#### **Gorham Celebrates Memorial Day**

On Monday, May 28, Gorham community members gathered to watch the annual Memorial Day Parade. The parade featured many floats and groups such as local boy and girl scout troops, the police and rescue, which had vehicles in the parade, the military, Gorham Rec sports teams, and many more. Enjoying the festivities are veterans Bob Mountain (left) and Maynard Meserve, Sr. (right).



#### **Double State Championship**

GHS senior Sarah Perkins won the Class A State Championship in two events June 2 at Windham High School, taking first in the 100 meter hurdles and 300 meter hurdles. She also finished fourth in the high jump. Look for all the Gorham point earners in the Sports Section.

## **Phinney Street** Update Sheri Faber

atalie Burns of Jensen Baird Gardner & Henry, the law firm that represents the town of Gorham, sent a letter on May 22 to Town Planner Tom Poirier in response to his request for an opinion on two issues related to the plans of Travis Caruso of C & C Family, Ltd. to subdivide a lot on Phinney Street to access land that abuts his property on Phinney Street.

The first issue is whether Caruso lacks standing to pursue these plans due to deed covenants that restrict division of lots within this subdivision. Maine's Law Court found that private deed covenants are not enforceable by municipalities if the municipality is not a party to the covenant. Since the town of Gorham was not a party, it cannot enforce the covenants, nor can the town deny the application if it does not comply with the covenants; enforcement could only be done through private litigation. Since the applicant has demonstrated his title to the land, the Planning Board must review the application for compliance with the applicable provisions of the town's Land Use and Development Code.

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## **Divided Over All-Day K** Program Stacy Sallinen

group of citizens called Gorham All-Day Kindergarten for All Kids is ramping up efforts to get the school district to implement an allday kindergarten program for the 2012-13 school year. With only days to spare before next year's proposed budget going to the town council for approval, the group sent an e-mail and a petition with 600 signatures to school officials and town council members asking for an all-day program to be

Currently, Gorham is only one of a handful of communities in Cumberland and York counties that still offer half-day kindergarten. Extended-day kindergarten is offered to students who need additional sessions of numeracy and literacy, and serves about 15 percent of kindergarten students.

As proposed, the \$32.2 million budget would increase the tax rate by 28 cents per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. If an all-day kindergarten

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## **Community Rallies for GHOP**



Angelo Sotiropoulos, owner of Gorham House of Pizza (GHOP), holds a special place in the hearts of the people of Gorham for his unstinting generosity to so many causes. Ask Angelo for help and the answer is yes. But then on April 19 a fire in an upstairs apartment caused major damage to the building and the residents of the upstairs apartments were displaced. GHOP had to close for renovations. On June 2 the people of Gorham showed Angelo what he and GHOP mean to the town. An open house at the USM Field House was attended by approximately 1500 people according to Al Bean, athletic director at USM and one of the fundraiser organizers. More than \$20,000 was raised through raffles, 50/50 and cash donations. The money raised will be used to help the displaced residents and to pay the GHOP staff until the restaurant reopens and it can't be soon enough for many of us. People were thrilled to support Angelo and his staff. "I saw more people who I haven't seen in years. What a great cause and what a wonderful community," said Kathy Garrard.

## The Church Sold to Jon Smith of Great Falls Construction

Sheri Faber

ultiple bidders turned out on May 24 for the auction of The Church Performing Arts Center at 29 School Street. Bidding started at \$300,000 and ended at \$605,000 when the other remaining bidder declined to go above \$600,000. Approximately six people gave Tranzone Auctions checks for \$10,000 to be able to participate in the bidding. Questions were raised about outstanding mechanics liens and who might be responsible for them. The bank, which held

the mortgage, is appealing those liens and the purchaser would probably want to purchase title insurance to cover the cost of the liens should the lien holders prevail in court. If the bank's appeal is successful, the current owner of the property, Michel Salvaggio, Sr. would be responsible for paying the liens.

On the auction site, leases were noted for both St. Joe's Coffee House (to 2020) and Thatcher's Restaurant (2018), as well as two leases signed in 2011, one

## **BOEMRE Maine Renewable** Energy Task Force Rep. Jane Knapp

he Legislature currently has 16 joint standing committees; however, there are numerous subgroups that legislators are involved in to study and discuss specific issues. One of those subgroups is the **BOEMRE Maine Renewable Energy** Task Force, of which I am a member. BOEMRE stands for the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement, which is a part of the U.S. Department of the Interior. The Bureau is responsible for managing the nation's natural gas, oil and other mineral resources on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS).

In 2009, this task force was created to assist government in its decisionmaking regarding renewable energy leasing and development off the coast of Maine. Members of the task force include federal agencies, tribal governments and Maine State and local agencies that have a role in permitting, reviewing, and regulating resources or activities that could be affected by renewable energy development on the

The task force serves as a forum for (1) educating agencies about permitting and statutory responsibilities; (2) exchanging data about biological and

physical resources and priorities related to energy leasing and development; and (3) continuing an open dialogue about renewable energy activities. Often, when multiple agencies work together on a project, steps can be missed due to lack of communication. The format of this task force, however, is beneficial because it brings everyone to the table for open discussions. This is vital as the task force considers projects of great significance.

The first meeting of the task force that I attended was a pre-application meeting for Statoil North America, Inc. (Statoil NA), an international energy company headquartered in Norway. Statoil NA is proposing a pilot project, designated the Hywind Maine pilot project, involving a multi-turbine floating wind park within the Bath area. The windmills will have an underwater cable connecting to a transmission line. The task force's review of this proposal is still in its preliminary stages, with the process likely to take 2-3 years at a minimum.

At the pre-application meeting, I

project. Renewable energy is great to work towards so I feel it is a positive thing to be delving so thoroughly into the possibility of this wind park.

I am hopeful that this wind power project will be good for Maine in a number of ways, specifically towards our economy. People will need to be hired to perform different wind power related jobs, such as construction and operation of the wind park. Further, there is the possibility this wind power project could attract more private investment in Maine's economy.

If you would like to learn more about the BOEMRE Maine Renewable Energy Task Force or to read Statoil NA's lease request, you may visit http://www.boem.gov/Renewable-Energy-Program/State-Activities/Maine. aspx.



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#### found it interesting to hear presentations from federal officials and learn their perspective and point of view when looking at this renewable energy

## letters to the Editor

Letters must be less than 300 words, signed with a first and last name, typed or e-mailed and include a phone number. Letters are solely the opinion of the writer and not that of the Gorham Times. They are published at the discretion of the Gorham Times and are subject to editing.

#### Dear Gorbam Times,

I'm sure the citizens of the town of Gorham know the treasure that is the Baxter Memorial Library and are solid in its support. I wonder, however, how many know that the library's collection is well below that of comparable institutions. And that, unfortunately, the town budget has not stretched sufficiently in recent years to make up this deficit.

Therefore in 2008 to celebrate the library's centennial, the Trustees initiated a fundraising effort to create a \$100,000 endowment fund so the interest might be used to help bring the library's collection of books, periodicals, audio books and DVDs up to the accepted standard. This year the fund has passed the halfway point and now we are eager to complete it. We ask you to join us in making a one-time gift or monthly pledge; you don't have to give a lot, even a little adds up.

Pledge cards will be available at the library's annual "Spring into Summer" event, Wednesday, June 13, 1:00 -5:00 p.m. Stop by, have a free hot dog and fill out a pledge card. Cards will also be available at the library. Sincerely yours, Mary Collins, for the Baxter Memorial Library Trustees

#### Dear Gorbam Times,

I am pleased to write this letter of support for Tim Driscoll in his desire to serve us in State Senate District # 6 (part of Westbrook and Scarborough and all of Gorham). Tim has served on the Westbrook School Committee and City Council and as House District 126 State Representative for the past 8 years. It is amazing to witness his dedication to serving his constituents. Tim is one of the few elected officials who consistently walks his district and knocks on doors to meet his constituents. He never takes his position for granted and he truly earns our vote.

Here are examples of Tim's work:

- Worked to ensure funding remained for seniors requiring assistance to remain independent at Larrabee Village.
- Worked to establish the Warren Avenue corridor in Westbrook as a Pine Tree Zone to encourage creation of business and jobs.
- After a tragic toddler drowning in a daycare, Tim presented legislation to ensure that water health and safety regulations are in place to prevent future tragedies.
- · Presented and helped pass legislation allowing a tax deduction for investment in 529 education savings plan to help parents offset the cost of college.
- · Presented Legislation to allow on-

line boat registration.

· Through a resolve, worked with stakeholders of the blind and visually impaired and the Dept of Labor and Education to better meet the educational and rehab needs of individuals throughout our State.

Public service is in many ways an extension of Tim's lifelong work as a registered emergency room nurse. He is known as a facilitator, hard worker, trustworthy and caring. Tim is a true public servant and deserving of your vote. Please join me in supporting Tim Driscoll as our next State Senator for District # 6.

Mayor Colleen Hilton, Westbrook

#### around town

**Anderson Equipment Company** is in negotiations with R. J. Grondin & Sons to relocate from Cumberland to the former Plan It recycling in the Industrial Park. Anderson Equipment specializes in construction equipment sales, rentals and service.

**2nd Floor Thriftiques**, 2 School Street, has gone out of business.

**Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate** – The Masiello Group has relocated from Railroad Avenue to 341 Main St.

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## profile

## **Local Company Stages Homes** to Sell Quickly Jackie Francis

fter many years of redesigning homes for close friends and family members, Sally Bolstridge, owner of North Star Stagers, has decided to use her talents and training to start her own professional home staging company. Staging makes a home more appealing to potential buyers by decorating and organizing the home into a more welcoming and visually appealing environment. "I've always loved helping people realize their dreams," says Bolstridge, "and staging a home helps to sell it more quickly, bringing homeowners prosperity and happiness."

Along with staging and redesigning, Bolstridge is also a qualified professional organizer and Feng Shui consultant. She has many years of marketing experience in staging for local companies and is certified by Home Staging Resource Group. "It's my mission," she says, "to reveal the true beauty of your home by organizing, staging, and redesigning it." Bolstridge says her training in Feng Shui helps her focus on the arrangement of objects in a room that bring it "balance." The premise of Feng Shui is that happiness and environment are connected.

What exactly is home staging and who can benefit? "Just about everyone," says Bolstridge. Home staging is perfect for the homeowner preparing to sell their home, as well as someone who just wants to transform the look and feel of their present home. A professional home stager is trained in the art of preparing a home to sell. "If you're thinking about selling your home even a year from now," says Bolstridge, "I can help make that transformation less stressful." She'll work with the "flow" of a home, removing clutter, re-arranging furniture, and even improving the outside appearance making that first impression a lasting one for potential homebuyers.



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of each room

in a home

Sally Bolstridge of North Star Stages will do what it takes to prepare your home for sale as well as provide other services including organizing, holiday decorating, design consulting, and even cleaning.

with simple remedies for trouble spots. Other options provided include redesign services for the homeowner who needs help transforming an individual room or space and organizing services to help the homeowner move beyond the clutter. Holiday decorating, shopping services and in-home cleaning are also available. No job is too big or too small says Bolstridge. "I can help you regain

Just as the real North Star is used as a visual and dependable point of reference in navigation, Bolstridge likened the name to her own business concept: North Star Stagers will guide you in right direction.

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#### **Gorham Celebrates** Memorial Day

On Monday, May 28, Gorham community members gathered while U.S. Senator Olympia Snowe (left), who gave the keynote speech, placed a wreath on the veteran's memorial in Eastern Cemetery on Main Street.

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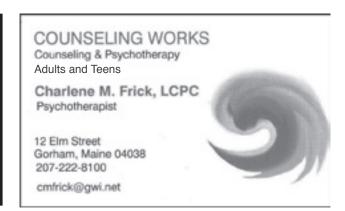


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## municipal



## Chief Shepard Reports

The Grand Jury returned the following indictments in May:

- Bella Rosa Harris, 26, of Gorham was indicted for attempted murder, two counts of elevated aggravated assault and aggravated assault on charges brought by the Gorham Police Department.
- •Adam Johnston, 28, of Gorham was indicted for being a habitual offender on charges brought by the Falmouth Police Department.
- Bradford Lacy, 40, of Gorham was indicted for criminal OUI and operating after suspension on charges brought by Scarborough Police Department.
- Melissa Savage, 38, of Portland was indicted on two counts of theft (priors) and misuse of identification by Gorham Police Department.

• Ronald Stanley, 41, of Biddeford was indicted for theft (priors) by Gorham Police Department.

A bag of stolen items was found near Alden's Pond, which is behind USM. The items include cell phones, cameras, CD's, sunglasses, and a GPS, and are believed to have been stolen from unlocked vehicles on May 12. Anyone who had items stolen at that time should call the Gorham Police Department at 839-5581 to claim their property.

Police are looking for a maroon midsized sedan with a noticeable dent in the front driver's side fender. This is the vehicle the suspect is believed to have used to flee the scene after the robbery at Community Pharmacy.

## **Town Council Report Continued**

May 1, 2012 Sheri Faber

The Council:

- Voted 7-0 to rezone the property formerly occupied by Plan It
   Recycling from Industrial to Roadside
   Commercial. The parcel abuts property
   that is zoned Roadside Commercial.
   Anderson Equipment Company is interested in purchasing the property if it
   were rezoned.
- Voted 7-0 to move the Founders' Monument closer to South Street while keeping it at least as far back as the (former) front of the library. They also voted to appropriate \$5,000 from the

sale of the old Wescott School lot on Fort Hill Road as well as \$5,000 from the contingency account to pay for design and landscaping.

- Will hear a presentation from Steven Linnell of Greater Portland Council of Governments regarding bringing public bus service to Gorham.
- Voted to grant an economic hardship waiver to David and Jennifer McCullough so that they would not have to provide public water to their planned five lot subdivision off Flaggy Meadow Road.

## **Election Day and Voter Information**

s Election Day quickly approaches, the citizens of Gorham have some choices to consider before heading out to the polls on June 12. The upcoming election will allow registered Republicans and Democrats to vote in the primary election for the United States Senator, Representative to Congress, State Senator, State Representative to the Legislature and the Register of Probate for their party. Two referendum questions will also be on the ballot, for which any registered voter will be allowed to vote.

The following candidates are currently running in the primary elections:

#### REPUBLICAN PRIMARY ELECTION United State Senator (Wards 1 and 2)

Richard A. Bennett – Oxford Scott L. D'Amboise – Lisbon Debra D. Plowman – Hampden Bruce L. Poliquin – Georgetown Charles E. Summers Jr. – Scarborough

Representative to Congress (Wards 1 and 2)
Patrick D. Calder – Portland

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State Senator (Wards 1 and 2)
Ruth A. Summers – Scarborough

Representative to the Legislature (Ward 1)
Jane S. Knapp — Gorham
Representative to the Legislature (Ward 2)

Matthew L. Mattingly – Gorham **Register of Probate**No candidates

#### **DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY ELECTION**United States Senator (Wards 1 and 2)

Cynthia Ann Dill – Cape Elizabeth Matthew G. Dunlap – Old Town John Hinck – Portland Justin Benjamin Pollard – Portland **Representative to Congress (Wards 1 and 2)** Chellie Pingree – North Haven State Senator (District 6):

James A. Boyle – Gorham Timothy E. Driscoll – Westbrook

Representative to the Legislature (Ward 1) Andrew J. McLean – Gorham

Representative to the Legislature (Ward 2)

Linda F. Sanborn – Gorham

Register of Probate (Wards 1 and 2)

John B. O'Brien – Portland Nancy K. Thurber – Falmouth

In addition to the primaries, voters will also be voting on two referendum questions this Election Day. The first question asks voters to choose whether they favor the approval of the school budget for the upcoming school year. The exact budget will be discussed at the Town Council meeting on June 5. The second referendum question will allow voters to decide whether or not the town of Gorham should pay \$450,000 for the acquisition of a new fire engine as well as related equipment. Current town budget information will be available on the ballot in order to help voters make their decision.

Voting will be held at two locations. Voters living in Ward 1 will be voting at Gorham Middle School on Weeks Road and voters living in Ward 2 will be voting at the Gorham Municipal Center on South Street. Registered voters can log onto the Town of Gorham website (www.gorham-me.org) to determine at which location they should vote.

Citizens looking to register to vote may either fill out a registration card, with proof of identification, at the Town Clerk's office in the Gorham Municipal Center or they may register with a party affiliation on Election Day by showing identification and proof of their Gorham address at their designated voting location.

#### **@YOUR LIBRARY**

## Writing Contest Winners Pamela Turner

or over 10 years, the Friends of
Baxter Memorial Library has hosted
writing contests for grades 3-12
and adults. Categories include personal
narrative essays, poetry, and very short
or flash fiction. The first prize entries
will be published in the Gorham Times
over the next few months. All winning
entries are posted on the library's webpage at www.baxterlibrary.org.

#### **Woolen Hibernation**

By Olivia Marshburn-Ersek, High School Poetry First Prize Winner

She twined a strand of green wool yarn around the knitting needle – thirty-four rows, ten to go, and millions more hats before the memories were wrapped in careful stitches.

Her apartment was draped with skeins of yarn and rounded peaks of finished hats that would never embrace a chilled head. Spindly loops of red cotton yarn obscured her guitar and the joyful melodies she once plucked on its strings

On her seventh-floor deck, caps of delicate white alpaca had blackened her tomato plants and the hunger for suncooked tomato sauce on her lips.

A towering mass of all shades and textures buried the little metal deck table where she had once sipped jasmine tea with the black-haired man she loved under a sky brushed with equal amounts of purple, pink, orange, and blue.

The swivel of her rigid needles after a stitch was the only motion in the apartment other than the noiseless plummet of knit hats over the deck ledge as they slid from the crests of swelling piles.

A young girl was the first to pry a soft hat from the brittle oak leaves beneath the deck and tuck her chilled head into the wool's soothing warmth.

She was unaware that the heart of the hat's crafter had long ago solidified into a taut ball of yarn.

Pam Turner holds an MLS from Simmons College and is active in statewide library activities including the Maine Library Association and the Minerva Library Consortium. She may be reached at the library at 839-5031 or pturner@ msln.net.



#### Gorham Massage & Wellness

## Gorham Massage & Wellness is Changing Hands

Thank you to all of my current and former clients,
for your trust and your business,
and to the Gorham community, other local businesses and the
Gorham Business Exchange for the opportunity to be a
part of the business community of this great town.
I appreciate your support and collaboration over the years.
I would like to invite current and former clients and
the Greater Gorham community to celebrate with us.

#### "Changing Hands" Open House

Thursday, June 21 | 4-7 p.m. 20 Mechanic St., 2nd floor, Rear Entrance

Meet Erin Webber—a talented massage therapist and Gorham resident—who will be taking over August 1, 2012, enjoy beverages and hors d'oeuvres and enter a raffle to win a one-hour massage with Erin.

For more information, questions, etc. please call Linda at 749-7319.

## living

SENIOR CARE

## Dealing with Caregiver Stress Bill Jenks

ore than one quarter of the adult population has provided care for a chronically ill, disabled or aged family member or friend during the past year. Sixty-one percent of "intense" caregivers (those providing at least 21 hours of care a week) have suffered from depression. Heavy-duty caregivers, especially spousal caregivers, do not get consistent help from other family members. One study has shown that as many as three fourths of these caregivers are "going it alone." Is it any surprise that caregiver stress is a critical issue?

No one can live life completely stress-free, but few things produce the kind of sustained stress that comes with caring for an aging person day in and day out. If you are acting as the primary caregiver for a family member, one or more of the following may sound all too familiar:

- Panic—"Oh my, I can't handle this. I can't stand one more thing!"
- Anxiety—"What if he needs me in the middle of the night and I don't wake up?"
- · Denial—"Oh, she's fine, everyone forgets things when they get older...'
- · Irritability/Anger—"It's all that physical therapist's fault!"
- Frustration—"I've already told you five times! Why do you keep asking
- Fatigue—"I'm utterly, completely exhausted. I can't do another thing.'
- Hopelessness/Helplessness "What's the use? Nothing's going to change."
- Guilt—"How can I feel this way toward my own parent/spouse/relative?
- Ambivalence—"I don't know how I feel. I can't even make a simple decision.

Care giving is not something that people plan on or sign up for. It usually just presents itself, in a totally unexpected way. Family caregivers, more often than not, are overwhelmed, untrained, and uneducated about care giving issues. Being out of control in any situation can knock a person off

balance. Here are a few helpful tips as you navigate these uncharted waters:

- When people offer help, accept it. Be specific about what you need. Now is not the time to show the world how strong you are
- Watch out for signs of depression. Get professional help if you need to.
- Educate yourself about your loved one's condition. Information is empowering.
- Trust your gut feelings. If something sounds out of whack, keep asking questions until you are satisfied.
- · Make connections with other caregivers. There are many caregiver web sites and support groups. You need to talk with someone who understands what you are going through.
- Be kind to yourself. Even if you can only take a ten-minute walk around the block to alleviate some stress, DO IT.
- If you have siblings, be vocal about what they can do to help. Someone who is not comfortable with the dayto-day care might be willing to grocery shop, pick up meds, or do a doctor's run or two. Don't be a martyr.
- · Continue doing things that you find relaxing or pleasurable if at all possible. A resentful caregiver is no help to anyone.
- Keep your sense of humor. It's the most important tool you have and it's
- Know and accept your limits. Guilt will only get in the way of making the best decisions for your family member and yourself.



Bill Jenks serves on the Board of Directors of the Maine Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, and is the owner of Home Instead Senior Care, which provides non-medical home care for seniors.



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## **Sebago Education Alliance Offers E-magination Camp**

Terri Dawson, Technology Integrator

as your child expressed an interest in robotics or Minecraft? How about animation creation? If so, then don't miss E-magination Camp, a one-day event sure to entice students from surrounding towns and encourage educational technology in many different ways.

Hosted by the Sebago Education Alliance (SEA), E-magination camp will be held at Windham High School on August 10 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., and is open to students entering grades five to eight in the fall. The camp is a great way to prepare students for their return to school with great new technology ideas.

This year, the camp features a mini boat build. Students will assemble a sailboat and decide how all the schools in the SEA will be allowed to personalize it. The sailboat will then be launched three hundred miles off shore with a GPS transponder that will allow students to track its progress across the ocean throughout the school year and hopefully beyond through Educational Passages.

Twenty-first century skills are imperative to our children's future and education. Be a part of this exciting event and register now at http://gorham. maineadulted.org/courses/course/sebago\_alliance\_student\_ecamp or visit our website at https://sites.google.com/a/satime.org/e-camp/. Questions about E-camp can be directed to Terri Dawson at terrid@gorhamschools.org or Bob Asselin at basselin@windhamramondschools.org.

Just E-magine the possibilities!

## **Tuning Up Automotive Skills for National Contest Stacy Sallinen**



Photo courtesy of Ford/AA

Max Storer and Cal Randall received first place out of ten Maine teams competing in the Ford/AAA Troubleshooting Contest. Pictured are Tom Gaison of AAA, Storer, Derek Hanscom of WRVC, Randall and a representative from Ford Motor Company.

n May 12, Max Storer, a senior at Gorham High School, and his teammate, Cal Randall of Westbrook, clinched a first place win for Maine at the Ford/AAA Troubleshooting Contest held at the New England Dragway in New Hampshire. The team, representing the Westbrook Regional Vocational Center (WRVC) under the instruction of automotive teacher Derek Hanscom, was the first out of ten teams to correctly diagnose and fix the "bugs" in their car – a 2012 Ford Fusion.

As a result of the win, Storer and Randall earned gifts, tools and scholarships to automotive and technical schools valued at \$50,000. The pair will go on to represent Maine in the national finals in Dearborn, Michigan from June 10 to 13, where they will be among fifty teams competing for additional prizes.

The competition, sponsored by AAA and Ford Motor Company, was developed to encourage talented students to pursue careers in the automotive service industry. To be declared the winner, repairs must be made with the highest quality of workmanship and the lowest total time. Students must also take a written exam, where errors are converted into time demerits for the team's total time.

Storer and Randall completed the hands-on part of the auto-skills competition in 47 minutes, but it didn't go as smoothly as they hoped. The pair forgot to bring a pen, so they improvised. Storer used a knife to scratch specifications of the repair order, a required part of the challenge, onto paper and then rubbed it with dirt. Storer said the judges laughed, and it was good enough for them.

#### **Students Honor Local WWII Vet**



Photo credit Melissa Denick

Gorham High School Alternative Education students memorialize the service of Maynard Meserve, a local WWII Veteran. Eleventh grade Humanities students undertook the Library of Congress' Veterans History Project (VHP). From pre-production, to interviewing, to post-production, students worked with Georgia Humphrey and Dyana Rossignol of GOCAT to create a DVD for inclusion in the VHP. The student's appreciation and compassion was only topped by their immense enthusiasm for this important oral history project. Pictured are (seated) Maynard Meserve and Kristen Howard; (standing) Ryan Chicoine, Katerina Burns, Nick Bracy, Jordan Smith, Cortney Martineau, Tiffance Delisle Watson, Tanner Gouzie, Humphrey and Rossignol.

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## Gorham Middle School Junior Mutt Mentors ca

Cheyenne Boucher, Student

he Alternative Education program at Gorham Middle School has been visiting the Animal Refuge League (ARL) in Westbrook on a regular basis. They are part of a pilot program called Junior Mutt Mentors. The students are learning to train and socialize the dogs so they become more adoptable. There are many animals at ARL who are waiting eagerly at the shelter for a home.

One of the dogs that the students have been working with is a Walker Hound mix named Recon. He is five years old and has been neutered. Recon is great with older kids and loves car rides. He is also crate-trained and highly motivated to learn. Recon, like many of the animals in the shelter, is waiting anxiously for someone to come by and welcome them into their family. For more information about Recon or the other animals available at the shelter for adoption, please call the ARL at 854-9771.



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Cheyenne Boucher with Recon at the Animal Refuge League in Westbrook.

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#### **Gorham High School Academic Awards**

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# GHS Boys' Tennis Team Surges to Western Maine Final Jeff Pike

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—Aaron Landry, GHS Boys Tennis Coach



Photo credit Martha T. Harris

The GHS boys' tennis team advanced to the Western Maine Class A finals, and at press time was waiting to hear who its opponent would be for the June 6 finals match at Bates College in Lewiston. Playing for the team this season and pictured above, front row, from left to right: Jeff McNally, Tom Susi, Milan Vidovic. Mike Lubelczyk, and Quincy Owens. Back row: Head Coach Aaron Landry, Ryan Gilbert, Joe Bennett, Ryley Perkins, Adam Bourgault and Kyle Curley.

fter defeating Scarborough in the Western Maine Class A semifinals June 1, the GHS boys' tennis team found itself heading to the finals scheduled for June 6 at Bates College in Lewiston. At press time the Rams were slated to take on the winner of Deering and Windham, who were scheduled to play June 4.

Gorham has produced its strongest season in the last several years, finishing the regular season with an 11-1 record and ranked second in Western Maine Class A. The team won its last eight regular-season matches and then defeated Cheverus, 5-0, at the tournament quarterfinals. Against Scarborough, Gorham won a tight match, 3-2 as juniors Kyle Curley, Ryan Gilbert and Milan Vidovic all won their singles matches to earn team win.

"We were down 0-2 after the doubles matches, and all three singles players split their first two sets," said head coach Aaron Landry. "Curley ended up winning his third set in a tiebreaker (8-2) after fighting off a match point at 2-5. He and the rest of the team were really impressive."

The Rams have improved steadily over last three years under the guidance of Landry, who is in his fourth season as head coach. After graduating several seniors from a strong 2008 team, the Rams went 2-12 in 2009 and 2010, but improved to 7-5 in 2011. "When the current junior class started competing in 2010 as freshmen, we began to improve," Landry said. "The juniors continue to be the core of our

team and have played a large role in our recent success."

The junior class includes #1 singles player Curley as well as the #2 and #3 singles players Gilbert and Vidovic. Rounding out the junior class players that compete in matches is Mike Lubelczyk who teams up with freshman Tom Susi on the #1 double team. Competing in playoffs as the #2 doubles team are seniors Quincy Owens and Adam Bourgault, who finished the regular season 6-0 when paired up.

"The team is mentally tough and talented," Landry said. "We are past the point where we need to coach the mental aspects so we focus more so on technical aspects. Having mental readiness is important because players need to focus on just one point at a time, and all of our players are very good at doing this."

Curley and Vidovic also finished the regular season undefeated in match play (11-0) while Gilbert went 9-2 and the Lubelcyzk-Susi combination went 8-3. Lubelcyzk and Susi also recently had a strong run in the SMAA conference doubles tournament. They defeated the top-seeded double team in the quarterfinals to reach the finals—where they lost (2-6, 6-3, 1-6) to a team from Thornton Academy.

"We feel good about how we are playing and are confident we won't beat ourselves," Landry said. "We played strong in the regular season against the other top seeds and have confidence that we can win against anyone we face."

## **GHS Track Highlights**

Compiled by Jeff Pike

### Championship Point Earners June 2 at Windham H.S.

#### **GIRLS' TEAM**

At press time the Rams were in third place with 42 points with the pole vault event postponed to June 6 due to the weather. Senior Sarah Perkins won two state titles in the 100 and 300 meter hurdles while also finishing fourth in the high jump. Senior Katie Flanders finished second in the 1600 meter race walk.

**100 Meter Hurdles:** Sarah Perkins (1st Place) 15.02

**300 Meter Hurdles:** Perkins (1) 45.43 **1600 Meter Racewalk:** Katie Flanders (2) 7:33.92; Kelsey Mitchell (5) 8:30.28; Laura Turner (6) 8:30.36.

High Jump: Sarah Perkins (4) 5'-0" 4x800 Meter Relay: Leanna Dalfonso, Audrey Adkison, Ashley Woodbury, Jackie Turner (5) 10:11.41.

**4x400 Meter Relay:** Dalfonso, Quincy Shaw, Deireann Stillson, Adkison (6) 4:24.10.

#### **BOYS' TEAM**

At press time the Rams were in fourth place with 45 points with the pole vault event postponed to June 6 due to the weather. Leading the way with second-place finishes were Nate Bucknell in the 1600-meter racewalk and Kyle Nealy in the shot put.

**1600 Meter Racewalk:** Nate Bucknell (2) 7:11.99; Ryan Baillargeon (5) 7:23.40; Alex Thuotte (6) 7:31.73.

Shot Put: Kyle Nealey (2) 51'-5"
4x800 Meter Relay: Brandon Cushman,
Austin Bell, Jon Gray, Nate Gervais (3)
8:22.88

**4x400 Meter Relay:** Cushman, Travis Grant, Gray, Bucknell (3) 3:34.25 **300 Meter Hurdles:** Grant (5) 42.26 **3200 Meters:** Jesse Orach (5) 9:53.63 **1600 Meters:** Orach (6) 4:30.55 **400 Meters:** Bucknell (6) 51.86 **Discuss:** Nealey (6) 124' 1"

#### SMAA Conference Championship Point Earners May 26 @ Scarborough H.S.

#### GIRLS' TEAM

The Rams finished second with 71 points behind first-place Scarborough with 93 points. Senior Sarah Perkins led the way by earning meet MVP honors while taking two first places and a second place. She also

set a meet record in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 44.49.

**1600 Meter Racewalk:** Katie Flanders (1st place) 7:41.71; Kelsey Mitchell (2) 8:34.22; Laura Turner (5) 8:47.70. **100 Meter Hurdles:** Sarah Perkins (1)

300 Meter Hurdles: Perkins (1) 44.49 200 Meters: Perkins (2) 25.48 Pole Vault: Sophia Swiatek (2) 9' 0" 4x800 Meter Relay: Leanna Dalfonso, Audrey Adkison, Ashley Woodbury, Jackie Turner (3) 10:15.41

Triple Jump: Hannah Southard (4) 32' 1.5" 400 Meters: Dalfonso (5) 1:02.43 4x400 Meter Relay: Dalfonso, Quincy Shaw, Deireann Stillson, Adkison (5) 4:18.45

Javelin: Swiatek (6) 81-06

#### **BOYS' TEAM**

15.18

Gorham finished second with 78 points behind first-place Sanford with 87 points. Jesse Orach, with a first and a second-place finish as well as Nate Bucknell with a first and fourth-place finish led the way for the Rams.

**3200 Meters:** Jesse Orach (1st place) 9:54.90

**1600 Meter Racewalk:** Nate Bucknell (1) 7:30.36; Alex Thuotte (2) 7:26.17; Ryan Baillargeon (4) 7:44.28

**1600 Meters:** Orach (2) 4:33.56 **300 Meter Hurdles:** Brandon Cushman (2) 41.04

Shot Put: Kyle Nealey (2) 51' 5.5"
4x400 Meter Relay: Cushman, Travis Grant, Jon Gray, Bucknell (2) 3:29.91
4x800 Meter Relay: Cushman, Gray, Nate Gervais, Orach (3) 8:19.50

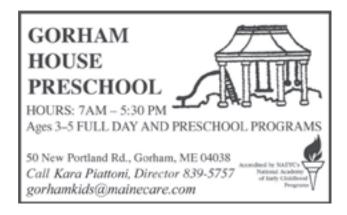
**400 Meters:** Bucknell (4) 52.18 **Discuss:** Nealey (5) 126' 2" **Javelin:** Nick Kilborn (5) 140' 7"

#### Cumberland County Meet Highlights May 18 @ South Portland H.S.

In the girls' competition, Sarah Perkins won the 100-meter hurdles (16.13) and tied for first in the high jump (5' 0") while Katie Flanders, Laura Turner and Kelsey Mitchell took the top three spots in the 1600-meter racewalk. In the boys' competition, Jesse Orach won the 1600 and 3200 meters while Nate Bucknell won the 1600-meter racewalk followed by teammates Alex Thuotte, Ryan Baillargeon, Drew York and Dan Thompson.

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## in the Zone



**GHS Soccer Players to Play in Regional** Tournament: One girl and three boys from Gorham will compete in the US Youth Soccer Region I tournament in Pennsylvania June 28-July 3 after helping their respective teams win the Maine State Cup championship. GHS junior Erin Smith helped the girls' Seacoast united Maine U17 team win its championship by defeating Blackbear United 1-0. Tyler Eldridge, Austin Bell and Kyle Curley (above), who play for the boys' MPS Portland Phoenix Elite U16 Premier Team, also helped their team recently win its division at the Adidas Potomac Memorial Day Tournament in Maryland. Eldridge and Curley, both defenders, have been mainstays of the team's defense while Bell has been a star from his striker position, including three goals in the Maryland

**GHS Grads Earn Spots on Local Premier** Adult Soccer Teams: Four GHS graduates have earned spots on the adult Seacoast United Mariners soccer teams that will compete against teams from several other states. Kristi Zarilli (GHS 2010), Samantha Peters (GHS 2011) and Kiersten Turner (GHS 2012) will play for the women's team in the Women's Premier Soccer League while Will Pike (GHS 2006) was selected as a goal keeper for the men's team that competes in the National Premier Soccer League.

**Lacrosse Star Completes First College** Season: Mia Rapolla (GHS 2011) completed her freshmen year for the Division I University of Massachusetts at Amherst women's lacrosse team scoring one goal while playing in five of the team's 21 games, including two starts.

Gorham Archer Heading to Spain: In July, GHS graduate Kendal Nicely (GHS 2010) will compete in the Collegiate World University Games in Spain. This is Nicely's tenth national team appearance. To earn the coveted spot, she participated in trials in Virginia May 19-20. At the end of the event. Nicely had clinched second place and a position on the three-person women's Compound Bow Team.

## **GHS High School Highlights**

Compiled by Jeff Pike

Softball: The Rams closed out the regular season with three wins in their last five games to finish 6-10 and earn the 11th and final spot in the Western Maine Class A playoffs. In back-to-back games during the final stretch, the Rams showed just how well they can pitch, play defense and hit the ball. On May 23, Taylor Hansen limited Biddeford to two hits while striking out 12 in a 1-0 win. On May 25 the Rams pounded out 20 hits in a 16-4 win over Portland led by three hits each from Erin Smith and Emily Thompson. Patricia Smith led the team on season in hitting with a .383 average and seven runs-batted-in. Hansen won all six of the team's games on the mound with a 3.22 earned-run average and 73 strikeouts in 87 innings pitched.

Baseball: The Rams closed out their regular season with a 4-1 win over Deering to finish with a record of 4-12. Finishing among the league leaders were Nick Greatorex (tied for second in doubles-seven, and tenth in assists-32), Damon Wallace (fourth in earned-run-average-0.70), and Spencer Lapierre (eight in assists-33). Alex Yankowsky led the team in batting average (.327) and runs-batted-in (seven) while Elliot Speirs led the pitching staff in wins (two).

Girls' Tennis: The Rams finished the regular season 7-5 and ranked seventh in Western Maine Class A and then lost to Marshwood, 3-2. in the preliminary round of the playoffs. Leading the team in match play during the regular season were #3 singles player Rachel Eaton with an 8-4 record and the #1 doubles team of Vicki Parker and Kaitlyn SeeHusen, who went 7-4.

Boys' Lacrosse: The Rams finished the regular season 4-8 and ranked eighth in Western Maine Class A—narrowly missing out on the final playoff slot.

Girls' Lacrosse: The Rams finished the regular season 4-8 and earned a spot in the Western Maine Class A playoffs by finishing seventh in the rankings. The leading point scorers for the regular season were Kali St. Germain (22 goals/13 assists), Katie Tucker (21 goals/13 assists) and Halev Perkins (21 goals/12 assists). Meghan Cushing and Morgan Cushing led the ground ball category with 35 and 28 respectively while Shannon Folan had 24 ground balls, 10 interceptions, and 15 caused turnovers to lead the defense. Meghan Cushing also led the team with 21 draw controls. Goalie Maddy Hamblen finished the regular season with 94 saves on 204 shots for a .46 save percentage.

#### The Church FROM PAGE 1

between JAAAMA (signed by Paula Salvaggio) and Bedford Falls Associates (owners of the property), as well as one between Bella Chiesa Banquet Center and Bedford Falls. The president of Bedford Falls Associates is Michel Salvaggio, Sr. This lease for Bella Chiesa

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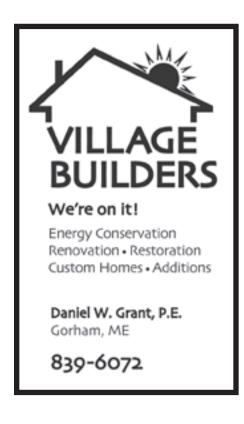
Jon Smith, the new owner, declined to discuss plans for the property at this

#### Phinney Street FROM PAGE 1

The second issue is whether the proposed lot meets frontage requirements on Phinney Street Extension. The attorney representing residents Patrick and Susan Smith takes the position that the proposed lot does not meet frontage requirements, based on their legal challenge that the town designated Phinney Street Extension as a town road. Because there has not been a court ruling on this issue, the Planning Board cannot judge this issue nor can it deny the application. If the court findings mean a change in the status of the road,

Caruso may have to seek an amendment to the Planning Board approval.

The Department of Environmental Protection will not approve C & C's request to further subdivide the lot. The original subdivision plan from the 1970's allowed for 11 lots, each on 4-5 acres. Gene Stratton, the developer, later applied to reconfigure two lots so that an existing pond would be entirely on one lot, not divided between two lots. The request was approved but with a provision for no further subdividing.





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#### All-Day K FROM PAGE 1

program with an estimated cost of \$400,000 were to be implemented next year, the tax rate would increase to 58 cents per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.

Superintendent of Schools Ted Sharp said that while the district supports an all-day kindergarten program, this is not the year to implement it, citing financial reasons, including the need to address deferred maintenance in school facilities. On the priority list, replacing the boiler and HVAC system at Narragansett School to improve ventilation and air quality.

Over the past several years, the district has created a K-5 math and literacy coordinator position. Each school then has literacy and math specialists to work with students, and instructional strategists to work with teachers to determine the best approach to achieving learning objectives. "This is the kind of investment that the district wanted to make," Sharp explained.

The district also offers a six-week

Jump-Start program over the summer to students entering kindergarten who are below peer level.

Sharp also noted that two schools in Gorham - the middle and high school - are considered to be higher performing and efficient schools by the Center for Education Policy, Applied Research and Evaluation at the University of Southern Maine. "We're doing something right," said Sharp.

According to the Facebook page for Gorham All-Day Kindergarten for All Kids, "We are parents and community members who annually vote for and support the school and its budget but who are prepared to send it back until there is a commitment to all-day kindergarten."

The Town Council voted on the school budget on Tuesday, May 5. Results were not available at press time. Pending approval by the Town Council, residents will have their say on Tuesday, June 12.

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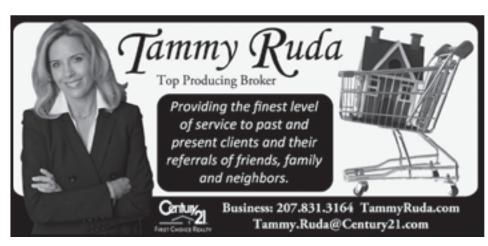


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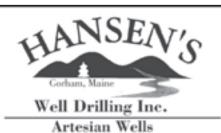


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## community

#### **DEAN'S LIST**

**Solange Carpenter** (GHS '10) was named to the Dean's List at Lasell College. She is a Fashion Design & Production major.

**Jason Badeau** (GHS '10) has been named to the President's List at Thomas College.

**Brendan Ham** (GHS '09) was named to the Dean's List at Lasell College. He is an Entrepreneurship major.

**Mary Kusturin** (GHS '08) was named to the Dean's List at Lasell College. She is a Fashion Design & Production major.

**Amy Linscott** was named to the Dean's List at the University of New Haven for the spring 2012 semester.

#### **GRADUATIONS**

**Alyson Fearon** (GHS '08) earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Management & Policy at the University of New Hampshire.

**Kristi-Lee Colarusso** (GHS '08) earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology from the University of New Hampshire.

**Dr. Meghann (Foley) Dombroski** (GHS '02) received a Masters in Public Health from Harvard University. She begins a two-year study in Orthodontics at Tufts Dental School.

**Kyle Donaldson** (GHS '08) has been elected to St. Lawrence University's chapter

of Phi Beta Kappa, the national academic honor society. Donaldson majors in mathematics.



Elizabeth Damon (GHS '05) received a Masters Degree in Dance Movement Therapy and Counseling from Antioch University of New England. She is the daughter of Duane and Pam Damon and granddaughter

of George and Ruth Ayers.

Charles Dresser (GHS '08) graduated from Bryant University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting and has been accepted into Bryant's Master of Professional Accountancy Program this summer. He is the son of Mark and Rose Dresser formerly of Gorham.

**Jacqueline Lara** received a Master of Arts Degree in Teaching from Quinnipiac University.

**Daija Page** (GHS '05, East Carolina University '09) graduated magna cum laude with a Law Degree from the University of Miami School of Law.

**Benjamin Peter** graduated from Washington College with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Physics. He is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Bryan Peter.

**Katelin Perkins** graduated magna cum laude from the University of Vermont with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology.

Lucinda Pike (GHS '08) graduated magna cum laude from Boston University with a Bachelor of Arts in English and Italian Studies. She also received the Senior Award for Italian Studies. Lucinda is the daughter of Jeff Pike and Jana Pike.

Courtney Smith graduated magna cum laude from Saint Michael's College with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Elementary Education and Religious Studies. Courtney is the daughter of Jon and Cindy Smith.

Marine Corps Pvt. Levi Lurvey recently completed 12 weeks of basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, SC. Lurvey is the son of Lisa and David Lurvey of Gorham.

#### **DOCTORATE DEGREE**



Peter Palomaki (GHS '03) received a Doctorate of Science in Chemistry from Rennselaer Polytechnic Institute. Palomaki, who is the son of son of Cathie Bunk and Glenn Palomaki,

has accepted a position with National Renewable Energy Lab, in Denver, Colorado.

#### **OF INTEREST**

New England Rehabilitation Hospital of Portland has announced that **Catherine Waterman**, RN, of Gorham, is the new Director of Case Management. Her



nursing positions and transferred to Case Management in 2001.

At the annual May Banquet of the Maine

At the annual May Banquet of the Maine Beta chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, an international honorary organization of women educators, **Susan Morneault** of Gorham initiates members of the 2012-2014 executive board.

Gorham entrepreneur Meg Spencer recently launched her own line of Mainemade beauty products called Finn & Co. Luxury Skin Care Line earning the attention of local retailers and high-profile

beauty magazines. FMI, visit www.thefa-

ceoffinn.com

There will be a Yard & Bake Sale at the Redeemer Lutheran Church (410 Main St., Gorham) on Saturday, Jun 23 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Homemade baked goods, books, men's corner, knickknacks, housewares,

etc. Something for everyone! FMI. 839-

Join members of the Presumpscot Regional Land Trust, stewards for land conservation and public recreational access, for upcoming trail projects on Saturday, Jun 9 & 16 at 9 a.m. FMI, email prlandtrust@yahoo.com.

The Knights of Columbus at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Gorham were the recipients of the Council Award, in recognition for the Knight's involvement in finishing off a basement for a fellow member diagnosed with ALS, and the Community Award, which was given based on the Knight's continued support of Laura's Party, a fundraiser for the mentally disabled. The Gorham Knight's also won Council of the Year in their division of 100 or less members.

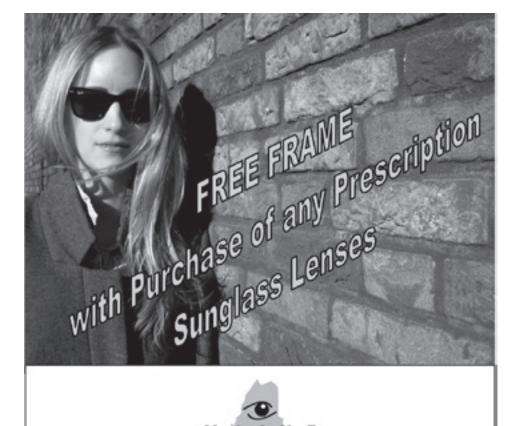
South Gorham Baptist Church, 53 County Road, will be hosting SonRise National Park Vacation Bible School from June 25 - June 29, 9 - 11:30 a.m. Children ages 4 through 6th grade are welcome to enjoy fun music, crafts, games and snacks. FMI, 839-3457.



The General Federation of Woman's Clubs, a volunteer organization that promotes community betterment, recognized two members in the Gorham Chapter for their 50 years of membership. Alice Keddy, left, chairman of the Education Committee was honored as an active member and Priscilla Rines, right, was recognized as an honorary member.

The Gorham Burger King Restaurant will once again participate in A Chance for Kids program that supports pediatric cancer research at the Dana-Farber Cancer

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Representative Jane Knapp joins Maine First Lady Ann LePage to honor Marianne Gillis of Gorham House for her lifetime achievements during the 10th Anniversary of the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME program.

Institute by issuing promotion cards with prizes ranging from vacations to food, to all restaurant guests who donate \$1 to the Jimmy Fund through July 1, 2012.

Gorham resident Joseph Mazerolle announced the opening of his new franchise in Windham, Mr. Electric®, a global provider of residential and commercial electrical installation and repair services.

The Lakes Region Senior Center, located at the former Little Falls School on Route 202, along with the Gorham Health Council, will sponsor a Blood Pressure Clinic on Wednesday, June 13 at 10 a.m.

Join the Baxter Memorial Library on

Wednesday, June 13 from 2-6 p.m. for their annual "Spring into Summer" event, a thank you to the community with free hotdogs, music, crafts, Touch the Truck and more. Pledge cards will be available for patrons wishing to help the library reach its \$100,000 endowment fund.

Baxter Library's Free Youth Services Summer Reading Program begins June 13. Stop by and pick up a bookmark and start tracking your time spent reading. A free book and entry for the grand prize is awarded for a completed bookmark. A Frequent Reader card is also available for adults. Read eight books to be eligible for a \$100 gift card to the Bookworm! FMI, 222-1190.

Boston's WCVB TV News magazine, Chronicle, recently posted on Facebook a mystery photo of Babb's Covered Bridge and the Presumpscot River in Gorham/So

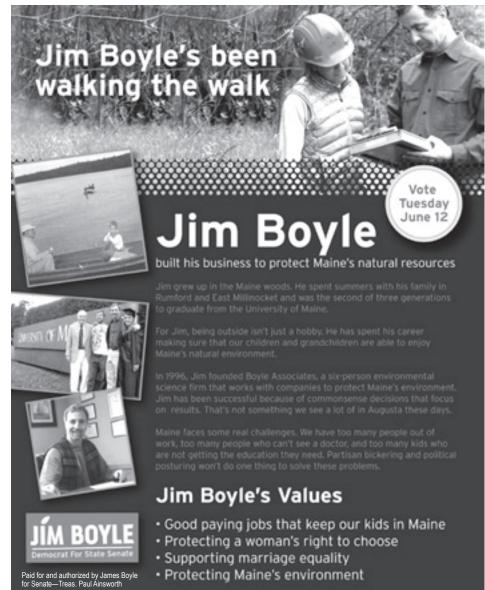
and the Presumpscot River in Gorham/So. Windham. Several of the more than 400 people who ventured a guess, deduced it was our very own Gorham landmark.

**Please join Gorham Savings Bank** during Customer Appreciation Week, June 18-23, as the bank salutes their customers with weeklong festivities.

#### **USM NOTES**

Michael R. Stevenson, Ph.D., dean of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences at Northern Arizona University (NAU), has been named provost and vice president for academic affairs at the University of Southern Maine.

The University of Southern Maine awarded emeritus status to retiring professors Michael Hamilton of Gorham, who retires with 27 years of service in the Department of Political Science, and Robert Schaible of Buxton who retires after 25 years of service in the Department of Arts and Humanities.



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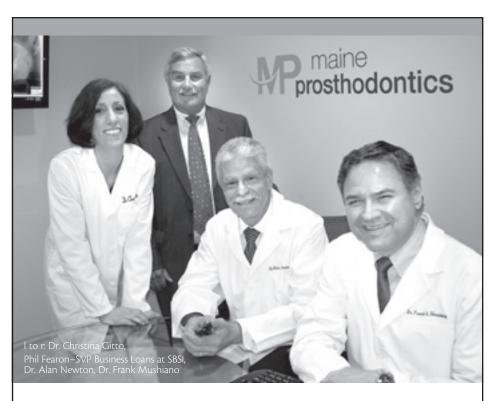
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Ossipee Trail caller reported an accident where a vehicle crashed into a house.

North Gorham Road caller reported that a suspicious vehicle was parked next to the building. Two additional calls were received about the suspicious vehicle. It turned out that the driver was trying to deliver Chinese food and had gotten the wrong address.

Two calls were received from Spruce Lane reporting that a male subject selling ADT security systems was canvassing the neighborhood. Callers asked that subject be checked out.

Oakwood Drive caller reported that two stray dogs with no collars or tags followed caller's son home.

Caller reported that someone broke into the food pantry.

Gateway Commons Drive caller reported that a suspicious male subject rode up the road on his bicycle and into the culde-sac. Subject turned out to be a painter hired by a neighbor.

North Gorham Road caller reported that their neighbors let their chickens run loose, and they over ran the caller's front

School Street caller advised that there were 50-60 college-aged kids out in the roadway hooting and hollering.

Hannah Drive caller reported a young male subject taking random pictures in the area. Subject lived in the area and was out looking for a cat.

State Street caller reported that he had a duck that was hit by a car.

Autumn Brook Way caller reported a disturbance where someone's teeth got knocked out.

State Street caller requested to speak with Chief Shepard about a fire pit that had been built on their property on "Lovers Lane." They believe they know who was responsible for building it.

Longfellow Road caller requested to speak with someone just to talk.

Waterhouse Road man requested to speak to an officer about theft of services for accounting work.

Buck Street caller reported a conversation they had with a subject who was talking about trashing a house on which the bank had foreclosed.

Mosher Road caller requested to speak with an officer as they were upset that officers drove by caller's residence.

Spiller Road caller reported a suspicious vehicle in the area. The vehicle belonged to the Fire Marshall.

















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## calendar

#### THURSDAY, JUN 7

- · Gorham Food Pantry, 9-11 a.m., located in St. Anne's Catholic Church parking lot.
- Story Hour for 3-5 yr. olds, 10-11 a.m., No. Gorham Public Library. Stories, songs & crafts. FMI, 892-2575.
- · GHS Senior Recognition Day, 6:30 p.m., Gorham High School
- Bingo, 10 a.m., Lakes Region Senior Center. FMI, 893-9088.

#### FRIDAY, JUN 8

• Gorham/Westbrook TRIAD, 8:45 a.m., Gorham Municipal Building. FMI, 839-

#### SATURDAY, JUN 9

• Gorham Farmer's Market, 8-12 noon, off Rt. 114 (between Baxter Library and Gorham Times Bldg.)

#### SUNDAY, JUN 10

• GHS Graduation, 4 p.m., Merrill Auditorium.

#### **TUESDAY, JUN 12**

- · Pickleball, 10 a.m., Lakes Region Senior Center. FMI, 893-9088.
- Exercise with video, 9:30 a.m., Lakes Region Senior Center. FMI, 893-9088.

#### WEDNESDAY, JUN 13

- · Last Student Day of School at GHS.
- Blood Pressure Clinic, 10 a.m., Lakes Region Senior Center (formerly Little Falls School.)
- Gorham Food Pantry, 6-7:30 p.m., located in St. Anne's Catholic Church parking lot.
- Senior Community Meal, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., St. Anne's Catholic Church, \$3.50. FMI, 839-4857.
- Prayer Shawl Knitting Group, 1-2:30 p.m., St. Anne's Catholic Church. All are welcome. FMI, 839-4857.
- Toddlers in the Library, 10-10:30 a.m., No. Gorham Public Library. FMI, 892-2575.

#### • The Gorham Clothes Closet, Little Falls Activity Center, (off Rt. 202), 6-8 p.m. FMI, 839-3104.

- Spring into Summer Event, Baxter Memorial Library, 2-6 p.m. Free hotdogs, music, crafts, Touch the Truck and more.
- · Poker with Ray, Lakes Region Senior Center. FMI, 893-9088.

#### THURSDAY, JUN 14

- · Gorham Food Pantry, 9-11 a.m., located in St. Anne's Catholic Church parking lot.
- Story Hour for 3-5 yr olds, 10-11 a.m., No. Gorham Public Library. Stories, songs & crafts. FMI, 892-2575.
- · Bingo, 10 a.m., Lakes Region Senior Center. FMI, 893-9088.

#### SATURDAY, JUN 16

• Gorham Farmer's Market, 8 a.m.-12 p.m., off Rt. 114 (between Baxter Library and Gorham Times Bldg.)

#### **MONDAY. JUN 18**

• Gorham Food Pantry, 6-7 p.m., located in St. Anne's Catholic Church parking lot.

#### **TUESDAY, JUN 19**

- · Pickleball, 10 a.m., Lakes Region Senior Center. FMI, 893-9088.
- Exercise with video, 9:30 a.m., Lakes Region Senior Center. FMI, 893-9088.

#### **WEDNESDAY. JUN 20**

- Senior Community Meal, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., St. Anne's Catholic Church, \$3.50. FMI, 839-4857.
- Prayer Shawl Knitting Group, 1-2:30 p.m., St. Anne's Catholic Church. All are welcome. FMI, 839-4857.
- Toddlers in the Library, 10-10:30 a.m., No. Gorham Public Library. FMI, 892-2575.

#### The activities listed above are located at:

Baxter Memorial Library, 71 South St.

Gorham Farmer's Market, South St., Rt, 114, between Baxter Library and Gorham Times Bldg.

Gorham Food Pantry, St. Anne's Catholic Church parking lot, 299 Main St.

Gorham High School, 41 Morrill Ave.

Gorham Municipal Building, 75 South St.

Lakes Region Senior Center, 40 Acorn St.

Little Falls Activity Center, 10 Acorn St.

Merrill Auditorium, 20 Myrtle St., Portland

No. Gorham Public Library, 2 Standish Neck Rd.

St. Anne's Catholic Church, 299 Main St.

The Gorham Ecumenical Food Pantry is open every Thursday from 9 to 11 a.m., the second Wednesday of the month from 6 to 7 p.m., and the third Monday of the month from 6 to 7 p.m. Open to anyone in need of food. The Pantry is located at 299 B Main Street in the Saint Anne's Church parking lot (across from Narragansett Elementary School).

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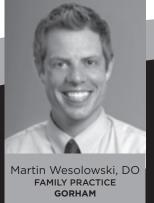
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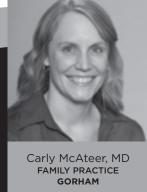
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