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## Old Mobil Station Now History



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Hundreds of people attended the Uptown Funk demolition event on June 13 to watch and participate in the destruction of the old Mobil station at 109 Main Street. The event was a fundraiser to benefit local nonprofits.

The afternoon began with children and adults “beautifying” the building with graffiti. Artistic drawing and goodbye notes were written on the

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## Possible Change to Voting Locations

KATHY CORBETT  
Staff Writer

Voters living in North Gorham and White Rock will no longer need to drive as many as 12 miles to cast ballots on Election Day if a new polling place is approved by the Secretary of State’s office in Augusta.

The Town Council recently voted to divide Ward 1 into two wards, each with about 3,000 registered voters. If approved, beginning with the November election, the Little Falls Activity Center (formerly Little Falls School) would serve northeast Gorham. Southeast residents would continue to vote at the Middle School.

A motion to consider either Little Falls or Great Falls School was introduced at the May 5 meeting. School Committee chair Dennis Libby explained, however, that there would be no way to separate students from voters at Great Falls because the building has only one public entrance, designed to meet state security requirements. Despite some concerns about parking, the Council voted on June 2 to make Little Falls, where voters cast ballots in the past, a polling place once again. Many North Gorham residents voting at the Middle School on June 9 expressed their appreciation for the Council’s decision. Look to a future edition of the Gorham Times for further information.

## Final Farewell to the Class of 2015

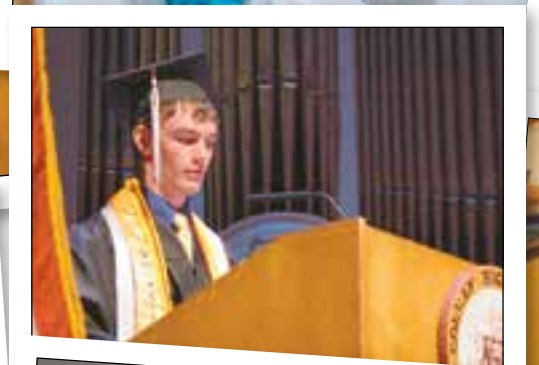
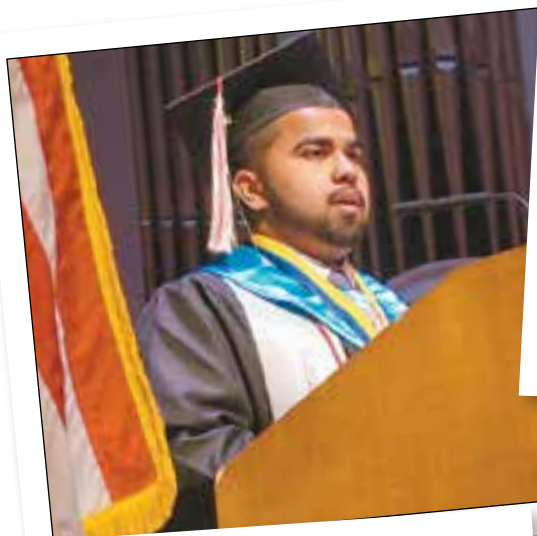


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MEGAN BENNETT, EMILY LEWIS,  
AND JULIE PIKE  
GHS Senior Interns

On Sunday, June 7, the town of Gorham said goodbye to their 2015 high school seniors and hello to the newest high school graduates as they marched at Merrill Auditorium in Portland.

Junior marshals Emerson Fox and Lizzie Sullivan guided the seniors marching into the auditorium to “Pomp and Circumstance” as parents and relatives cheered proudly and excitedly.

Following the students were members of the Gorham Police Department, who presented the colors. Principal Chris Record began the ceremony with opening remarks. He spoke to the spirit and enthusiasm of the graduating class, as well as remembering those who could not be there on that day; in particular Branden Denis, a junior who tragically passed away during the school year. The GHS Chamber Singers, which included many seniors, fol-

lowed with an impressive rendition of the national anthem.

The first speaker was class president Humza Kahn, who delivered an inspiring speech about how much Gorham High School changed his life. Originally from Pakistan, Khan shared how he used to struggle to speak English, but how certain teachers and classmates gave him the confidence to spread his wings, including his decision to run for class president.

He also thanked those who gave him unrelenting love and compassion during the past 10 years.

“Today we stand here as winners and are ready to leave Gorham and go out into the world. But these moments of triumph would not have been possible without two important things: love and compassion. Love and compassion that came from our family, our friends, and most importantly our teachers,” said Kahn.

He led the Class of 2015 with great confidence and respect. Khan then introduced the class salutatorian Ashley Woodbury, who spoke about

taking risks and never being afraid to make mistakes.

“Class of 2015, if I could leave you with one piece of advice, it’s this: Don’t be afraid to make mistakes. Find out what you love through trial and error. Learn to fail and still make the best out of your experiences,” said Woodbury.

She also praised the class for their unity and camaraderie, a quality she thinks the class of 2015 embodied perfectly. Woodbury finished her speech by introducing the class valedictorian Doug Beahm, who captivated the audience by expressing gratitude toward not just his own family, but all the families that helped raised him.

“This village has raised this child. Of course, I’ve had my father, my mother, my brother, and my extended family. My appreciation for them is untold. The same goes for my many coaches and teachers. But sometimes a child needs a whole village. In these times of need, so many

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The *Gorham Times* asked our three state legislators from Senate District Six, House District 129 and House District 130 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.

# Contingency Plan

REP. LINDA SANBORN

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) has dramatically changed the nature of health insurance in our country and made it possible for millions of families to gain access to health care for the first time.

In Maine, 75,000 people are enrolled in a health plan purchased on the insurance marketplace through the ACA. Of these, the vast majority--89 percent--bought their coverage with the help of an advanced premium tax credit, also known as a subsidy, to make it affordable.

These subsidies significantly reduce the financial burden on Maine families, making it possible for them to keep visiting their doctors and getting the care they need. The average subsidy in Maine is \$332. Without it, the cost of health insurance would simply be too high for many Mainers.

However, the fate of these subsidies--and the tens of thousands of Mainers who rely on them--is in question because of a pending U.S. Supreme Court case, *King v. Burwell*. The Supreme Court will decide whether federally facilitated exchanges can offer tax credits or whether they can only be offered through a state-based exchange.

Maine is using a federally facilitated exchange, so if the Supreme Court rules in favor of King and decides that federally facilitated marketplaces cannot offer the tax credits, nearly 67,000 Maine people are at risk of losing affordable health insurance.

This could be devastating not only to families who need to see their doctors but also to the health of our economy. Hospitals, health care providers, insurance companies and employers would all be destabilized by the loss of more than \$250 million in federal funds. And for those who would still be able to pay their premiums--or are sick and have no choice--the cost of health insurance through the marketplace would skyrocket as membership dropped, making it more expensive for everyone.

To avoid this scenario, I sponsored a bill to protect the subsidies by establishing a state-run exchange for Maine if the federal government notifies the state that they will no longer be available. Maine would continue to use the federal healthcare.gov website and other technical functions of the federal exchange, but we would transition to a state-based insurance marketplace in order to protect this key component of the ACA and avoid unraveling the substantial progress

that has been made towards a better, more affordable health care system.

Currently, the credits are available to those making between 100 and 400 percent of the federal poverty level. For a household of four, 100 percent of the federal poverty level is \$23,850 and 400 percent is \$95,400. Maine's population has lower annual incomes and high rates of self-employment, making it the ideal demographic to benefit from crucial subsidies.

The Supreme Court decision is expected in late June, which means it will not likely be decided before the Legislature adjourns. Therefore, it is imperative that the Legislature acts now to prevent chaos by putting a contingency plan in place.

My bill received strong bipartisan support and recently passed both the House and the Senate. Given the state's continued refusal to expand Medicaid, it is even more critical that we protect those who are at the cusp of losing access to life-saving health care.



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## Letter 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 *Gorham Times* Editor:

I am sick and tired of out of state special interest groups trying to lie to Mainers. What Senator Amy Volk has proposed is not an extension of years in office, but a staggering of terms so we don't have to go through as many costly, irritating campaign cycles.

In fact, the information about Senator Volk's idea is easily available on the Maine Legislature's website. Her idea follows a model other states have undertaken in which lawmakers would serve two 2-year terms and one 4-year term, with the districts staggered for those terms.

If we get to skip even one election cycle of having our voicemails and mailboxes filled with unwanted solicitation, I'm happy. This out of state group can spend their money elsewhere, because they've done nothing but make me happier to have voted for Senator Volk!

Go Senator Volk's website. Read the full explanation of her proposal

and then decide the merits of the proposal for yourself, not what someone from outside Maine has to say!  
Ken Curtis

Dear *Gorham Times* Editor:

The morning commute out of Gorham is so congested. Despite the annoying line of slow-moving traffic, there is someone who puts a smile on my face. Driving along Old Portland Road, bus number 24 will often pull over allowing commuters to pass after the students are safely picked up from their bus stop. Instead of having to wait in a long caravan of commuters, the bus driver allows many cars to pass before pulling back into traffic. It is very nice to find people who care about others. Thank you very much for doing that; it is a nice treat along an otherwise congested commute.  
Kattia Lomando

## Taking a Summer Break

To honor the hard work of our staff and volunteers, we will enjoy a short break after the July 2 issue. The paper after the break will be dated July 30.

## around town

With only four percent of voters casting ballots, the June 9 School Budget Validation Referendum passed 359 to 163.

According to the latest Census Bureau report released on May 21, the population of Gorham was one of the fastest growing towns among the Greater Portland suburbs from 2010 to 2014.

Town Manager David Cole recently issued a five-year service pin to police officer Steven Hinkley.

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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

# Life Changing Event Turns Young Cardiac Patient into Health Crusader

JACKIE FRANCIS  
Staff Writer

Scott Nevers, a 2004 graduate of Gorham High School and 2009 graduate of USM, remembers in astonishing detail the events that led to his cardiac arrest almost two years ago. Not because the specifics of his near-death event are vividly imprinted in his memory; on the contrary, Nevers has no memory of what happened to him the day he collapsed or, for that matter, for the entire week he was hospitalized. Family members and friends, EMT's and hospital reports along with graphic pictures of him lying in his hospital bed are his go-to sources for the particulars of that fateful day.

At the age of 27, Nevers experienced "sudden cardiac arrest" while playing in a men's league softball game in Biddeford on a record-breaking sweltering day in July.

"I'd played golf in the afternoon and was playing a double-header that evening," says Nevers, "and I collapsed after running to home-plate on somebody's double."

One of his teammates called 911 reporting that Nevers was having a seizure. Biddeford first responders arrived in five minutes and realized he was not having a seizure; he was in cardiac arrest.

"I was down for 40 minutes while first responders gave me CPR," explains Nevers, "and they used an AED (automated external defibrillator) on me 19 times to shock me."

The EMT's struggled to find a vein to insert an IV because his heart was not pumping blood properly. Instead they drilled into his shinbone to attach it. Once at the hospital, the defibrillator was used three more times.

Once stabilized, Nevers was put into a three-day induced coma to prevent brain damage. Upon awakening, an implantable cardioverter-defibrillator (ICD) was implanted into his chest capable of correcting most life-threatening cardiac arrhythmias.

Tall, lean and seemingly a picture of health, Nevers is as active today as he has ever been.



Courtesy photo

A year ago, Nevers co-founded Vacationland Distributors, a thriving beer and wine distributor that caters statewide to craft brewers, nano-breweries, and microbreweries. He is pleased to be able to offer his breweries short-term business contracts, rather than lifetime agreements that most distributors and breweries have due to franchise laws.

And even more recently, Nevers started his own medical supply business, specializing in AED's--the very device that saved his life. "I found my calling," says Nevers proudly, "and my passion is to get these devices in as many places as I can think of, like hotels, golf courses, recreational departments, campgrounds and athletic departments. To me, the more places that have AEDs, the better. The stats for Sudden Cardiac Arrest are scary, and if I can help sell a device that eventually saves someone's life, it will be worth every second."

He also calls himself a "poster-boy" for the American Heart Association as well as accepting public speaking engagements with just about any organization that asks. "I'll share my story with anyone if it means saving lives," says Nevers. "Luckily, I survived, and now I'm trying to help others."

For more information, Nevers' medical supply business can be found on Facebook at facebook.com/neversmedicalgroup, via email at scottnevers@gmail.com or by calling (207) 776-1579.

# Maine Families Encouraged to Bring Back the Sunday Dinner

## Efforts to Benefit Area Seniors and Meals on Wheels

GORHAM TIMES STAFF

Bill Jenks, owner of the Gorham-based Home Instead Senior Care (HISC), is on a mission to see more families share sit-down Sunday dinners with their senior loved ones. The reason? New research shows that 50 percent of 1,000 surveyed families living near senior relatives feel they do not share enough meals with older loved ones, losing an important family connection. "For seniors, it's not what's on their plate that matters most at mealtime--it's who is at the table with them," said Jenks, "When seniors share meals with a companion, they have a better mealtime experience -- both nutritionally and emotionally."

Almost 75 percent of the people surveyed said they only sit down for a family meal with senior loved ones for special occasions, events or holidays. They say a big part of the problem is time--both not having enough of it and conflicting schedules.

To encourage families to make time for these meals, the Home Instead Senior Care Foundation, an arm of the national HISC network, will donate one dollar to Meals on Wheels America (up to \$20,000 total through July 31, 2015) for each person who commits to regularly scheduling family dinners on

any night of the week at the website SundayDinnerPledge.com. Pledging to have a sit-down dinner once a month with loved ones will make it possible for other seniors to have a quality meal through the Meals on Wheels, a national organization supporting the more than 5,000 community-based senior nutrition programs across the country. Local Meals on Wheels help to alleviate senior hunger and isolation.

"We hope families will make the pledge to either revive or begin new mealtime traditions with their senior loved ones," Jenks said. "This small commitment can have a big impact on a senior's well-being."

To help families across the country host their own Sunday dinner, HISC has partnered with Food Network celebrity chef, author, and mother of four Melissa d'Arabian who has developed easy, nutritious recipes. Additional resources are also available which include tips for how to involve seniors in meal planning and preparation, pre- and post-dinner activities and meal plans for healthy, inexpensive meals that all generations can enjoy.

For these free resources and more information on how you can bring back the Sunday dinner and reconnect with your senior loved ones, visit www.SundayDinnerPledge.com or call Home Instead Senior Care at 839-0441.

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## Old Mobil Station CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

walls and windows, mostly with a glad-to-see-you-go theme. After the building was beautified, the destruction began.

The mother of Jon Smith won the bid to break the first large front window. Smith, the owner of the property and of Great Falls Construction, watched as she smashed it with a brick on her first toss. After the windows were all broken, the rest of the destruction began.

From water balloons to golden sledgehammers, the building stood strong after about an hour. A tug of war took down a large section of the east side of the building. Other

efforts, including using explosives and tow truck and fire truck pulls, were less successful.

At 4:45 p.m. the building, although badly damaged, still stood, defiant to the end. Not to be defeated, a standby excavator began work and by 5 p.m. the building was completely demolished to the cheers and applause of the gathered crowd.

Now that the site is clear, Smith's plan is to create a 6,000 square foot commercial building. Aroma Joe's and Subway are currently committed tenants, with an additional 3,000 square feet available.



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## MUNICIPAL

# Public Safety Building Update

PATRICK O'SHEA  
Staff Writer

A need for more space for the police and fire departments, first identified in 1999, will finally be met later this month.

After voters rejected the June 2013 referendum to renovate the former Little Falls School into a new headquarters for the police and fire departments at a cost of \$6.3 million, the Town Council came up with another plan.

Last November, registered Gorham Voters approved a capital expenditure not to exceed \$4,990,000 to renovate, improve and equip the existing public safety building located at 270 Main Street and to construct and equip a new police station. The proposal is to renovate the existing public safety building, which the departments now share, into a fire station, and, in front of that, construct a new 10,000 square foot police station. A courtyard between the buildings will create a complex.

The Town Council will vote on the final construction contract on June 23, and there will be a groundbreaking ceremony on June 24 at 9 a.m. The project is expected to be completed by the spring of 2016.

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Julie Burnheimer passed away in August of 2014 after a yearlong fight with cancer. She was a long time resident of Gorham and loved the Gorham community as well as being a close supporter of high school sports. The Burnheimer family and friends wish to honor Julie's memory by hosting a golf tournament as a fundraiser for the fight against cancer. The proceeds of this tournament will go to the well-known Jimmy Fund/Jimmy Fund Walk and in the future, a possible scholarship for GHS students.

**Player Details:** Four Person Teams - \$75/player - includes golf, cart and lunch. A putting contest, mulligans, 50/50 raffle, long drive and closest to the pin will be offered. Prizes will be offered for 1st place gross and 1st, 2nd & 3rd place net. **Limited to 36 teams on a first come first serve basis.**

**Sponsor Details:** Four Scorecard Sponsors will be available for \$125 each. Their names will appear on each team's scorecard. Individual Hole Sponsors will be available for \$100 each.

For more info email: [jpbgolffmemorial@gmail.com](mailto:jpbgolffmemorial@gmail.com) or call Scott Burnheimer at 839-6639.

# Officers Raise Money for Special Olympics



Photo courtesy of Gorham Police Department

Gorham officers Nate Therriault, Ted Hatch, Steve Hinkley and Ben Moreland along with three officers from Windham ran 6.3 miles through Gorham and continued on into Westbrook where Westbrook officers joined them. This year the Torch Run, an annual fundraiser for Special Olympics, raised \$1,885. Officers also served as waiters at the Tip-a-Cop event at Applebee's Restaurant on June 5 and donated their tips, which totaled \$570. They will participate in another Tip-a-Cop event at the Windham Applebee's on June 19.

# Council Provides Funds for Police Canine

SHERI FABER  
Staff Writer

In recent years, Gorham and Buxton have been the only municipalities in Greater Portland without a police dog. In fact, Gorham has been without a police dog since 2009. This year the Gorham Town Council approved funding of \$21,000 to allow the Police Department to purchase and maintain a dog certified in tracking and drug work. Start up costs will

include buying a trained dog at an approximate cost of \$6,500, equipping a cruiser with appropriate transport for the dog, and choosing an officer to be the dog's handler. Interim Chief Sanborn noted that Gorham requested a trained dog to respond to specific incidents 48 times in the two previous years, but was only able to get a dog 11 of those times. The dogs are used to locate people reported missing (usually children and the elderly) and in suspected drug cases.

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# Planning Board Results

At the June 1 meeting of the Planning Board, the Board:

- voted to give final approval to Stonefield IV Subdivision for a 36-lot clustered subdivision off Ichabod Lane.
- voted not to recommend an increase in the size of accessory apartments to a maximum of 1,000 feet. They also voted to recommend to the Town Council that perfor-

mance standard four be amended and that performance standard 10 be removed.

- voted not to allow a personal storage garage as a principal use.
- discussed a proposal to subdivide the remaining land in Shiers Meadows subdivision for a seven-lot conventional subdivision with improvements to Shiers Meadows Drive.

# Grand Jury Indictments

The Grand Jury returned the following indictments in June:

- Justin Clark, 31, of Portland, was indicted for theft on charges brought by the Gorham Police Department.
- Justin Earnshaw, 35, of Homestead, FL, was indicted for aggravated assault and reckless conduct on charges brought by Gorham Police Department.
- William Earnshaw, 55, of Naples, was indicted for criminal OUI, Operating without a license, aggravated assault and reckless conduct on charges brought by Gorham Police Department.

• Fasani, Edward, 27, of Middletown, DE, was indicted for aggravated assault and reckless conduct on charges brought by Gorham Police Department.

• Negron, Raul, 44, was indicted for possession of scheduled drugs on charges brought by MDEA and Gorham PD.

• Alexander Pufhal, 40, of Sanford, was indicted for theft and forgery on charges brought by Gorham Police Department.

• Jennifer White, aka Jennifer Mott, aka Jennifer Mott-White, 36, of Windham, was indicted for theft (priors) on charges brought by Gorham Police Department.

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# Senior Athletic Awards



Photo credit Stacie Leavitt

Pictured above are the GHS seniors who received special Senior Athletic Awards during the Spring Sports Award Ceremony June 8 at GHS. From left to right, Ashley Woodbury, Abraham Eaton, Darcie Brown, Andrew York, Charlotte Smith and Andrew Schmidt. Woodbury and Eaton won the Smith Award as the academically top-ranked senior athletes involved in three sports seasons. Brown and York won the Distinguished Athlete Award presented to students-athletes who were exemplary citizens as well as role models for younger students while best exhibiting the personal traits of courage, poise, self-confidence and leadership. Smith and Schmidt won the Outstanding Athlete Award, which recognizes the best all-around athlete among seniors based on school records, league all-stars, all-state nominations and overall contributions to athletics.

# Track State Champions!



Photo credit Jason Tanguay

Two GHS athletes won their individual events June 5 at the Class A Track & Field State Championships in Topsham. Showing their gold medals above are senior Drew York, who won the boys' 1600-meter racewalk with a time of 6:53.41, and freshman Anna Slager, who won the girls' 1600-meter run with a time of 5:16.06. Slager is also showing her second-place silver medal from the 3200 meters. She won both the 1600 and 3200 meters at the SMAA Championships on May 30 where York also won the 1600-meter racewalk while setting a conference record of 6:59.29. During the regular season, York set a school record for the event with a time of 6:41.57—very impressive given the long history of outstanding racewalkers at GHS.

# Narragansett School 5K Results

120 runners competed in the Narragansett School 5K on June 7, with James Flittner and Kevin Downing of Gorham taking the top two spots overall. Gorham's Mandy Murphy finished first in the women's division. Following are the results of Gorham runners:\*

Place	Name	Time
1	James Flittner	18:06
2	Kevin Downing	18:52
4	Scott Owens	22:20
7	Brady Sawyer	23:09
8	Mandy Murphy	23:11
16	Brian Penley	25:20
23	Jeremy Stevens	26:42
24	Mark Hodsdon	26:53
27	Bob Burns	27:24
29	Pamela Baldwin	27:37
31	Frank Arsenault	27:54
34	Rebecca West	28:35
44	Geraldine Beaubien	30:03

53	Dan LeGage	30:51
57	Marco Gasbarrone	31:14
68	Lisa Hyde	33:11
83	Kim Nagle	35:48
85	Kelly Reed	36:02
87	Ella Downing	36:13
95	Anne LaPierre	38:17
111	Grace Herrick	44:36

\*Editor's Note: Gorham runners are shown as listed at [www.coolrunning.com](http://www.coolrunning.com). The town was not listed for many of the participants.

## In the Zone

**Two Family Golf Championships in One Weekend!** Mike Caron (GHS '13) won the Maine State Golf Association weekly tournament event at Webhannet Country Club in Kennebunkport on June 6 with a 2-under par 69. He then paired up with his father, Jim Caron, on June 7 to win the Father/Son Tournament at Natanis Golf Club in Vassalboro. The pair combined to shoot a 75 playing an alternate-shot format.



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## Girls' Track & Field Point Earners – Class A State Meet June 5th at Topsham

**Anna Slager:** 1st-1600 meters (5:16.06); 2nd-3200 meters (11:43.74)

**Hayley Bickford:** 2nd-1600-meter racewalk (8:36.38)

**Erin Esty, Kayleigh Smith, Abby Perkins, Kristin Benson:** 3rd-4x100 meter relay (51.74)

**Kristin Benson:** 5th-200 meters (26.93); 6th-100 meters (13.45)

**Meadow Fortier:** 7th-800 meters (2:31.42)

**Leeanna Gray:** 7th-1600-meter racewalk (9:12.52)

As a team, Gorham placed fourth with 39 points. Slager (1600 meters) and the 400 meter relay team of Esty, Smith, Perkins and Benson also competed in the New England Track & Field Championships June 13 at Thornton Academy. Slager finished 11th while the relay team was disqualified for interfer-

ence. Bickford also won the 1600-meter racewalk at the Western Maine Class A Championships on May 30th. She finished high enough in the States to qualify for the New England Track & Field Championships, but the racewalk is not part of the event schedule at the New England level.

## Boys' Track & Field Point Earners – Class A State Meet

As a team, Gorham placed 12th with 23 points. York and Pratt finished high enough to qualify for the New England Track & Field Championships, but the racewalk is not part of the event schedule at the New England level.

**Drew York:** 1st-1600-meter racewalk (6:53.41)

**Sean Pratt:** 3rd-1600-meter racewalk (7:22.18)

**Branden Kuusela:** 5th-300 meter hurdles (41.79)

**Bill Ruby:** 5th-high jump (5-10)

**Spencer Linscott:** 6th-1600-meter racewalk (7:33.06)

## GHS Spring Sports Post-Season Wrap-Up

COMPILED BY JEFF PIKE  
Sports Editor

Boys' Lacrosse: The Rams finished the regular season 9-3 and ranked fifth in

Western Maine Class A. Cam Wright scored three goals to lead the way in a 12-11 over Westbrook in the tournament quarterfinals. A pass from Wright to Alex York was deflected into the net by Westbrook followed by a goal

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## Gorham Equestrian Joins Century Club

Cindy Bishop of Gorham was inducted into a special group of senior dressage riders and horses on May 31 at Vienna Farm in Gorham. The ages of Cindy and her horse, Star, add up to 100 years, which qualified them to become members of The Dressage Foundation's Century Club. In addition to ages totaling 100 or more, horse and rider must perform a dressage test at a show scored by a judge. The Dressage Foundation provides a Century Club ribbon and wall plaque, and Bishop also received a gift certificate from O'Donal's Nursery in Gorham. Bishop started riding in her late 30s, taking dressage training at Vienna Farm with owner Tanya Rennie and trainer Amy Libby. Now 65-years-old, Bishop has been riding for 25 years. Star is a 35-year-old Morgan/



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Quarter Horse cross who has lived at Vienna Farm since he was five. He has had an active career as a much loved school horse with hundreds of students of all ages having ridden him over the years.

## Sports Etc

**1st-Annual Julie Burnheimer Memorial Golf Tournament:** July 18 at the Gorham Country Club with proceeds going to the Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk to help fight cancer. Shot-gun tournament starts at 8:30 a.m. and features a four-person scramble format and prizes for putting, longest-drive and closest-to-the-pin contests as well as for low gross and low net teams. The Burnheimer family will also host a cookout following the tournament. Entry fee is \$75 per player, and sponsorship opportunities are available. FMI to sign up, email [jpbgolftournament@gmail.com](mailto:jpbgolftournament@gmail.com) or call Scott Burnheimer at 839-6639.

**Gorham Boys' Basketball Clinic:** GHS boys' varsity basketball head coach Mark Karter and the Gorham Rec Department are offering one-week basketball clinics at GHS for boys entering grades three through eight: June 29-July 2 and July 6-9, from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$60 per camper per week. Register at the Gorham Rec Department or at [www.gorhamrec.com](http://www.gorhamrec.com). FMI, contact Coach Karter at [karterm@westbrookschoools.org](mailto:karterm@westbrookschoools.org).

**Rosevelt Soccer Club to Host Premier Team Tryouts:** The Roosevelt Soccer Club based in Westbrook is hosting player evaluations for its 2015-2016 teams, and youth soccer players in Gorham are invited to try out. The season runs from December-June and primarily focuses on player development. The boys' and girls' tryouts for ages 11-13 take place June 22, 5:30-7:30 p.m. The boys' and girls' tryouts for ages 11-17 take place July 11, 10 a.m. to noon and/or July 19, 5:30-7:30 p.m. FMI, visit [www.roseveltsoccer.com](http://www.roseveltsoccer.com), e-mail [roseveltsoccer@gmail.com](mailto:roseveltsoccer@gmail.com), or call 766-8554.



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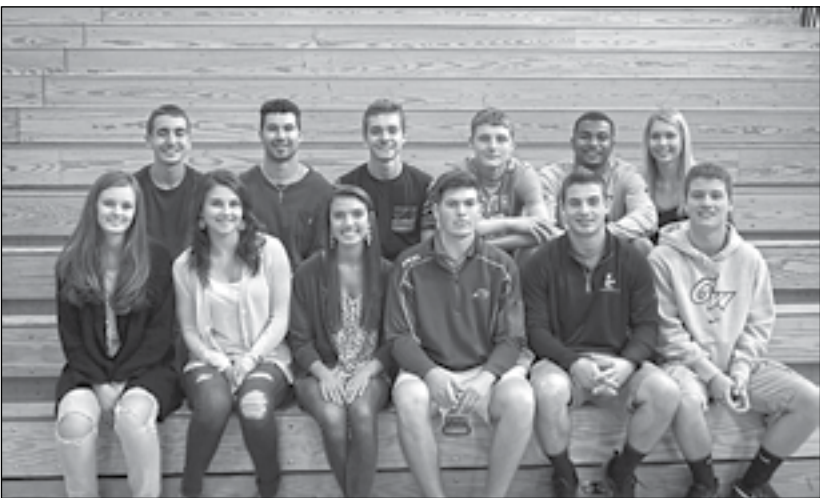
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# Congratulations Gorham High School Class of 2015!

Gorham graduates of local private high schools will be featured in the next edition.

## Valedictorian, Summa Cum Laude



**Douglas Beahm**  
Son of: Raymond Beahm

## Salutatorian, Magna Cum Laude



**Ashley Woodbury**  
Daughter of: James and Georgianna Woodbury

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trial and error. Learn to fail  
and still make the best out  
of your experiences."  
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## Magna Cum Laude



**Jessalyn Bergeron**  
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Son of: Andrew York

## Cum Laude



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**Katherine Stickney**  
Daughter of: Christopher Stickney and Julie Stickney



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Son of: Bruce and Kathleen Ward

*"Today we stand here as winners and are ready to leave Gorham and go out into the world. But these moments of triumph would not have been possible without two important things: love and compassion. Love and compassion that came from our family, our friends, and most importantly our teachers."*

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Elizabeth Kane  
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## Class of 2015 CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

local families have given me their time and compassion,” Beahm said, demonstrating truly how appreciative he was to live in such a communal town.

He left the podium asking everyone to celebrate not what he has done, but what the community has done for him and his fellow classmates.

To break up the speeches, a group of senior singers performed an original song called “The Tell-Tale Sign,” written by Drew York, a member of the graduating class. The song featured solos by York, GraceAnn Burns, Sarah Logan, and Katherine Stickney.

Seniors John Ennis and GraceAnn Burns then introduced history teacher Scott Caulfield who was the guest speaker for the night. Caulfield metaphorically portrayed the journey students will undertake following graduation by using an allusion to highway line painting, explaining how even the smartest people make careless mistakes but learning from them, rather than getting frustrated, is what is important.

After the diplomas were handed out by Record, the class relaxed and joined together to sing their class song, “The Middle,” by Jimmy Eat World. Each student had a bright smile on their face, as they celebrated their graduation and the beginning of their futures. The

song ended with the ceremonial turning of the tassels conducted by the class officers Humza Khan, Megan Bennett, Emily Lewis, and Kiana Plumer, officially marking the transition from high school seniors to GHS alumni.

Record closed the night with a few last remarks, then finally the Class of 2015 left the auditorium to the fitting song “See You Again,” by Wiz Khalifa. It was an emotional time, but exciting nonetheless. Congratulations, Class of 2015!

### 2015 Graduate



*Congratulations  
Eden!*

*We are all so proud of you.  
With all our best wishes  
from your friends  
at the Bookworm.*

### 2015 Graduate



*Gorham High  
School 2015*

*Congratulations Whitney Emerson!*

*I am so proud of you and all that  
you have accomplished!*

*Love,  
Mom*

### 2015 Graduate



*Congratulations  
Michael Chapin*

*Gorham High  
School 2015*

*You made it Michael Chapin!  
We are so proud of you and excited for  
your future. Congratulations to you,  
your friends and the whole  
GHS senior class.  
Love Mom, Dad and Emily*

### 2015 Graduate



*Congratulations  
Julie Pike*

*Gorham High  
School 2015*

*Julie: We are so very proud of you upon  
your high school graduation! We feel lucky  
that you are our daughter and know you will  
be very successful as you move on to college.  
Always follow your dreams!*

*Love, Mom and Dad*

### 2015 Graduate

*Congratulations,  
Maggie!!*

*We are so proud  
of all of your  
accomplishments!  
We can't wait to see  
what your next  
chapters bring.  
Love, Dad, Mom,  
and Sarah*



### 2015 Graduate

*Congratulations  
Katie Stoddard*

*Gorham High  
School 2015*

*Katie— Congratulations on your  
high school graduation!  
We are so proud of all your  
accomplishments!  
What an amazing young lady  
you have become!  
We love you!  
Dad, Mom, Krissy and Kimmy*



### 2015 Graduate

*Congratulations  
Spencer Ruda*

*Gorham High  
School 2015*

*We are so proud of you for all your  
accomplishments! We know  
you will do great things at  
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in Los Angeles, CA  
We Love You!  
Mom and Dad*



### 2015 Graduate

*Trevor —  
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We have watched  
you grow into a fine  
man with a world of  
potential. Near or  
far – we will always  
love and support  
you. We wish you  
every happiness  
& success!*

*Love~ Mom, Dad, Erika,  
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# Gorham Adult Education 2015 Graduates

LISA DALRYMPLE

On the evening of June 4, Gorham Adult Education celebrated the graduation of their students. Family members and friends came out to support the hard work and accomplishments of these graduates.

Students participating in the ceremony were: Lauren Bray, Malakai Cawood, Savannah Frager, Danielle Jenness, Oliver Steele, and Krista Warren. Additional members of the class of 2015 included: Thomas Caiazzo, Michael Dorazio, Liam Little, and Duncan St.Louis-Farrelly.

Frager, Little, and St. Louis-Farrelly were recognized as having achieved high academic standing. They received scores of 15 or higher on four or more of their HiSET® tests (the high school equivalency test that replaced the GED). HiSET® has designated a score of 15 or higher as being college or career ready.

Kate Rotroff, director of Gorham Adult Education, gave the main address to the graduates. She emphasized the importance of finding a passion in life. She spoke about various life paths they may take and the experiences needed to find what "makes them want to get up each morning."



Photo credit Steve Morneau

Gorham Adult Education handed out diplomas to 10 graduates this year. Students pictured are (left to right): Malakai Cawood, Lauren Bray, Oliver Steele, Krista Warren, Danielle Jenness, and Savannah Frager.

The two student speakers for the ceremony were Frager and Steele. Both spoke about the perseverance it took to continue their education and the pride they took in their achievements.

Frager urged the graduates to be proud of themselves and recognize the strength it took to get to this

point. Steele thanked his family and friends for their support. He also spoke about the importance of receiving his diploma in setting an example for his children.

After the ceremony, family, friends, and staff celebrated with the graduates at a reception in their honor.

## GHS Grad Selected as 2015 Graduate to Watch



Photo credit Dana Thompson

Daniel Thompson, son of Lori Thompson and Dana Thompson, was selected by Gorham High School as one of the 2015 graduates to watch in the Maine Sunday Telegram. Daniel is legally blind but has used technological advances to overcome his vision deficits. He works part time at Amato's and took college-level courses at USM last summer. He plans to attend USM in the fall to study to be a clinical psychologist. Principal Chris Record, who recommended him, said, "Daniel was selected because he rose above his challenges to become an outstanding school citizen. He participated in a variety of extra-curricular activities, succeeded in the classroom, and added a great deal to the positive atmosphere of the school. His family should be very proud of him. Daniel made GHS a better place."

## CONGRATULATIONS, GHS CLASS OF 2015!

The Project Graduation Committee would like to send their best wishes to the entire Gorham High School Class of 2015. The sincere thanks we have received from the kids for their Project Graduation night has made all the hard work well worth it!

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We would also like to thank all the parents, teachers, individuals & businesses that donated their time & money to make all of our fundraising events successful. It's wonderful to have such great support by so many in our community.

**THANK YOU FROM THE CLASS OF 2015 & THE PROJECT GRADUATION COMMITTEE!**

# GHS Takes on Maine Model UN at USM



Photo credit Dave Farrington

Gorham High School (GHS) recently sent a delegation to the Maine Model United Nations Conference (MEMUNC) at the University of Southern Maine. Students were assigned to countries and committees. Topics of debate ranged from animal rights, environmental protection, girls' education, child soldiers, reevaluating the Millennium Development Goals, and recreating the historic San Francisco meeting of the UN. During the three-day conference, delegates were tasked to debate current issues (taking the position of their country) and draft, amend, and eventually pass resolutions. Pictured standing (left to right) are: Andrew Garcia, Colin Creevey, Garrett Higgins, Austin Pomelow, Shawn Crosby, Aaron Farr, Alexis Fotter, Ben Donohue, Andrew Harjula, Anna Slager, Meadow Fortier, Jillian Worster, Claire Valentine, Abbie vanLuling, Caitlin Callahan, Ally Johnson, Lucas Bryant, Annmarie Dellasala, Sam Roussel, Hannah Libby, Avery Arena, Thomas Matthews, Hailey Bryant, Delaney Burns, Lillian Close, Mia Kaufman, Josie Smith, Hannah LeBlanc, and Grace Libby. Seated are Emma Cousins and Sophia Hendrix.

## Correction

At the Senior Scholarship Night on May 26 Trevor Nelson was recognized as a member of the Spanish Honor Society. Regrettably, his name was omitted from the listing of students in our last issue.

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# Program Takes Hand-On Approach to Making Difference in Students' Lives

JEFF BURNAP  
BRIDGES program at  
Gorham High School

The alternative education BRIDGES Program serves ninth graders at Gorham High School (GHS). This year the BRIDGES Program has taken on four new hands-on experiential programs, in addition to the more traditional, classroom-based instruction.

In the first quarter, the group took part in low and high rope courses at Camp Ketcha in Scarborough. Students participated in team building games and challenges that encouraged problem solving, communication, and working together.

In the second quarter, students engaged in an experiential science unit about water quality. Students learned about watersheds, runoff, and how different pollutants affect our water systems.

The class traveled to the UNE marine biology labs in Biddeford, the Portland



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BRIDGES Program students explored the intertidal zone at Macworth Island in Falmouth. Pictured (left to right) are: Jeremy Harmon, Olivia Ionta, Owen Basinger, Jacob Miller, and Sawyer Hanscome.

Water District's water treatment facility in Standish, and designed and carried out a water quality assessment of the Presumpscot River from Gorham to Portland. The unit culminated with a trip to the Seacoast Science Center in New Hampshire where they learned how marine organisms are affected by water pollution.

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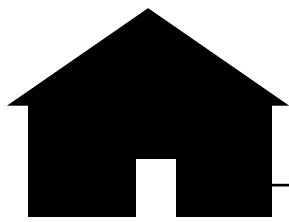
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# GHS Junior Mallory Campbell Wins Journalism Award

ELIZABETH KANE  
GHS Student Intern

Gorham High School junior Mallory Campbell recently won a contest to participate in an all-expenses-paid journalism conference. Al Neuharth Free Spirit and Journalism Conference is a program for high school juniors interested in journalism careers. It is designed to promote the importance of free spirit and free speech. The conference, a week-long experience in Washington D.C., is attended by winners of a contest, one representative student per state.

A week before the deadline of the contest, a Maine representative was still in need.

Everyone in the Digital Journalism class taught by Will Sedlack submitted their applications, including Mallory Campbell. Other than examples of journalistic work, the contest required submitting two short essays answering the questions, "Why do you want to be a journalist?" and "What makes you a free spirit?"

"To be a journalist, is to be a seeker of the truth," Campbell says, in her essay 'Knowledge Not of the Book Source.' "To be a seeker of truth takes

guts. I want to be a journalist because there's a world to explore."

Campbell says she did not always want to be a journalist. "I was fixated on being an EMT, but then I took classes for EMT basic and [with] the first picture I saw of a dead person, I immediately shut that down." Although it changed her plans, she states she always liked to write and taking Digital Journalism opened the possibility of being a journalist.

On the topic of the second essay, Campbell says, "I'm a free spirit because I want to see the world, I want to travel, I want to do different things. To be free, first you have to want to be free. You can't go around settling. To be free is to do so many different things and meet so many different people."

Living up to her hopes of traveling, Campbell will represent Maine in Washington DC for the June conference where she will join 50 other young writers in touring the city and learning from journalists currently in the field.



Photo credit Lizzy Kane

# Six GHS Students Published after Contest

Seven Gorham High School (GHS) students were recently recognized for their literacy accomplishments. During the school year, students entered a writing contest held by The Telling Room, a nonprofit writing center in Portland. This year's contest, open to teens across the state, focused on the concept of water either literally or metaphorically. Out of over 130 submissions, six students from GHS were published in the anthology, "When the Sea Spoke." The students were honored at The Telling Room's Big Night, which happened to also be their tenth annual celebration and anthology release party. Lizzy Lemieux, a sophomore in Jeanne Zarrilli's class, won the grand prize--a feature in the May issue of Maine Magazine--and she also received a cash prize. Other GHS students honored with publication from Lucinda Stein's classes included seniors Meagan Thomsen and Madeleine Scholz-Lague and freshmen Isabelle Burke, Simeon Willey, and Rylie Wareham. For more information about



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this teen writing organization, visit [www.tellingroom.org](http://www.tellingroom.org). Pictured are Willey, for his submission of "Down Deep," and Wareham for her submission of "Behind the Helm."

## Gorham Sightings

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## BRIDGES Program CONTINUED FROM PAGE 13

During the third quarter students went to Shawnee Peak in Bridgeton for downhill skiing and snowboarding. Students took lessons, stretched their comfort zones, and were exposed to one of Maine's best and healthiest outdoor winter activities.

Throughout the final quarter, students have been working with Rippleffect, a kayaking and adventure program based in Portland. The students are refreshing their skills and gaining confidence in working as a team and problem solving through group games and adventure challenges. They have also been exploring Maine's forts

and islands including: Cow Island, Fort Gorges, and Fort Williams.

Most of the students in the BRIDGES program do not thrive in a traditional classroom environment. They all face different challenges, including: anxiety, depression, low grades, and difficult relationships at home and at school. The BRIDGES program provides these students with a different option in school. It provides them with a supportive environment that offers relationship-based non-traditional teaching and learning and gives these students a chance to be successful.

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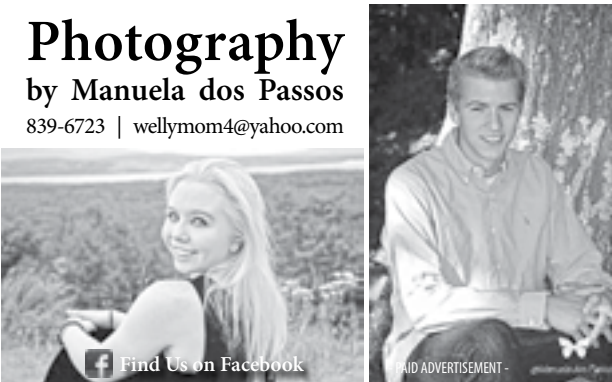
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**McKenzie Meserve (GHS '13)**, Mount Ida College  
**Francesco Pappalardo (GHS '14)**, Bowdoin College, Romance Languages  
**Taylor Porter (GHS '13)**, Mount Ida College  
**Osna Sayed (GHS '12)**, Saint Joseph's College, Nursing  
**Joshua Wright (GHS '13)**, Bob Jones University, Accounting, President's List

### GRADUATIONS

**Hanna Hamblen (GHS '11)**, St. Lawrence University, B.A. Environmental Studies – Economics, cum laude  
**Sara Harvey (GHS '11)**, St. Lawrence University, B.A. Government and Sociology, cum laude  
**Riley Meserve (GHS '11)**, Keene State College, B.S. Education  
**Michael Miliano (GHS '11)**, College of the Holy Cross, Bachelor of Arts degree  
**Thomas Moutinho (GHS '11)**, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, B.S. Biomedical Engineering with high distinction  
**Ryan Quint (GHS '11)**, University of Mary Washington, B.A. History

### OF INTEREST

**Aiden Fortier received the Amanda Grant Scholarship at this year's Dance Studio of Maine's Annual Recital.** Brinn and Brooke Hall (pictured at right) of Gorham received the 1st Lisa Hall-Lamoreau Scholarship in honor of their mother who lost her battle with cancer this year.)

**Sara Esty (GHS '04)**, former soloist with the Miami City Ballet, is currently in the Tony Award winning Broadway production of "An American In Paris." Esty will be taking the lead at the Palace Theatre from July 21 to 26.

**Anthony Perkins earned top ratings from Chambers USA**, a prestigious directory of the nation's top business lawyers. Perkins works within the Corporate/Mergers and Acquisitions industry.

**New England Rehabilitation Hospital presented the hospital's Leadership Award to Cathy Waterman of Gorham, NERHP's Director of Case Management.** The Leadership Award is given annually to a member of the hospital's leadership team who has made significant contributions during the prior year. She began her career at NERHP in 1998 as a charge nurse. (L-R): Cathy Waterman and CEO Jeanine Chesley

**Aaron Chadbourne (GHS '04)** has accepted a position within the LePage administration as senior policy advisor on a range of issues including regulation and legislation related to education, taxation, defense, veterans and emergency management. Chadbourne, a graduate of Harvard Law School and Harvard Business School, was formerly a management consultant at McKinsey & Company, a global management consulting firm.

**Alexandra Tracy (GHS '11)**, a student in the School of Health Sciences and Human Performance at Ithaca College, was recently awarded the Professional Excellence Award for her knowledge and achievement within the department.

**Senator Amy Volk welcomed Gorham High School and Gorham Middle School students to the State House as honorary pages.** (L-R): Freddie Mum, Jacob Benson, Hannah Benson, Lee Benson, and Senator Volk.

**Home Instead Senior Care**, located at 502 Main Street in Gorham, will hold its **Fourth Annual ALZ Fair on Saturday, June 20 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.** Crafts, plants, raffle baskets and games. Free and open to public! FMI, 839-0441.

**Cricket Comforts**, a volunteer organization creating pillowcases for children receiving medical care, will hold a **sewing gathering on Saturday, June 20 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.** at the Gorham Municipal Center off Ball Park Road. FMI, cricketcomforts@yahoo.com.

**The following Gorham High School students participated in and received awards in the Gorham Woman's Club Art Show held recently at the First Parish Church.** Jacob Clark (first place), Abigail Sladen (second place), Kayleigh Bettencourt (third place) and Claire Valentine (fourth place). Clark and Sladden went on to win first and third in the GFWC Maine Spring State Conference. Top Row: Jacob Clark, Brenda Blair, GWC Art Chairman, and Claire Valentine. Front Row: Kayleigh Bettencourt, Abigail Sladen.



**The Casco Bay Wind Symphony will host the 35th observation of R. B Hall Day with a FREE day of music and entertainment on Saturday, June 27 at the GHS McCormack Performance Arts Center from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.** Participating bands will come from Portland, Boothbay, Waterville, Hallowell, Bath, Bridgton, Bangor, Lincolnville, Sacopee Valley, and Westbrook to honor Robert Browne Hall, Maine's "March King." The public is invited to attend all or part of the day listening to excellent band music for free. Food and drink will be available for purchase.

**Critter Camp will run at First Parish Church from 9 a.m. to noon, Monday June 29 through Thursday, July 2.** Outdoor fun and creative activities for children from pre-school to grade six. FMI or to register, call the church office at 839-6751 or visit us online at [www.firstparishgorham.org](http://www.firstparishgorham.org).

**The Friends of Baxter Memorial Library's Spring into Summer Event begins Wednesday, June 17 from 2 to 6 p.m. (Rain date: June 24).** Vehicles from the Public Works, Fire and Police Departments will be on hand for kids to explore. Free hot dogs and snow cones! Children's crafts and activities. The summer reading program this year is a collaborative effort of the Baxter Memorial Library, Gorham Schools and North Gorham Public Library. All ages invited to participate. FMI, [www.tinyurl.com/gorhamreads](http://www.tinyurl.com/gorhamreads)

### ON-GOING EVENTS

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**Goodwill Industries of Northern New England** is now offering behind the scene tours of their warehouse at 34 Hutcherson Drive in Gorham. Visitors will see how goods are sorted and prepared for aftermarket sales and recycling. Tours are held on the second Thursday of each month from 2 to 3 p.m. Children must be accompanied by an adult. FMI, [ken.christian@goodwillnne.org](mailto:ken.christian@goodwillnne.org) or 207-774-6323.

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**A Bean Supper** will be held on Saturday, June 20 from 5 to 6 p.m. at the North Congregational Church, 22 Church Hill Road, Buxton. \$8.

**The Wireless Society of Southern Maine** will put their radio skills on display as they participate in Amateur Radio Field Day, June 27-28, at Wassamki Springs Campground in Scarborough. FMI, (207) 831-8132.

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She is survived by her children: Steve and Candy Crispo of Hope, Susie and Rodney Morse of Cherryfield, and Carla Osier and Ralph Pearce of East Sullivan; her grandchildren and step-grandchildren: Tyler, Trevor, Nicholas, Laura, Jill, Eric, Richard, Dennis, Cheryl, Kimberly, Michelle, Michael, Kathy, Scott and Dana; several great-grandchildren and great-step-grandchildren; sister Ruth Eleanor Day Conley and a special niece Donna Conley Plummer.

She was predeceased by her parents; husband Irving Crispo; brothers: Lewis E. Day Jr. and Kenneth W. Day; her sister Muriel L. Day; her infant daughter Judith and her stepson Dennis Crispo.

There will be a private graveside service at a later date. Donations may be made in her memory to The Ark Animal Shelter, Cherryfield, Maine 04622.

# Gorham Taste Walk

KATI KING

The rain did not keep the crowds away from the Eighth Annual Gorham Taste Walk. The event began as a food, music, and art festival intended to provide the community with an on-foot experience of Gorham village.

Roughly 120 maps were sold and nearly 100 votes were cast in this year's downtown food tasting event. Sebago Brewing Company was announced the winner of the Golden Spoon at the Uptown Junk demolition party.

Changes to the Taste Walk this year included a sponsorship by the Gorham Business Exchange, and the

addition of one new stop—MK Kitchen, which totaled 12 participating restaurants in all.

The event raised nearly \$700 in map sales and donations. One hundred percent of the funds raised will go toward sending high school students to Young Life camp. Young Life is a Christian-based non-profit organization for high school students of any or no faith background, in which adult volunteers offer kids positive adult role models, life-giving ways to spend time and the chance to hear the basics of the Christian faith.

For more information about next year's Taste Walk, visit [www.facebook.com/GorhamTasteWalk](http://www.facebook.com/GorhamTasteWalk).

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from Michael Susi to cap the win. Susi also won the ensuing face-off and kept the ball after Westbrook closed the score to 12-11 with 51 second left in the game. In the tournament semifinals on June 13, the Rams lost to Scarborough, 16-7.

**Girls' Lacrosse:** The Rams won four of their last five games to finish the regular season 7-5 and ranked fifth in Western Maine Class A. The team then lost to Scarborough, 16-5 in the tournament quarterfinals. Regan Emerson and Marina Papalardo both scored two goals in the loss.

**Girls' Tennis:** The Rams ended the regular season 9-3 ranked sixth in Western Maine Class A and won its tournament preliminary-round match, 5-0, vs. South Portland. The team then lost to Portland, 4-1, in the quarterfinals, with the team's match point coming from the doubles team of Sarah Plourde and Renae Staples.

**Boys' Tennis:** The team finished the regular season 7-5 ranked eighth in Western Maine Class A and won its tournament preliminary-round match, 4-1, vs. South Portland. The team then lost to Thornton Academy, 4-1, in the quarterfinals, with the team's match point coming from the doubles team of Nathan Roberts and Connor White.

**Baseball:** The team closed out the regular season in thrilling fashion to finish 8-8 and clinch the final spot in the Western Maine Class A tournament. The Rams won their final three games including an 8-7 win over Westbrook in which center fielder Gerek Brown threw out the potential tying run at the plate in the bottom of the last inning. The Rams also won a nail-biting 1-0 extra-inning game over highly-ranked South Portland in the season finale. Sam Kilborn took a no-hitter into the eighth inning before giving up a single, and Andrew Schmidt scored the game winning run in the bottom of the inning. The 12th-seeded Rams then defeated fifth-seeded Thornton Academy, 13-2, in the preliminary round of the playoffs behind another strong pitching performance by Kilborn and two-RBI hits by Logan Drouin, Brown and Schmidt. Gorham's season ended in the quarterfinals with a 5-3 loss vs. fourth-seed Falmouth on June 11.

**Softball:** The Rams finished the regular season 7-9 and ranked ninth in Western Maine Class A. The team then lost to Windham, 3-2, in the preliminary round of the tournament. Lindsay Wilcox had two hits in the loss while Grace McGouldrick tied the game with a sacrifice fly RBI in the fifth inning before Windham scored the winning run in the sixth inning.

## Calving Season



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Calving season has been keeping Sebago Lake Ranch owner Ben Hartwell very busy. Hartwell's farm raises Hereford and Red Angus crossbreeds for grass fed beef.

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## COLD AND SUSPICIOUS? BRR!

**Officer checked Shaw Park in response to a call about suspicious persons. Only one vehicle was there and that family told officer they were cold.**

Woman called about a pig that was being contained at her residence. It belonged to a Plummer Road woman and was escorted back to Plummer Road. Owner was warned for animal trespass.

Officer stopped a vehicle on Main Street and issued warnings for having a headlight out, an expired registration sticker, and the wrong address on the vehicle registration. Driver was not impaired.

Woman on Plummer Road was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

Vehicle pulled over on Dingley Spring Road belonged to a man with sleep apnea who had pulled over to rest. His battery was low so he was letting his vehicle run to charge it.

Officer checking the Industrial Park saw people unload property from a trailer into an SUV. Officer was told they were retrieving items from the business trailer.

Suspicious person who pulled in the parking lot of a building on Lower Main and got out of his car was urinating. He was warned for doing that in public.

Caller reported a vicious dog on Main Street. Animal Control Officer was notified.

Driver on Robie Street was warned for trash flying out of vehicle.

Buck Street caller reported a car was disturbing her sleep around 3 a.m.

Man was physically and verbally threatening an elderly person with domestic violence terrorizing.

Officer advised caller it was not harassment for someone to sit in the parking lot when they had not spoken or made any gestures toward the caller.

Man turned himself in to the police as he had an outstanding warrant.

## Where Can I Find the Gorham Times?

Looking to pick up the latest edition of the Gorham Times at Hannaford? The newspaper can be found in the lobby nearest the produce department. Don't go through that lobby? Make it easier on yourself by having the paper delivered directly to your home or office!

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## CALENDAR

### SATURDAY, JUN 20

- Cricket Comfort Gathering, Gorham Recreation Center Multipurpose Room, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. FMI, [CricketComforts@yahoo.com](mailto:CricketComforts@yahoo.com).
- Greater Gorham Farmer's Market, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Located on Route 114, next to Baxter Memorial Library.
- Annual ALZ Fair, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Crafts, plants, raffle baskets and games. Free and open to public! Home Instead Senior Care, 502 Main Street, Gorham. FMI, 839-0441.

### MONDAY, JUN 22

- The Gorham Republican Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. All registered Republicans are welcome. FMI, call 415-2673.

### TUESDAY, JUN 23

- Cricket Comfort Gathering, First Parish Congregational Church Fellowship Hall, 12:30-4 p.m. FMI, [CricketComforts@yahoo.com](mailto:CricketComforts@yahoo.com).
- Build It! Using Lincoln Logs, Bristle Blocks, Duplos and Legos. 1 p.m. All ages. Baxter Memorial Library. No registration required.

### WEDNESDAY, JUN 24

- Town of Gorham Senior Lunch Program, St. Anne's Church, Gorham. 12-1:30 p.m. \$4. FMI, 839-4857.

### THURSDAY, JUN 25

- Puppet Time, 10 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library. All ages. No registration required.

### SATURDAY, JUN 27

- Greater Gorham Farmer's Market, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Located on Route 114, next to Baxter Memorial Library.
- FREE day of music and entertainment honoring Robert Browne Hall, Maine's "March King," GHS McCormack Performance Arts Center, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Come when you can!

### MONDAY, JUN 29

- Crafternoon at the Baxter Memorial Library: Pool Noodle Sailboats, 1:30-3:30 p.m. No registration required.

### WEDNESDAY, JUL 1

- Town of Gorham Senior Lunch Program, St. Anne's Church, Gorham. 12-1:30 p.m. \$4. FMI, 839-4857.

### THURSDAY, JUL 2

- Summer Stories at the Baxter Memorial Library, 10 a.m., all ages. No registration required.

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