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Gorham Votes on School Budget

Kathy Corbett, Staff Writer

A referendum to approve the FY22 \$44,268,143 Gorham School Department budget was the only item on the ballot when Gorham voters went to the polls on June 8.

At the June 1 meeting of the Town Council, councilors voted to reduce the budget submitted by the School Committee (SC) by \$300,000, which resulted in a reduction in the proposed increase to 42 cents on the mil.

After the meeting the SC voted to reduce the Regular Instruction line by \$100,000 and the Operations and Maintenance line by \$200,000 to meet the mandate.

The School District is anticipating an increase in state subsidy of approximately \$1.16 million. This would come from an additional subsidy proposed by Governor Janel Mills in the most recent biennial budget package. It would add \$79 million to state funding for education in FY22 and even more in FY23.

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Four New Officers Join Gorham PD

Sheri Faber, Staff Writer

Many law enforcement agencies across the country are struggling to find new officers for open positions, resulting in fewer applications.

Chief Sanborn noted that a year ago, Gorham Police Department might have received 100 applicants for an open position but now are lucky to get four or five applicants. This is a national problem which Sanborn believes is related to closer scrutiny of law enforcement. Some officers hired left in less than a year.

Sanborn is optimistic that the four officers hired most recently will be a good fit for Gorham.

"Gorham has a good reputation in the law enforcement community, offers an opportunity for professional development as well as a competitive wage and benefit package which both draws candidates to apply and makes it more likely people will remain with the Department," said Michael Nault, Deputy Chief.

New officers are:

Eric Sanborn (no relation) who joined the Gorham PD on January 4, 2021. Sanborn retired from the Marine Corps and served as a reserve officer in Buxton. He is attending the Maine

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Town Pays Respects on Memorial Day



Photo credit Roger Marchand

On Memorial Day 2021, Monday, May 30th Gorham residents came together to honor those who gave their all for our country with a parade and ceremony.

Senior Scholarship Awards for Class of 2021

After a challenging school year, the Gorham community awarded the class of 2021 seniors \$75,350 in scholarships.

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NEWS FROM AUGUSTA

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.

Returning to Normal

Rep. Mo Terry

Fifteen months ago, my colleagues and I walked out of the State House with no idea how long we would be gone or how our lives would change in the coming days. During the months that followed, we worked harder for our communities and the people of Maine than ever before as people were struggling to navigate an inefficient unemployment insurance system, small business loans, changing COVID-19 guidelines, school closures, the loss of child care and so much more.

All these months later, Maine is leading the nation in the number of people who have received a COVID-19 vaccine and, just last week, I happily crowded into the House chamber with my colleagues as we once again met in the State House after months of meeting over Zoom and at the Augusta Civic Center to accommodate social distancing.

Thanks to Maine's high vaccination rates and lowering COVID-19 cases, the Maine State House has finally reopened to the public. Our ability to return to the State House to conduct our work in person is a testament to our communities' compassion and determination.

We are now in the home stretch of the legislative session, which is scheduled to adjourn in the middle of June. Of the work we have left to accomplish, passing the second part of the biennial budget is critical. The goal of this budget is to support continued economic recovery and a safe return to life as we knew it before the pandemic. I am advocating for it to include funding for many of the initiatives that you have contacted me about.

Last month, Gov. Mills made an his-

toric announcement that will help get us back on track and provide support to our schools and communities. She plans for the state government to reach 55% of the funding for local K-12 education costs. This investment will support Maine's students, teachers and school staff, especially as districts look to recover from the pandemic and make plans to restore a sense of consistency and normalcy. In Gorham, this new funding allocation means that our schools will see an extra \$1,169,248 for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

Thanks to Maine's high vaccination rates and lowering COVID-19 cases, the Maine State House has finally reopened to the public.

Another reason I am a strong supporter of the state funding 55% of local K-12 education costs is that every dollar put toward education at the state level is one less dollar towns need to bring in from property taxes. I have heard from too many of our neighbors that high property taxes are causing undue financial stress, making it difficult to stay in their homes or afford other basic expenses. I look forward to voting for this measure in the coming weeks.

The pandemic has squeezed us all financially and emotionally. This new funding formula will go a long way toward helping our school districts and

homeowners. However there is much more that needs to be done, especially when folks are still having trouble paying bills or affording food.

A bill that I introduced this session which would help combat the growing problem of food insecurity in Maine received initial approval from the House of Representatives early this month. LD 1046 creates a checkoff provision on Maine income tax forms to give taxpayers the option of contributing to the emergency food assistance program and establishes a fund to manage the generated revenue. The fund would support grants for food pantries and community hunger prevention programs around the state. This measure provides a meaningful way for folks to support one another on a voluntary basis as we all get back on our feet.

With summer upon us and a sense of normalcy finally returning, the lightness and relief in the air is palpable. There is still much work to do to ensure that our community and Mainers across the state have what they need to rebuild after the pandemic, but I am confident that the measures we have taken thus far have prepared us for a welcome return to normal.



Rep. Maureen "Mo" Terry, D-Gorham, is serving her third term in the Maine House of Representatives. She serves as House Chair of the Taxation Committee. 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.

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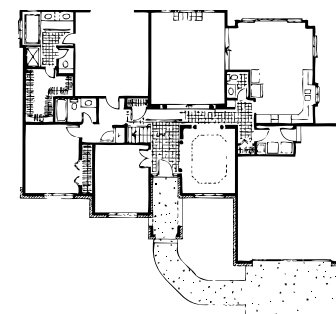
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New Internet Services Moving to Gorham

John Ersek, Staff Writer



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OTELCO workers in Gray in early May.

Later this year, a new service is set to be added to the range of internet options available in Gorham. This will include an upgrade to the physical internet infrastructure installed along a number of Gorham's streets and roads.

OTELCO, a multi-state provider of local telecommunication and broadband internet services, plans to begin installing its advanced fiber optic lines along 37 miles of Gorham's streets and highways by late summer. This installation work has been planned for several years, and should be completed sometime in the fall.

At that same time, OTELCO plans to begin offering Gorham residents and businesses along these routes a level of internet services previously unavailable here.

OTELCO's main fiber optic will enter Gorham in the South Windham-Little Falls area, then extend along Route 202 and Rt 25 to the center of Gorham



Graph showing OTELCO initial coverage area in Gorham.

Village and south along South Street (Route 114). Numerous branch lines will extend off this main line, in order to serve many of the adjoining neighborhoods and streets.

Altogether, OTELCO plans to install 522 miles of fiber optic cable in 10 Maine communities during 2021 as part of a major investment they are currently making in several states. A local spokesperson for OTELCO, Trevor Jones, has stated that the company will soon have the capacity to serve approximately 2,500 new customers in Gorham.

Jones also noted the installation process should not cause significant disruption to the neighborhoods where it is taking place, as most of the cable will be installed on existing utility poles owned by Consolidated Communications. He added that once the service begins operating, OTELCO's new customers should notice a significant improvement in

both upload and download speeds, with monthly rates comparable to what other internet providers are currently charging.

OTELCO has the ability to add even more capacity in Gorham if increased demand allows them to install additional miles of cable.

OTELCO also has deep roots in Maine's telecommunications industry, through their connection to two of Maine's first telephone companies, both established in the late 19th century. This connection was made about 20 years ago, when OTELCO purchased Pine Tree Telephone and Telegraph Company (serving Gray and New Gloucester since 1899) and Saco River Telegraph and Telephone Company (serving Buxton, Hollis, and nearby towns since 1889).

OTELCO still provides traditional land-line telephone service in several towns in Maine, as well as in dozens of communities in seven states, ranging from Missouri, Alabama and West Virginia to Maine and Vermont.

OTELCO CEO Richard Clark has stated, "The OTELCO family of companies has a long-standing tradition of delivering state of the art communication technologies to our subscribers in the states we serve. Today that technology is futureproof fiber, and we couldn't be more excited about bringing the technology to Gorham."

OTELCO is headquartered in Alabama, with a local office in Portland. To find out if a particular street or neighborhood will be part of OTELCO's initial service area in Gorham, potential customers can access an OTELCO web page at www.otelco.com/builds.

Gorham Medical Closet Re-opens

Patrick O'Shea



Photo credit Chris Crawford

Medical Closet volunteers L to R Marty Towle, Patrick O'Shea, Carol Robinson, Audrey Hauxwell, Lois MacDonald and Gerry Day working to clean up and get ready to re-open for anyone in need.

The Gorham Health Council Loan Closet has re-opened for loans. The Medical loan closet is free and available to Gorham residents in need of wheelchairs, shower seats, commodes, walkers, canes, crutches and more. Hours are by appointment only with a volunteer.

Here is how the process works. Call Gerry Day at 839-3859, and she will give you the number of a volunteer to call. The volunteer will set a time to meet you at the loan closet.

For many years this volunteer-run service has been helping the residents of Gorham. It was started by Cornelia Files, Janice Edwards and Barbara Farrar in the Methodist Church basement on School Street. It moved several times ending up at the present location thanks to Burleigh Loveitt and the Town Council. It is located in the Municipal Center (the

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Gas or Electric?

Doug Carter

In order to understand gasoline-powered vehicle emission systems, we need to start with a little chemistry lesson. Air is composed of 70% nitrogen, 20% oxygen, 3% carbon dioxide and 7% miscellaneous gasses and pollutants. Gasoline is a hydrocarbon, meaning it is composed of carbon and hydrogen. When the air-fuel mixture enters the engine and is ignited by the spark plug, the hydrogen and the carbon in the gasoline split apart, the oxygen atoms combine with the carbon and the hydrogen. Under absolute perfect conditions the resulting gases are CO₂ (carbon dioxide), and H₂O or water.

Unfortunately the world is not perfect, and there are several factors that do not allow for perfect combustion. The first emission system installed on vehicles was the PCV (positive crankcase ventilation) system in which excess gasses pushed into the lower end of the engine are routed back into the intake and burned.

Lead, which used to be added to gasoline to increase octane and cool the combustion temperatures, was eliminated from use in fuels in 1996. Without lead in the gas, the combustion temperatures can get hotter than 2000 degrees, causing pre-detonation or spark knock, a rattling noise in the engine under heavy load. It also causes oxygen and nitrogen atoms to combine and create Nitrogen oxide NO_x. The hot temperatures are also damaging to the engine. So in order to cool the combustion temperatures, the EGR

(Exhaust Gas Recirculation) system was developed. This system ports burnt exhaust gases back into the intake as an inert gas, thus cooling the combustion temperature.

Catalytic converters have been mandatory on passenger vehicles since 1983. Their only purpose is to complete the combustion of the exhaust gasses coming out of the engine. They do not start working until exhaust temperature rises above 600 degrees, then, when any unburned fuel enters the converter it acts as a catalyst and burns the unburned fuel, basically turning carbon monoxide CO to carbon dioxide CO₂. Lead is damaging to the precious metals in the converter and that is another reason why it was eliminated from fuel.

Some vehicles use an air injection system to pump additional air into the exhaust to assist with the performance of the catalytic converter. Evaporative emission control system failures are probably the most common cause for an engine light to turn on. This system has nothing to do with running the engine. Its only job is to monitor the integrity of the fuel tank and the lines between it and the engine. Raw gasoline vapors are very harmful to the environment. Once the gas cap is in place the fuel tank should be sealed to prevent any vapors from escaping. If a leak is detected, the engine light is turned on.

There is an array of sensors, solenoids, actuators and relays used by the computer on board which constantly

monitor the performance of these systems and notifies the driver with a check engine light if one of the systems fails. All these systems consume energy that will not be applied to propelling the vehicle.

Manufacturers have implemented several new developments to eke out as much energy as possible from every ounce of fuel: variable valve timing, superchargers, cylinder deactivation and turbochargers, are some of the most common systems.

Car manufacturers are beginning to convert the drivetrain to all electric. Motors and batteries on their own do not emit any pollutants, so all these systems described in this article would be eliminated from an electric vehicle. There are over 2000 moving parts on the average gasoline powered vehicle drivetrain and there are less than 20 moving parts in an electric motor power train.

The simplicity of an electric car will change the auto industry in unprecedented ways. The general public needs to understand that gasoline powered vehicles will not be around forever. Simplicity, and the fact that the burning of fossil fuels is not good for the environment are the reasons why.



Doug Carter is the owner of Carter's Auto Service, Inc. He's been in the auto service business since graduating from Gorham High School in 1981.

School Budget CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

The SC had proposed that all funds received from the extra FY22 allocation be used to reduce taxpayer expense, but the TC voted to put half of this money, approximately \$580,000, into a capital reserve account. The other half would be used to lower the overall mil impact down to an increase of 5 cents.

The capital reserve account is created by the SC, and the committee can use it as it sees fit. However, after the SC votes to use some of this money, they need the approval of the Town Council to draw funds from the account.


After the TC meeting, Darryl Wright, SC chair, said that the SC thought they were making a good decision for the schools and the taxpayers when they voted to use all the anticipated funds to reduce taxpayer expense.

Look for the voting totals in our next paper, June 24, 2021.


Town Notes

The Appointments Committee is accepting applications to fill a vacant seat on the Board of Appeals. If you would like to apply, go to the Gorham Town website and click on "Boards and Committees" then select "Committee Volunteer Application". Applications will be accepted until June 15, 2021.

Applications are now available for the Town of Gorham Senior Property Tax Assistance Program. To obtain an application, please visit the Town Clerk's Office. Completed applications can be submitted to the Town Clerk's Office now through the deadline of August 1, 2021. If you have questions and/or need assistance completing your application, email seniorrebate@gorham.me.us, or call 222-1671.




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There were 16 members of the public in attendance.

Governor Mills has proposed significant increases in support for Maine's public schools in her most recent biennial budget proposal. Due to the timing of this process, the State budget was not passed prior to the Town Council vote on the FY22 School Budget. The School Committee voted to add an item to the Town Council's agenda that would allow the schools to receive these funds and utilize them immediately and fully to offset taxpayer expense in FY 22. Overall, this would be a REDUCTION in property taxes for the taxpayers of Gorham as a result of the school's proposed budget.

The Town Council authorized the Gorham School Department to utilize up to 50% of additional State subsidy dollars for the purpose of increasing the allocation of finances in a reserve fund approved by the School Committee, and to utilize the remaining 50% to decrease the local cost share. (7 years)

The Town Council voted to amend the order to reduce the overall 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget for the Gorham School District by \$300,000. 4 years, 3 nays (Kuech, Shepard, Hartwell)

Councilor Hager reported that the Finance Committee met on May 17th and continued to review Town fees. They have been able to get through half of the fees and will continue to review the other half at their June meeting.

Councilor Shepard reported that the Ordinance Committee met on May 18th

and discussed several items, some of which will come back to the Ordinance Committee at their next meeting.

Chairman Pratt was happy to see everyone back in person. He reported that he attended the latest Jetport Noise Advisory Committee meeting and reminded citizens to report their concerns and issues on the Jetport's website.

Town Manager Paraschak reminded citizens of the Town-wide Vision Appraisal which will start this month. Property owners will receive a notice in the mail before anyone comes out to their property. He asked home-owners to work with the company to help make the appraisals fair and equitable.

Approval of amendments to the Land Use & Development Code to restrict the use of Invasive Terrestrial Plants for sale, for use in plantings and buffering, and to require the removal of invasive species within any street right-of-way passed. (7 years)

Further amendments to the Land Use & Development Code to add an exemption for well drilling activities to the Town's noise ordinance during times of severe drought, as well as requiring surveyors to identify setbacks both passed. (7 years)

The Town Council forwarded to the Planning Board amendments to the Land Use & Development Code with regard to adding additional uses to home occupations. (7 years)

The full meeting minutes can be read at www.gorham-me.org

Four New Officers Join Gorham PD CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Criminal Justice Academy and will graduate July 16th.

Bruce Randall has a Bachelor's degree from USM and was a reserve officer with Old Orchard Beach. He is also attending the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and will graduate July 16th.

Kaitlyn Thurlow will be starting on June 21st. She has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from the State

University of New York in Plattsburgh and served for seven years in the South Portland Police Department. She holds several in service certificates. Thurlow sees Gorham as a growing community offering new challenges.

Aaron Erickson will also start on June 21. He holds an associates degree from Southern Maine Community College and served as a police officer in Scarborough for four and a half years.

CHIEF SANBORN REPORTS

Gorham Police Department Summer Programs

The Gorham Police Department will be running the following community programs during summer 2021.

This coming summer the three School Resource Officers will be sponsoring three summer programs for students.

June 14-17: A rafting trip for 10 middle school students and three adults.

June 18-25: A statewide camp for middle school students from across the state introducing them to Law Enforcement and instruction in Public Safety.

July 19-23: Annual camp for students in grades 3-5 introducing them to police and fire/public safety. Registration through Gorham Recreation Department

August 16-20: Annual camp for students in grades 6-7 introducing them to police and fire/public safety. Registration through Gorham Recreation Department.

The Citizen's Police Academy will be run in the fall of 2021. This program is open to adults interested in learning more about local law enforcement.



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Sad Friend

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Patrice Lockhart, MD, has been a Gorham resident for over 20 years. She has raised 3 marvelously well-adjusted adult children, and has a dog named Judy.

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Gorham Seniors Look Forward to Playing their Sport at the Collegiate Level

Destiny Cook, Sports Editor

After yet another difficult year for Gorham High School (GHS) senior athletes, some are hoping for a sense of normalcy as they head off to college to play their respective sports. The spring season has given a sense of hope, with fans in the stands and mask mandates lifted, that beginning in the fall, sports may resume under better circumstances. These athletes have enjoyed their time at GHS and have many memories to take with them, thanks to those who helped support them.

TESS LIBBY

Libby is hoping to continue running cross country at Rochester Institute of Technology. She said Rochester, NY is similar to Maine in scenery, so she looks forward to checking out the trails there. Libby also plans to run some charity races while she's there.

As for her favorite memory, she shared that every year, there is a big race in Belfast called the Festival of Champions. "I ran that race for the first time in my sophomore year of high school, and it was incredible! It was so much fun to run with so many people from different regions on the East Coast," she said.

In cross country and track, Libby said she learned to respect and look up to everyone, not just her coaches or athletes she competed against. "I truly respect all of my teammates for the amazing amount of work they put into improving their performances. Every event in track has its own challenges, and I can't help but look up to all of the athletes who overcome those."

Libby wanted to shout out to her parents for paying for all of her medical bills when she was injured, to her coaches for being supportive of her running ambitions, to her friends and teachers for checking in on her.

"A BIG shoutout to our athletic trainer, Natalie, and my neighbor, Mr. Towle, for giving me the advice that keeps me on my feet and made me want to learn more about how to better support my body."

TATYANNA BIAMBY

Biamby will be attending Husson University and playing softball for the Eagles. Her favorite memory from playing softball at GHS is that she could always count on her teammates to make her laugh and pick her up after a long day.

The person who has inspired Biamby the most is her mom. "I say this because she has taught me so much throughout my life so far. One thing that she has taught me is to never give up on myself, that no matter how hard life gets I can always count on myself and my loved ones to get through it. So, thank you, Mom. I love you!" she shared.

Biamby went on to say, "I just want to shout out to my family and friends to say thank you for always believing in me and pushing me to be my best self."

BROOKE PHILLIPS

Phillips will be playing field hockey at Thomas College in Waterville, ME. Her favorite memory is when she became captain her junior year.

"I was determined to be a good role model for the other girls; I told them right off the bat I was there for anyone at any time for things on and off the field. I not only wanted to make sure they were doing a great job in the sport but wanted to make sure they were enjoying themselves as a whole," she shared.

Phillips was inspired by Isis Adams (GHS 2019) saying that she is not only a sweet and supportive friend in her life, but she is also a very talented

player who plays with pure determination and passion for her sport.

"I want to thank my mom and dad for taking me to and from practices, games, tournaments and for keeping up with all the costs that go along with being a multiple sport athlete," Phillips said. She would also like to thank her friends and extended family that have supported her by attending her games, meets and tournaments.

LAUREN FOTTER

Fotter will be playing soccer at Castleton University in Vermont this fall. Fotter's favorite memory is really more about getting to know all of the athletes that she has played with throughout the years on her HS team as well as her premier team and having a feeling of family. "You always know you can count on them," she said.

Fotter said her dad has always been one of her biggest supporters throughout her soccer and basketball years. "He has coached me on various teams ... and always had an encouraging word after a game, mixed in with a suggestion for a future game."

Finally, Fotter would like to thank her family for all of their support after all these years saying, "I couldn't have done it all without you."

KATIE KUTZER

Kutzer will be playing soccer at Wheaton College in the fall. Kutzer's favorite memories were during summer soccer of 2020, running through the sprinklers after a practice.

Kutzer shared that Seth Benjamin, the USM head soccer coach, has been her biggest inspiration. She would like to shout out to her parents and teammates.

GRACIE FORGUES

Forgues will be attending Saint Michael's college in Vermont and playing for their soccer team this fall. She said, "The thing that I loved the most about playing my sports in high school was meeting all the girls. They made the season fun and enjoyable for me. My favorite memories were getting to play with my sister for two years and starting my first varsity game four years ago."

Forgues said she looks up to her coaches and teammates, "because without them I wouldn't be where I am today." She went on to thank her parents, sisters, and grandparents for coming to every single one of her games. "They never missed one and I am so thankful for that," she said.

"Thank you to my coaches and teammates for making my four years of high school sports enjoyable and for pushing me. I wouldn't be where I am and going to a good school to play a sport that I love without all of you," she exclaimed.

GARRETT SMITH

Smith will be playing soccer for one year at Bridgton Academy with plans to go on to play college soccer. He said his favorite memory would have to be the win over Falmouth in penalty kicks in the final game of the season. "That was a really special game for me and all of our players because Falmouth had beaten us in the Regional final the year before, and they were supposed to be the best team this year. But we came out on top and finished our season undefeated," he said.

Smith was inspired by Trevor Gray. Gray was the goalkeeper during Smith's freshman and sophomore years, and he learned a lot from Gray during practice. "He really helped me come a long way as a goalkeeper," Smith shared.

"I want to give a shout out to my parents for always being there and supporting me, but also a huge shout out to the two coaches who have really made me into the player I am today. Those two coaches would be Nick Viola and Martyn Keen. I know for certain I would not be the player I am without those two," Smith said.

MIKE DARASZ

Darasz will also be heading to Bridgton Academy for a postgraduate year playing for their soccer team. "I hope to develop as a student and as an athlete while I'm there," he stated.

Darasz said his favorite memory would have to be playing in front of the home crowd and hearing the student fan section.

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Gorham's Horse-drawn Hearse

Wilma Gould Johnson



Photo credit Jeanette Gould

The elegant Gorham hearse was taken out for a spin during the 250th and 275th Gorham Anniversary Parades.

"Once Upon A Time," Gorham was the proud caretaker of what we now refer to as the Ancient Gorham Hearse. Horse-drawn, the body of the hearse sat high and was enclosed with glass sides with decorative black tassels. It was supplied with springs to help ensure a smooth ride.

The hearse was an all-weather vehicle. It could accommodate snow with sled runners. When weather permitted, it could be converted to wheels.

Caretaker William Sanborn was 75 in 1953. He could recall that this same hearse was used by the town when he was very young.

Until recent years, the hearse was stored in a little shed that sat within the South Gorham Cemetery. This shed, still in its original location, was not under lock and key. Neighborhood children were known to play in and around the shed.

One day, in the early 1950's, some locals removed the hearse from the shed. It was found sitting undamaged on a nearby lawn.

The old hearse has returned to Gorham Center at least twice to be enjoyed by many parade attendees. After being refurbished, it participated in the 1986 250th anniversary

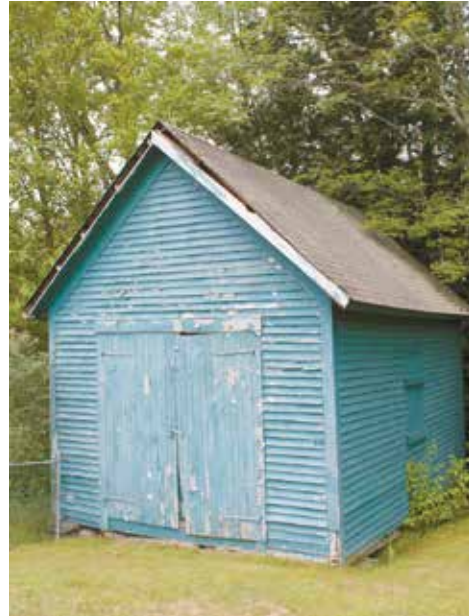


Photo credit Wilma Gould Johnson

The original shed in the South Gorham Cemetery which was the home of the hearse.

parade and then again in 2011 when the Gorham Lions Club borrowed it for the 275th anniversary parade. If anyone has more information, or stories to tell, please contact Wilma at iamwilma@comcast.net.



Wilma Gould Johnson, born and raised in Gorham, graduated GHS '62). She enjoys sharing Gorham History with others.

Gorham Medical Closet Re-opens CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3



old Shaw Junior High School) in the same building as the Gorham Recreation Department on Ball Park Road.

The Medical Closet thrived through the years and Alice Keddy ran it by herself for many years walking to and from her house on South Street sometimes as many as three times a day.

In recent years Gerry Day has been the driving force who has kept the Medical Closet running smoothly. She recruits the volunteers, coordinates with the Town and makes sure the items to be loaned are in serviceable condition.

The Medical Closet accepts donations, however it is unable to take broken medical items, chairs, beds or personal equipment. There are organizations that will accept these items and one of the volunteers can provide this information to you. All items must be sanitized and in workable and safe condition. The volunteers at the Medical Loan Closet hope you don't need a medical item, but if you do, please call Gerry Day at 839-3859.

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Why do dads feel the need to tell such bad jokes?
They just want to help you become a groan up.

What does a baby computer call his father?
Data.

What did the daddy buffalo say to his son before it left for school? *"Bison."*

FATHER'S DAY RECIPE Sausage, Peppers and Onions

2 tablespoons olive oil
2 1/2 pounds sausage links; beef, pork or chicken uncooked, in their casing, cut into thirds (sweet, spicy or chorizo all work; a blend of all is good, too)
3 large Vidalia onions, chopped into large pieces
2 teaspoons minced garlic or
4 cloves garlic chopped
Dash of red pepper flakes

Salt & pepper to taste
1/4 cup dry red or white wine (depending on your preference with choice of meat)
2 large red bell peppers, cut into strips
2 large green bell peppers, cut into strips
2 cans fire-roasted diced tomatoes
1 (28-ounce) can crushed tomatoes

Using olive oil in a well heated pan, brown sausages & remove; add onions and cook until limp. Transfer to slow cooker and add all remaining ingredients. Cook on low for 6 hours. Delish! (generously serves 4)

Questions about the recipes can be e-mailed to Barbara Schneider at btsme21@gmail.com

Gardening Hints

Linda Treworgy Faatz

These are the most important considerations when caring for your plants. You must have the BEST SOIL you can create. Compost in the hole when you plant. Top dress with compost around plants that are already in the ground and need attention.

Be sure you read the tags to determine what kind of LIGHT the plant needs.

FULL SUN: 6 OR MORE HOURS OF DIRECT SUN

PART SUN: 4 TO 6 HOURS OF DIRECT SUN (Part sun plants usually means more direct sun than not.)

PART SHADE: 4 HOURS OF GOOD SUN.

WATER is essential. Water deep to get to the roots and encourage roots to go deeper. A sprinkle of water is just a tease that creates shallow roots and weak plants. When conditions are dry, deep watering is essential. Water near the ground to avoid excess evaporation. A trickle with the hose for a period of time works well.

Potted plants must be watered regularly. That could mean every day with annuals. Geraniums are the exception as they like to dry out and not sit in wet soil. Pots get very root bound, and water and nutrients run out the bottom very quickly.



Purple Iris Photo credit Wilma Gould Johnson

Every other time I water root bound potted plants I fertilize them with a diluted solution of water soluble fertilizer, 20-20-20. You can see the balance on the container.



Linda Treworgy Faatz, a passionate lifelong gardener, lives in her family home at Friend's Corner and cares for the extensive Treworgy gardens. She loves to share her home and gardens through classes and garden events.



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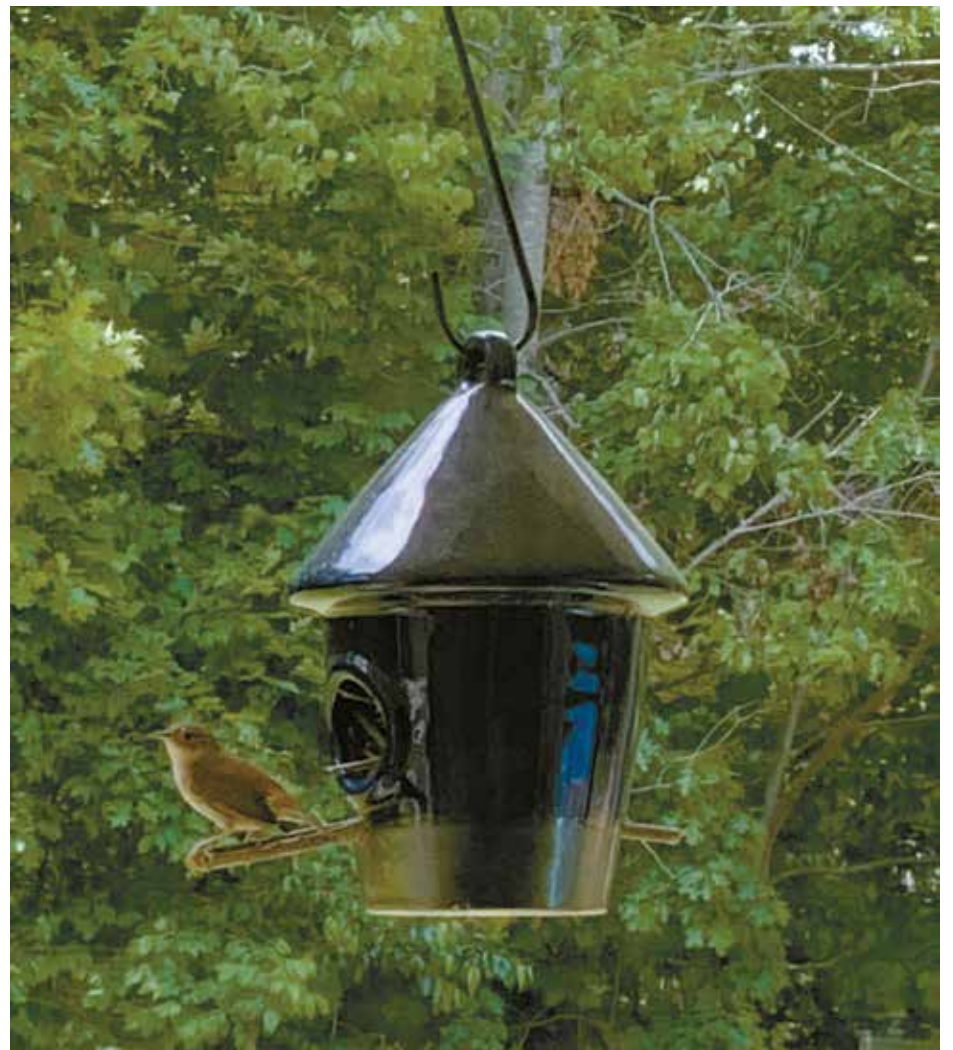


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Tree Swallows enjoying each other and spring.

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Bird who built a nest in this birdhouse.

Photo credit Mary Piscopo



Bluebird enjoying grape jelly.

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Gorham Village Alliance held the Art on South art fair next to Robie Gym on June 5, 2021.

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Bringing Environmental Awareness to Gorham

Grace Flynn, GHS Student Intern



Photo credit Rachael Grady

Gorham High School students working on a pollinator garden in Robie Park as part of the Eco Club and Beekeeping Club effort.

The Gorham High School (GHS) Eco Club is buzzing with activity. They have been bringing environmental awareness to the Gorham community through a variety of unique activities this past spring.

The club recently organized a school-wide ocean-themed art contest aimed at encouraging oceanic preservation. This contest is held by the club annually with a different theme each year. All art forms are eligible and students as well as staff are encouraged to participate.

Eco Club member and GHS senior Tatiana Jonk outlined the intent behind the contest: "Our goal was to start an

annual art contest where students and staff members were able to share their love for art, while being eco-friendly."

The submission period officially closed on May 6 with residents of Gorham House and GHS community members voting on the winner. Jonk won the competition while Beekeeping Club advisor and GHS English teacher Catherine Paul came in second and GHS senior Brooke Phillips in third.

The Eco and Beekeeping Clubs teamed up to build a pollinator garden in Robie Park this past May as a part of

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Gorham Middle School Wins DON'T QUIT! Fitness Center

Gorham Times Staff



Photo credit Gorham Times Staff

Alex Turkey (left) and Zack Bourgoin (right), GMS 6th grade students, showed non-working treadmills in the YouTube video submitted with the school's successful application for a new fitness center.

Governor Janet Mills and fitness icon Jake (Body by Jake) Steinfeld, Chairman of the National Foundation for Governors' Fitness Councils (NFGFC), announced Gorham Middle School (GMS) as one of three Maine schools that were selected to each receive a state-of-the-art \$100,000 DON'T QUIT! Fitness Center.

The multi-million dollar DON'T QUIT! Campaign named Deer Isle-Stonington Elementary School in Deer Isle and SeDoMoCha School in Dover-Foxcroft, along with GMS, as the state's most outstanding schools

for demonstrating leadership in getting and keeping their students fit.

"The last year has proven just how important investing in the health of our students is to keeping our state strong," said Governor Mills. "I congratulate these deserving schools on being selected to receive a state-of-the-art fitness center and I thank them for their commitment to the health and well-being of Maine children."

"We had an overwhelming response from elementary and middle schools

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MPA PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Tatiana Jonk

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Madison Brown
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EXCELLENCE IN PHYS ED 1

Amber Bretton
 Julia Wareham
 Caden Smith
 Ashton Leclerc

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 Megan E. Wentworth

HEALTH

Mikaela Pellerin, Excellence in Health Education
 Hayden Anderson, Excellence in Health Education
 Beck Carrier, Excellence in Sports Medicine
 Sydney Connolly, Excellence in Sports Medicine

ENGLISH (ELL)

Marie Ange Lohomboli, Excellence in English Language Learning

ENGLISH

Julia Wareham, 9
 Ella Downing, 9
 Corey Lorfano, 9
 Christian Butler, American Studies
 Faith Connolly, Amer. Lit. Advanced
 Qasim Rabbani, Amer. Lit. Advanced
 Mason Hawkes, Creative Writing
 Courtney Rent, 11
 Madeline Fadrigrion, 11A
 Conner Allison, 11A
 Katherine Dupuis, 11AP

Kylea Laughlin, 12
 Shannon Lawrence, 12A
 Kate Downey, 12A
 Ava Dolley, 12AP
 Tatiana Jonk, PLUME
 Emily Paruk, 4-Year Award
 Grace Flynn, 4-Year Award

SOCIAL STUDIES

Emma Smith, WH 1
 Lillian Miner, WH 1
 Annie Frey, WH II
 Emily Feagans, WH II
 Andrew Farr, WH II
 Angela Dellasala, Amer Stud
 Maya Lee, Philosophy, Forensics & Law
 Clara Shvets, AP Modern Euro
 Mary(Hannah) Gawlick, AP Psychology
 Faith Connolly, AP US History

MUSIC

Katherine Dupuis, NAFME All Eastern Mixed Choir 2021
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 Mason Hawkes, Louis Armstrong Jazz Award 2021
 Sierra Cummings, National School Choral Award 2021
 Madison Brown, Fred Waring Director's Award for Chorus 2021

SCIENCE

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 Anna Yahwak, Excellence in Earth Space Science
 Collin Page, Excellence in Earth Space Science
 Josephine James, Excellence in Biology
 Delaney Wright, Excellence in Biology
 Rachel Cummings, Excellence in Advanced Biology
 Jonah Doucette, Excellence in Advanced Biology
 Allie Peterson, Excellence in Advanced Placement Biology
 Andrew Duncan, Excellence in Marine Science
 Allison Bishop, Excellence in Chemistry
 Julia Ordway, Excellence in Chemistry
 Ben Shields, Excellence in Chemistry I Advanced
 Katherine Dupuis, Excellence in Chemistry I Advanced
 Molly Rathbun, Excellence in Chemistry II/Adv. Placement
 Aidan Enck, Excellence in Physics
 Bryce Gunn, Excellence in Physics
 MacKenna Homa, Excellence in Advanced Physics
 Campbell Fowler, Excellence in Advanced Physics
 Grace Flynn, Excellence in Advanced Placement Env. Science
 Alexandra Light, Excellence in Anatomy and Physiology
 Molly Rathbun, 4-Year Outstanding Achievement in Science

WORLD LANGUAGES

Emma Smith, Excellence in French 1
 Rachel Cummings, Excellence in French 2
 Miranda Chasse, Excellence in French 2
 Brady Sawyer, Excellence in French 3
 Ava Dolley, Excellence in French 4
 Ava Dolley, Le Grands Concours-Maine Chapter-1st place
 Clara Shvets, Le Grands Concours-Maine Chapter-3rd place
 Aiden Dever, Le Grands Concours-7th place
 Taylor Farr, Excellence in Spanish 1
 Angelina Khomenok, Excellence in Spanish 2
 Andrew Farr, Excellence in Spanish 3
 Nathan Eichner, Excellence in Spanish 4
 Sophia Kaufman, World Languages 4-year award
 Elizabeth Keil, Excellence in Mandarin 1
 Abigail Rosingana, Excellence in Mandarin 2
 Sydney Haskell, Excellence in Mandarin 3
 Richard Jiang, Excellence in Mandarin 4
 Julia Wareham, Excellence in Latin 1
 Rylee Tenuta, Excellence in Latin 2
 Benjamin Shields, Excellence in Latin 3
 Robert Dowdle III, Excellence in Latin 4

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Stacey Hakizimana	Erin Sands
Sia Hyson	Delaney Seed
Tatiana Jonk	Gage Sjostedt
Katherine Kutzer	Alison Walker
Natetra Ly	Marissa Wilson

SOCIÉTÉ HONORAIRE DE FRANÇAIS

Luke Adams	Jada Emery	Christopher Lewis
Timothy Baker	Lydia Gaudreau	Victoria Lewis
Tatyanna Biamby	MacKenna Homa	Tess Libby
Abigail Decrow	Evan Koenig	Olivia Michaud
Ava Dolley	Maya Lee	Caitlin Randall
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Senior Scholarship Awards Class of 2021

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GORHAM ATHLETIC BOOSTERS SCHOLARSHIP:

Aidan Enck
 Sydney Fox

GORHAM DEMOCRATS SCHOLARSHIP:

Olivia Michaud

KIWANIS CLUB OF PORTLAND KEY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP:

Sophia Kaufman

2021 WESTBROOK-GORHAM ROTARY CLUB MOST IMPROVED SCHOLARSHIP:

Matthew Phinney

SOUTHWESTERN MAINE SWIM OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP AWARD:

Caitlin Randall

GORHAM EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP:

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 Riley E. Johnson
 Sophie Lachance

GORHAM YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP:

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 Garrett Smith

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GHS Awards CONTINUED FROM PAGE 11

NATIONAL CHINESE HONOR SOCIETY

Emily Duncan
Richard Jiang
Sophia Kaufman
Sophie Lachance
Ryan Murray
Eva Rodrigue

NATIONAL TECHNICAL HONOR SOCIETY

Brandon Gordon, WRVC - 1st year
Stephanie Labrie, WRVC - 1st year
Sarah Valeriani, WRVC - 1st year
Reighley Adams, WRVC - 2nd year
Riley E. Johnson, WRVC - 2nd year

MATH

Camryn Caruso, Excellence in Pre-Algebra
Eleanor LaBarge, Excellence in Algebra 1
Lillian Andreasen, Excellence in Algebra 1 Advanced
Kylie Foley, Excellence in Geometry
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Jonah Doucette, Excellence in Algebra 2 Advanced
Delaney Seed, Excellence in Pre-Calculus
Andrew Farr, Excellence in Pre-Calculus Advanced
Emily Paruk, Excellence in Financial Algebra
Zakaria Lembarra, Excellence in Financial Algebra Advanced
MacKenna Homa, Excellence in Calculus
Trevin Macomber, Excellence in Adv. Placement Calculus
Nathan Eichner, Excellence in Statistics
Kylie Mathieson, Excellence in Statistics
Beck Carrier, Excellence in Advanced Placement Statistics
Molly Rathbun, 4-Year Award in Mathematics

TECHNOLOGY

Faith Connolly, Excellence in Technology - Back to Basics
Quentin Riiska, Excellence in Technology - Back to Basics
Hailee Willey, Excellence in Technology - Back to Basics
Dawson Allen, Excellence in Technology - Technical Drawing
Abigail Rosingana, Excellence in Technology - Technical Drawing
Sophia Kaufman, Excellence in Technology - Digital Media
Madyson Quimby, Excellence in Technology - Digital Media

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Katherine Kutzer
Olivia Michaud
Grant Nadeau
Adele Nadeau
Andrea Thibeault
Alison Walker

Gorham Middle School Wins DON'T QUIT! Fitness Center CONTINUED FROM PAGE 10

throughout the great state of Maine," said Steinfeld. "Three schools really embodied our mission of building a nation of the fittest, healthiest kids in the world. Congratulations to all, we look forward to visiting these three schools during our ribbon cutting ceremonies this fall."

GMS Principal Quinton Donahue said that the new center will be housed in a large multi-purpose room, currently used as an auxiliary lunch room, that already has some out-dated exercise equipment. "Every year I have requested new fitness equipment, but there are always needs that have more priority," he said, "so we are thrilled to have been given this facility."

With machines color-coded for middle-school students and a fully matted floor, it will be used for gym classes and athletes. Any GMS student will be able to access it during open hours.

GMS students and teachers worked together in applying for the grant. Sarah Titus and Michelle Higgins, GMS physical education teachers, did the paperwork.

As part of the application, students created a YouTube video presentation that made an appeal for the center by giving some background on Gorham and demonstrating the need for new fitness equipment. It was filmed by Patti Joyce, a 6th grade teacher.

Each fitness center is financed through public/private partnerships with companies like The Coca-Cola Company, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield Foundation, Wheels Up, and Nike. This program does not rely on taxpayer dollars or state funding. Fitness in Motion provides all the fitness equipment, which is manufactured in the United States.

Gorham Seniors Look Forward to Playing their Sport at the Collegiate Level CONTINUED FROM PAGE 6

When it comes to an athlete he looks up to, Darasz said, "I mostly look up to Cristiano Ronaldo for his constant hard work and determination to be better."

JOSH LABRIE

Josh will be attending the University of Maine and majoring in finance; he also plans to play on the club lacrosse team.

Labrie is co-captain for the GHS lacrosse team, his favorite memory, he said, has got to be this season. "Overcoming Covid protocols to lead the boys with my fellow captain to an 11-0 record so far. Onto the playoffs!"

When it comes to his inspirations, Labrie has many he admires. "I have looked up to and enjoyed the support from my youth coaches Jon Greenier and Eric Begonia, my middle school coach Tom Talbot, and my varsity coach Clayton Jones." Greenier is Labrie's stepfather who coached him while on the JV team, as well as his travel lacrosse with the Maine Mussels.

Labrie also said, "Zach Bryant has been assistant coach on both JV and varsity for me, his help is greatly appreciated as well."

He said becoming a captain in the sport he loves has given him the valuable opportunity to support and lead a great group of guys, and with playoffs starting June 9th Labrie can't wait to see what else they can achieve. Go Rams!

MOLLY MURRAY

Murray will be attending Keene State College in the fall and playing both field hockey and softball. "My favorite memory from field hockey was team bonding in Eustis Sophomore and Junior year and all the friends I have made through both the sports."

She said Coach Becky Manson has been one of her biggest influences throughout her high school career.

GRANT NADEAU

Nadeau will be attending Bates College in Lewiston and playing for

their basketball team. During his time at GHS, Nadeau said his favorite memory was playing at the Cross Center for the first time.

When it comes to a player he looks up to, he looked no further than hometown hero Mackenzie Holmes. "Watching her play in high school, then continuing to follow her journey to Indiana, her work ethic has always stood out to me. Anyone who watches her play can see how much she truly loves the game," he said.

Nadeau would like to shout out to his parents for signing him up for basketball and all of the hours they put in on the road driving him to tournaments. He also added, "To my brother for being my biggest hype man, and to my sister for being there for me every step of the way along this journey."

JOSH LEHMANN

Lehmann will run cross country at Endicott College in Beverly, MA. He said of his favorite memories, "Any team sleepover or dinner we had. They added so much depth to a sport that seems so simple from the surface."

He attributes teammates, Reed Henderson and Calvin Cummings as people he is inspired by. "We run out every workout together and help push each other so much. We all have our own strong suits so we are always striving to beat each other in our respective places."

Lehmann saved his shout out for his parents saying, "Thank you Mom and Dad for being there for me, to push me to be the best I can be and keep me from getting in my head too much."

BEN TUKEY

Tukey is heading to Castleton University in the fall to play lacrosse. If he had to choose a favorite memory, it was going to team dinners with all the boys.

He sends a shout out to his parents and coaches.

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GRADUATIONS

Hannah Benson, B.A. History, cum laude, University of New Hampshire, Durham
Ellie Chidsey, B.A. Biology-Environmental Studies, Whitman College, Walla Walla, WA
Brandon Desjardin, B.S. Business Administration in Marketing, Bryant University, Smithfield, RI
Narissa Libby, B.S. Athletic Training, magna cum laude, Lasell University, Newton, MA
Taylor Nygren, B.A. in Women's Studies, cum laude, University of New Hampshire, Durham
Maeve Pitman, B.A. in Psychology, cum laude, University of New Hampshire, Durham
Samuel Martial Rousset, B.A. Computer Science and Philosophy, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, ME
Amy Smith, Ph.D. History, University of New Hampshire, Durham
Kristina Tucker, Assoc. Applied Science in Veterinary Technology, York County Community College, Wells, ME
Ashley Woodbury, M.S. Communication Science and Disorders, University of New Hampshire, Durham

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Maxwell Harvey, Academic Distinction, Whitman College, Walla Walla, WA
Aaron Jones, Presidential Scholar, Clarkson University, Potsdam, NY

DEAN'S LIST

Alexis Fotter, Franklin Pierce University, Rindge, New Hampshire
Sara Slager, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, Wisconsin

SPECIAL HONORS

Narissa Libby of Gorham was inducted this spring into the National College Athlete Honor Society Massachusetts Chapter of Chi Alpha Sigma (XA) at Lasell University, which recognizes student-athletes from accredited four-year NCAA, NAIA, NCCAA, and USCAA institutions who excel in both the classroom and competition.

OF INTEREST

Third graders at Narragansett School recently enjoyed a virtual tour of Baxter House Museum as a part of their Gorham History Review. They said it was "really cool" to see all the things people used back then. Learn more about our town's Museum at baxter-memorial.lib.me.us/museum. The Museum is open June through August on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. or by special appointment. Admission is free, although donations are accepted and encouraged! Contact Museum Director Linda Frinsko at 839-3878 for more details.

The University of Maine Cooperative Extension will offer a new series of monthly webinars about preserving Maine foods beginning with one scheduled for Tuesday, June 15 from Noon to 12:45 p.m. "Preserving the Maine Harvest" begins with a session about drying, or dehydrating, food as a preservation method. Webinars to follow will focus on boiling water bath canning, pressure canning, fermenting and more. Instructors share recipes and techniques in an interactive format in this series that continues through the fall. Registration is required; a \$5 fee per session is optional.

Register on the program webpage to receive the link and resources. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Kate McCarty, 207.781.6099; kate.mccarty@maine.edu.

The Gorham Food Pantry received 1,635 pounds of food and over \$900 in cash, checks and Hannaford gift cards from Gorham residents and during a food drive Saturday, May 22 from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. at Gorham Hannaford and the Pantry parking lot at St. Anne's Church. Aroma Joe's provided coffee for donors to enjoy as they dropped off their donations; Gorham Subway provided sandwiches for volunteers. Both businesses also provided gift cards for sandwiches, drinks, and cookies for donors. Port City Graphics provided the food drive banner, and Gorham neighbors provided the donations. For over 25 years, the Gorham Food Pantry has served the needs of the hungry in Gorham. The Pantry was founded and is sustained by the efforts of many local churches, schools, businesses, generous donors and hundreds of active volunteers. Thanks to all who help to support the Pantry. Located at 299-B Main Street next to St. Anne's Church, the Pantry's hours are Thursday mornings from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The Gorham Medical Closet has reopened at the Municipal Center, 75 South Street thanks to the help of volunteers. The Closet is free and available to Gorham residents in need of wheelchairs, shower seats, commodes, walkers, canes, crutches and more. 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. FMI, call Gerry Day at 839-3859.

The Gorham Lions' next meeting is Tuesday, June 22 at the Old Elmwood Schoolhouse. Regular meetings are the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. New members are always welcome. FMI 929-9182.

On June 26, the Gorham Lions will stage its inaugural Craft Fair, to be held on the Robie Gym lawn. All table rental receipts are pledged to vision and senior assistance, GHS scholarships, and to the Gorham Food Pantry.

Veterans of Foreign Wars, Gorham Memorial Post 10879 will meet on July 13 at 5:30 pm in the Fire Department Training Room, 270 Main St. If you are interested in attending the meeting or in more information about the VFW, please contact the Post at vfwpost10879@gmail.com.

The Presumpscott Regional Land Trust will be creating a Story Walk at Hawkes Preserve in collaboration with the United Way. To introduce this family resource, they are holding a self-guided family-friendly field event from Saturday, June 26 at 8 a.m. to Sunday, July 4 at 7 p.m. Walk the historic towpath along the Presumpscott River where the Story Walk pages will be posted, and then continue on the Great Falls Loop to go through a Nature Scavenger Hunt and build fairy houses and gnome homes in a forested village. The total loop is about 1 mile.

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MEMBERS OF OUR GORHAM COMMUNITY are invited to line Route 25 and Main Street, South Street, and Morrill Avenue to cheer and wave signs to celebrate the Gorham High School Class of 2021 at 7:30pm, Sunday, June 13. There will NOT be a public fireworks display as there was last year. A HUGE THANK YOU TO THE GORHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE GORHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR HELPING PLAN THIS YEAR'S CELEBRATION CONVOY!

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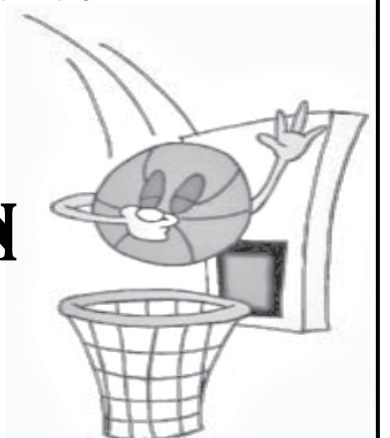
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Suspicious person on Sanford Drive was practicing for an upcoming driving test.

Officer spoke to team members about the need for emergency vehicles to get to the end of the road. Officer suggested caller attend a Town Meeting and see if road could be posted for "No Parking".

New Portland Rd. man wanted to report a suspicious hole. Hole appeared to be a well that was caving in. He was told to contact the Water District.

Man in drive-thru lane on Main St. was yelling at workers because they would not give him his money back. Dispatch had him move out of the drive-thru lane. He was gone when officer arrived. Manager told officer man had left after he gave him his money back.

New Portland Rd. caller wanted a man removed from his property. Caller did not want to press charges or criminally trespass the man. Officer talked to man who left without issue.

Officer received a report of a motorcycle which had hit a turkey. Woman told officer she had hit the turkey and then slid down the hill. She did not have a motorcycle license and officer issued her a summons for operating without a license.

Hemlock Drive caller reported loud noise at 1 a.m. Caller was advised to contact police when activity is occurring, not 12 hours after the fact.

Residents of Norway Rd. did not want construction vehicles parking on their road while they were working across the street. Officer spoke to workers who cooperated and moved their vehicles.

Jackie's Way caller reported a male had arrived at her home and she wanted him removed. He had left prior to the officer's arrival. Woman was told to call back if he returned.

Evergreen Drive caller reported someone had called her using a Florida telephone number claiming to be a police officer and demanding her information or there would be a warrant for her arrest. She was advised it was a scam.

Cold Spring Lane caller reported someone at her door but she was not expecting anyone. When she looked out the window she realized it was a food delivery she had ordered.

Spiller Rd. caller reported someone had hacked her Facebook page and demanded money. She was advised to block the contact.

Officer was asked to contact a Barstow Rd. resident in reference to a boat that had been parked at her residence for approximately eight years. Officer called the number provided but the person who answered had not called for an officer. Officer called the landline number three times but got no response.

CALENDAR

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TUESDAY, JUNE 22

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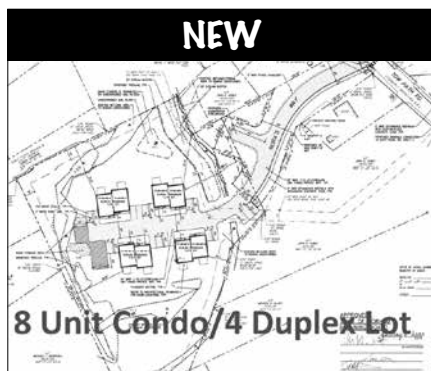


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