners put in the necessary effort to either maintain or improve their fitness level. "We have a solid one-two punch on our team with Kate Tugman and Iris Kitchen with a few other veterans who appear to be ready to close ground on the lead packs," he said. With the addition of some athletes who are new to the sport and incoming freshmen, Tanguay said he's curious to see if they add some much needed depth to the team.

Golf: Coach Scott Nevers said the golf team should be really fun to watch this year. After graduating a few seniors last year, the team has a new lineup with a couple returning players who are stepping up, looking to compete, and win their division.

Led by senior Aidan Owens and junior Aidan Enck, both captains, the team looks to have a good mix of upper and lower classmen. Golfers to watch are Aidan Enck, Bryce Lumbert, Sam Farr, Lucas Castles, Jacob Polchies, Jacob Graham and Aidan Owens.

Nevers said any of the top 10-15 players could compete on the Varsity team, it will come down to shooting good scores and consistency. Varsity will look to have a strong season and continue right into the State Championship at Natanis. The JV program should be strong as well, with 30 athletes in the golf program.

Adult Co-Ed Softball Champs

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SCURVEBALL

Gorham Recreation adult co-ed softball leagues wrapped up recently. A new team, Beerly Legal, took over the helm as "Rec League" champions this year. The "Competitive League" champions, the Scurveballs, successfully defended their title from last season.



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Memorial Race Continues to Bring Healing to Family and Community

DESTINY COOK
Sports Editor

A beautiful, sunny day greeted participants in the annual 9/11 Memorial 5K, held on September 8 in honor of Stephen Ward. The event continues to have an incredible turnout within the community, and beyond, to support the Ward family in their efforts to carry on Stephen's name through a scholarship.

The race, now in its ninth year, has generous sponsors, donors and runners who return year after year to honor Stephen Ward, who lost his life on that fateful day in 2001. It is a day of remembrance, sharing stories of what once was, and catching up with Stephen's old friends. Katie Ward, Stephen's sister, said the family "rides the high" of seeing these old friends on this day, saying it is healing for their family.

Katie shared a special connection to this year's race winner, Andrew Jenkins of Freeport. He is the son of Stephen's GHS basketball coach, Kevin Jenkins (now of Memphis, TN). Kevin and his wife Kathy were in town and they both placed in the top two of their age brackets.

The race begins with an early send-off of local firefighters. This year over a dozen were in atten-

dance. Katie Ward's daughter, Marin Graham, sang the national anthem at the start of the race.

Joni Hancock, of Hollis, shared her experience as a runner on the race Facebook page. Hancock said they tell you that you will pass the firefighters along the route as you run/jog/walk. She said what they don't tell you, is the firefighters split to both sides of the road in straight lines so you run through them; flags held high, marching on with around 70 pounds of gear, carrying hose, axes, water cans, halogen tools and other equipment.

In her heart-wrenching description of this Hancock said, "As I came around the corner, I could smell their gear, not an unfamiliar scent as a fire wife, but it hit me different this time, tears stung my eyes and all I could think was 343....343....343." Three hundred and forty three...the number of first responders that died on 9/11. "It was something to see," she said.

The race, which raised over \$7,000, represents the coming together of a community; much like the country did on September 12, 2001. Stephen's legacy continues to live on through this event, and each year, one deserving GHS senior will receive a \$3,500 scholarship to help with college expenses.



Photo credit Ward Family

Following tradition, the race begins with an early send-off of local firefighters.

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Whitaker Named State Finalist for 2020 Maine Teacher of the Year

GORHAM TIMES STAFF

Heather Whitaker, alternative education teacher at Gorham Middle School, has been named one of three state finalists for the 2020 Maine Teacher of the Year. Earlier this year she was named 2019 Cumberland County Teacher of the Year.

The finalists were chosen from the Maine County Teachers of the Year honored earlier this year at the Hall of Flags.

The Maine Teacher of the Year program honors outstanding teachers who represent the thousands of excellent educators in Maine. Maine's Teacher of the Year serves as an advocate for the teaching profession, education and students, and represents Maine in the National Teacher of the Year program.

Each educator was nominated by a member of their community for their exemplary service in education and dedication to their students. They were selected by a distinguished panel of teachers, principals, and business community members from a pool of hundreds of other nominated teachers in their communities.

Whitaker is passionate about combining learning opportunities with the needs of the community. She started

her school's garden, which donates over 800 pounds of produce for the local food pantry each year.

She also is a founding member of the Gorham BackPack Program which provides students in the community who are experiencing chronic hunger with food over the weekend. Her alternative education students are active volunteers for both programs.

Whitaker is an advocate for and experienced in using restorative practices and experiential learning. She believes in the power of relationships and that learning should be meaningful to students. Whenever possible, Whitaker takes students out of the classroom on educational field trips and gets them involved in community volunteering.

She holds a B.A. in elementary education from Boston College and a M.S. in literacy from University of Southern Maine and has been teaching for 18 years.



Photo courtesy of Suzie Phillips

School Committee Meeting

SEPTEMBER 11, 2019

KATHY CORBETT
Staff Writer

At the first School Committee (SC) meeting of the new school year, the five district principals reported on the opening days of their schools, Norm Justice summarized work done on the school buildings over the summer, and Superintendent Heather Perry reported that the enrollment was 2,814 on opening day.

Perry praised the work of the central office staff in facilitating a smooth opening. She also emphasized the need for more bus and van drivers, which has made finalizing bus routes a challenge. She said the district has made sure all buildings are secure.

Ava Pitman introduced Zaharia Lembarra, a GHS junior, who joins her as a student representative to the School Committee. SC members complimented the district staff on the successful start of the school year. Jennifer Whitehead particularly thanked GHS staff for its efforts in the world language program.

Cynthia Remick, Narragansett principal, joined Becky Fortier from Great Falls and Brian Porter from Village School in reporting on successful opening days, parent and student orientation events, and ways their schools welcomed new students. They each emphasized a focus on creating classroom communities. They expressed concern that the time needed to get

students off buses in the morning and the time needed for students to board busses at the end of the day is causing some problems, but they all praised the district's maintenance crew for making their schools ready for those students.

Quinton Donahue, the new Gorham Middle School principal, described activities over the summer by teachers and administrators to prepare for the school year. He described a new program, "Start With Hello," that is designed to combat student feelings of isolation. He announced that because Heather Whitaker, GMS alternative education teacher, is a finalist for Teacher of the Year, representatives from the Department of Education will be making a site visit soon.

GHS principal Brian Jandreau spoke about a cooperative program with the University of Southern Maine (USM) that will enable Gorham students to earn as many as 25 college credits before graduation. A new EcoClub has attracted 87 students interested in environmental issues. He announced that the Maine Supreme Court will hear three cases at GHS on October 8, an opportunity for students to see the court in action.

Norm Justice, Director of Facilities and Transportation, gave a presentation about the summer work, which included retrofitting a number of spaces into classrooms to accommodate increasing

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GMS Participates in "Start with Hello" Week

QUINTON DONAHUE
GMS Principal

Social isolation is a growing epidemic in the United States and within schools, and it can be associated with violent and suicidal behavior. One study found that chronic loneliness increases the risk of an early death by 14%.

Young people who are isolated can become victims of bullying, violence and/or depression, and as a result, many pull further away from society, struggle with learning and social development and/or choose to hurt themselves or others.

These facts come from a non-profit organization called Sandy Hook Promise. It is a group that includes members of families whose loved ones were killed at Sandy Hook Elementary School. Their mission is to help all students feel safe, accepted, and seen.

During the week of September

23, the students and staff at Gorham Middle School (GMS) will be participating in "Start with Hello." The "Start with Hello" activities and messages engage students

and staff in learning about what social isolation is, how to recognize it, and how we can together work towards eliminating it from GMS' school community.

Some activities planned include: "Hey Day," a

"Chunka Change" drive to support the mission of Sandy Hook Promise; a Random Acts of Kindness Day; and a No One Eats Alone lunch.

While GMS will be focused on this mission for the week, it is the hope that the messages presented and experienced will extend into the rest of this school year and beyond.

For more information about the Sandy Hook Promise, check out their website at <https://www.sandyhookpromise.org/about#mission>.

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GORHAM HIGH SCHOOL is accepting nominations for the Gorham Athletic Hall of Fame.

Any student-athlete who graduated prior to 2009 is eligible to be nominated. For more information or obtain a nomination form, please visit www.gorhamschools.org and click on Athletics.

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Athletic Accomplishments at Gorham High School (Awards, Honors, Records, etc.) _____

Name of Person Completing this Form _____

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School Committee Meeting

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enrollment. He also discussed re-building a bathroom at Narragansett and the progress in preparing the modular classroom site. Security fencing has been erected at GHS and all the district's stage curtains have new fireproof coating, a state requirement.

Justice also emphasized the shortage of bus drivers and the impact it has on bus schedules. There are openings for two full-time drivers and a substitute driver.

During committee reporting, Bill Benson again encouraged parents and students to consider the vocational education programs that have unfilled spaces. He also reported on the GHS Building Committee and emphasized that while several options have been considered, the committee has made no recommendations.

The SC approved a new security secretary position at GHS. The secretary will be stationed at the entrance off the parking lot and will monitor use of those doors, directing visitors down the hall to the central office.

In regular business, the SC voted unanimously to accept the superintendent's 2019-2020 goals, the FY21 budget development timetable, and the 2019-20 meeting schedule. The committee unanimously approved three additional coaching positions and stipends for teachers who serve as athletic coaches. It also approved the contract with Maine Intercultural Communications Consultants and approved the Ed Tech Reauthorization Chair.

GHS Student Participates in ACLU Summer Institute in Washington, D.C.

COMPILED BY ANDREA MORRELL
School News Editor

The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) hosted its annual Summer Advocacy Institute in Washington, D.C. for rising junior and senior high school students giving students the tools they need to engage in their communities on issues around civil liberties and civil rights.

Gorham High School junior and Gorham Times intern Grace Flynn joined almost 1,000 students from every state in the country for the opportunity to receive first-hand experience from lawyers, lobbyists, community activists, and other experts dedicated to defending these constitutional rights.

Participating students engaged with lawyers and political activists to build expertise and knowledge in advocacy including issues such as criminal justice reform, voting rights, and religious freedom; participate in debates; and develop successful media and social networking strategies, all while observing policy development on Capitol Hill.

"I was interested in the program because I viewed it as a way to expand my connections within the activist community," said Flynn. "I also saw it as an opportunity to educate myself on not only the issues present within the U.S. but the work being done to heal and solve them."



Photo courtesy of Grace Flynn

The week culminated with a lobby day on July 25 where students participated in meetings with elected officials and/or congressional staff on Capitol Hill to bring attention to the cruel and inhumane conditions immigrant families are held in at the border, as well as the threat posed by law enforcement officers overreaching by using facial recognition technology. The day concluded with a large rally at the Capitol.

"I'm continuing to process the experiences that I had at the ACLU Advocacy Institute and I don't doubt that the impact of those experiences will ever fade. While the speakers we heard from were amazing, I'm most grateful for having met so many of the young activists I interacted with throughout the week," said Flynn.

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"The work my peers at the ACLU Institute are doing continues to astound me. Being able to see in person the overwhelming number of youth aspiring to make change in the world and putting in the work to make it happen gave me hope for the future."

Flynn said her week at the ACLU Institute provided her with increased self-awareness and made her reflect on her role in the world.

"It showed me how any piece of action, regardless of how big or small, is vital to making the change you want to see happen," said Flynn. "It also showed me how individualism is a large, but often overlooked, aspect of activism. The best way to create change is to understand yourself and your goals first. You won't impact the world by trying to imitate it. It takes every type of person, utilizing their own unique passions, to impact the world."

Flynn plans on using what she learned to more effectively advocate for justice, prosperity, and the fundamental rights of all people in her community. She plans on using her voice to better organize around issues in the community.

Flynn said the Institute modeled an open dialogue, which provided

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School Note

Do you care about the Earth? If so, you are invited to join the GHS EcoClub at the Gazebo for a CLIMATE RALLY from 2:30-3:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 20. They will be making signs to raise awareness of the upcoming UN Climate Summit and the issues of climate change. Join them.

GHS Student Participates in ACLU Summer Institute in Washington, D.C.

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youth the space to express themselves without fear of judgement. This fostered growth for students through discussions with peers surrounding difficult topics. It made it easy to open up about their own experiences and understand others.

She hopes to bring this openness to other's experiences back to Gorham, whether it be in the classroom or with friends, and said, "Each time a person is able to open their minds and show a willingness to learn, it becomes just a bit easier for another to share their story."

Gorham Times Seeking Student Interns

Do you love to write? Are you always looking for the inside scoop? Do you have an interest in attending school/sports events for free and reporting on them? If you answered yes to any of these questions, come join our Gorham Times team! We are looking for a few new student interns (preferably high school students) to help with the school and sports sections of the paper. Write on what interests you and as much as you have time for. Interns have the potential to earn community service hours or credit while working for the paper (see Mr. Jandreau for details). We are looking for interested students who are willing to take on articles at least once a month (as your time allows), attend bimonthly meetings when you can, and who have a genuine interest in journalism. Our interns are an invaluable part of the paper. Great resume builder! If interested, contact Andrea Morrell at schoolsnews@gt@gmail.com.

The Ins and Outs of Gorham Road Work CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5

it by their governing boards for final approvals.

The state has a system to prioritize roads based on the amount of traffic which is a major factor used in determining which highways to work on each year.

"We assign priority numbers to roads. A Priority 1 road would be something like Route 1. The lowest rank is Priority 6. Route 114 is either a Priority 2 or 3 road depending on your exact location. Route 25 ranks as a Priority 1 or 2 corridor through Gorham. Based on the traffic data, Routes 114 and 25 are among the most important state roads in Gorham," said Paul Merrill, MDOT Public Information Officer.

Although the town and state have their own methods, priorities and budget, they often work hand in hand for a common goal.

"MDOT notifies towns of their project list to Public Works or Town Managers. Then, at town meetings, they are discussed and compared to the town's priorities to see if synergies exist. Occasionally the town may request a joint effort to achieve multiple goals as in the Route 25 project currently underway," Burns said.

It would have been hard to miss the Route 25 project this summer. In June, Shaw Brothers Construction of Gorham began the joint project of extensive paving work along five miles of Route 25 (Main Street) from Conant St. in Westbrook to Cressey Rd in Gorham. This project that MDOT initiated includes improvements to traffic signals per request of the town, drainage and water mains, as well as safety features. It is projected to be completed by August 2020.

And finally, one of the reasons your road may not have been fixed yet may just be the budget. There are 149 miles of roads to maintain and only so much money.

"The town has made a concentrated effort to rebuild some failing roads over the last several years but funding is limited and we need to maintain those roads in good condition to prevent them from needing to be rebuilt," Burns admitted.

Therefore, though oftentimes you may shake your head in wonder as to why a given project is being undertaken, rest assured that there are many variables that may not be readily apparent taken into consideration in the final decision.

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As a means of giving back, members of the Dance Studio of Maine volunteered their time to help the community earlier this month. Dancers of all ages participated in numerous volunteer opportunities including cleaning up the outdoor classroom at Great Falls Elementary School, assisting with the cleaning, organization, and packing of food items at the Gorham Food Pantry, cleaning up the house at the Ronald McDonald House, baking cookies for local fire departments, and helping at the Stephen G. Ward Memorial 9/11 Run.



The Baxter Memorial Library maintains 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 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. The library offers three different age-specific programs and one all-ages program each week. Story times are not held during regular Gorham school vacations and holidays, or when they are closed due to inclement weather. Find the dates and times of all upcoming Discovery Times in the CALENDAR section of this issue.

The Gorham Food Pantry, located at 299-B Main St (parking lot of St. Anne's Catholic Church) is open every Thursday morning from 10 a.m. to 12 p.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.

The Gorham Medical Closet located at the Municipal Center 75 South St is free and available to Gorham residents in need of wheelchairs, shower seats, commodes, walkers, canes, crutches and more. FMI 839-3859; 839-2484; 839-3228; 329-4976; 839-3494; 839-6450. Hours are by appointment only with one of the volunteers. If you don't reach a volunteer, leave a message and they will return your call.

The Gorham Lions Club will meet on Tuesday, September 24, at 6:30 p.m. at the Public Works cafeteria on Huston Road. Regular dinner meetings are the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. New members always welcome. FMI, 929-9182.

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. Costumes also welcome. Preregistration is required at CresseyRdUmc.Org. FMI, 839-3111.

SENIOR NEWS

The Lakes Region Senior Center will host a luncheon and recycle talk with Stump the Recycle Lady on Monday, October 7 at 11:30 a.m. at the Activity Center on Acorn Street in Little Falls. Serving chowder, soup and chili. The cost will be \$5 for members and \$8 for nonmembers.

PUBLIC SUPPERS

North Gorham UCC Church at 2 Standish Neck Road will hold a Bean-Hole-Bean Supper on Saturday, September 19, from 4:30-6 p.m. Adults \$9/Children \$4.

USM NOTES

A new admissions policy took effect in August at the University of Southern Maine making SAT and ACT tests an optional part of the application process for most undergraduate degrees. Research shows that high school grades and GPA are a better indicator of student success for students in their first year of college. With data showing that while test scores can be reflective of a student's economic background, they are not a true indicator of a student's academic ability and potential. The testing requirement will continue for undergraduate applicants to the Nursing Program, as supported by the data.

More news from Admissions: beginning this fall, students who apply for early action and submit their undergraduate admission application by November 15 and provide all supporting materials by December 1 will be guaranteed an admission decision by January 15. They will continue to have until May to decide whether to enroll, allowing students to consider their offer earlier in the process, with more time to weigh college and financial aid options. The Office of Admissions also holds a weekly Transfer Tuesday, where students interested in transferring to USM can set up an appointment for an in-person admission decision during a 30-minute interview. Email admitusm@maine.edu or call 780-5670 for information and appointments.

Celebrate chamber music: the School of Music's Faculty Concert Series opens on September 27 featuring Gorham's own Robert and Kimberly Lehmann, violin and viola, both USM music faculty members, with guest pianist Martin Perry. That same weekend, on Sunday, September 29, from 10 a.m. to noon, the Resinosa Ensemble, consisting of mezzo-soprano Joëlle Morris, cellist Eliza Meyer, and pianist Bridget Convey, will present a free master class open to the public, followed by a 2 p.m. public concert (\$15 adults, \$10 seniors, USM employees and alumni, \$5 students). Corthell Concert Hall, Gorham campus. Upcoming events include the All-State Instrumental Boot Camp and the 17th Annual Old-Fashioned Band Concert and BBQ on October 5.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, FIND A CALENDAR OF USM'S MANY PUBLIC EVENTS AT USM.MAINE.EDU/EVENTS/PUBLIC.

CLOSE TO HOME

A Haddock Supper Buffet will be held at Living Waters Church, Parker Farm Road in Buxton on Saturday, September 28 at 5 p.m. Suggested donation is \$8 adult, \$4 child and \$20 for a family.



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SIBLING LOVE

Disturbance on Elwood Lane was two sisters arguing over a shirt. They had calmed down by the time officer arrived.

Caller wanted to report a credit card stolen from his apartment. He had already cancelled the card. He suspected a female had taken it earlier in the evening while in his home. He had given her a ride and did not know her real name or where she lived. He decided he was too tired to provide a statement and did not want to report it.

County Road caller reported her boyfriend had smashed her phone. She just wanted to get her belongings and leave. Ride provided to home of a relative.

Main St. caller reported someone in a reflective orange vest and a head mounted flashlight was looking through recycling bins caller at placed at the curb the previous night. Officer advised it was probably someone looking for returnable containers. Caller did not want people on his property. He was advised to put containers out during the day.

Rust Road caller was locked out of her house. A neighbor was trying to help. They were told officer had no lock-picking expertise but she wanted him to come anyway. Despite numerous attempts, they were not able to get entrance to the house. Woman stayed elsewhere for the night.

An anonymous caller from Sanford Drive reported hearing buzzing electrical noise by the CMP substation on Sanford Drive. He has been hearing the noise for the last few weeks. Officer advised substation had been making noises since there was a substation.

Officer removed a mean/nasty snapping turtle off Shaw's Mill Road.

Animal problem on Dragonfly Lane was a wild bird protecting her nest.

Buck St. woman locked her sister out of the house and would not let her in. Officer restored the peace.

Hemlock Drive caller reported a disturbance. Subject was not fighting with anyone. He was struggling to bring a large potted plant up the steps and into his trailer. He was yelling loudly and had spilled a lot of potting soil on the steps.

Two horses were loose on Spiller Road. Horses had run across the road and then back to barn yard. Officer and neighbor led the horses back to the paddock and secured the gate.

Patrick Drive caller reported neighbor's dog had been barking all night and he wanted it to stop. Police have responded to this residence multiple times for the same issue. Officers could hear barking as they drove up about 4 a.m. Officers made contact with the dog owner who was very defensive and said officers were bothering her. She agreed to bring both dogs inside and keep them quiet.

Officer attempted to check on two young adults/kids walking on School St. While officer turned vehicle around, they ducked out and were not located.

Suspicious person at Fort Hill Park was just taking a break after a big school paper.

Officer saved another turtle on Shaw's Mill Road.

State St. resident told officer she did not have mold and would not let landlord in to take photos.

Caller wanted to file a complaint against his ex-girlfriend. He was advised that since the accident report had been made and insurance would not cover repairs, it was a civil matter.

Officer went to Westbrook to assist an officer there. Subject was located. He was not calm and was not acting normally. He was transported to the hospital.

Suspicious person on Railroad Ave. was located in his apartment.

Suspicious persons on Dunlap Road were traffic flaggers waiting to start work.

Parker Hill Road caller reported a possible theft and criminal mischief. Caller did not want to pursue criminal charges but asked that the man be removed from his property. A criminal trespass notice was issued and he was advised to stay out of the area.

Blackberry Lane caller reported fireworks were disturbing her dogs. A Winslow Road resident had a fireworks permit. Officer called Blackberry Lane caller three times and left a message that the fireworks were legal.

Caller reported a man seated on his walker on the sidewalk on School St. Man had fallen asleep on walker as he had not been sleeping well. He went back inside.

Two adult sisters had an argument while in their vehicle. One got out and was walking home. Officer located walking sister and confirmed there had not been an assault. They returned home together.

Officer talked with man in a vehicle parked at the cemetery on Main St. He was there to play Pokémon Go. He was advised it is illegal to be in a cemetery after dark and man moved along.

Officer met a Shaw's Mill Road caller and determined that the snake seen around his house was not a threat.

Eagle Cove Road caller told officer her dogs had barked at a FedEx driver while a delivery was being made. She just wanted police to be aware in case the driver complained.

Officer assisted Scarborough PD with a large fight involving 60-80 people on County Road. Numerous cars full of party goers were fleeing the scene when officer arrived. Officer made contact with three individuals yelling in the road. One claimed that the other two had assaulted him. Man making complaint was clearly intoxicated, another was argumentative, and the third was trying to walk away. He was detained for Scarborough PD.

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Downsizing Sale. Sept 28-19, 8:30-3 pm, Tink Drive, Gorham. Boating gear, sports equipment, bicycle, outdoor space heater, baseball cards, 2 Sea Dogs Mens jackets, women's clothing, children's games/crafts.

FOR SALE. Cypress swing stand with 52-inch bent oak swing from Nags Head Hammocks. \$500 or best offer. Call 229-7668 in afternoon only.

<http://tinyurl.com/spoiledbymyboyfriend>. Go now, and check my fun shirt out and make that purchase today. Prices start at \$21.99 for a snazzy short-sleeved shirt and on up.

MOVING SALE. Antiques, furniture, kid's stuff, etc. Sept 21 & 22, 8-1 , 1 Matthew Dr, Gorham.

HELP WANTED

KENNEL HELP NEEDED. Part time. Afternoons and weekends. Must love animals, we can teach you the rest! Applications available on our website or stop by and pick one up. Refreshing Paws. 132 Brackett Rd. Gorham

SERVICES

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CALENDAR

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Family Fun DOG 'Pawrade, Cressey Road United Methodist Church, 10 a.m. check in Public Supper, North Gorham UCC, 2 Standish Neck Road, 4:30-6 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Baxter Memorial Library, Preschool Discovery Time (3-5 yrs), 9:30-10:15 a.m. Gorham Lions Club regular dinner meeting, Public Works cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

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

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Baxter Memorial Library
 • Toddler Discovery Time (18mos-3yrs), 9:30-10 a.m.
 • Book Club discussion of "Mama's Last hug: Animal Emotions and What They Tell Us About Ourselves" by Fans de Waal, 10 a.m.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Opening Faculty Concert, "Let's Duet" Intimate Conversations for Two, Robert and Kimberly Lehmann, violin and viola. USM School of Music, Corthell Concert Hall, 8 p.m., \$5-\$15

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Resinosa Ensemble Master Class, 10 a.m. Free; 2 p.m. Concert, USM School of Music, Corthell Concert Hall, \$5-\$15

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Homecoming Week begins at Gorham High School

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

Baxter Memorial Library, Preschool Discovery Time (3-5 yrs)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

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

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

Toddler Discovery Time (18mos-3 years), 9:30-10 a.m.

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