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TOM HASBROUCK
Coordinator, New Year Gorham

The New Year Gorham committee has agonized for several weeks trying to figure out how to make this year's event memorable, fun, and COVID-compliant, and we believe we've got it covered! Here's what you need to know about this year's hybrid community-wide family event to welcome the new year by celebrating performing and visual arts.

First off, New Year Gorham will air on our own community access channel 3, and will be streamed on the internet. There will be a two-hour show prior to the 5 p.m. fireworks, which will feature four of our favorite performers. The show will also feature guest emcees, much as you would see watching New Year's Eve at Times Square, but we don't want to ruin all the surprises yet. Just know, it will be truly fun, local entertainment!

For detailed descriptions of the performers, please see our full-page ad on page 12.

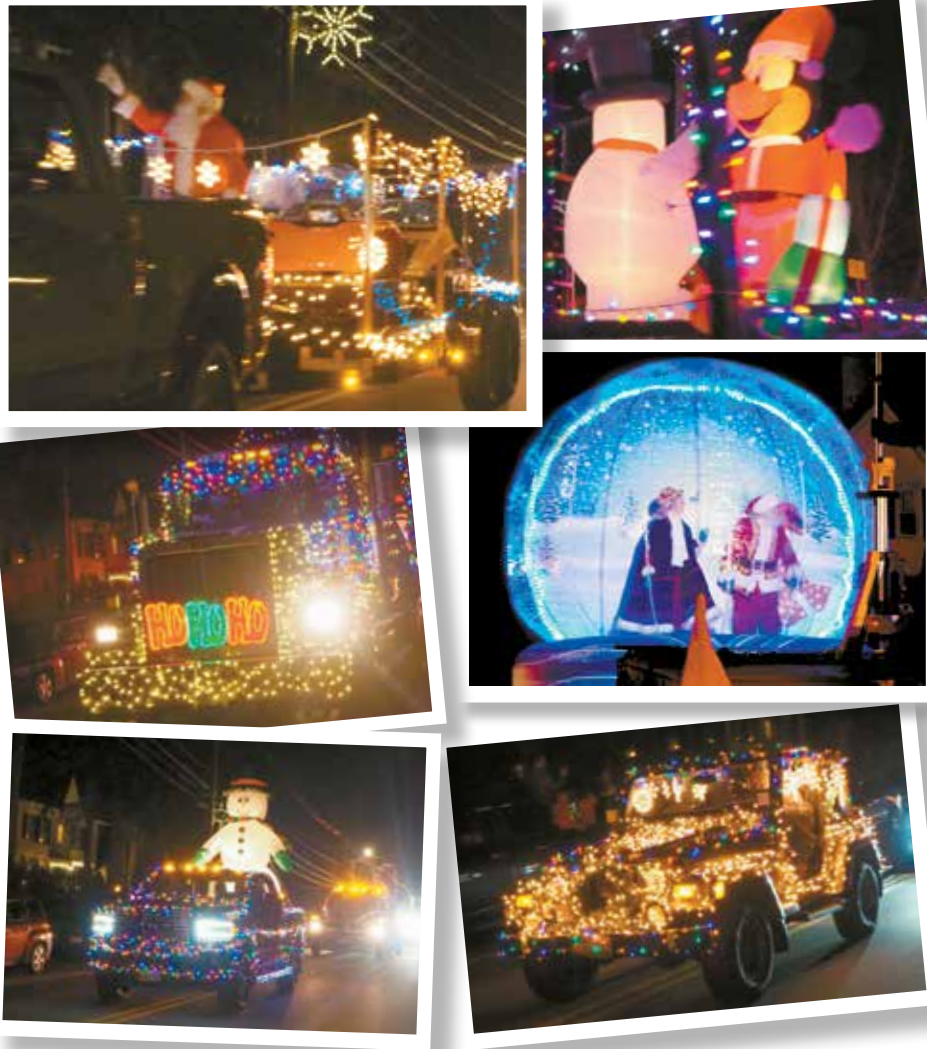
In addition to the virtual portion of our celebration, we hope you will come to Narragansett School at 5 p.m. to watch our best ever fireworks display that will appropriately usher out 2020 and welcome 2021. Volunteer police officers will direct you to safe parking areas, where you will be asked to remain with your cars so we can maintain appropriate distance between family groups.

The third change this year is the admission fee. There isn't any!

Even though there isn't an admission fee, we still have expenses, and we are grateful for all the businesses and individuals who have contributed in this most challenging year. Contributions help make this possible, but the committee also relies on admission sales income. So, you can help by purchasing a New Year Gorham face mask for a \$5 donation. The masks will be available for sale soon; for information about purchasing a mask, <https://www.gorham-me.org/new-year-gorham-committee/pages/2020-program-information>.

We hope you will join us in celebrating this hybrid New Year Gorham – some of it with your families at home, and some of it with others outdoors. If you have any questions, please call Virginia Wilder Cross at 222-2248.

Light Parade Goes On Despite Pandemic



Gorham was once again treated to the traditional light parade despite the pandemic. The parade on November 29 included approximately 30 lit vehicles with onlookers lining the streets either in their parked cars or socially distanced outside wearing masks. Santa and Mrs. Claus rode into town safely protected in a snow globe. The couple did not personally greet the children due to safety measures. "There will be no visiting with Santa this year as he is a little over 1,700 years old and has a diet of mainly cookies, which puts him in the high risk category for COVID-19," said Gail Platts, programmer/office manager at the Rec. Department. Despite the changes due to the public health restrictions, it was a great success. Comments left on the Rec. Department's Facebook page included "The best light parade yet" and "It was a great display! A morale booster!"

Photo credit Roger Marchand

Winter at Shaw Cherry Hill Farm

KATHY CORBETT
Staff Writer

While walking one of the three miles of trails at Cherry Hill Farm, Johanna Hanselman came across "a beautiful sculpture of a bear realistic enough to scare my dog." This life-sized wood-carving is the latest addition to the Shaw Family Foundation's recreational site on Lower Main Street (Route 25).

Purchased from ecomaine in 2016, the foundation's 258 acres border remnants of the old Cumberland and Oxford Canal. According to Parker Brown, assistant controller for Shaw Brothers, land fronting on Lower Main Street was leased to Sebago Brewing Company which added to the Gorham tax base. Brewing there fulfilled the requirement for agricultural use.

The public recreational area, opened in 2019, includes a parking lot, seven groomed trails, an ice skating pond, and a children's storybook trail. Tim Pickett from Elliot, Maine, carved the bear from a tall pine tree stump. It stands in a wooded area about two-and-a-half miles from the parking lot. Six rustic



Photo credit Kathy Corbett

A bear carved from a tall pine tree stump invites people to walk the trails. Six rustic benches, also carved from pine, are being placed on the longer trails.

benches, also constructed by Pickett, are being placed on the longer trails. As Hanselman observed, "The trails appear to be intentionally designed to appeal to a wide range of people, abilities, and interests."

"Taking a walk at Cherry Hill," Hanselman said, "you will bump into people you know, families with kids making fairy forts in the woods, runners, bikers, and, in the winter, people snow-



Photo credit Johanna Hanselman

shoeing and cross-country skiing, and always lots of dogs." Elizabeth MacField walks her dogs Sophie and Nellie there several times a week and appreciates "the variety of routes and wide open spaces."

Group activities at Cherry Hill Farm are organized under an agreement with the Town of Gorham. Groups wanting to hold outdoor events contact Cindy Hazelton, the town's parks and recreation director, who determines if they are appropriate for the site. She also plans activities for the public. "This winter we are hoping to use open fields for snowshoeing and cross-country ski-

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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.

Back in Session

REP. MO TERRY

Last week the full Legislature came together at the Augusta Civic Center to swear in the new members of the 130th Legislature. I am thrilled to be able to continue my work to represent Gorham and am deeply grateful to all the folks involved in making sure we can do so safely.

Normally we would meet in the State House, which has served as the home of Maine's Legislature since the first Legislative session was convened on January 4, 1832. It is odd not conducting our business there this year, but far more important than where we legislate, is for whom and how.

I am dedicated to continuing to support you in Augusta this session. We have a lot of work to do to overcome many of the challenges posed by the coronavirus and to address issues that existed before the pandemic hit.

Months of preparation and collaboration among our non-partisan staff and the folks at the Civic Center resulted in changes to our physical space and operating procedures. Some of these measures include universal masking, distancing, maximum room capacity limits, pre-entry COVID-19 screening practices, and staggered arrival times. These steps are crucial to ensure we can continue to serve you in the safest way possible.

Swearing-in day was also marked by some other noteworthy firsts. This year, we elected our nation's youngest Speaker of the House, Rep. Ryan Fecteau; the first person of color in

leadership, Rep. Rachel Talbot Ross; and the first woman to serve as Maine's Secretary of State, Secretary, Shenna Bellows. With such a strong leadership team in the Legislature and throughout the Constitutional offices, I am confident in our ability to pass meaningful and carefully crafted legislation and to continue to make our state government work for you.

Moving forward, I am eager to start working on legislation that supports Maine's economic recovery. This is essential, even as we continue to see COVID-19 cases and death counts rise. Balancing these interests is difficult but possible. Just last week Governor Janet Mills and the Maine Climate Council released their four-year climate action plan titled "Maine Won't Wait." This plan is crucial in solving some of our state's pressing economic concerns in light of the COVID-19 health crisis, but also importantly addresses another major crisis: climate change. The climate crisis can feel less urgent than COVID-19 to some, but here in the Northeast where many of our livelihoods are connected to our natural environment, we must take this issue seriously.

In recent years Maine has experienced unseasonably warm weather which has contributed to increases in flooding, the presence of more ticks, mosquitos and other harmful insects and a reduction of our lobster harvest. "Maine Won't Wait" helps address these

issues and others by embracing a new, more electric transportation future, modernizing Maine's buildings with initiatives that encourage installation of heat pumps and other energy and cost efficient heating systems, growing Maine's clean-energy economy and protecting our natural-resources.

The pandemic has taught us that preparation can mean the difference between life and death. We must be prepared for the hurdles around the corner even as we deal with the challenges immediately in front of us. It is our job as your representatives to be forward thinking and to set our communities up for success. This plan will be a big part of that work. While we may be meeting more remotely and in different spaces this session than in years past, my dedication to serving you and our community is unwavering.

As we embark on the 130th Legislative session, I want to hear from you about your concerns, hopes and expectations, so please reach out! It is an honor to continue to serve you.



Rep. Maureen "Mo" Terry, D-Gorham, is serving her third 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. Contact her at maureen.terry@legislature.maine.gov.

Trash Tags, not Trash Bags

COURTESY OF TOWN OF GORHAM
PUBLIC WORKS

The Town of Gorham will discontinue distribution of town trash bags, replacing them with town trash tags, effective January 1, 2021. The tags have been in circulation since May 2016 and are seen as a more effective way to reduce trash volume.

Public Works has received many complaints about the quality of the town bags that have been used over the last 18 years since the inception of the program. Public Works believes it will be more efficient to procure and distribute tags as well as freeing up valuable shelf space for store merchants.

Trash tags are available in local stores as well as municipal facilities wherever bags are sold. Residents will

purchase their own trash bags and attach a tag to each bag when placed at the curb for collection.

The tags signify to the town's curbside collection contractor, Pine Tree Waste (Casella), that the resident has paid for the collection of each tagged trash bag. The revenue from the sale of the tags is used by the town to pay for the trash and recyclable curbside collection contract.

Town trash bags will continue to be picked up after January 1, but the bags will no longer be sold in stores. Residents will buy town tags to use on their own trash bags, at a price of \$7.50 for five small trash bags, 15 gallons and smaller, and \$15.00 for five large trash bags, 33 gallons and smaller.

For more information, please call Gorham's solid waste hotline at 892-3649.

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December Night Skies Will Be Astounding

CHRIS CRAWFORD
Staff Writer

Geminid Meteor Showers will light up the night sky, peaking on December 13 into the morning of the 14th. Under clear, dark skies, there will be up to 50 or more meteors per hour with up to 150 per hour on an optimal night. While best viewing is around 2 a.m. when the showers will be highest in the sky, the show will begin mid-evening, but less brightly and closer to the horizon in the north-east.

There will be a new moon this year, so if the weather cooperates, it should be quite a show. Look for a dark place, away from city lights and with a view of the sky. Dress warmly and bring a blanket to lay on the ground for best viewing.

The Geminids will occur every year in mid-December when the Earth passes through the debris field from an asteroid called 3200 Phaethon.

For die-hards, the Ursids Meteors occur about a week after the Geminids, from December 17-26, about an hour before dawn, with a low-key 5 to 10 meteors per hour.

Jupiter/Saturn Conjunction will occur on December 21, which is coincidentally also the winter solstice. The two largest planets in our solar system will be aligned so closely (only 0.1 degree of separation) that they will look like one large bright object in the night sky. While their orbits bring the two giants close approximately every 20 years, a conjunction this close will not be matched again until March 2080 and it is the closest conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn since 1623.

Enjoy the show!

Gratitude Garland



Photo credit Roger Marchand

Hoping to create a feeling of community while spreading holiday cheer, the Rec. Department started a gratitude garland on the fence at Baxter Memorial Library. Pick up a tag inside the library (or make your own), write your message, and tie your "ornaments" to the garland to share good thoughts, thanks, and good wishes.

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ing," she said. People will be able to borrow equipment and receive some basic instruction. If the weather cooperates, she also plans to offer ice skating in the pond-sized depression between the parking lot and Route 25. "This would require the ground to freeze sufficiently for ice to build up thick enough to hold a small tractor," Hazelton explained. If this happens she will put out a call on

social media for volunteers to help maintain a frozen oval for skating. In addition, trails will be open for snowmobiles, maintained by the Gorham Snowgoers under a contract with Shaw Brothers.

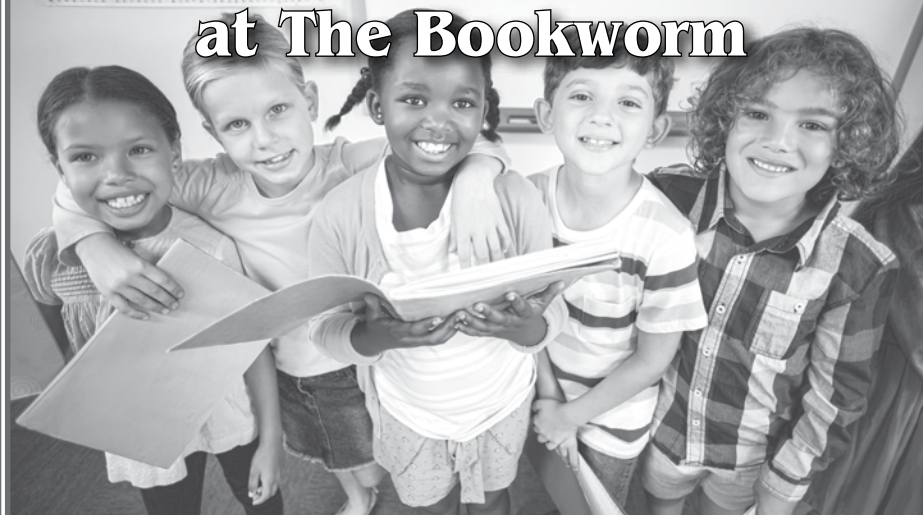
Heidi Whelan, youth services director for Baxter Library, had long wanted to "build a permanent Storywalk with durable signage in a beautiful location." With a grant from the Maine Bicentennial

Commission and "help from many sources," Whelan said "Cherry Hill Farm Trails proved to be the perfect place to foster children's interest in reading while also encouraging healthy activities." Maine author Tonya Shevenell gave the library digital files of The Maine Birthday Book; Library Assistant Jeffery Knox did the graphics; Cindy Hazelton oversaw the Storywalk installation; and

Shaw Brothers built the sign posts and plates. The result is an illustrated story on 23 plaques spaced along the Ecological Trail.

The increasing number of cars in the parking lot off route 25 suggest that many Gorham residents will be escaping COVID-19 confinement by socially distancing on the trails at Cherry Hill Farm this winter.

Books For Christmas at The Bookworm



In the spirit of the holidays, The Bookworm has been accepting donations for our annual **Books For Christmas** program.

Our format has changed somewhat due to Covid. This year, we will continue our tradition of providing books to area children.

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Investment Lessons from 2020

PETE WATT

As the year draws to a close, it's fair to say we have all learned something about the social, political, physical, and environmental forces that have affected everyone. And, in some ways, our lives will be changed, perhaps permanently. But as an investor, there are some lessons from 2020 to consider.

The markets look ahead. Many investors discovered in 2020 that investment prices do not always move in the same direction as the overall economy. This might not have seemed apparent right after the COVID-19 pandemic struck in mid-February, as the overall economy and the stock market took big hits. But just about five weeks later, the markets began a rally that lasted several months. During this time, the economy also recovered somewhat, but still remains on weak footing.

What can explain this discrepancy between the markets and economic activity? Essentially, economic numbers, such as the unemployment rate and gross domestic product (GDP), reflect what is happening today, but the markets are always looking toward tomorrow, which means they are anticipating a stronger economic recovery and the results that come with it, such as greater corporate earnings in 2021. No one can say for sure what the future holds, but you can

usually know the market's opinion by its performance.

Opportunities will always exist for investors. Although the coronavirus seems unprecedented, the equity markets have rebounded from many crises before it. From war to global financial meltdowns, the market has seen it all. But even at the height of these events, when the markets might be most affected, individual segments or industries can do well.

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For example, in the current environment, when many people have been forced to work and shop from home, and get their entertainment online, it is probably not surprising that some parts of the technology sector have seen their economic activity grow, along with their stock prices. Here is the key point: Investment opportunities always exist, especially in times of market stress – and smart investors will find them and incorporate them into their portfolios in a way

that is appropriate for their goals and risk tolerance.

Patience and discipline can pay dividends. As mentioned above, the stock market dropped sharply in the weeks immediately following the pandemic, but then gained steadily for months afterward. Investors who tried to “cut losses” and exited the market likely did so at the wrong time and missed out on the beginning of the upturn. Unfortunately, this is not uncommon; investors who overreact to market declines often find themselves on the investment sidelines just when a new rally begins. Rather than being reactive in this way, you may be better off sticking with a long-term investment strategy, and buying and selling investments only when it makes sense for your situation, such as when you need to diversify your portfolio.

For many reasons, it is unlikely that we will see anything exactly like 2020 again. But some of the investment lessons we learned are applicable in every year – so keep them in mind for 2021 and beyond.



Pete Watt, Financial Advisor with Edward Jones in Gorham since 2015, builds on years of experience as a self-employed Insurance Agent specializing in Health, Life, Medicare, and Long Term

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Chief Sanborn Reports

Officer Steven Hinkley has been promoted to detective. He will be replacing Larry Fearon who is retiring after 39 years of service with the Gorham Police Department.



Photo courtesy of Gorham Police Department

OFFICER STEVEN HINKLEY

Hinkley has been with the patrol division since joining the Department. He has an associate's degree from Southern Maine Community College and is a drug recognition expert, a crisis negotiator, and a field training officer.

Fearon began his law enforcement career in November 1980 and a year later was hired in Gorham as a patrol officer. He also served as Gorham Police Department's firearm instructor for many years. In 2004, he was promoted to detective by then Chief Ronald Shepard.

Gorham Police Department thanks Detective Fearon for his 39 years of dedicated service to the law enforcement community.

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Recovery Grant Program Supports Tourism, Hospitality and Retail

COMPILED BY
KAREN DiDONATO

Governor Janet Mills recently announced an economic recovery grant program to support Maine's tourism, hospitality, and retail small businesses. Backed by \$40 million in Federal CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds, the Tourism, Hospitality & Retail Recovery Grant Program is focused specifically on supporting Maine's service sector small businesses, such as restaurants, bars, tasting rooms, lodging and retail shops.

The grant program utilizes \$30 million in funds remaining from the Maine Economic Recovery Grant Program and \$10 million in additional CRF monies dedicated by Governor Mills.

According to Kevin Jensen, Gorham's Economic Development Director, businesses must be a customer-facing service business or organization highly impacted by the COVID-19 restrictions, including restaurants, bars and taverns,

tasting rooms, lodging, and/or retail establishments, that have experienced a 20 percent or greater loss in gross sales as reported to Maine Revenue Services. This must be substantiated by Sales Tax Returns comparing March 2019 through September 2019 to March 2020 through September 2020 for monthly filers, and April 2019 through September 2020 for quarterly filers. Additionally, gross sales must be between \$24,000 and \$12 million annually.

Funds will be awarded to the first 2,500 approved applications on a first-come, first-served basis to eligible businesses and organizations in the following industry classifications: Accommodation and Food Services, Retail Trade, as well as Arts, Entertainment and Recreation.

Eligible applicants may receive up to \$20,000.

For more information, contact Kevin Jensen, Economic Development Director, at kjensen@gorham.me.us.

Grand Jury Indictments NOV. 2020

Charles Doughty, 38, of Gorham was indicted for harassment by telephone or electronic communication device and violation of conditions of release on charges brought by Windham PD.

David McGovern, 32, of Gorham was indicted on two counts of burglary, two counts of theft by unauthorized taking, two counts of violating conditions of release and criminal trespass on charges brought by Gorham PD.

Nichole Staples, 31, of Westbrook was indicted for criminal OUI drugs (1 prior), violating conditions of release, unlawful possession of scheduled drugs (methamphetamine).

Christie Thetonia, 39, of Gorham was indicted for unlawful trafficking in scheduled drugs, trafficking in prison contraband and unlawful possession of scheduled drugs on charges brought by Scarborough PD.

Real Estate Transfers July 2020

ADDRESS	BUYER	SELLER	PRICE
39 ACORN STREET	LISTON, HEIDI	TERRY, CHARON	\$213,000
47 FREEDOM DRIVE	DUNKEL, SAMUEL & BROOKE	ROBIE HOLDINGS, LLC	\$115,000
23 COTTAGE COURT	BUZZELL, JESSE	EMHG, LLC	\$153,000
191 SOUTH STREET	BENDER, EDWARD & PALMER, ELISE	CARRIER, DAVID & DIANE	\$470,000
10 MOSHER ROAD	GRIFFIN, KAITLIN & SHRINER, STACY	EARLE ENTERPRISES, LLC	\$264,000
86 DOW ROAD	SOCKWELL, IRA & LINDSEY	MAKEHOUSE, LLC	\$3,000
139 SPILLER ROAD	CONNELL, BENJAMIN	ROBERTS, CODY & CASSIDY	\$300,000
352 SEBAGO LAKE ROAD	HACKETT, LIAM	506 MAIN ST. REALTY COMPANY, LLC	\$220,000
35 STATE STREET	EARLE ENTERPRISES, LLC	31 STATE STREET, LLC	\$290,000
22 DOGWOOD LANE	BENSON, KIRK & KIRSTEN	MILES, ROBBIE & PHOMMACHANH	\$369,580
255 BUCK STREET	CHAMPAGNE, DANA	CHAMPAGNE, MICHAEL & JEAN RAE	\$130,000
86 DOW ROAD	CYR, KRASSIMIRA & TYLER	MAKEHOUSE, LLC	\$463,000
185 BUCK STREET	RODRIGUEZ, ADAM & DAIARA	PARKS, JESSICA	\$335,000
4 VERANDA DRIVE	STOVER, CODY & CURRY	BURNHAM, WILLIAM JR.	\$290,000
19 GLORIA STREET	BEESLEY, GARRETT & VROWN, SARAH	PORTWINE, RICHARD & CAROL	\$315,000
23 HARDING ROAD	DALTERIO, SOPHIA & WILLIAMS, CARLEY	COUSINS, BARRY	\$187,630
173 BARSTOW ROAD	FISHER, DANIEL, & COLLINS, CASSANDRA	MALLORY, ANN	\$212,000
60 MURRAY DRIVE	ORTIZ, ANTHONY	CONNICK, JONATHAN & CHARLOTTE	\$390,000
27 FAE LANE	HEDLUND, PAULA & DAVID	PLOWMAN DEVELOPMENT GROUP	\$365,000
22 MEADOWBROOK UNIT #5	TAME, MARTHA	PERKINS, ROSWITA & SNIPE, JAMES	\$261,000
6 WINTERGREEN DRIVE	MCCLAY, JAMES & ROCKWELL, ANNA	MACDONALD, COREY & ERIKA	\$336,000
129 MOSHER ROAD	MACLEOD, JANET	ESTATE OF SHIRLEY BROOKS	\$289,000
144 HURRICANE ROAD	VALIQUET, JUSTIN	FINOCCHIETTI, KELLY	\$111,500
47 LONGFELLOW ROAD	FLAGSHIP BUILDERS, LLC	MAILLET, ESTELLE	\$65,000
18 MUSKET DRIVE	CHINCHILLA, CELEDONIO	BNO, LLC	\$435,000
182 OSSIPPEE TRAIL	JENSEN, KATHLEEN	PARKER, MARY & PETER	\$236,000
26 MURRAY DRIVE	ELING, ANGELICA & RYAN	WRIGHT, DARRYL & LEAH	\$386,000
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52 CLAY ROAD	NEFF, JILL & MARTIN	STRUMPH, THOMAS	\$389,000
34 JACOB'S WAY	BRENNAN, ELIZABETH	GOBEL, JOHN	\$338,000
32 WAGNER FARM ROAD	PINON, SHEYLA & KROLIKOWSKI, GREGORY	GLENN, CHRISTOPHER & SARAH	\$325,000
DEERING ROAD	SCHOOLS, ROBERT	DUBUQUE, THOMAS II	\$76,000
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163 HUSTON ROAD	JEFFORDS, TONY & ALICIA	WELLS, DEBORAH	\$200,000
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8 ALDEN LANE	O'BRIEN, ERIN	BAILEY, ANITA	\$265,000
289 COUNTY ROAD	PINETTE, JON	BARNES, WILLIAM	\$325,000
720 FORT HILL ROAD	BRAHOUA, COME	ELING, ANGELICA & RYAN	\$349,900
167 MIGHTY STREET	CONNELL, NEIL & LISA	GRANT, HAROLD JR. & SHARON	\$425,000

Gorham Town Clerk's Office Available by Appointment Only Beginning December 14, 2020

Starting Monday, December 14, 2020, the Town Clerk's Office will be open by **APPOINTMENT ONLY** due to the continuing rise in Covid-19 cases, and to keep our patrons and employees safe. All other Municipal Center Department Offices remain by appointment only as has been the case since June 1, 2020.

To make an appointment with the Town Clerk's Office, please go to the Town website at www.gorham-me.org and select "Book an Appointment" from the green navigation menu on the left. You will then choose the appointment booking link for the **TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**. You may also call the Town Clerk's Office at 222-1670, 222-1674 or 222-1676 to book an appointment. Please leave a message and a Clerk will call you back as soon as possible to schedule an appointment.

To make an appointment with another Municipal Center Department Office (i.e. Community Development, Code, Planning, Assessing or Recreation), select the respective appointment booking link found at <https://www.gorham-me.org/home/pages/book-appointment> or by calling that department.

In addition to booking an appointment, please refer to the list below for other available options to perform various services through the Town Clerk's Office.

Service	Online	Over the Phone	By Mail
Vehicle Re-Registration	Go to www.Gorham-me.us and choose online services.	Call the Clerk's Office to get total due. Email or fax a copy of insurance card. Pay for your transaction over the phone with a credit card. The registration and stickers will be mailed to you.	Call the Clerk's Office to get total due. Send a copy of your insurance card along with a check to the Clerk's Office. The registration and stickers will be mailed to you.
Register New Vehicle, Re-Register Vehicle coming from another Town or State, Make Changes to Registration	Appointment Required	Appointment Required	Appointment Required
Re-Register Snowmobile, ATV or Boat	Go to www.Gorham-me.us and choose online services.	Call the Clerk's Office to get total due. Email or fax a copy of insurance card. Pay for your registration over the phone with a credit card. The registration and stickers will be mailed to you.	Call the Clerk's Office to get total due. Send check and the registration and stickers will be mailed to you.
Register New Snowmobile, ATV or Boat	Appointment Required	Appointment Required	Appointment Required
Register a Dog	Go to www.Gorham-me.us and choose online services.	Call the Clerk's Office to pay over the phone. Tags will be mailed to you.	Call the Clerk's Office to confirm the amount due. Send a check and the tags will be mailed to you.
Purchase a Hunting or Fishing License	Go to www.Gorham-me.us and choose online services.	Call the Clerk's Office to pay over the phone. Tags will be mailed to you.	Call the Clerk's Office to confirm the amount due. Send a check and the tags will be mailed to you.
Order Birth, Death or Marriage Records	Go to www.Gorham-me.us and choose online services.	Complete the request form, which is on the website. Fax form, along with copy of your ID and a check for the amount due. The record will be mailed to you.	Complete the request form, which is on the website. Mail form, along with copy of your ID and a check for the amount due. The record will be mailed to you.
Get a Marriage License	Appointment Required	Appointment Required	Appointment Required
Pay Taxes	Go to www.Gorham-me.us and choose online services.	Call the Clerk's Office to get total due. Pay over the phone with a credit card. The registration and stickers will be mailed to you.	Send a check along with your stub on your tax bill.
Purchase Trash Tags	N/A	Call the Clerk's Office to get total due. Pay over the phone with a credit card. The tags will be mailed to you.	Call the Clerk's Office to get total due. Send a check in the mail and the tags will be mailed to you.

Winter Parking Reminder

As a reminder, there is no parking on any public road or public easement roadway from November 1 to May 1, midnight to 6:00 a.m. or during any parking ban declared by the Public Works Department. Vehicles parked illegally or abandoned on roads are subject to towing at the owner's expense as well as ticketing by the police. Please remove your car from the street as soon as you are aware of a snow alert.

If there is a problem concerning road conditions, please call the Department of Public Works at 892-9062.

For more information on snow removal efforts and policy please visit <https://www.gorham-me.org/public-works-department/pages/snow-removal-efforts-and-policy>.

Winter Sand Reminder

Winter sand that is mixed with road salt is now available at Gorham Public Works at 80 Huston Road, and is located beside the silver bullet recycling units on the left as you enter through the front entrance. Each resident is allowed two, 5-gallon buckets per winter event, and residents must bring their own buckets and shovels.

Seasonal Affective Disorder

EMILY ERICKSON, MD
& GREG BATES, NP

It is that time of year when the days are shorter and the temperature drops. For some, this is a welcome change that brings the excitement that comes along with outdoor winter activities and the holiday season. For others, this time of year can be very tough and could result in Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD)—a condition that many may or may not know they are dealing with.

Seasonal affective disorder consists of a subset of disorders that are caused by mood and biochemical disturbances that have a seasonal pattern. The most common form is seasonal depression. SAD can affect up to 5 percent of the population, but it can be as prevalent as 10 percent in northern latitudes where the weather is colder and sunlight is harder to come by. In northern regions with extended winter conditions, patients with SAD can have symptoms up to 40 percent of the year, greatly impacting their quality of life.

Symptoms of SAD can mirror typical symptoms of depression, which include sadness, guilt, hopelessness, lack of energy, fatigue, sleep problems, weight gain or loss, lack of interest in activities, and difficulty concentrating. However, with SAD, most people recognize or can trace a pattern to the seasons. For example, symptoms tend to arise in fall and winter and go away, even without treatment, in spring and summer. Others, although less common, experience symptoms in the spring and summer with remission in the colder months.

There are several treatment options for SAD, including phototherapy. This form of therapy promotes exposure to light for set periods of time using light boxes that can be purchased online or at local stores. This treatment, also known as light therapy, can significantly improve mood in one to two weeks. Other beneficial practices include exercise, relaxation techniques, and spending more time outdoors, especially during daylight hours. Sometimes treatment options include prescription medications and/or cognitive behavioral therapy. These treatments can be done alone or in combination with each other.

With the ongoing pandemic, these symptoms can be exacerbated as social isolation is worse than during a typical winter. People may also be experiencing more anxiety and stress as they cope with making it through this winter while attempting to remain connected to what matters most—people.

Our team at Northern Light Mercy Primary Care wants you to know that you are not alone in feeling this way. We are here to help.

Just as every person and every situation is different, so too can be the proper treatment. It is not unusual to have a bad day or feel down every now and then. But if it becomes a pattern and impacts your life, it is time to seek advice. If you or someone you know may be experiencing these symptoms, a primary care provider could help you weigh options tailored to your specific needs.

Emily Erickson, MD and Greg Bates, NP practice at Northern Light Mercy Primary Care in Gorham.

IN THEIR OWN WORDS

Presumpscot River Rocks!

JOANNE ROMANO
Guest Contributor

The lure was there. I have been walking the trails in Gorham for a few years and when walking along the Presumpscot River's edge, the river was always talking to me in a come-hither kind of way. Seeing a few kayakers here and there, the yearning grew stronger. I had to be on the river.

Knowing they would have an assortment of kayaks to try, I took a couple of classes at LL Bean to see what worked best for me. They suggested the blue-green Calypso. Just looking at it, I knew we were a match. Like me, it was on the shorter side of tall, and although it was, it was narrower than the others, meaning it still could cut through the water nicely. I paddled, steered and veered with ease and comfort. Kayaks were flying off the shelves, as kayaking has become a popular outdoor activity during this COVID pandemic. Unfortunately, I was told that a woman had bought the only Calypso they had left (sniff!), but when she came to pick it up, she changed her mind. And so, the adventure began...

Accessories like roof racks flew off the shelves too, so I put that blue-green beauty in the back of my small SUV with the hatch up and the kayak tied down. When I got to my destination, the portage at Hawkes Trail in Gorham, I untied and unloaded the kayak. In my excitement I realized I brought everything but my paddle. I had to load the kayak back into my SUV and head home. I couldn't leave my highly valued blue-green, brand spanking new beauty there alone.

Once back at the portage site, the endorphins in my brain, which started to release after purchase and were increasing exponentially, peaked as I pushed off from the portage area and headed

upstream. Immediately I felt a sense of freedom. The open airspace on the river and the places, plants, and critters were all out there waiting for me to find, be amazed, and even love them.

I paddled this section of the Presumpscot a number of times until, when I reached the Gambo dam for the umpteenth time, I decided I needed to see what the river was like on the other side of that ol' dam. Then I had to see what was beyond Little Falls Dam on the other end of this section of the river.

I have had the most fun discovering and seeing things like herons, kingfishers, ducks, Canadian geese, painted turtles, and others, but most exciting of all, a pair of eagles. I have found plants that I hadn't yet seen or identified, like the square-stemmed monkey flower, the slender false foxglove, and the brilliantly red Lobelia cardinalis. I was now able to get close to plants I had seen in the water from the river's edge, like the broad-leafed arrow plant, looking and feeling like it belonged to a time long ago with its large green arrow-shaped leaves and nearly golf ball sized green pods floating in the water. And then there's the pickerelweed; pickerel were thought to have deposited their eggs here. Due the addition of so many dams over the years, few of the fish that lived in the Presumpscot are there anymore. However, thanks to organizations like Friends of the Presumpscot River, this is changing as some dams have already been removed.

I have also found small brooks that run into the Presumpscot as well as an old tunnel leading into Black Brook. I have paddled under the historic Babb's Bridge. This is not the end of my adventures on the Presumpscot, which I guarantee you, will continue when the weather permits it!

December Jokes

What do reindeer hang on their Christmas trees? *Horn-aments.*

Why are Christmas trees so bad at sewing?
They always drop their needles.

Why does Scrooge love reindeer?
Because every single buck is deer to him.

What do you call a frog hanging from the ceiling? *Mistletoad.*



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Focusing on Greater Portland to the Lakes Region and all points in between

Gorham High School First Quarter Honor Rolls 2020-21

Grade 9 – High Honors

Cole Allen
Brendan Antcl
Lillian Andreassen
William Armstrong
Brady Arsenaault
Leen Bob
Claire Boudreau
Elsie Bradshaw
Jackson Brassard
Macey Brenner
Amber Bretton
Luke Burns
Addison Canty
Camryn Caruso
Ethan Castonguay
Andria Cloutier
Cory Coyne
Grace Desmond
Sophia DiPhilippo
Giselle Doucette
Hilary Douglas
Ella Downing
Brooke Farquhar
Taylor Farr
Aiden French
Summer Gammon
Elizabeth Gay
Addison Harjula
Natalie Haskell
Emerson Homa
Jesse James
Anthony Jordan
Noah Kennedy
Ashton Leclerc
Aidan Lee
Corey Lorfano
Jack Luciano
Gabriel Michaud
Lillian Miner
Jacob Mora
Amy Morin
Jackson Morrell
Lillianna Noel
Riley Ottoson
Collin Page
Paige Perreault
Dylan Phillips
Alicia Poschke
Bryce Pyle
Makayla Quintal
Emma Smith
Kyleigh Staples
Logan Vail
Noah Vaughn
Julia Wareham
Makenna Wheeler
Cameron Whittemore
Anna Yahwak

Grade 9 – Honors

Gabriel Badeau
Dylan Bauer
Moortada Beshir
Hannah Bickford
Chloe Blanchard
Elijah Castro
Khove Chubbuck
Ayress Cook
Dakoda Coyne
Dayton Crockett
Dylan Cummings
Rita Cummings
Thomas Curtis
Aidan D'Ambrosio
Alexis Deschaine
Michael Distasio
Anna Dumais
Dylan Edwards
Abigail Fecteau
Nolan Feyler
Lydia Fluet
Aiden Fortier
Kaylee Gonnevillie
Sophie Gunn
Lily Hanscome
Brinn Irish
Zachary Irish
Eleanor LaBarge
Jackson Landry
Caden Lavoie
Meryk Lewellen
Nadia Lyons
Logan Martell
Aislyn McLean
Mia Mitchell
Caroline Morrell
James Morrison
Arianna Morse
Kaitlyn Nichols
Abigail Noyes
Erica Nygren
Samuel Parenteau
Haden Pellerier
Jenna Pequino
Zoie Rand
Brayson Reed
Lilly Rubin
Ethan Sadowski
Cleveland Small
John Small
Caden Smith
Cole Smith
Tristan Smith
Olivia Spickel
Mason Starkey
Jonathan Stein
Madison Stewart

Ambrose Svoboda

Dylan Taiani
Nicholas Tinkham
Miguel Torres
Jayden Towns
Lucien Trefethen
Camren Trott
Jason Verrill
Sean Verrill
Bennett Walker
Zackary Waters
Adam Webster
Samantha Whidden
Naima White
Cole Whitehead
Izak Young

Grade 10 – High Honors

Julia Altham
Hayden Anderson
Christian Butler
Lexi Caron
Miranda Chasse
Junbei Chen
Faith Connolly
Ryan Cooper
Brinn Cummings
Annie Cunningham
Angela Dellasala
Zoe Diffin
Quinn Dillon
Madeline Downey
Holly Dupra
Kylie Foley
John Frank
Brooke Gordon
Tedi Gould
Lotus Graves
Kayleigh Greenlaw
Olivia Hopkins
Jude Huckaby
Grace Johnson
Alexis Landry
Samuel Larkin
Erin Lawrence
Kevin Luo
Savannah Lyon
Trevin Macomber
Kate Martin
Lucas Ouillette
Madysen Quimby
Sarah Rathbun
Tyler Reynolds
Abigail Rosingana
Aidan Shepard
Rylee Tenuta
Hailee Willey

Grade 10 – Honors

Waeil Ahmed
Brady Alexander
Anthony Arsenaault
Hayden Battaglia
Lucien Beardsley
Cole Bishop
Basil Bob
Olivia Bryant
Morgan Cole
Bode Coleman
Ian Connors
Jasper Crane
Patrick Cyr
Makenna Delaney
Maeve Donnelly
Jonah Doucette
Owen Dugas
Abby Fiore
Sadie Fiore
Noah Flynn
Ty Gammon
Andrew Gaudreau
Brooke Gerry
Julie Goldman
Marin Graham
Corinna Hahn
Keegan Hanscome
Owen Harmon
Aryahna Hulit
Kelsey Jaibert
Josephine James
Braeden Johnson
Elizabeth Keil
Quinn Lachance
Madeleine LaPierre
Jacob Lehmann
Aedan MacDougall
Sofia Mankin
Brady Marquis
Kaci Mollison
Hannah O'Reilly
Zachary Paradis
Mikaela Pellerin
Kate Pelletier
Claudia Peterson
Nicholas Phinney
Qasim Rabbani
Lauren Rioux
Keira Rosario
David Russo
Emma Sands
Kate Sands
Andrew Scribner
Cody Sellick
Emilio Shaw
Eli Sjostedt
Brady Smith

Eleanor Szostalo

Megan Wentworth
Kieran Wilkins
Hermayla Wilson
Wyatt Woodsum
Delaney Wright
Peter Wu
Lillian Zidle

Grade 11 – High Honors

George Allison
Drew Baber
Lauren Bachner
Noah Badeau
Curan Bassingthwaite
Owen Begley
Allison Bishop
Alyvia Caruso
Erin Castonguay
Morgan Chapman
Sydney Connolly
Jessica Crocker
Kaitlyn Cushing
Mary DeWitt
Katherine Dupuis
Hailey Edwards
Abigail Emerson
Madeline Fadrigon
Asa Farley
Andrew Farr
Annie Frey
Elizabeth Frey
Nikolas Gagne
Maya Garand
Riley Grant
Jasmyrn Green
Kylie Green
Sydney Haskell
Caleb Hendrix
Abigail Houpp
Stephanie Labrie
Kyle Landry
Elisabeth Loranger
Ian Luciano
Bryce Lumbert
Paige Marchand
Any Mazaris-Atkinson
Sophia Michaud
Andrea Mitchell
Ambrosia Moore
Emma Mullin
Anna Nelson
Julia Ordway
Grace Perreault
Ellie Perry
Quentin Riiska
Benjamin Shields
Clara Shvets

Kyle Skolfield

Emma Stevens
Colby Tucker
Sarah Valeriani
Alexandra Waterman
Megan Wentworth
Violet Wilson-Wood
Quentin Wise
Elijah Wyatt

Grade 11 – Honors

Erin Abrams
Robert Adams
Colin Albert
Brett Barney
Landon Bickford
Brylee Bishop
Robert Boylen
Sean Boylen
Connor Callahan
Lucas Castles
Nathan Chase
Ansley Christianson
Kayleigh Cloutier
Zackery Cloutier
Hunter Connors
Sakara Crawford
Calvin Cummings
Parker Curry
Sadie Cyr
Michelle Darling
Liam Devine
Alden Dimick
Deseray Doucette
Quinn Doyle
Sarah Duff
Sadie Dyer
Zachary Emmons
Olivia Falagarrio
Samuel Farr
Carl Feagans
Emily Feagans
Benjamin Fecteau
Jillian Feyler
Breshia Flett
James Fox
Charles Gay
Luke Goodwin
Jacob Graham
Emma Green
Riley Griffin
Bryce Gunn
Madisson Hatch
Kiara Hodge
Timothy Holman
Finnegan Irish
Joshua Jenkins
Taylor Keene-Jordan

Mason Landre

Akyra LaRochelle
Alexandra Light
Morgen Look
Annika Mankin
Mikayla Martorano
Owen McCaffrey
Colin McDonald
Daniel McKeage
Aidan Meredith
Rory Meserve
Madison Michaud
Annika Moccioia
Dylan Morrell
Isabella Morrell
Jillian Morrill
Alexandra Myles
Any Nagle
Cheyanne Osmond
Jenna Parker
Hunter Pellerin
Hunter Pelletier
William Perry
Grace Pierce
Albert Plummer
Nelly Popov
Anna Provost
Luc Puglionesi
Abraham Rabbani
Casey Rancourt
Samuel Reasoner
Phoebe Richards
Alexandrea Rivera
Vanessa Russell
Evan Russo
Brandon Sadowski
Thomas Sallinen
Daniel Semenov
Thaddeus Shain
Hannah Spickel
John Sutton
Jacob Tatom
Dylan VonderHaar
Nicole Walker
Morgan Walton
Asa Wareham
Leah Woodbury

Grade 12 – High Honors

Griffin Banks
Tatyanna Biambly
Corey Blake
Grace Bradshaw
Logan Butler
Beck Carrier
Haley Crosby
Sierra Cummings
Kelly Curran

Hayden Desmond

Ava Dolley
Robert Dowdle
Katherine Downey
Kirsten Drew
Andrew Duncan
Emily Duncan
Olivia Duong
Julia Edwards
Nathan Eichner
Jada Emery
Aidan Enck
Grace Flynn
Paige Fogg
Gracie Forgues
Sydney Fox
Sophie Gagne
Lydia Gaudreau
Nolan Gava
Mary Gawlick
Gregory Hannaford
Brayden Harjula
Devyn Harrington
Reed Henderson
MacKenna Homa
Benjamin Johnson
Riley Johnson
Sophia Kaufman
Angelina Khomenok
Evan Koenig
Katherine Kutzer
Gabrielle LaBarge
Joshua Labrie
Sadie LaPierre
Mason Laskey
Shannon Lawrence
Maya Lee
Zakaria Lembarra
Nevin Libby
Griffin Loranger
Kylie Mathieson
Olivia Michaud
Kathryn Morin
Molly Murray
Adele Nadeau
Grant Nadeau
Liam Nickerson
Jarrett Ocegueda
Emily Paruk
Alice Peterson
Alexander Pierson
Skylar Prince
Caitlin Randall
Molly Rathbun
Cassidy Rioux
Eva Rodrigue
Erin Sands
Delaney Seed

Michaela Taiani

Andrea Thibeault
Ryan Topham
Alison Walker
Bailey Wentworth
Cailyn Wheeler
Jordan Williams
Marissa Wilson

Grade 12 – Honors

Luke Adams
Reighley Adams
Dawson Allen
Aidan Bell
Gianna Bent
Jordan Blakeslee
Jaela Boucher
Veronica Corbeau-Hasenflu
River Cummings
Samantha Cummings
Michael Darasz
Abigail Decrow
Christopher Dugan
Zen Duplisea
Samuel Estey
Lauren Fottter
Dominic Garcia
Stacey Hakizimana
Ryan Harjula
Hannah Heady
Leah James
Richard Jiang
Sophie Lachance
Colby Leavitt
Mikayla Leskowsky
Christopher Lewis
Tess Libby
Joshua Martin
Bode Meader
Oliver Milliken
Gwendolyn Miramontes
Claire Munkacsi
Emmeline Nelson
Ian Obrey
Bradley Parker
Tatum Philbrook
Brooke Phillips
Matthew Phinney
Charles Pierce
Morgan Roast
Anthony Romero
Gage Sjostedt
Garrett Smith
Madigan Thibodeau
Benjamin Tukey
Nicholas Williams

Gorham Middle School First Quarter Honor Rolls 2020-21

Grade 6 – High Honors

Luna Button
Sheila Casco
Jack Foisy

Evan Hall

Kailey Hanscom
Everett Hurder
Ryan Johnson
Lily Keene
Claire Kennedy
Sean Kenny
Tyler Krouse
Daniel LaBarge
Gillian Lachance
Cohen Landry
Zachary Bourgoin
Arwen Bravo
Lillian Burgos
Jack Cyr
Liam Delaney
Bennett Deveaux
Maia Downing
Colby Drew
Antoine Dube
Jackson Durgin
Lindsay Farquhar
Hunter Finck
Jordyn Fottter

Molly Peters

Keaton Pollard
Hailey Racine
Jasmine Radjabova
Rowen Reed
Stephen Richards
Madison Rogers
Addison Rush
Adriana Russo
Nicholas Sallinen
Chloe Schlicher
Jack Sellick
Sawyer Smith
Abigail Stevens
Alex Stueber
Carter Taiani
Owen Todd
Alexander Tukey
Ayden Tuttle
Annabelle Vail
Isaac Vail
Charlotte Wallace
Cooper Whitehead
Alexa Whittemore

Henri Wichmann

Jack Williams
Corbin Wilson

Grade 7 – High Honors

Lauren Dunbar
Laurel Emerson
Taylor Ernest
Emily Fluet
Amanda Nicholson
Tyler Olson
Lucas Lane
Haley Vickery

Grade 7 – Honors

Devin Antonya
Kaleigh Bauer
Lily Beardsley
Gianna Berthiaume
Miles Brenner
Benjamin Brown
Abigail Buckelew
Aiden Cahill
Eli Castles

Logan Chhoeung

Andrew Collins
Aubriana Cossitt
Delaney Coyne
Grace Cunningham
Isabella Davis
Zoe Dellinger
Logan Doughty
Liam Doyle
Aidan Dudley
Aaron Dumais
Abigail Fortier
Brooklyn Giroux
Lauren Greenier
Kayden Hall
Madison Hatch
Henry Holland
Benjamin Keil
Reece Leclerc
Eben Lorfano
Derek Luo
Lorisse Matta
Riley McCallister
Tessa McNally

Maya Moores

Stella Moores
Eleanor Morgan
Liam O'Hora
Jacqueline Parenteau
Kassidy Quimby
Terra Rioux
Shawn Rumery
Addyson Simcock
Elizabeth Springer
Graham Staples
Sonnitra Sun
Sawyer VonderHaar
Tobias Wane
Sasha Weston
Elle Woodman

Grade 8 – High Honors

Abigail Chamberlin
Ashley Connolly
Patrick Downey
Gwyneth Dubail
Lucia Dubail
Emily Fadrigon

Cameron Gasbarrone

Finn Henderson
Adam Lembarra
Chafek Matta
Ryan Morrill
Timothy Nagle
Payson Plummer
Julia Reed
Sarah Rosingana
Brooke Stevens
Denali Tetrault
Vanessa Walker

Grade 8 – Honors

Raiyah Babinsky
Whitney Ball
Michael Briggs
Jakob Buckley
Laura Burt
Abigail Capponi
Katelyn Cyr
Cecelia Dellosso
Riley Dever
Anastasia Dolley

Andre Dube

Holden Edenbach
Gavin Edwards
Joshua Faatz
Mason Finck
Aryana Flett
Piper Forgues
Hadley Foster
Lauren Fredette
Griffin Gammon
Meghan Gendron
Layla Gillihan
Bailey Hatch
Ellery Herrick
Violet James
William Johnson
Kuba Kaczmarek
Sophie Kaczmarek
Jack Karlonas
Alivia Keniston
Kathryn LaPierre
Lucas LeGage
Rebekah Libby
Jack Mazaris-Atkinson

Kayla McLean

Lindy Moreland
Danilo Morton
Wyatt Nadeau
Hailey Rickett
Evelyn Rush
Victoria Sands
Brooklyn Sandstrom
Mina Sayed
Jacob Shvets
Aidan Smith
Alison Smith
Owen Spera
Payton Thibodeau
Lily Tukey
Madisson Willey
Logan Wilson



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Gorham High School Expands into Virtual Reality Teaching

GRACE JOHNSON
GHS Student Intern

Gorham High School (GHS) has begun to look for ways to implement virtual reality (VR) into their everyday learning. Stephanie Ramonas, a teacher at GHS, is among the first to try it out in her classroom.

Ramonas has been using a VR headset with her students. The headset allows students to enter a virtual space to interact with their surroundings and explore places they have never been before.

"You put the headset on and you go into a virtual world," said Ramonas. "You feel like you are inside the game. You cannot see 'reality' anymore."

According to Ramonas, once a student puts the headset on, everything around them disappears and they see what the VR shows them. When wearing the headset, the student also holds two controllers that show up as hands in the virtual world. As they turn their head, the VR turns and allows them to see things behind them or on the sides.

Virtual reality can be used for a number of different learning purposes in school. As classes are unable to go on field trips this year due to COVID-19 restrictions, VR will hopefully be used for job/work simulations. This will help students make decisions on post-secondary options and receive interactive experience.

Additionally, VR is being paired with academic work. For example, if a student is learning about historical buildings or sites, virtual reality will allow them to "travel" to this place. This way, they can view it from a first-person perspective rather than simply looking at a picture in a textbook.

"Virtual reality can make learning more engaging by pairing the VR with book work," Ramonas said. "The student can learn about geography in class and then put the VR on and go anywhere with the Google Earth app; they can stand on top of Mount Everest or be in the Sahara Desert."

Ramonas said she has found great success with virtual reality. She is in the process of purchasing more apps for the headset in order to expand possibilities, engage students in hands-on ways, and bring new excitement to learning.

The VR headset was purchased using funds for the MELMAC Education Foundation that sponsors the Aspire Gorham initiative and is responsible for bringing virtual reality to GHS. Using funds from this grant, GHS is hoping to grow their VR system and introduce it to other classrooms throughout the school.

While Ramonas is the first to try out the VR system, the countless benefits she has found from it make it clear she will not be the last. Virtual reality can become a learning tool in many different classrooms to reach any student looking for engaging, exciting, and first-hand experiences.



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Cooper Power, a teacher at Gorham High School, is pictured wearing the new virtual reality headset.

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Last month, Gorham High School (GHS) held their fall production of "It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play," written by Philip Van Doren Stern. The play, directed by GHS English teacher Josie Tierney-Fife, was streamed live on Zoom this year due to the coronavirus restrictions currently in place. Cast members were each in their own classrooms performing and most held multiple roles throughout the play, changing voices and/or costumes to differentiate. Despite the challenging restrictions a virtual play holds, it was a tremendous success overall. It was a classic feel-good story thoroughly enjoyed by everyone watching from the comfort of their own homes; helping audience viewers get into the spirit of the upcoming holiday season.

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Spreading Christmas Cheer



Ken Grady spreads Christmas Cheer...as Santa on a scooter.

Photo credit Giulia Grady

NHS Virtually Inducts New Members in 2020



Photo credit Luci Bowers

Due to the continuing coronavirus pandemic and CDC guideline restrictions, Gorham High School held a virtual induction ceremony on November 17 (via a video that was sent home to members and parents/guardians) for the 60 new members of their chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS), under advisor Luci Bowers. Qualifying juniors and seniors were chosen for how they exemplify the four pillars of NHS (character, service, leadership, and scholarship). Congratulations to the new inductees: George Allison, Drew Baber, Lauren Bachner, Noah Badeau, Mallorie Bergquist-Guimond, Allison Bishop, Caroline Bishop, Erin Castonguay, Ainsley Christianson, Kayleigh Cloutier, Sydney Connolly, Aidyn Curlee, Hayden Desmond, Aiden Dever, Mary DeWitt, Olivia Duong, Katherine Dupuis, Hailey Edwards, Madeline Fadrigon, Andrew Farr, Paige Fogg, Annie Frey, Elizabeth Frey, Sophie Gagne, Riley Grant, Devyn Harrington, Madisson Hatch, Reed Henderson, Ethan Ho, Abigail Houp, Tatiana Jonk, Gabrielle LaBarge, Anya Mazaris-Atkinson, Andrea Mitchell, Ambrosia Moore, Dylan Morrell, Isabella Morrell, Jillian Morrill, Emma Mullin, Anya Nagle, Alexandra Myles, Anna Nelson, Julia Ordway, Hunter Pellerin, Grace Perreault, Ellie Perry, Phoebe Richards, Quentin Riiska, Morgan Roast, Evan Russo, Brandon Sadowski, Brady Sawyer, Arzou Sayed, Benjamin Shields, Clara Shvets, Emma Stevens, Dylan VonderHaar, Morgan Walton, Elijah Wyatt, and Megan Young. Pictured (left to right) are class officers: Riley E. Johnson (treasurer), Sydney Fox (secretary), Griffin Loranger (vice president), and Alice Peterson (president), who helped with the virtual ceremony. Senior NHS members inducted new members by highlighting the student's attributes over a voice recording while a slide (pictured above) appeared of the new member.

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Facebook: First Parish Congregational Church

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Dress as shepherds, angels or wise people
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In Your Light We See Light - Zoom & Facebook Live, 7 pm
Sharing of the Light, Advent Wreath, Special Music
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What's New?

Hybrid

...is the best word to describe New Year Gorham 2020-21. As in previous years, you'll enjoy top notch entertainers, but they will come to your home - where you'll be a safe distance from people outside your "bubble."

Here are your viewing options from home: Channel 3

2:30 to 4:30 pm New Year Gorham entertainment
5:00 pm live fireworks show
5:30 to 7:30 the entertainment will air a second time

<https://livestream.com/GoCAT/NYG>

2:30 to 4:30 watch the entertainment
5:00 pm. watch the fireworks as they are happening

Fireworks Outdoors*

5:00 pm Narragansett School field
*When you get to Narragansett School, volunteers will direct you to safe parking areas where we ask you to please remain with your vehicle.



Don Roy Trio 2:30 PM National Endowment of Arts National Fellowship Recipient!

Back for their 13th year, Don Roy and his group of talented musicians will keep feet tapping and hearts singing with Acadian music. We are pleased they are returning to be part of New Year Gorham 2020! They will make us want to welcome 2021 with happy feet dancing to the beat.



AudioBody 4:00 PM

Don't miss this super-charged, high-tech comedy that's a modern tribute to Vaudeville. Brothers Matt and Jason Tardy performed for us a number of years ago and we are really excited to feature them again this year. Jason and Matt try to one-up each other with juggling, music, contortion and absolute hilarity that never ends! Even though we won't be in the same room with them, they will be in the same room with us thanks to our amazing local access television crew.

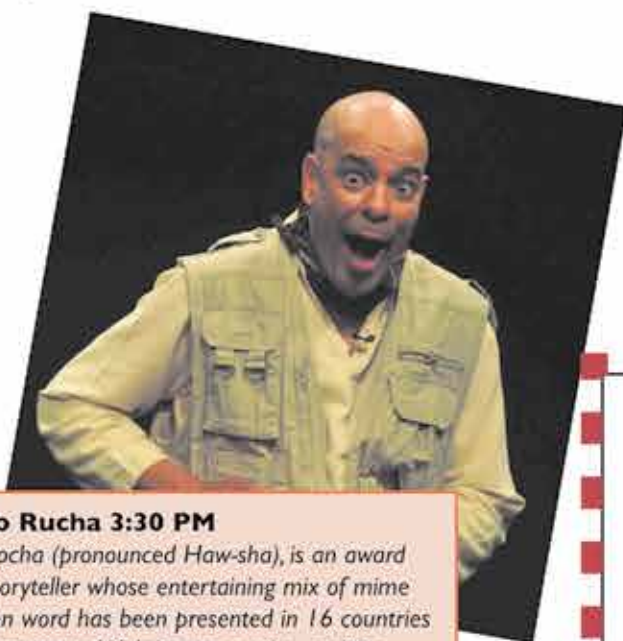


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New Year Gorham Masks*

* This year there isn't any admission fee, but you can help defray some of the costs by purchasing a NYG fabric face mask at these locations:

Baxter Memorial Library
Carter's Green Market
Gorham Rec. Department
The Bookworm



Antonio Rocha 3:30 PM

Antonio Rocha (pronounced Haw-sha), is an award winning storyteller whose entertaining mix of mime and spoken word has been presented in 16 countries across 6 continents. With his tenor voice, realistic sound effects and mesmerizing moves, Antonio is sure to tickle your funny bone and delight your soul. Antonio performed for us last year and when he left the stage the audience wanted more! We were really happy when he agreed to do an encore performance in our unusual "hybrid" version of New Year Gorham. His stories are for kids and adults of all ages!

Dean Richardson 3:00 PM

Dean is Gorham's own singer and songwriter who has been a popular New Year Gorham performer. His music is fun, lively, and loved by people of all ages. We are so glad Dean agreed to take part in our 'hybrid' New Year's Eve party!



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Staying Positive While Trying to Stay Negative: How Special Olympics Maine has been Affected by the Pandemic



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Pictured left to right: Cole Shiers and River Cummings at Special Olympics state summer games pre-pandemic. Local athlete River Cummings got creative in his pool this summer while stuck at home. Sage Atkinson walking on his treadmill. Weekly Warrior pic with athlete Colby Gott.

LISA BIRD

Director of Public and Media Relations for Special Olympics Maine (Guest Contributor)

This year has certainly been challenging due to COVID-19. Non-stop cancellations, closures, and disappointments week after week have taken a toll on all of us. In the world of sports, our seasons have been shortened, delayed, or sadly non-existent. For the 5,000 children and adults with intellectual disabilities who participate in Special Olympics Maine (SOME), things are no different.

Special Olympics Maine typically offers upwards of 75 competitions a year, at the local, state, national and international level. For many of the athletes, Special

Olympics is actually a way of life, with year round sports training and competition opportunities. Our athletes train for a minimum of six weeks before each competition and in Special Olympics, there is no off season.

In early March the COVID-19 pandemic forced Special Olympics Maine to make the difficult choice of shutting down all in-person training, competition, and fundraising events. Like all athletes, everything our participants were training for and looking forward to had come to an abrupt halt. In those early days, with no idea what was to come, the program announced they would be stopping for a few weeks. Unfortunately the weeks quickly turned into months.

In addition to helping my own high

school senior cope with the loss of an All Star Game, no spring sports, and the fear of not having a graduation ceremony, I also had the difficult job of disappointing our athletes week after week with each announcement of one more cancellation. It was heartbreaking to try to explain to the athletes why we were not able to offer events that so many people were looking forward to and worked so hard for.

However, the Special Olympic Maine athletes are resilient and strong; they have the amazing gift of finding the positive in some pretty sad situations. Despite the heartbreak, the staff knew there was no way they could allow Special Olympics to be cancelled, it was just going to have to look a little different.

Before the close of business that last day in March, the SOME staff had already put together a Weekly Warrior Challenge that would be offered to all athletes virtually through the end of summer. Athletes were given workouts to try and after completion at the end of each week they were eligible for certificates of achievement and drawings for incentives.

By the third week of March, the athletes were not only participating as Weekly Warriors, but they were also being offered online classes and training sessions that included workouts, nutrition, healthy cooking, sports skills, introductions to new sports, oral hygiene and foot care videos as well as mask wear-

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How Special Olympics Maine has been Affected by Pandemic CONTINUED FROM PAGE 13

ing, hand washing and social distancing tips. Athletes learned about combining drumming and exercise, they took part in national dance challenges, and even our youngest athletes submitted videos of how they were staying healthy and active at home. This fall our athletes participated in a National Stride Challenge and in January we will be offering a month of winter sports competitions.

Social opportunities were also offered through weekly themed Zoom gatherings: a virtual dance, a virtual campfire sing along, and in two weeks SOME will host a virtual holiday party. We are getting creative and thinking outside the box more than ever. It is so important to us that our athletes stay healthy and involved, while staying apart.

With virtual opportunities now in place, fundraising becomes a big focus. With all live fundraising events canceled, the program is in desperate need of money in order to get the athletes back on the playing field in 2021. On New Year's Day the annual Lobster Dip for Special Olympics Maine is offering a virtual Lobster Roll, participants will put on their bathing suits and take a roll in the snow.

For more details on how to take part in the Lobster Roll please visit <https://www.somaine.org/get-involved/lobster-dip/>. For more details on how Special Olympics Maine is moving forward visit www.somaine.org. For details on virtual opportunities visit <https://www.facebook.com/SpecialOlympicsMaine>.

Burn Off the Turkey Continues Tradition Virtually

DESTINY COOK

Despite the pandemic, the Gorham Recreation Department continued the Burn off the Turkey race, normally held the day after Thanksgiving. The first race was held in 1998 and has been a Thanksgiving tradition for many families. Sports and Community Activities Manager Jackie Langevin created the idea to keep the tradition alive by making it a virtual race.

"We had 64 people sign up for the race and we are so glad the event was

able to continue and want to thank everyone who participated," Office Manager/programmer Gail Platts said. "We will be mailing shirts to those who ordered them as soon as they come in."

As for the race, runners were asked to print their bibs and run the course any time between November 27 and 29. Each runner was in charge of entering their times through the Gorham Rec. Department. Some walked the course, some ran, some did a bit of both, but all participants got outside and had some fun during this trying time.

Tony Myatt	20:50:00
Sean Young	22:59:00
Kristin Guaraldo	23:19:00
Andrew Tinkham	23:20:00
MacKenna Homa	23:28:00
Scott Firmin	24:11:00
Julia Reed	25:32:00
Jeffery Mullin	26:25:00
Jim Haddow	26:41:00
Nicki Hudson	27:10:00
Chelsie Goodwin	28:12:00
Dawn Palme	28:12:00
Katie Correia	28:12:00
Leah Sturm	29:12:00
Lisa Mumford	29:27:00
Jon Smith	34:01:00
Kelly Reed	35:03:00
Ainslie Fearon	36:47:00
Jakob Libritz	36:47:00
Elise Wilkins	36:48:00
Annabelle Fearon	36:49:00
Annie Wilkins	36:57:00

Kay Fearon	36:57:00
Kaleb Libritz	37:00:00
Kristy Libritz	37:00:00
Lilly Libritz	37:00:00
Marcy Delaney	37:05:00
Ronald Tinkham	37:21:00
Nicholas Tinkham	39:47:00
Susan Mersereau	40:23:00
Katie Yeaton-Hromada	45:00:00
Deb Dientes	46:39:00
Karen Tinkham	46:40:00
Mike Brooks	51:55:00
William Morgan	51:55:00
Suellen Yeaton	57:00:00
Atlas Constantino	60:15:48
Kerry Constantino	60:15:48
Nicholas Constantino	60:15:48
Zelda Constantino	60:15:48

Sports Etc.

Mackenzie Holmes (GHS '19) headed into her sophomore year as an Indiana Hoosier continuing to make a name for herself right out of the gate. In the Hoosiers first game of the season (and Holmes' third career start) against Eastern Kentucky University, Holmes went 13 for 13 from the floor, scoring at team high 26 points. She also continues to thrive academically; she was recently named Indiana Women's Basketball Scholar Athlete of the Month. Congratulations Mackenzie. Gorham is watching!

GHS Fall Sports Awards

RAM AWARDS

Girls' Cross Country

Most Valuable Runner: Elisabeth Loranger; Coach's Award: Emily Paruk; Perseverance Award: MacKenna Homa

Boys' Cross Country

Most Valuable Runner: Calvin Cummings; Coach's Award: Josh Lehmann; Perseverance Award: Lucien Beardsley

Football

Coach's Award: Beck Carrier; Coach's Award: Nick Williams; Most Improved Player: Charlie Gay

Golf

Most Valuable Golfer: Aidan Enck; Pooch Award: Campbell Fowler; Pooch Award: Josh Martin; Most Improved Golfer: Quinn Dillon

Boys' Soccer

Coach's Award: Grant Nadeau; Offensive Player of the Year: Mathew Phinney; Defensive Player of the Year: Garrett Smith

Girls' Soccer

Leadership Award: Katie Kutzer; Versatility Award: Gracie Forgues; Aggression Award: Lauren Fottter; Hustle Award: Olivia Michaud; Tenacity Award: Sydney Fox; Assistant Coach Award: Delaney Seed

Field Hockey

Most Valuable Player: Molly Murray; Most Valuable Player: Lydia Gaudreau; Leadership Award: Kate Downey

Cheerleading

Most Improved Cheerleader: Sakara Crawford; Most Improved Cheerleader: Whitney Randall; Coach's Award: Morgan Cole

ALL-ACADEMIC (SENIORS ONLY)

Field Hockey: Sophie Gagne, Molly Murray, Lydia Gaudreau, Katherine Downey, Julia Edwards, Isabelle Kovacs

Golf: Campbell Fowler, Aidan Enck

Volleyball: Shannon Lawrence, Skylar Prince, Madeline Berry

Girls' Soccer: Olivia Michaud, Gracie Forgues, Delaney Seed, Katherine Kutzer, Sydney Fox

Boys' Soccer: Grant Nadeau

Girls' Cross Country: Bailey Wentworth, Emily Paruk, MacKenna Homa, Tess Libby, Alice Peterson, Molly Rathbun

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Football: Beck Carrier



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FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

As the number of families that access the Gorham Food Pantry increased this fall, there are now several visible kiosks at Hannaford that allow customers to get nutritious food into the hands of neighbors who need it. Bring a \$5 or \$10 card to the Gorham Hannaford checkout to go directly to the Gorham Food Pantry, and allow them to fill in any missing gaps from donations. One card supports many meals.

Also, you can participate in the Hannaford Helps Fight Hunger Buy 1, Give 1 program through December 13. When customers purchase participating products, Hannaford will donate the same item to a regional food bank in the area. Search "Hannaford Helps Fight Hunger" for more information on which items are featured during this final week.

The Gorham Food Pantry is available to any Gorham resident; you need only visit during pantry hours with proof of residency (a utility bill with your name and your Gorham address on it – not a drivers' license). The best way to keep up-to-date on Pantry happenings and current needs is to follow them on Facebook (Gorham Food Pantry Friends), and messages via Facebook are responded to quickly.

Pantry hours are Thursday mornings from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. for drive-thru pickup, and the second and fourth Mondays from 6 to 7 pm.

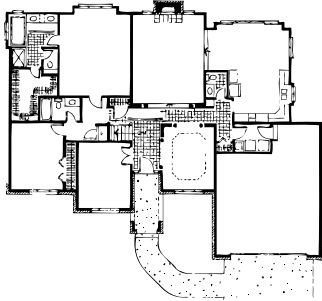
LIBRARY NEWS

North Gorham Public Library is open to the public. Library hours are Mondays 3 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Home delivery and parking lot pickup is also available.

Baxter Memorial Library presents the youth services staff in Facebook events for home viewing. Preschool Discovery Time is with Ms. Heidi as she reads a new book each week, Tuesdays from 9:30 to 10 a.m. for ages three to five. Toddler Discovery Time is with Ms. Dani who will read a story and present an extension activity related to the book, for 18 months to three years on Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. On Wednesdays at 10 a.m. Ms. Deb presents a virtual STEAM activity geared toward K-5 learners, Spy Collage on December 9 using old newspapers, magazines, personal photos, wrapping paper scraps, and even discarded book jackets, and More Than a Box of December 16 with a special Mystery Bag Building Kit you can pick up at the library after you watch the video (limited supply). Participants are encouraged to share a photo of their creation with the library before December 31 for the gallery of awesomeness. Also on December 16 at 6 p.m., Conductor Jeff reads The Polar Express from the North Pole. FMI, visit baxterlibrary.org.


Calling all Holiday Bakers! Baxter Memorial Library invites you to show off your creative baking skills! Make a gingerbread house to display on the Library's website holiday photo gallery for all to admire. Each entry will receive a small gift for taking part in the community gingerbread display. Take a photo of your creation and submit it on or before December 20 to baxterlibraryvideos@gmail.com to be included in Baxter's gallery of awesomeness.

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CATHY WALTER

From food waste to chemical pollution and from packaging waste to transportation pollution, you might be surprised at the number of ways grocery shopping routines are impacting the environment.

Studies have shown one can greatly reduce food waste with just a little forethought, like planning meals that use an item from the previous day's meal in the next day's meal. Today's roast chicken can be tomorrow's soup and sandwiches.

Packaging waste is fairly straightforward as well. Consider buying in bulk to reduce packaging waste. If you do have to buy an item in packaging, check to ensure it is recyclable or biodegradable. Think about it this way, the less packaging you buy, the fewer times you'll need to bring out the trash.

Pollution may seem to be harder to tackle, but buying local and in season produce reduces travel distance, hence transportation pollution, and also eliminates chemicals and genetic modifications used to make produce survive long distance travel. Consider

buying at your local farmers market.

Did you know keeping a running grocery list and a well stocked pantry help you shop less often and thus prevents overbuying and food waste?

Consider these opportunities in your own shopping routines where you can easily reduce, reuse, and recycle:

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Reuse: Now may be the time to consider using reusable shopping bags to reduce consumption of fossil fuels. Did you know Americans use over a 100 billion plastic bags a year, which requires 12 million barrels of oil to manufacture?

Recycle: Have you considered bringing in your own produce and bulk item bags or containers to help eliminate your use of the store's flimsy not-recyclable plastic bags? It not only reduces packaging waste but is also safer due to less contact for you and your food with surfaces many people are touching.



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Gorham's Tree Festival Adds Cheer to Season



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Alex Lavoie stands next to this sweet tree in front of the Chiropractic Clinic of Gorham.

Residents of Gorham are encouraged to visit the many decorated trees at businesses around town. Participating businesses include:

- Atlantic Dance Arts, 29 School Street
- Blue Pig, 19 State Street (inside)
- Casco Federal Credit Union, 375 Main Street
- Casco Federal Credit Union, 393 Ossipee Trail
- Casco Federal Credit Union, 16 Mechanic Street
- Gorham Savings Bank, 64 Main Street
- Great Falls Construction, 20 Mechanic Street
- In-Home Senior Services, 20 Mechanic Street (inside)
- Junction Bowl, 7 Railroad Avenue
- The Bookworm, 42 Main Street
- KeyBank, 45 Main Street
- Chiropractic Clinic of Gorham, 88 State Street
- Norway Savings Bank, 65 Main Street
- On Purpose WellBeing, 381 Main Street
- Willis Real Estate, 347 Main Street

Participating homes include trees at:

- 21 White Rock Drive
- 65 New Portland Road

The Gorham Village Alliance will judge the trees in two divisions: business and residential. Winners will be announced in a future edition of the Gorham Times as well as through the Alliance's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/GorhamVillageAlliance>.

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December 19, 5 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
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December 20, 10 a.m.
Christmas Eve Candlelight Services on Facebook and YouTube, December 24, 4 p.m. and 11 p.m.
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Rev. Christine Dyke, (207) 839-6751
christine@firstparishgorham.org,
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Christmas Eve, December 24
Recorded Christmas Eve Service, released on Facebook and YouTube, 8 a.m.
Kids & Carols. Come as a shepherd, angel or wise person.
Join us outside in the parking lot, 3 p.m.
The Light Shines in the Darkness, Zoom, Facebook Live, and in person as allowed, 7 p.m.
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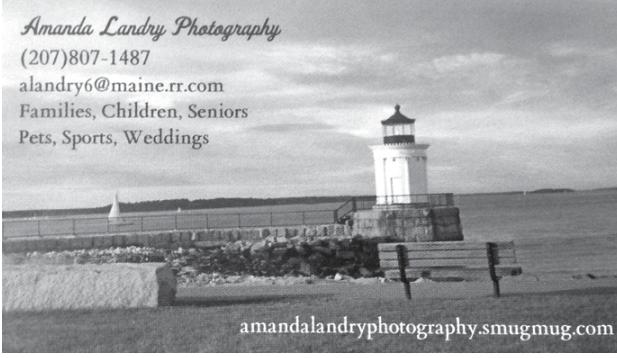
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Officer responded to Sebago Lake Road for a domestic verbal argument. It was over a dog they had upstairs. They agreed to keep all doors open and were warned for disorderly conduct.

Caller reported a suspicious person who took a photo of kids with a dog at the playground without asking parents.

Main Street caller attempted to check on male passed out in truck in parking lot on Main Street. Male woke up, backed out of the spot and drove away before officer arrived.

Officer responded to call on Wasamski Drive from a woman complaining about her ex-boyfriend. Ex-boyfriend said she continues to call and text him and has threatened him. Officer told both parties how to get protection from harm/abuse orders.

Newell Street caller was concerned that her neighbors in the same apartment location were video-taping her through her curtains. Officer offered to talk to neighbors but she was all set and would call if it happened again.

Subjects were yelling at each other. Officer advised them to separate and gave disorderly conduct warnings to all parties.

Officer served a trespass notice to a Maple Drive subject. Complainant called back and had trespass notice removed.

Dow Road caller reported problems with neighbor's goats. The goats looked healthy and officer did not see any issues with how they were treated.

Officer gave a man a verbal warning for littering and made him pick up his trash.

Officer spoke with the owner of a vehicle that had been parked at GHS for over two months. After several attempts, officer made contact with owner who said vehicle was junk and he did not want it. He had called area junkyards but no one would take it due to COVID. Officer told owner to have it towed and owner told officer "Do whatever you guys need to do." Vehicle was still there three days later.

Maple Drive caller reported having received a fraudulent call, allegedly from the Social Security Administration investigating someone misusing her social security number and asking for her number so he could investigate. Caller recognized this as a fraudulent call and no information was given.

Officer advised caller that children yelling outside is not a crime.

Millett Drive caller reported issues with some neighbors in the building. They were showing up at her apartment uninvited and others were talking about her behind her back. She was told to call when the issues were going on, not the next day.

Officer responded to possible domestic disturbance on Finn Parker Road. Officer determined no crime had been committed and the female left for the night.

Gray Road caller reported 6 Rhode Island Red chickens in her yard. They did not belong to her or her immediate neighbors. Chickens were in wood line on Gray Road. Officer spoke with caller who said she sees them frequently and they are not a nuisance.

Male driving by Cumberland Farms drove over a raised manhole cover, causing his gas tank to fall down and spill gas onto Main Street. Fire Department responded and spread "speedy dry" to clean up the spill. The truck was towed and public works was notified of the spill.

Officer responded to Main Street building for a report of a suspicious vehicle in the parking lot. Operator told officer he noticed store was closed when he arrived and he decided to wait for it to open but fell asleep. No criminal activity observed.

Man reported he had been threatened by a male at Goodwill by the Pound. It did not sound like threatening to the officer but he told man if he was upset about how things were handled, he could speak to management. Caller thanked officer and hung up.

Sebago Lake Road caller saw a woman step onto her property to take photos. She felt this was a bit out of place and phoned police.

Woman walking on Longfellow Road, looking into the ditch with a flashlight, was trying to find her cat.

Sebago Lake Road caller wanted more patrols in the area as signs that had been put out had been damaged and one was stolen.

In response to a request from a Parker Hill Road woman, officer talked with two juveniles about following the rules and not wandering off to talk with people they did not know.

Officer found a vehicle parked on Crystal Lane nowhere near any houses. Officer found trash including cigarette butts and empty nip bottles next to driver's window. Driver was sleeping in vehicle. He told officer he lived down the street but was sleeping in the car to get a break. He claimed only the cigarette butts were his. He advised he would pick up trash and go home.

Officer responded to a noise complaint on Mosher Road. Father and daughter were playing and making animal noises. They had dogs who appeared to be happy.

Caller reported hearing a female yelling on Gray Road. Noise was coming from a house on Main Street where three 15-year-old girls were camping in a camper and being loud. Officer told them to quiet down.

Police received a call from someone apologizing about behavior in a previous encounter with the Police Department.

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

Baxter Memorial Library Toddler Discovery Time with Ms. Dani on Facebook, 9:30 a.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11

Hanukkah begins

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15

Baxter Memorial Library Preschool Discovery Time with Ms. Heidi on Facebook, 9:30 – 10 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16

Baxter Memorial Library
 STEAM More Than a Box with Ms. Deb on Facebook. 10 a.m.
 Polar Express goes virtual with Mr. Jeff on Facebook, 6 p.m.

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Caller reported two wheelchairs on his front lawn. Owner was located and picked them up.

Longmeadow Drive caller reported being harassed by a friend. He was told to call back if calls continued.

Suspicious person on Libby Avenue was looking for returnable bottles that had been thrown away.

Middle Jam Road caller reported someone had entered her unlocked car and took \$1 in quarters.

Morrill Avenue caller wanted to report a missing table. Officer was able to locate the table outside.

Veranda Drive caller wanted to know what she was being charged with in reference to a disturbance at her house. As was made clear to her numerous times during the initial call she had not been charged with anything. She was told everyone had been warned for disorderly conduct.

Unknown subject in a business truck yelled at cross country runners on Fort Hill Road. Officer contacted the business owner and he said he would speak to the driver when he returned.

Suspicious persons on Queen street were members of the Gorham Bike Association chopping bushes to develop a new trail.

Ossipee Trail caller wanted to report suspicious activity as a man showed up at his house claiming to be from the Gideon campaign. Caller was told people were going door to door prior to election day.

Main Street caller complaining about a neighbor had put up cameras (facing the neighbor's house) around the perimeter of their property. Caller was told there was nothing the caller could do on the neighbor's property.

Subject on Sanford Drive was yelling, swearing and causing a disturbance outside. Officer issued a disorderly conduct warning as they did not want him back.

Old Dynamite Way caller received something in the mail he did not order. He was advised to get rid of the item and not to respond to messages associated with the item.

Weeks Road caller reported people riding bikes over the dirt hill by the trails behind Gorham Middle School. No violations as trails are there for bike riding.

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