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What's On Your Ballot?



KATHY CORBETT
Staff Writer

Gorham voters will choose three Town Councillors and two School Committee members on November 5, each for three-year terms. Profiles of the seven candidates running for the Council appeared in the last issue of the Gorham Times and can be reviewed at www.gorhamtimes.com. See page 4 for information about the three School Committee candidates. Robert Burns is running unopposed for the Portland Water District.

Voters will also decide whether or not to authorize the Town to borrow \$5,900,000 to finance the cost of 141 acres of vacant land, including initial infrastructure, with frontage on Main Street for development into an industrial park. To offset the initial taxpayer investment, other sources of revenue including the proceeds from lot sales and future tax increment funding (TIF) may be used to recoup costs of purchasing or developing the property. The Town Council recommends a "yes" vote.

There are two questions on the State ballot. Question 1 asks if voters "favor a \$105,000,000 bond issue to build or improve roads, bridges" and other transportation investments. These monies would be used to match an estimated \$137,000,00 in federal and other funds.

Question 2 asks if voters want to amend the Maine Constitution to authorize persons with disabilities to use an alternative method of signing petitions as authorized by the Legislature. Election law already allows people unable to sign their own names to election documents such as registration applications to have a Maine-registered voter to sign on the voter's behalf at the direction of the voter. Adoption of this proposed constitutional amendment would permit the Legislature to adopt a method for people with disabilities to sign citizen's initiative petitions and people's veto petitions as well.

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Whitaker Named Maine's 2020 Teacher of the Year

KATHY CORBETT
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Gorham Middle School (GMS) students wearing the school colors cheered Heather Whitaker as she entered a gym filled with educators, public officials, and special guests from all over the state. Whitaker, the school's alternative education teacher, was selected from 300 nominees to be Maine's 2020 Teacher of the Year. In making the announcement, Dan Chuhta, Maine Department of Education Deputy Commissioner, said Whitaker will represent the teaching profession and all Maine teachers during her "year of recognition."

Whitaker, who was named the 2019 Cumberland County Teacher of the Year as well, thanked her students and colleagues for "their collective work to make alternative education projects successful," adding that she would "use this opportunity to support teachers across the state."

A GMS teacher for 18 years, Whitaker combines learning opportunities with the needs of the community. She started the school's garden which donates more than 800 pounds of produce to the Gorham food pantry every year and was a founding member of

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Heather Whitaker was surrounded by her students as she made her way into the GMS gym to accept Maine's 2020 Teacher of the Year award from Dan Chuhta of the Maine Department of Education. Former students Kylee Keene, far left, and Kiely Burns spoke about the impact Whitaker's teaching had on their lives.

Homecoming Highlights



The Gorham Rams football team took to the field on October 4 for Homecoming Week. The evening was capped off with a fireworks display sponsored by the Gorham Athletic Boosters. For more Homecoming photos, see page 8.



Photo credit Amanda Landry Photography

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

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Improving Access to High-Quality, Affordable Health Care

SEN. LINDA SANBORN

Before I served in the Legislature, I practiced family medicine here in Gorham for 25 years. I loved the work, and helping young families in my own community lead healthy and happy lives was an absolute privilege.

But I also saw patients struggle with high costs and other barriers that prevented them from getting the care they needed. Simply put, in this country the amount and quality of health care that someone can receive is inextricably linked to how much money they have. That's not fair, and it's not how an effective health care system—one that prioritizes strong, healthy communities—should work.

That's why, as a legislator, improving access to high-quality, affordable health care has been one of my top priorities. Tackling this challenge is a big job, and it takes action on many fronts, but this year the legislature has taken steps that will make a real difference.

We provided sustainable funding for MaineCare expansion, without raising taxes. This expansion was approved by the voters in 2017, but never implemented by the previous gubernatorial administration. Now in place, it provides health coverage to people who need it, and increases the federal government's investment in health care in Maine, which helps our economy.

We also passed a suite of laws aimed at lowering the cost of prescription drugs in Maine. These laws allow for the wholesale importation of safe, affordable medicine from Canada, create a Prescription Drug Affordability

Board to give consumers a voice in drug pricing, hold corporate middlemen who pocket rebates intended for consumers accountable, and require greater transparency from drug companies.

At a time when other states and the federal government are restricting choice based on an extreme political ideology, Maine is leading the way by increasing access to safe, affordable reproductive health care. A new law I sponsored updates Maine's Family Planning statutes to bring them in line with current medical practices. We also passed a law, sponsored by Gorham's own Rep. Mo Terry, which allows over-the-counter drugs, including emergency contraception, to be sold in vending machines.

Another new law allows Advanced Clinicians, including Nurse Practitioners and Nurse Midwives, to perform abortion procedures, and another requires insurance plans that cover prenatal care to also cover abortions. This helps patients get care in their community, from a health care provider they trust.

We also took action to push back on the growing—and disturbing—trend of insurance companies interfering with patient care. We passed a law that restricts the use of "step therapy," a practice that requires patients to try a generic alternative, and prove it doesn't work, before getting the version they were originally prescribed. Another new law restricts the use of "prior authoriza-

tion," which is when an insurance company requires that they sign off on a certain treatment before it is administered. And, we passed a law requiring that medical reviews conducted by insurance companies are done by health care providers with relevant experience, instead of insurance company bureaucrats.

Finally, a new law I was very proud to introduce makes it easier for homeless youth to access the health care services they need. A recent survey found that lack of access to health care, in particular mental health services, was the biggest challenge for this vulnerable population.

We aren't done yet. In the coming year, I will continue to push for more affordable, accessible health care for everyone.

As always, if you have any questions, comments or concerns please feel free to contact my office or send me an email. It's an honor to serve as your state senator.



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 -

Maine Optometry has moved to 14 Vista Drive near Mosher's Corner. Elevate Physical Therapy is now open at 14 Vista Drive.

Letter 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,

The Towing and Recovery Association of Maine (T.R.A.M.) and Wreck Master Inc. would like to thank Gorham Fire Chief Robert Lefevbre and the Gorham Fire Department for the use of their training room during the recent Level 4/5 Recovery Training Course.

T.R.A.M. would also like to thank Carl Phillips/Phillips Body Shop for their assistance and the Big Rig Shop, Field's Auto and Greeley's Garage for the use of their trucks during the course. Also, thanks to T.R.A.M. Safety Director Kevin Marsteller for organizing the training that resulted in twenty newly certified heavy duty recovery operators in Maine.

Dana Lewis, T.R.A.M. President

INVITING ALL GORHAM BUSINESSES ON MAIN STREET AND BEYOND TO

GORHAM'S ANNUAL TREE FESTIVAL 2019

You are invited to participate in Gorham's Tree Festival. If your business would like to participate in being festive and lighting up Main Street and beyond this holiday season here is how to get involved:

- Place a Holiday Tree outside of your business and decorate it for the season by December 1st at 4pm. It can be traditional or themed.
- Our goal is to have all trees lit on the evening of the Light Parade December 1st at 4pm and throughout the season. This year the members of the Gorham Village Alliance will view each tree and choose the winning tree of the festival!
- On the evening of New Year's Gorham the winner selected by the Gorham Village Alliance will be announced and presented with a traveling plaque to hold on to and have on display for the year!
- If you would like to participate or have any questions please email Cindy Smith at cindy@greatfallsinc.com. Please be sure to let us know if you will be participating by Wednesday, November 27th to ensure your tree will be judged and on the list of trees that will to be published for the community to visit.

Too busy, but would like to participate? Let us know and we can help. Looking forward to a festive Main Street and beyond. Thank you for your time. Happy Holidays!!



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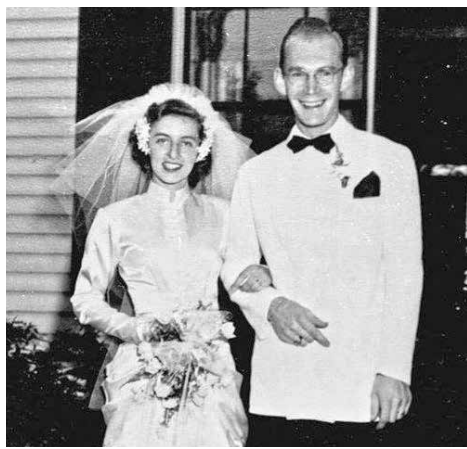
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The Bardens and Their Rich History in Gorham



Photos courtesy Terrilynn Dubreuil

The Bardens were married in 1949 and recently celebrated their 70th anniversary. Dick was the town pharmacist for years, beginning at his father's company, Barden's Drug Store.

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Longtime Gorham residents Richard and Rosalie Barden celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary September 4. They met while Richard was working for his father at Barden Drug Store which was located where Gorham House of Pizza is now. His father, Nelson Barden, opened the drug store around 1937. In 1948, Rosalie was a student at Gorham State Teacher's College. She and a college friend were picking up

items at the store when they noticed a bobbing duck at the check-out. Her friend commented, "Isn't he cute... the duck I mean!" After about a year of dating, Dick and Rosalie were married in Gorham at the First Parish Church in 1949.

Dick was the town pharmacist for his whole life, owning Gorham Pharmacy and later working at other pharmacies in town and Cook's Hardware in retirement, finishing part-time at the age of 83. Rosalie was an art teacher at the University of Maine Portland-Gorham (now USM) and throughout the Gorham School system.

The Bardens have been community leaders their whole lives and their influence has spread far and wide. They were on multiple committees in their church and traveled throughout Europe singing with the church chorus. Dick also served on Gorham Town committees and they were both involved in various com-

munity service groups including the Lions Club and Hospice. Dick sang as a bass for many years in the Portland Magic of Christmas chorus and Rosalie was a well-known watercolor artist showing and selling paintings in many galleries around Maine and New England.

They have three children, 10 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild. They both also celebrated their 93rd birthdays in September. Rosalie has always called

Dick her "knight in shining armor," and Dick said, "The secret to a long, successful marriage is to do whatever she says." Both agree that "dancing and singing together and traveling abroad has kept them close always."

Richard's parents were Nelson and Eva Barden of Church Street. Dick was born in Newton, MA, but the family moved to Gorham when he was eleven years old. He grew up in town and later graduated from Massachusetts College of Pharmacy as the Valedictorian and was offered a full scholarship to Perdue Graduate School. He chose to work for his father at the pharmacy, which was a full-service drug store including a soda fountain-type restaurant to the side. Later he joined with Bill Rickards of Carswell's Drug Store and their partnership created Gorham Pharmacy (located where Hops and Vine is currently).

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THE BARDENS HAVE BEEN COMMUNITY LEADERS THEIR WHOLE LIVES AND THEIR INFLUENCE HAS SPREAD FAR AND WIDE.

A Trip of a Lifetime

DIANE ABRAMSON
Staff Writer

Longtime Gorham resident Robert Mountain recently had the opportunity to experience the trip of a lifetime through Honor Flight Maine.

The Honor Flight Network is a non-profit organization created solely to honor America's veterans for all their sacrifices. Honor Flight transports America's heroes, free of charge, to Washington, D.C. to visit and reflect at their memorials. Top priority is given to senior veterans – World War II survivors, along with those other veterans who may be terminally ill.

Born in Portland, Mountain moved to Gorham as a young man. After graduating from Gorham High School, Bob served in Korea during World War II in 1946. As a rifleman with the 1st infantry regiment, attached to the 6th infantry division, Mountain and his fellow infantrymen were tasked with securing and liberating southern Korea from Japanese control. One year to his day

of deployment, he was sent back to America and soon thereafter enrolled in business school. After years of work at Maine Steel and in the insurance industry, Mountain retired as a food broker.

His daughter, Tammy Woodbury, submitted an

application to Honor Flight Maine recommending her father for consideration. Last month, Mountain, now 91 years old, left the Portland Jetport for Baltimore, Maryland with fifty other veterans from Maine.

"We all had our own personal guardian who was responsible for our physical safety and security. Mine was a wonderful man, retired from the Coast Guard, currently a nurse and EMT," said Mountain.

"Once we landed in Baltimore, we received a catered box lunch and started our tour, visiting Fort McHenry and Fort Meade." On Saturday, the veterans from Honor Flight Maine boarded a bus and traveled with a police escort from Baltimore to Washington, D.C.

They spent the day visiting all the national memorials constructed to honor the service and sacrifice of those in arms, with a personalized tour and guide at each. "I have been to Washington, D.C. on several occasions," he said, "but this was the first time that I



Photo credit Tammy Woodbury

Bob Mountain left the Portland Jetport on September 20 for his Honor Flight.

was able to visit the memorials and have them thoroughly explained to me."

"I thought the Women's Memorial, at Arlington National Cemetery, was exceptionally well done. We had two female veterans on our trip and it was wonderful to see them honored and recognized." However, for Mountain,

the highlight of the trip was the National WWII Memorial.

"If anyone has a friend or relative that is a veteran, please encourage them to nominate their loved one for participation in the Honor Flight program. It was incredibly well

done; there was no wait, no downtime. Everyone was so nice on the trip and it was extremely well organized. I came out of the experience with so many good memories that I will cherish."

Although Mountain, who ran his first Beach to Beacon race at age 80 and has run eleven straight since, is showing no signs of slowing down, he wants to make it clear that the Honor Flight program is open to all abilities. "It doesn't matter what your physical or mental capacity is; you will be very well taken care of."

For those at the Honor Flight network, "all should have an opportunity to see and appreciate how our nation honors those who were willing to lay down their very lives in service to our country."

If you would like to make a donation, nominate a veteran, or find out more information on the Honor Flight program, please visit honorflightmaine.org or email the organization at maine-honorflight@gmail.com.

"IF ANYONE HAS A FRIEND OR RELATIVE THAT IS A VETERAN, PLEASE ENCOURAGE THEM TO NOMINATE THEIR LOVED ONE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE HONOR FLIGHT PROGRAM... I CAME OUT OF THE EXPERIENCE WITH SO MANY GOOD MEMORIES THAT I WILL CHERISH."

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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*BYO pumpkin and carving tools
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Focusing on Greater Portland to the Lakes Region and all points in between

School Committee Candidates



Name: James Brockman
Address: 31 Clearview Drive
Education: BA Psychology, Wake Forest University, 1995

Personal Info:

I'm married with twin sons in second grade at Narragansett Elementary School. I grew up in Connecticut and have lived in North Carolina, New York, and Colorado. When we came to Maine in the summer of 2017, we knew that we had found our home. My mother sings in the choir at First Parish UCC. I'm proud that my family is part of this town. I enjoy triathlons (you may have seen me running or biking through town), woodworking, and building model rockets.

Employment: Business Analyst, FEI Systems, Inc. I have also worked as a professional or volunteer wildlife educator, a software consultant, a help desk analyst, a bike mechanic, and a caterer. I love new experiences and new challenges.

Political and community experience: I am a newcomer to politics and hoping to bring fresh perspectives to the Gorham School Committee. I'm excited about the opportunity to serve the town. I regularly volunteer my time with the children at Narragansett Elementary

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Name: Philip T Gagnon Jr.
Address: Gordon Farms Rd
Education: Master in Business Administration, Degrees in Economics and

Business Administration

Personal Info: Married with three school aged children

Employment: Banking (Industry Award for Innovation in Banking 2017)

Political and community experience: Board Member for Big Brothers Big Sisters (Executive Committee), Currently on Gorham Revolving Loan Fund. Former: Town Councilor and Town Council Chairman, High School Building Committee member, Finance Committee member (Chair), Capital Improvements Committee member, Gorham Celebration Committee member for Town's Incorporation, Gorham Founders Festival (Chair), Gorham Economic Development Corp member

Why are you running for office and how will your experience benefit the School Committee?

Many people know my positive track record with supporting the schools, along with my dedicated and strong work ethic. The number of people that have approached

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Name: Stewart B. McCallister
Address: 157 Flagg Meadow Road
Education: Windham High School

Personal Info:

My wife and I have lived in Gorham for almost 10 years. One of the biggest reasons we chose Gorham was for the schools. My oldest son is in sixth grade and my youngest will start kindergarten next year.

Employment: I am currently a Letter Carrier at the United States Postal Service and have been for the past four years. Prior to that I was a retail manager.

Political and community experience: I have been on the Gorham School Committee for almost three years with two of those as the Vice-Chair. I served on the Personnel Committee for three years with the two most recent years as the chair. I have also served on the School Day Committee which examined our high-school's start times and overall length of the school day.

Why are you running for office and how will your experience benefit the School Committee?

I am running for re-election to the School Committee to help ensure that every student in Gorham con-

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Planning Board Results OCTOBER 7

STJ, Inc.'s Tow Path Road Condominiums' request for approval of a 4-duplex (8 units) condominium development with associated parking and infrastructure off Tow Path Road was approved.

Great Falls Construction/Railroad Avenue, LLC's request for approval of an amendment to the Master Sign Plan for 7 Railroad Avenue ("Station Square") was approved.

What's On Your Ballot?

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Although Election Day is November 5, Gorham residents may now vote absentee at the Municipal Center during regular business hours. Voters may request an absentee ballot by mail, phone, or online, but October 31 is the last day absentee ballots may be picked up at the Town Clerk's Office. All ballots must be returned by 8 p.m. on Election Day.

The polls will be open on November 5 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Ward 1-1 residents vote at the Gorham Middle School, Ward 1-2 at the Little Falls Activity Center, and Ward 2 at Shaw Gym in the Recreation Center. New voters may register at their polling place.

Read to Me
 by Brendan Pelsue
 Oct 22 - Nov 10

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ADDRESS	BUYER	SELLER	PRICE
15 MOSCA NERO DRIVE	NELSON, JUDITH	GILE, AARON	\$359,000
83 CUMBERLAND LANE	RWAGASANAM JOSEF	DIONNE, KIMBERLY	\$240,000
27 NORTH GORHAM ROAD	LABERGE, CODY	CCLD, INC.	\$85,000
VISTA DRIVE	GV LAND, LLC	SUSAN DUCHAINE, LLC	\$210,000
31 HACKMATAK WAY	PAULIN, APRIL & JEFFREY	MCINNIS, MARTIN	\$389,900
267 HUSTON ROAD	PAOERHOUSE HOME INSPECTION, LLC	HURTEAU HOLDINGS	\$12,000
47 DOW ROAD	EATON, KEENAN & ASHLEY	RICHARDS, CHRISTOPHER & SUZANNE	\$315,000
101 BUCK STREET	DEGIOA, BRETT	GOODWIN, LEORA	\$189,550
72 MAPLEWOOD DRIVE	MCCORMACK, GREGORY & SUE	PRM MANAGEMENT,LLC	\$27,000
1 PHINNEY STREET	CLOUGH, MATTHEW & JAMIE	MASTERSON, ALTHEA	\$331,000
117 LONGFELLOW ROAD	JOSLIN, ALAN & TRACY	ANDRADE, LISA	\$420,000
200 STATE STREET LOT #6	ASHMAR PROPERTIES, LLC	MOSELEY, SANDRA	\$75,000
200 STATE STREET LOT #5	MCINNIS, MARTIN	MOSELEY, SANDRA	\$75,000
52 SCHOOL STREET	WAHRER, WILLIAM & BALL, BONNIE	VALERO, ELIZABETH & JANET	\$255,000
285 SOUTH STREET	HARMON, SHAWN & HOWE, STACY	ILLIAN, MARK	\$243,000
31 NORTH GORHAM ROAD	JENSEN, TODD & JUDY	CUFFEY, ANNE & GREGORY	\$345,000
80 NARRAGANSETT STREET	LIMPEL, MAUREEN & CHRISTOPHER	ESTATE OF ALMA NEWELL	\$375,000
712 FORT HILL ROAD	LALUMIERE, SCOTT	FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOC.	\$170,500
50 TWILIGHT LANE	PARKS, ROGER & KELLY	FESH, STEVEN & BERNADINA	\$431,000
14 SPILLER ROAD	FLAGG, NICHOLAS	LBMP, LLC	\$75,000
25 STEPHEN WARD DRIVE	DUPREE, PAUL & CAROLE	SUSAN DUCHAINE, LLC	\$335,000
SPILLER ROAD	TETON PROPERTY, LLC	LBMP, LLC	\$70,000
56 HAYFIELD DRIVE	JOHN PETERS, LLC	CROSS, JOHN & AMANDA	\$80,000
11 MUSKET DRIVE	ROTHE, LARRIMORE & CAITLIN	BNO, LLC	\$370,000
10 GRASSLAND ROAD	MACALUSO, JUSTIN & JENNIFER	NORMAND BERUBE NUILDERS, INC.	\$479,900
16 FINN PARKER ROAD	STROUD, TONYA & DAMON	MALPASS, NICOLE & TIMOTHY	\$272,000
37 LAURA LANE	GAHIMA, MICHAEL & MARY	STEVENSON, DEREK & AMANDA	\$360,000
7 GREEN STREET	PARLIN, SAMANTHA & GREGORY	COLLETT, PAULA	\$260,000
3 LEVI LANE	Laurie Moulton Trust	OBERG, LINDSAY	\$260,000
25 WINTERGREEN DRIVE	LEARY, VICKI	MACDONALD, SANDRA	\$305,000
57 COLLEGE AVENUE	BROWN, ROBERT	BLACKBURN, WALTER & ARIA	\$332,000
15 JACKIE'S WAY	MCPHERSON, TOREY & JENNIFER	SAWYER, JAMES & STACEY	\$421,000
15 RIDGEWAY AVENUE	GRIFFIN, KYLE & JESSICA	FOUNDATION REALTY	\$339,000
49 TOW PATH ROAD	MANCHESTER, CATHLEEN & ELSTON	ESTATE OF ANNA NEALEY	\$121,125
14 HANNAH DRIVE	LASKMKULOW, TATIANA & DIAV	KUSHNER, NOKOLAY & EKATERINA	\$225,000
37 SAMANTHA DRIVE	ROY, MONA & ROGER	CEBELLI, JUDY	\$348,500
3 MEADOW CROSSING DRIVE	MCEWEN, MORGAN	BROWN, BRETT & JULIA	\$380,000
249 COUNTY ROAD	FLYNN, TIMOTHY & JACQUELYN	BRALEY, BETHANY & CHORI	\$375,000
49 RACEWAY DRIVE	49 RACEWAY DRIVE, LLC	MOODY'S CO-WORKER OWNED, INC.	\$977,250
LIBBY AVENUE	IRISH, STEPHANIE & JOSHUA	TOWN OF GORHAM	\$8,665
233 NORTH GORHAM ROAD	TAHIR, MANAL	THERIAULT, IAN	\$203,000
10 SHIRLEY LANE	MICHAUD, RICHARD & KATHRYN	EARLE ENTERPRISES, LLC.	\$285,000
21 WEEKS ROAD	CARPENTER, KAYLA & ACKER-WOLFHAGEN	MILLER, WAYNE & KRISTINE	\$222,000
15 BURTON DRIVE	WALTER, CARLY & WHITAKER, ERIK	GRAIVIER HOMES, INC.	\$400,000
41 BRIARWOOD LANE	TAPLEY, BETTY	WEBBER, WILLIAM	\$242,000
96 QUEEN STREET	TIBBALS, GEOFFREY & JENNIFER	VESTPROPR, INC.	\$278,000
9 CONNOR DRIVE	SANTOS, JENNIFER	SUSAN DUCHAINE, LLC	\$311,600
10 POLLIWOG LANE	POULIN, JONATHAN & MONICA	ALLEN, TIFFANY	\$378,500
17 LOMBARD STREET	ENCORE PROPERTIES,LLC	HAMILTON, BROOKS & ERICA	\$152,500
262 MAIN STREET	LITTLEFIELD, JACOB & NICHOLSON, EMILY	DOMBROWSKI, THELMA	\$233,800

Town Council Meeting **OCTOBER 1**

JACOB ADAMS
Staff Writer

Lisa Bolduc of Sylvan Road discussed her concerns with the new development in town and asked the Council if there is ever any follow up to make sure the developers stay within their plans.

Jen Rush of Adeline Drive requested that the Town clear snow from the sidewalks of a mile stretch on Solomon Drive to ensure the children walking to and from the Middle School are safe this winter.

Councilor Pratt asked that any complaints or concerns of Jetport noise be given to him before the meeting of the Jetport Noise Committee on October 17.

Councilor Phillips reported that she attended the Founder's Festival Committee meeting and they are looking at several different themes for a potential event next fall to coincide with Maine's Bicentennial anniversary. The next meeting is on October 17.

Councilor Wilder Cross attended the Gorham Village Alliance Meeting and said she was excited to hear about the plans for the green space next to Robie Gym. She also announced that there is an opening on the Board of Appeals and that the Appointments Committee is seeking applications to fill the vacancy.

Town Manager Paraschak thanked Tom Ellsworth, Economic Development Director, for his many years of service to the Town and congratulated him on his retirement. The Town is currently looking to fill that position. He also stated that the Town is still having issues at the Silver Bullet recycling bins and announced that the Town is rolling out a slightly more aggressive enforcement plan to curb illegal dumping there.

Paraschak also stated that the regular Town Council meeting for November will be automatically moved to November 12.

Renewal applications for the following Automobile Graveyard/Junkyard Permits were approved for 2020: LKQ Corp/Gorham Auto, Jim Stone/Casco Federal Credit Union, Chet's Auto Sales, Reichert's Auto Body, Moodys/Insurance Auto Auction, and Dumbo Enterprises.

The Town Council issued a renewal liquor license to Gorham House of Pizza, LLC, 2 State Street.

The Town Council amended the Town's General Assistance Ordinance to incorporate the updated maximum levels of assistance as required by the State.

Town Council amended the Special Amusement Ordinance as follows:

Section 1. Applicability: This Ordinance amendment applies to all events at all facilities licensed by the State to sell liquor, regardless of whether liquor is served at any specific event,

including trivia, games, karaoke or other music events, pool tables, arcade games or video games.

Section 6. Definitions: The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this Ordinance, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning. Entertainment shall include any amusement, performance, exhibition or diversion for patrons or customers of the licensed premises whether provided by professional or amateur entertainers, by patrons, or by full-time or part-time employees of the licensed premises whose incidental duties include activities with an entertainment value including trivia, games, karaoke or other music, pool tables, arcade games or video games. (6 years, 1 nay: Phillips)

The Cemetery Ordinance was amended and will cover the following cemeteries that are maintained by the Town of Gorham: Eastern Cemetery, Fort Hill Cemetery, Hillside Cemetery, Huston Road Cemetery, Little Falls Cemetery, North Street Cemetery, Sapling Hill Cemetery, Shaws Mills Cemetery, Smith Cemetery, South Gorham Cemetery, South Street Cemetery, West Gorham Cemetery (sometimes called Dow Road or Lewis Cemetery).

The Town Council did not amend the Land Use & Development map to change Map 32, Lot 19 from Roadside Commercial to the Industrial District. (2 years, 5 nays: Pratt, Phillips, Hartwell, Wilder Cross, Smith)

An amendment to the land Use and Development Code was forwarded to the Ordinance Committee for its review and recommendation. The amendment will allow for the commercial adult-use cultivation, manufacturing and processing of marijuana. The Town Council will also schedule a workshop with legal counsel to cover this.

The Town Council adopted a resolution to encourage the number of housing units that can be afforded by lower and middle income households in our community by adopting and improving policies and incentives, which allow our community to contribute to achieving the overall regional goal of expanding the number of housing units in our region that are affordable to lower and middle income households, while managing the expansion of residential growth in smart and effective ways in the Town of Gorham. The Town Council will work with the Greater Portland Council of Governments and the Metro Regional Coalition to help achieve this.

The Town Council amended the Permanent Revolving Loan Fund Program the purpose of which is to be sure that the Town of Gorham is

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prepared to administer a permanent revolving loan fund ("RLF") for small and medium sized businesses located here. The program will provide direct loans for businesses that can't meet their entire financing needs through conventional sources of financing from banks and other financial institutions. The Town will work with banks doing business in the community to meet the needs of area businesses. The purpose of the fund is to provide financing to businesses that create taxable assessed value and increase the economic opportunity for citizens in the Town of Gorham.

An amendment to the Historic Preservation Ordinance was sent to the ordinance Committee for their review and recommendation. This amendment includes a new category for Historic Sites, to include the Old Yard Cemetery, Town Clock, Civil War monument and Founders Monument.

The Town Council instructed staff to provide recommendations for the composition of a comprehensive plan amendment committee to amend the Future Land Use Map in the Comprehensive Plan's South Gorham Crossroads District and South Gorham Commercial Center District at the next regular Town Council Meeting. The committee was also tasked with reviewing proposed uses in both districts.

Staff has been authorized to solicit proposals from qualified vendors for solar facilities to be located on the land-fill located off of Huston Road.

The Town Council instructed staff to install a waste & recycling receptacle at the Husky Line Bus Stop on Main Street and that they do so by cost effective means. (4 years, 3 nays: Shepard, Phillips, Pratt)

The Town Council asked the Planning board to look into amending the Zoning Map in the area of Harding Bridge Road to match the Future Land Use Map in the Comprehensive Plan currently zoned as Rural to Suburban Residential.

Councilor Pratt was designated as the official liaison to the Gorham Economic Development Corporation.

The amount of \$151,507 in leftover funds from completed road projects were transferred to the following projects:

\$66,000 - Drag shim two sections of Route 202 (Windham Town Line to Little Falls Roundabout & a section between the Bernard Rines Bypass and the Buxton Town Line.)

\$15,000 - Overlay of Mallison Street.
\$70,507 - towards overlay of Hurricane Road.

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

Town Hires New Town Planner

SHERI FABER
Staff Writer



Photo courtesy of Carol Eyerman

Carol Eyerman, a former Town Planner in Harpswell and Assistant Planner in Topsham, started work last month as Gorham's Town Planner. Eyerman is a former president of the Maine Association of Planners and is the current vice president of the Northern New England Chapter of American Planning Association.

Eyerman now lives in Gorham. She is looking forward to getting to know the area and to working with Tom Poirier, Director of Community Development, and the rest of the community.

USM Warning Issued After Male Exposes Himself

COURTESY OF USM PUBLIC SAFETY

USM police officers are investigating a report of two incidents that occurred during the morning of October 10 on the Gorham campus, wherein an unknown male sitting in a vehicle exposed himself to two female students. In both instances the male called the student over and exposed himself while sitting in his vehicle.

USM police were in the area and immediately responded to the reports. Despite a thorough check of the entire campus and surrounding areas, the suspicious vehicle was not located. Gorham Police were notified of the incident but also did not locate the vehicle.

The suspect was described as a light skinned male in his thirties with dark colored "greasy" or "slicked back" hair, possibly pulled pack into a hair bun on top, possibly shaved on the sides, and wearing a dark colored utility or mechanic's jacket.

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Town Council Reinstates Middle School Impact Fee

EDMUND RICKER
Staff Writer

On September 3, at its regularly scheduled meeting, the Town Council voted unanimously to reinstate the Middle School Impact Fee ordinance. This fee was originally adopted in 2002 to help pay for the debt service on the bonds issued for building the Gorham Middle School. The fee was suspended in 2009 due to concerns about the impacts of the economic recession that began in 2007.

The impact fee is part of the permitting process, so it could be the builder or homeowner who pays the fee. Any development activity in Gorham that may potentially have school aged children living in the units will be subject to the fee.

The revenue collected from the impact fee will be placed in a fund that is segregated from the Town's general revenue. All fees collected under this ordinance will be used to pay the debt on the bonds issued to finance the construction of the school. The ordinance will remain in effect until the bonds are paid off plus a period of ten years to account

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FINANCIAL FOCUS

Business Owners: You Need Your Own Retirement Plan

PETE WATT

As a business owner, you can not afford to ignore your competition. You can not afford to miss out on the trends affecting your industry. You can not afford to alienate customers. And here is one more item to add to the list: You can not afford not to create a retirement plan for yourself.

Of course, you might think that, one day, you will simply sell your business and live off the proceeds. But selling a business is not always simple, and there is no guarantee you will receive enough to pay for a comfortable retirement – which is why you should strongly consider creating a retirement plan now.

Here are some of the most widely used plans:

SEP-IRA: You can contribute up to 25 percent of your compensation — as much as \$56,000 in 2019 — to a SEP-IRA. Your contributions are tax deductible and your earnings grow tax-deferred until withdrawn. This plan offers you significant flexibility in making contributions for yourself and your employees. Plus, as an employer, you can generally deduct, as business expenses, any contributions you make on behalf of your plan participants.

SIMPLE IRA: In 2019, you can put

up to \$13,000 — or \$16,000 if you are 50 or older — into a SIMPLE IRA. As is the case with the SEP-IRA, your earnings grow tax deferred. You can match your employees' contributions dollar for dollar, up to 3 percent of compensation. If you work for yourself, you can combine employee and employer contributions, so if you use the 3 percent matching rule, and you earn enough to fully match employee contributions, you can put in up to \$26,000 per year (or \$32,000 if you are 50 or older). Alternatively, you could contribute 2 percent of each eligible employee's compensation each year, up to a maximum of \$5,600, regardless of whether the employee contributes. Contributions to your employees are tax deductible.

"Owner-only" 401(k) plan: If you have no employees other than your spouse, you can establish an "owner-only" 401(k) plan, which functions similarly to a 401(k) plan offered by a large employer. Between salary deferral and profit sharing, you can contribute up to \$56,000, in pre-tax dollars, to your owner-only 401(k), or \$62,000 if you're 50 or older. Like a SEP-IRA and SIMPLE IRA, a 401(k) provides the potential to accumulate tax-deferred earnings. However, you could choose to open a Roth 401(k), which can be funded with after-tax

dollars. With a Roth 401(k), your earnings can grow tax-free, provided you have had your account at least five years and you don't start taking withdrawals until you're at least 59-1/2.

Which plan is right for you? The answer depends on several factors, such as whether you have any employees and how much money you can contribute each year. But all the plans mentioned above are generally easy to establish, and the administrative costs are usually minimal. Most important, any one of them can help you build some of the resources you will need to enjoy the retirement lifestyle you have envisioned. To select an appropriate plan, you may want to consult with your tax and financial advisors.

In any case, do not wait too long. Time goes by quickly, and when you reach that day when you're a "former" business owner, you will want to be prepared.



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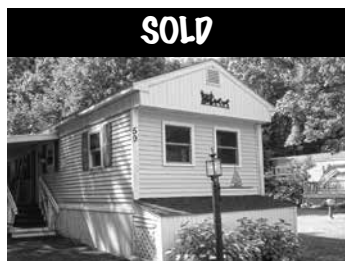
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Gorham School Department Receives \$25,000 Grant to Fight Food Insecurity

ANDREA MORRELL
School News Editor

This past June, State Farm accepted 2,000 applications for their Neighborhood Assist grant program to help communities change for the better as part of the State Farm Neighborhood of Good Initiative. This year, submissions represented causes from throughout the country, focusing on safety (7.5%), education (22.5%), and community development (70%) initiatives.

A review committee narrowed the submissions down to the top 200 finalists, which were posted online and voted on by the public from August 14-23. Persons were allowed to vote up to 10 times daily every day.

This year's program, in its eighth year, had 4,421,925 total votes cast and the six states with the most grant winners awarded were Illinois, Ohio, Iowa, Maryland, Oklahoma, and Texas.

The Gorham School Department's "Fighting Food Insecurity in Gorham, Maine" program was the only one in

Maine to be a top 200 finalist and one of the 40 winners to receive the \$25,000 grant due to the support from the community.

"If they didn't vote, spread the word to family and friends, and remind people (on a daily basis) to vote, we would not have won," said Heather Whitaker, alternative education teacher at Gorham Middle School (GMS) and the recently announced State of Maine's 2020 Teacher of the Year winner (see page 1 for article).

Whitaker learned about this grant opportunity from Michelle Raber, a State Farm agent in Scarborough. With her guidance, Whitaker submitted the application. Under the State Farm Neighborhood Assist program, there have only been two previous winners in Maine.

"Neighborhood Assist is another example of how small acts can equal big impacts in communities all across the U.S.," said Allison Bertsche, State Farm



Photo courtesy of Becky Curtis

With the help of the extended Gorham community, the Gorham School Department's "Fighting Food Insecurity in Gorham, Maine" program recently received a State Farm Neighborhood Assist grant. Pictured (l to r) are State Farm Agents Jason Hight, Luanne Cameron, Bob Boylen, Becky Curtis, Michelle Raber, GMS alternative education teacher Heather Whitaker, Jen Baker from Village Elementary School, and State Farm Sales Manager Scott Murphy.

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GHS Celebrates Homecoming Week

EMILY CREPEAU
GHS Student Intern

Gorham High School (GHS) held its annual homecoming the week of September 30 to kick off the 2019-2020 school year. The week included spirit days which many students and teachers participated in.

"There was more participation in spirit week than there has been in the past," said Maeve Higgins, GHS student council president and a student council member for four years.

Monday was "Dress Like a Mainer" day, and many students wore flannels and UGG or L.L. Bean boots. Tuesday was a "Pink Out" in support of Breast Cancer. Wednesday was "Decade Day," in which students dressed like someone anywhere from the 50s to the present. Thursday was "Stars and Stripes Forever," where students and teachers wore Red, White, and Blue. The day was a hit.

Friday was "Wear Your Class Color Day" and culminated with a pep rally at the end of the school day. Freshman and sophomores wore black, juniors wore maroon, and seniors wore white.

At the pep rally, sports teams shared how their teams were doing as well as fun relay races that student council members and teachers participated in. The first race was students versus students. Teams had to participate in a three-legged race in which they had to get to the other side of the court and shoot a basketball from anywhere on the court.



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Gorham High School celebrated homecoming week September 30 through October 5 with spirit week, a pep rally, home games for all fall sports, and a homecoming dance.

This was then followed by a wheelbarrow walk to the opposing side to shoot the basketball into the hoop from the three-pointer line. Seniors Samuel Orlando and Wesley Brinegar won the race.

Next was a teacher versus teacher race followed by a race between the winners of both races. Teacher team Laughn Berthiaume and Neile Nelson, math teachers at GHS, won both the teacher versus teacher race and the student versus teacher race.

Most fall teams played during homecoming week and the sports week was capped off with a varsity football homecoming game on Friday night against South Portland.

"The team played their hearts out. We could not ask more of them in terms of hustle, heart, and desire," said Andy Hager, head coach of the GHS football team. "I am tremendously proud of the boys and we look forward to the rest of our season."

"The football game was a blast," said



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Ryan Watts, one of the assistant principals at GHS. Despite their hard efforts, Gorham fell short by three points. The night ended with a fireworks show.

Homecoming week came to an end with the homecoming dance on Saturday night, which had a great turnout with over 500 students in attendance.

"Students really dressed up and it was fun to see everyone have a good time," said Watts. Ben Nault and Bruce Wyatt (GHS '19) revisited for the night as DJs for the dance.

"I believe that the outcome of this dance was one of our most successful ones. People really enjoyed the DJs. We are very proud of what we were able to accomplish this year," said Higgins.

The student council had been planning this year's homecoming since the summer, meeting on a regular basis to get everything in place and make sure that everyone enjoyed the week.

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Public Affairs Director. "From identifying an important cause to rallying your community to vote for it, this program is all about neighbors helping neighbors."

The "Fighting Food Insecurity in Gorham, Maine" program is designed to increase access to nutritious food for community members experiencing food insecurity.

In Whitaker's submission, she stated that in Gorham, approximately 20% of its students qualify for free or reduced price meals though the National School Lunch Program and teachers are finding that in too many instances they are forced to compete against hunger for the attention of their students.

Two subprograms under the Food Insecurity initiative in Gorham are The Backpack Program, which provides students who are suffering from the effects of hunger with nutritious, easy-to-prepare food to eat during the week-ends and school vacations, and the GMS Garden, which grows and donates 800-1,000 lbs. of produce to the Gorham Food Pantry every year.

The grant money will help sustain the Backpack Program and allow Gorham to add fresh fruit to its weekly packings, and allow for the purchase of a greenhouse for the garden at GMS to expand the growing season, thus increasing its donation to the pantry.

"Good nutrition is essential for good health and success at school and beyond and the State Farm Grant will positively impact the needs of our community," said Whitaker in her submission.

While the grant will pay for the greenhouse and ease the financial burden for the Backpack program, Whitaker said she has to raise funds for the garden on an annual basis (roughly \$800) and the ongoing costs of the Backpack program (\$25,000 annually). Donations are always welcome.

Additionally, if an organization or sports team is looking for a day of service, contact Whitaker at 222-1338 or heather.whitaker@gorhamschools.org.

"I could always use a helping hand. If it were not for the help of my family and a few key volunteers, this program would not be a success. I am looking to expand my gardening support network," said Whitaker.

Since the beginning of the program, State Farm has awarded \$7 million to more than 250 organizations. To learn more information about State Farm's Neighborhood Assist program, contact Raber at 883-0111.

If you would like to support either the GMS Garden or the Gorham Backpack program, the details are below:

For the GMS Garden: Donation checks (or gift cards to local gardening stores) can be mailed to Gorham Middle School, 106 Weeks Road, Gorham ME 04038. Please make checks payable to Gorham Middle School with "GMS Garden" in the memo line.

For the Gorham Backpack program: Donation checks can be made out to: Gorham School Department with "Backpack Program" written in the memo line. Please send to: Hollis Cobb, Finance Officer, Gorham School Department, 75 South Street, Gorham, Maine 04038. A receipt will be mailed for tax purposes.

School Committee Meeting

KATHY CORBETT
Staff Writer

At the October 9 regular meeting of the School Committee (SC), Superintendent Heather Perry reported the shortage of substitute teachers may be alleviated by a new policy that reduces the educational requirements for applicants. The department has hired two more bus drivers to help with that shortage too. An educational technician is still needed at Great Falls Elementary School.

Perry also reported that the essay prompt for the state English Language Arts assessment for writing has been dropped because it was not an effective indicator.

Chairman Darryl Wright reported that State Farm Insurance awarded the district \$25,000 for the Backpack program and greenhouse at the Gorham Middle School. Stewart McCallister thanked the volunteers who help students and staff with that program. Several committee members who accompanied classes on field trips and attended the State Supreme Court session held at Gorham High School said it was a rewarding experience for them and the students.

Wright thanked Kyle Currier and Stewart McCallister, whose terms on the SC are expiring, for their service and presented them with the tradi-

tional apple paperweights. Currier served nine years in many capacities and McCallister is completing his second year as vice-chair.

Perry presented an update on Gorham's plans to offer pre-K opportunities in the district. Because building capacity can hardly keep up with increasing enrollment and the district has already identified need for capital improvements, it will not be possible to hold Pre-K classes in the public schools.

Therefore, the district is planning to partner with local early childcare providers in cooperation with the ASPIRE program to create a community-based program. State funding available for Pre-K education would go through the school department to providers who meet the quality standards required. A steering committee that includes educators and providers will be working with a project manager from ASPIRE to implement the program. This will include identifying providers who want to participate and helping them achieve the necessary quality rating.

In other business, the committee voted unanimously to make clarifying changes in the policies for school visitors and volunteers and to raise the amount the district can spend without competitive bids in certain situations to \$150,000.

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Gorham's Pump Track Opens to Bikers

DESTINY COOK
Sports Editor

The Gorham pump track, located next to the Gorham Middle School (GMS), was completed recently and is now officially open to bikers of all ages.

The pump track was the brainchild of local biker Rob Lavoie, chair of the Gorham Conservation Commission (GCC). Lavoie is the past president and a current board member of the Greater Portland chapter of the New England Mountain Bike Association (Greater Portland NEMBA). He said the two groups partnered to help see his idea to fruition.

As an avid rider, Lavoie set out to build a trail network in Gorham over five years ago; and with the recruitment of a few other groups and individuals, created over 30 miles of trails on both town-owned land and private property. A group of dedicated mountain bikers was formed to build and maintain the trails.

Lavoie got the idea for a pump track from watching a video of his best friend's son on a track. "Part of mountain biking is learn how to ride," he said. "A pump track is a perfect place to learn how to handle a bicycle. You learn how to turn, balance and use your body to create momentum." Since Gorham already had a trail network, Lavoie thought it should have a track as well.

With the GCC and Greater Portland NEMBA both on board, Lavoie looked for approval from the town for the location next to GMS, as it was adjacent to existing trails. The project was ultimately funded by many local businesses including Gorham Savings Bank, Happy Healthy Gorham, and Summit Church. Greater Portland NEMBA held a fundraising social at Sebago Brewing, and in all, \$14,000 was raised for the track.

While the group had offers from local contractors and volunteers from non-profits to help build the track, Lavoie shared that none had experience. He turned to Google and came up with the name Alex Fowler of California. "This person had built close to 200 tracks all over the world, including one for Google and the US Olympic BMX training center," Lavoie said. He picked up the phone and reached out to him.

Fowler agreed to come to Maine to build the pump track. Lavoie said, "He gave us a very generous offer which we accepted. At the time he had 30 projects in the queue but he pushed us up to the top of the list."

With the project coming together, Gorham Sand & Gravel generously offered to donate dirt to the track, as well as bringing in heavy machinery to assist Fowler with the completion. Many volunteers from local businesses and the bike community donated



Photo credit Leslie Dupuis

Representatives from the town of Gorham, Gorham Conservation Commission, Greater Portland NEMBA, Gorham Sand & Gravel, and members from the community gathered on October 10 to celebrate the opening of the pump track.

their time which resulted in the track being completed in just one week.

The entire project from inception to completion took about one year. "I was the project manager throughout the process. It was exhausting but very rewarding," Lavoie said. "I took my four-year-old daughter to the track to ride it. The next morning she asked to go back - that made all of that time and energy worth it!"

While the track is ready for riders, they group is still working on signage, picnic tables, and enhancing



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the area with plants and grass. The group has spent \$13,500 and welcomes donations to cover additional expenses as well as the maintenance. In the meantime, Lavoie said seeing kids and adults outside, enjoying the track and off their phones, is a beautiful thing.



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Andrew Rent Hits Road to Recovery After Season Ending Injury

DESTINY COOK
Sports Editor

In 2018, Gorham High School (GHS) varsity soccer captain Andrew Rent earned All-American and Maine Class A Player of the Year honors, scoring 16 goals and adding nine assists. Rent is already committed to play soccer at Boston University and he looked forward to his senior year as one of Maine's most talented players. One of his favorite memories in his high school career was helping his team get to the state championship game last year. Despite the loss, Rent said it was an amazing experience with some of his best friends. He had hoped to get there again.

Unfortunately for Rent, his soccer season was cut drastically short. The first game of the season against Cheverus ultimately became the senior's last at GHS. Describing the situation Andrew said, "I had received a pass near the sideline and I had dribbled past one player, when another came over to win the ball, and as I knocked the ball past him, he prevented me from landing on my left leg, which would have been more natural given how I was running." Rent said he then landed awkwardly, got his foot stuck, and felt his knee twist.

He knew something was wrong but he thought he could shake it off. Rent's mother, Erin Cassidy, said, "Andrew was working through a sore hamstring from preseason at the time of the injury so my initial reaction was that he just tweaked that a bit. He had been working with the school trainer and I figured that he'd just need a little more time stretching and exercising."

"It was clearly a hard tackle and indeed he went down hard but got up rather quickly," said Jack Rent, Andrew's father. "He was able to walk over to the trainer station and was standing and testing his knee and seemed banged up, but the severity of the injury was not immediately clear." Andrew remained on the bench for the rest of the game; and after some swelling and icing that night, the family was hoping it was merely a knee sprain.

The next day, however, Coach King called Jack. After speaking with Andrew that morning, King expressed to him that Andrew seemed "scared." He picked his son up from school and went straight to Orthopedic Associates for an MRI. It was a long weekend of waiting for Andrew and his family. "None of us realized the extent of the injury until we received the results of the MRI," Cassidy said.

Before receiving the diagnosis, his mother shared that Andrew had a positive attitude about the injury. She said he knew he was in shape and thought he could work his way back before the end of the season. Mid-day Monday, however, they got the call that no one expected. Andrew had torn his ACL and he also had some damage to his lateral meniscus. "His mom and I waited until after school to break the news to him in person," Jack said.

Andrew had to work through many feelings after hearing the news; sadness, anger and frustration to name a few. "I was just kind of shocked and disappointed. It was such a hard thing to swallow. Knowing I couldn't help my team try and win this year, especially coming so close and putting so much time in, I really thought



Photo credit Brianna Soukup

this was going to be the year for me," he said.

Eventually Rent arrived at a place where he accepted his season was done. His focus now is on recovery and getting ready for his freshman year at BU. When he was first injured, Jack shared that Andrew was worried his commitment and scholarship to Boston University was in jeopardy. "Thankfully, I reached out to the coaching staff at BU earlier in the day and they assured me their commitment would not change and that Andrew has their full support," he said. That brought some relief which was supported a few days later when the head coach called Andrew to check in and reiterate Boston

University's commitment to him.

Andrew has a slow road to recovery ahead. His surgery was September 26. He will endure several months of physical therapy in order to be ready to hit the field next year. "He no doubt will attack his rehab with the same intensity that he attacks on the soccer field," said Coach Tim King. King also shared that Andrew was able to sit on the bench with the team shortly after his surgery. "I think that provided a big emotional boost for our guys," he said.

Despite the fact that he couldn't play, King said Andrew has been a big help to the team. "He still watches all the game films and provides feedback to his teammates and to me. His knowledge of the game is outstanding and I trust his opinion on what he is seeing."

Rents' parents are very proud of the way their son has handled this difficult situation. For Cassidy, she said that Andrew has had extraordinary opportunities to play the game he loves all over the US and in Europe. "With all of the honors and awards he has received, I am most proud of his humility," she said. His

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Rosalie's parents were Clarence and Grace Preble. Rosalie grew up in the great Bath area (Days Ferry and Five Islands) and attended Morse High School. At the age of 16 she went to work at Bath Iron Works as a draughtsman. She later returned to school, attended Stevens College in Missouri and later Gorham State Teacher's College majoring in Biology. Eventually she received her Masters in Education with a concentration in Fine Arts while raising three very active children, teaching them many things like skiing, water skiing, archery, rifle safety, sailing, boating, crafts, ironing (yes, even the boys), and many other things. She is a quintessential Renaissance woman.

Throughout their lives both Dick and Rosalie reached out to many people in the Gorham community, especially encouraging and promoting the young people in town. They were avid high school basketball

and soccer fans. (Their older son Michael is in the Gorham High Hall of Fame). Dick was the type of pharmacist who would get up at 3 a.m. to run down to the drug store and fill an emergency prescription and deliver it to the person's home.

They were dedicated to the First Parish Church congregation from the day of their wedding in 1949, both being deacons, on various committees, and staunch members of the church choir, which produced a beautiful CD and traveled through Europe singing in various countries. Rosalie would still love to make some Sunday services but can only do so if someone picks her up and drives her there.

Anyone who would like to send greetings may do so by emailing richrosebar@gmail.com. Rosalie is also on Facebook at Rosalie Barden. They love visitors for short periods of time but would appreciate an email first.

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School: I have run several Kids Klubs at Narragansett in which I teach rocket science to elementary students, then help them build and fly their own working rockets.

Why are you running for office and how will your experience benefit the School Committee?

In the past year, I began speaking up in Town Council and School Committee meetings. I realized that I can do more to help the children of Gorham. I want to make decisions to lead our schools forward and ensure that our students thrive. As a parent of young students in the Gorham Schools, I have a personal stake in making sure that the schools make good choices, but will work with the Committee to make choices that support all Gorham students. I'm also a Gorham resident and taxpayer. I understand that school budget decisions will impact me as well as my neighbors. Allocating funds from municipal taxes is a serious responsibility, one that I will not take lightly.

I am a thoughtful and direct communicator, a fierce advocate for those whose voices aren't heard, and a voracious researcher. Teaching and learning are both important parts of my life - whether explaining owl anatomy to children, passing technical exams, or teaching myself new hobbies. I have a passion for acquiring and disseminating information that I'm eager to put to work in this role. I can argue my beliefs passionately; I am also receptive to criticism and alternative viewpoints.

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

The health and safety of our students particularly concerns me. I will work with school administrators and town policymakers to do all I can for the safety of our students in the event of a violent attack, and work to reduce the likelihood of those attacks. I want to make sure educators and administrators have the resources to support the physical and mental well-being of our children. Strong support networks are critical to help kids avoid the tragedies of suicide, violence, and addiction. I want to make sure that the food the schools offer is healthy and fosters good eating habits. I'd love for there to be increased cooperation between the schools and local food providers.

I want to work on using clear, frequent, and transparent communication to help our community understand how our schools are a valuable and necessary asset.

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me to "come out of political retirement" has inspired me to apply my efforts towards school crowding and the capital improvements necessary to carry Gorham forward. I led the Town Council forward with identifying the deferred Capital Needs of the Town and School, with the emphasis placed on developing a cadence for addressing these items in their respective budgeting cycles. As Gorham faces a space issue for services provided to its citizens, due to continued growth, it is time for the Town Council and School Board to jointly work towards a strategic capi-

tal plan to address these needs. As a former Town Council Chair, with my prior work addressing these issues, I am prepared to contribute and guide Gorham forward with its pressing capital needs.

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

As an advocate for education and the schools, I have supported the expansion of All-Day Kindergarten and various school safety initiatives, while on the Town Council. Gorham is at a cross roads with residential growth, which is straining our capacity within our school system. The need to address and advocate for what Gorham can afford in school expansion, at all levels, should be our primary focus. As a former member of the High School Building committee, I am well positioned to help guide these projects forward. Our community will continue to grow, and the need to strategically plan how we expand our schools and curriculum needs to positively impact our children, while understanding the long term impact on the tax payer.

GMS Impact Fees Reinstated CONTINUED FROM PAGE 6

for the time that the ordinance was suspended. Any impact fees collected that exceed the Town's payments on the bonds, shall be refunded on a prorated basis in the same manner as the fees are assessed.

Town Manager Ephrem Paraschak said, "In 2018, the Town Council directed the Ordinance Committee to examine how to reinstate the Middle School Impact Fee or create a new impact fee." The decision was made to reinstate the existing fee because,

"creating a new impact fee would have taken more time and resources than reinstating the existing fee."

A full description of the ordinance as well as how the fees are calculated can be found in the Town Council meeting minutes dated September 3, 2019. Paraschak said specific questions regarding the ordinance should be directed to the Code Enforcement or Planning departments. The ordinance took effect October 3, 2019.

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tinues to receive the same wonderful experience that my oldest son has received over the last six years. Budgets are necessary and funds are not unlimited but preparing our students for what lies beyond our schools is my priority and providing teachers with the space, resources and training to do so is of the utmost importance. I will use the experience I have gained over the last three years and my knowledge of the current challenges and goals of the school department to make our schools a welcoming and inclusive place for all of our students.

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

Major issues for our schools right now are directly related to the growth we are experiencing right now in Gorham. Making sure that we are carefully planning capital projects to address facility needs to accommodate this growth is paramount. The school committee has spent years developing plans to address growing enrollment numbers in our schools. Over my next three years on the School Committee I will continue to move these plans forward ensuring we are spending responsibly while still meeting the growing needs of our school community.

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teammates and his coaches mean the world to him and she said he will be right there on the sidelines cheering them on.

Jack said his son's future is bright. "He is excited for next steps in his academic and soccer careers." He said Andrew is a very grounded and level-headed kid and is really making the most of this process. He is very much in the acceptance phase and he knows his son will soldier on.

"He has consistently looked for the silver lining and expressed how fortuitous the timing of the injury actual was." Having played some of his best soccer in his junior year, Andrew was able to showcase for several colleges, garnering the interest from BU.

Rent said he made his decision to attend BU was in large part to the location and the coaching staff, and their support of him has been unwavering. Andrew hopes to make an impact right from the start. "My knee will be recovered by around May, so my main focus from here on out will just be training and getting into shape to put myself in the best position I can going into my freshman year."

Whitaker Named Teacher of the Year CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

the Gorham Backpack Program which provides weekend food for students experiencing food insecurity. Her alternative education students volunteer for both programs.

"Alternative education," Whitaker explained to those assembled in her honor, "is designed for non-traditional learners, who are smart yet show intelligence in different ways." They develop "their own, unique path for learning" in a supportive environment. Speaking directly to her students, she said, "I will always believe in who you are now, and who you will be in the future. I will support you on days you don't want me to!"

In his congratulatory remarks, Joseph Hennessey, the 2019 Maine Teacher of the Year and a member of the selection team, said he had spoken with some of Whitaker's students who described her as tenacious, conscientious, and a confidence builder. "Because of Ms. Whitaker, I know what I am doing now," a student told him.

Former students Kylee Keene and Kiely Burns, who now attend Gorham High School, spoke about the impact Whitaker's teaching had on their lives. "She will always be my Teacher of the Year; she was like a second mother,"

Keene said. Burns said, "Her classroom will always be a part of my heart."

Whenever possible, Whitaker takes students out of the classroom to engage them with the community. When told of the announcement, former student Tripp Plummer said, "I probably would have gotten much lower grades without her. Also I never would have found out how much I liked skiing. Thanks Whitaker."

Whitaker, who enjoys skiing during the winter, is married with two children. She received a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education from Boston College in 2002 and a Masters degree in Literacy Education from the University of Southern Maine.

Also speaking at the October 10 event were State Representative Maureen Terry, who read a sentiment of recognition from the state legislature, Jane Sexton who represented the State Board of Education, and Jason Judd, executive director of Educate Maine, who recognized the Maine Teacher of the Year Program Partners and Funders. Funders Bangor Savings Bank and Hannaford were represented by Tricia Duchesneau and Kacey Pike. Karen MacDonald spoke for The Maine State Teacher of the Year Association

which advocates for the teaching profession and includes former state and county Teacher of the Year recipients.

Letters of Recognition from Congresswoman Chellie Pingree and Senator Susan Collins were read by Rona Sayed, a former student at GMS, and Ellie Espling.

USM Warning CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5

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OF INTEREST

Robie Street kids helped Gorham resident Phil Boothby celebrate his 95th birthday.



The grand opening of The Presumpscot Regional Land Trust's new 1.5-mile family-friendly trail at Mill Brook Preserve South, will be held on Sunday, October 20, from 1-3 p.m. in Westbrook. Choose from two guided programs: 1) Family friendly guided walk that will include a nature scavenger hunt and last about one hour; or 2) Guided one and a half mile walk with scenic vistas and a focus on natural history and wildlife in the area and will last about two hours. This new family friendly trail is made possible thanks to Westbrook Housing, Casco Bay Estuary Partnership, and the Cornelia Warren Community Foundation. This program is free, but space is limited. Registration is required, please register at <https://www.prlt.org/event-sign-up-mbs>

Morgan Cobbett, granddaughter of Angela and Greg Fall, traveled to Gorham for the varsity football match up with Oxford Hills on October 11. Avid supporters of the Gorham community, Angela has worked in the Code Office for more than 26 years and Greg is the owner of Century 21 First Choice, the Falls were thrilled to watch their oldest granddaughter on a home field in Gorham cheering as a freshman on the varsity squad for the Vikings.



The Gorham Lions Club will meet on Tuesday, October 22, at 6:30 p.m. at the Old Elmwood School House on South Street (Rte. 114). Regular dinner meetings are the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. New members always welcome. FMI, 929-9182.

The Gorham Garden Club will meet on Tuesday, October 29, at 7 p.m. at First Parish Church. The topic will be "Growing and Preserving Garlic," presented by Jean Cayer of Heron Farm. This program is free and open to the public.

Courage House, 24 School Street, is asking community members to participate in its first annual Great Pumpkin Display by dropping off carved pumpkins at the house from Oct 29-31 to help fill the front lawn and rock wall with carved pumpkins. Tea lights will be provided. The pumpkins will on display on the evenings of October 30 and October 31. FMI, Al Garcia at 400-5590.

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.

SENIOR NOTES

Senior Meal Site is held on Wednesdays at 12 p.m., St. Anne's Church, 299 Main St. Social time begins at 11:30 a.m. Suggested donation is \$4. Meal site is closed if school is closed or delayed due to weather. Volunteers are needed to assist in meal prep and clean up. FMI call 839-4857 or 222-1630.

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.

The Lecky Brown Center for Seniors, located on the 3rd floor at First Parish Church, 1 Church St., is offering weekly events as follows: Mondays Hand Chime Ringers @ 1 pm; Wednesdays Originals @ 10 a.m. Coffee, Conversation & Speaker every week; Thursdays Church Street Writers @ 10 a.m. (October 10-November 21), Workshop entitled "Your Life in Review" Obituary Writing; Fridays ARTrageous Seniors @ 10 a.m. October will feature PrintMaking with various projects. Open Studio is last Friday each month - bring your own projects to share and work on. ONGOING: sign up for the Yellow Dot program. FMI: Lisa Becker at 835-9379 or leckybrowncenter@gmail.com.

Lecky Brown Center Special Presentation: Monday, October 21 @ 10 am, Let's Talk with host Bill Jenks: "I don't need Homecare, or do I?" FMI: Lisa Becker, 835-9379 or leckybrowncenter@gmail.com.

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Join the White Rock Grange #380, the last Grange in operation in Gorham, for a free spaghetti dinner on Saturday, October 19, from 4:30-6 p.m. Come and meet some of our members and tour our historical Grange, 33 Wilson Road.

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

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Baxter Memorial Library offers events throughout the week, including Learn to sew on October 17 and 24 from 2:30-4:30 p.m. A variety of textile techniques and projects will be explored. Children aged 7 & up are welcome to attend. Children under 8 years old must have a parent or other caregiver, over age 14, in attendance to help with the program as needed. This activity has open registration; come when you can and leave when you must.

The Annual Fall Book Sale will take place on Friday and Saturday, October 18 and 19, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Multi-purpose room at Gorham Rec, with thousands of books for all ages and interests. All proceeds benefit the activities of the Friends of Baxter Memorial Library.

A book discussion on "The Editor" by Steven Rowley will be held on Monday, October 21, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Originally from Portland, Maine, Rowley is a graduate of Emerson College. He currently resides in Los Angeles.

Candidates' Evening on Thursday, October 24, from 5:30-7:00 p.m. is an informal event giving candidates the opportunity to mingle with voters and discuss their position on the issues. This is a simple meet-and-greet with constituents over light refreshments.

Join the library for Pumpkin Painting fun on Saturday, October 26, from 10 a.m.-noon as Pineland Farm has donated 100 pumpkins. Be sure to arrive early as the the pumpkins are first come first serve. Wear clothing that is able to handle the fun of decorating with paint and be prepared to transport your pumpkin home.

MORE INFO ON THE ABOVE IS AVAILABLE AT BAXTERLIBRARY.ORG.

USM NOTES

October 18-20 is Homecoming & Family Weekend with events for students, family, friends and alumni. Friday events include a Sustainability Fair from 12-3 p.m., a Faculty Concert at 8 p.m., or a Family "Movie Trivia" night at 8 p.m. With events too numerous to mention on Saturday, find it all at usm.maine.edu/homecoming.

The School of Music vocal faculty will be featured in the next concert of the Faculty Concert Series: A Vocal Smorgasbord, on Friday, October 18, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15/\$10/\$5. The next day, high school singers can participate in the All-State Vocal Boot Camp as they prepare for the Maine All-State Auditions. Cost is \$10. On October 22 and 23, Laurie Rogers, artistic director and conductor of Opera Saratoga will be working with USM singers in a workshop that's free and open to the public. Find the full calendar of events at usm.maine.edu/music/events.

The current exhibit in the USM Art Gallery, running through November 29 is "Contemporary Responses to Modernism: A New England Perspective". Curator Joanna Fink. Learn more at usm.maine.edu/gallery

The Office of Admissions will offer several "Experience USM" events for prospective students on the Gorham campus. On October 18 and 25, experience the School of Music with an informative session and performance. On October 24, it's all about the Department of Environmental Science & Policy. Take a tour of USM's aquaponics lab then sit in on a Fundamentals of Environmental Science class! Learn more at usm.maine.edu/admissions.

University Health & Counseling Services offers events like Self-Compassion & Happiness Project Group, Chill Skills & Mindfulness Group, Mindful Walking Group, Ourselves and Others Group, and the Bold Arrivals Group. Learn more at usm.maine.edu/uahcs.

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CLOSE TO HOME

There will be a Haddock Supper Buffet on Saturday, October 26, 2019 at 5:00 pm at Living Waters Church, Parker Farm Road, Buxton. Suggested donation: \$8 Adult, \$4 Child, \$20 Family.


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Laundromat employee told officer a woman in the corner was telling her small children to shut the "bleep" up and had said it more than once as well as yelling similar vulgarities at other customers. Officer gave her criminal trespass paperwork and told her not to return. She asked to stay and fold her laundry. Officer told her she could fold it in the car in the lot but would be arrested for trespassing if she re-entered the building.

Officer was flagged down on Flaggy Meadow Road by a woman who said her ex-boyfriend had been posting messages about her on Facebook which possibly violates the Protection from Abuse order she has out against him. Officer looked at messages but did not see any obvious violations.

Officer was called to Meadowbrook Drive to restore peace between a mother and daughter.

Officers responded to a disturbance on Autumn Brook Way. Woman had no interest in pressing charges or having anyone removed from the house.

Officer spoke with a woman in a van parked at the Municipal Center. Officer asked if she was living out of the van. Woman delivers newspapers in the early morning hours then gets her children and takes them to the library.

Little River Drive caller reported having left a laptop on the roof of his vehicle and it had fallen off. He wanted officers to be aware in case it was found at a later time.

Suspicious persons hanging out in the Rite-Aid parking lot had met up after work. It did not appear that they were involved in any horrific activities.

Caller had questions about panhandling in Gorham. He was told it is not illegal but since he was on probation he would run into issues.

Missing dog was located at owner's residence. Dog had never left the house but caller thought she had taken him with her in the car.

Mother and daughter were having a verbal fight on New Portland Road. There was no paperwork in effect as to who had custody of child so mother was allowed to keep her.

Officer responded to Autumn Brook Way for an argument between several parties. They were separated and calm when officer arrive on the scene and were given options as to how to get along.

Two people were taking a nap in a vehicle parked at King's Farm Stand. They were moved along.

Officer saw a vehicle driving all over Fort Hill Road. Driver was looking for a gas station and talking to his son. He was not impaired.

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CALENDAR

THURSDAY OCTOBER 17

- Baxter Memorial Library
- Toddler Discovery Time (18mos-3yrs), 9:30-10:00 a.m.
- Sewing Club, All ages, children under 8 years must have a parent or caregiver over 14. 2:30-4:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

- Baxter Memorial Library
- Fall Book Sale, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Gorham Rec Multi-purpose room
- Blood Drive in Memory of Pamela Turner, 1-6 p.m., Shaw Gym
- USM School of Music Faculty Concert: A Vocal Smorgasbord. 8 p.m. Corthell Concert Hall.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

- Baxter Memorial Library, Fall Book Sale, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Gorham Rec Multi-purpose room
- USM School of Music, All-State Vocal Boot Camp for high school singers, 9 a.m.-noon.
- White Rock Grange Spaghetti Supper, 4:30-6 p.m., 33 Wilson Road
- Bear Supper, North Gorham UCC, 4:30-6 p.m., 2 Standish Neck Road

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

- Presumpscot Regional Land Trust Grand Opening, 1-3 p.m., Mill Brook Preserve South

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

- Baxter Memorial Library Author Event for "The Editor," 6:30-7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

- Baxter Memorial Library, Preschool Discovery Time (3-5yrs), 9:30-10:15 a.m.
- Gorham Lions Meeting, Old Elmwood School House, 6:30 p.m.
- USM School of Music Vocal Workshop with Laurie Rogers, 3-6 p.m. Free. Corthell Concert Hall.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

- Baxter Memorial Library
- Baby Discovery Time (Birth-18mos), 9:30-9:50 a.m.
- Painting w/ Picasso for ages 10 and up. Create your own masterpiece. 12-2 p.m.
- Family Discovery time, 6-6:45 p.m.
- USM School of Music Vocal Workshop with Laurie Rogers, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Free. Corthell Concert Hall.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

- Baxter Memorial Library
- Toddler Discovery time (18mos-3yrs), 9:30-10:00 a.m.
- Book Club Discussion of "Rough Beauty: Forty Seasons of Mountain Living", 10 a.m.
- Sewing Club, 2:30-4:30 p.m.
- Candidates Evening, 5:30-7 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

- Baxter Memorial Library, Pumpkin Painting, outside, 10 a.m.-noon

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29

- Baxter Memorial Library
- Preschool Discovery Time (3-5 years), 9:30-10:15 a.m.
- Baxter Digs Reading, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
- Gorham Garden Club, First Parish Church, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30

- Baxter Memorial Library
- Baby Discovery time (Birth-18mos), 9:30-9:50 a.m.
- Family Discovery Time (All Ages), 6-6:45 p.m.
- Courage House Pumpkin Display opens

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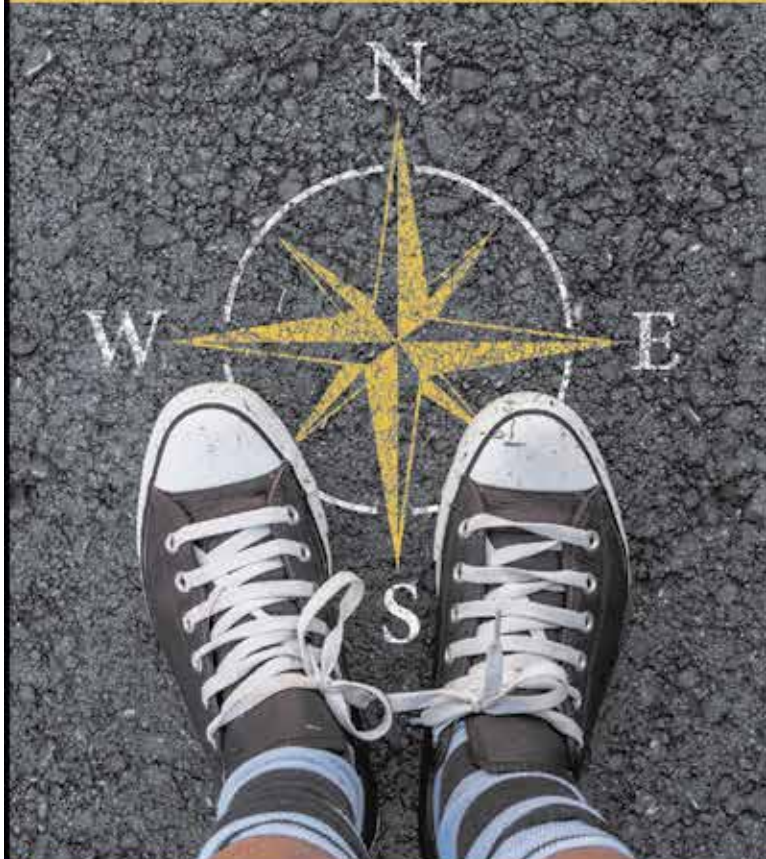
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