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# 10 Preble Street to be Restored



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Sheri Faber Staff Writer

In 2012, the Town of Gorham purchased 10 Preble St. and 21 Main St., the property behind Amato's, as part of a plan to provide more parking for local businesses in Gorham village. The Town hoped that both of these properties would ultimately be connected to an adjacent property at 31 Main St., owned by Marsha Traill Weeks. That plan did not come to fruition. The house at 21 Main St. was offered for free to anyone

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## Newest Staff Writer, Bailey O'Brien

GORHAM TIMES STAFF

The Gorham Times welcomes Bailey O'Brien (GHS '10) as its newest staff writer, but she is not new to the paper. Her writing was first published in the Gorham Times while she was an



Photo credit Bailey O'Brien

intern during the summer of 2011. The experience of writing for an audience encouraged Bailey to continue pursuing her passion for writing. She graduated summa cum laude from the University of Maine in 2014 with a B.A. in English and a concentration in creative writing. Now a staff writer of mostly municipal news, she is excited to have the opportunity to deeply engage with the issues in her hometown.

When not writing for the paper, Bailey can be found hostessing at Flatbread Company in Portland, writing and editing as a freelancer, hiking, or baking cookies. She would love to have a career involving writing and a life full of travel.

## Gorham Farmers Market Comes Back Strong







Photos courtesy of Gorham Farmers Market

Leslie Dupuis

Editor

The Greater Gorham Farmers Market opens for the season on Saturday, May 7. The Market is held rain or shine every Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the lawn next to the Baxter Memorial Library on South Street.

Maureen Terry, Market manager, indicated participation has increased again this year with five new vendors joining the group providing Gorham residents with even more reasons to buy local. Organizers are planning a free Market bag giveaway on opening day, a "Seed Day" on May 21 hosted by Old Wells Farm, and many other special events throughout the season such as craft days, a music

festival day, a pie day, and special days for kids, too. For a full calendar of events, please visit facebook.com/ GreaterGorhamFarmersMarket/.

The following is a comprehensive list of vendors for this year's Greater Gorham Farmers Market:

- Findview Farm local meats and seasonal vegetables, maple syrup and eggs
- Dow Farm Heritage apples, eggs, Silvery Moon Creamery cheeses
- Old Wells Farm MOFGA certified organic produce
- Galley Goodies gluten free baked goods
- Sweet and Savory Bakehouse bagels, english muffins, jams and jellies
- MoMunch Granola locally produced granola

- Falling Star Farm Alpaca fiber arts
- Blue Star Soap locally produced soaps, lotions and laundry detergent
- Fat Pants Bakery locally sourced baked goods
- Glad Harvest Farm fresh seasonal produce and chicken
- Gracie's Garden lacto-fermented vegetables
- Pearson Farm local meats and seasonal produce
  - Tasha's Veggies organic produce
- WillowDreamz dream catchers, Spirit Ware, and homemade potholders and aprons
  - Bamp's Bees honey products
- Ram's Farm goat cheese and meat, goat soap, lotions and handcrafted jewelry

## Into the Mud Challenge Held for Final Time

Martin Gagnon

Sports Editor

On a beautiful Sunday April afternoon, hundreds of soggy participants romped and splashed through the 2.5 mile obstacle course at the final Into the Mud Challenge. As always, costumes were strongly encouraged and there were many wacky outfits. The family event had just one requirement for all those who joined: you could not stay clean. For those not interested in hopping into the mud and scraping dirt out of their ears for a week, there was also a DJ, games and face painting.

The Into the Mud Challenge began six years ago as an "invent an event" opportunity for the University of Southern Maine Business 316 Sport Event Management class. According to



Photo credit Roger Marchan

Participants had no problem getting dirty in this year's USM/Gorham Recreation Department sponsored Into the Mud Challenge held on April 24.

Gorham Rec. Director Cindy Hazelton, the Town was asked for input on potential locations and the Weeks Road/ Gorham Middle School site was eventually selected.

"USM students worked very hard to establish a network of obstacles and trail enhancements on that property over the last six years," Hazleton stated. "Their manual labor exerted out there has been tremendous and they should be credited with an amazing end product for all trail users to enjoy."

While the event has been very successful, the students in USM Business 316 class look forward to creating a new event which may or may not be held in Gorham.

This year's Into the Mud Challenge raised money for the University of Southern Maine Sports Management Scholarship Fund.

## CATHRYN FALWELL RECEIVES KATAHDIN AWARD

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## The Road to Success Begins at School

REP. LINDA SANBORN

Each school day, mothers and fathers watch as their children climb onto the school bus and are whisked away to school. We hope that our kids get the most out of every school day - that they are inspired by a teacher, excited by learning and even begin to think about the role they want to play in the world when they grow up.

It is our responsibility to invest in education so that Maine schools can reach their full potential and, in doing so, help our kids reach theirs. My colleagues on the Education and Cultural Affairs Committee worked tirelessly on a number of bills to address some of the most important education issues in Maine today.

A new federal law, the Every Student Succeeds Act, puts more power in the hands of states to implement their own education policies. This means we have more control over our schools and greater responsibility in helping them achieve success. LD 1253 would require the Department of Education to implement a school accountability system to measure school performance and student proficiency. It creates a path forward for Maine to adapt to the new federal guidelines.

This system would replace the controversial A-F school rating system introduced by the LePage administration. Rather than zeroing in on test scores, schools would be evaluated on a more comprehensive basis recognizing multiple measures of student success. The bill also connects struggling schools to targeted state funding for improvement and support.

Another bill, LD 1394, would create more flexibility in how federal funding is used to ensure greater educational equity for economically disadvantaged students. It would help expand preschool and summer school programs in struggling regions as well as professional development opportunities for teachers in these communities. As I write this article, I remain hopeful that the legislature will overturn the Governor's veto of this bill.

A complex bill, LD 1627, would require schools to phase in proficiencybased learning requirements for high school graduation to ensure that graduating students are ready for college or careers. The bill scales back an earlier version of the law to give teachers more time to implement these significant changes. Beginning in 2021, students would need to demonstrate proficiency in a minimum of four areas: English,

math, science and technology, and social studies, with additional subjects added to the list in subsequent years. Students would have the opportunity to demonstrate proficiency through multiple pathways, such as projects, portfolios and community service. The bill allows local flexibility and innovation in developing consistent graduation standards.

In addition to these measures, we also passed a law that put \$15 million of vital funding into public education after we learned that schools would face a significant funding shortfall this year. We will continue to push for increased school funding to keep property taxes from rising and ensure our schools have the resources to

Schools are the building blocks of our communities, where kids grow into the people who will contribute to our society. It is incumbent upon us to give them the best chance of success.



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## **Around Town**

School Street Pub & Grill is now open in the old Thatcher's location.

The sale of 77 South St. is still pending. While the details are still being finalized, the buyers plan to use the first floor of the building for a dentist's office and to maintain the apartment on the second floor.

## **Gorham Sightings**



Do you know where in Gorham this photo was taken? Join our visual trivia discussion by entering your best guess on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/gorhamtimes or email us at gorhamtimes@gmail.com. The fire hydrant pictured in the April 7, 2016 edition is outside the front entrance of the municipal building.

## **Correction:**

In the 4/21 issue of the Gorham Times, the grand jury section incorrectly stated that Lee Keene, 27, of Gorham, was indicted for criminal OUI, operating after suspension, failure to stop for an officer and unauthorized use of property. That was an error, as a different person was charged with those offenses. The Gorham Times apologizes for this mistake.

## **Maine Author Visits BML**



The Friends of Baxter Memorial Library sponsored an evening with New York Times best-selling author Julia Spencer-Fleming on March 29. Spencer-Fleming lives in Buxton and is the author of eight novels featuring Episcopal priest Clare Fergusson and police chief Russ van Alstyne. She is currently finishing writing her ninth novel and has a contract for two more. She spoke about her writing process as well as the intricacies of getting a book published. The 40 people in attendance had the opportunity to ask questions and meet with her after the presentation.



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## Cathryn Falwell Receives Katahdin Award

BAILEY O'BRIEN Staff Writer

Cathryn Falwell, Gorham's celebrated children's book author and illustrator, was granted the Katahdin Award by the Maine State Library Association in Augusta on April 7. This lifetime achievement award recognizes Falwell for her outstanding body of work, which to date includes 27 children's books. "When I heard it was for lifetime achievement, I thought it sounded like an old lady award. I'm not done yet!" Falwell said with a smile. To prove her point she revealed she has a new book in the works, adding, "I'm hopeful it will be out next year." However, an award of this stature certainly calls for a look back on all she has accomplished so far.

Falwell did not begin her career writing children's books, although it is what she wanted to do since the second grade. After receiving her BFA in art from the University of Connecticut, she worked as a graphic designer, met her husband, and had two children. When a close family friend was dying, Falwell realized she had no reason to delay pursuing her passion any longer. "If it's something you've always wanted to do, you have to do it," she said. Inspired by her loss, she published her first children's book in 1991 entitled, "Where's Nicky?"

While raising her children in Hartford, Connecticut, she was struck by how much diversity there was in her kids' classrooms. She organized an after-school reading tutorial program, but said, "I was dismayed about the lack of diversity in children's books." As a solution, she published "Feast for 10" in 1993, a counting book featuring an African-American family preparing a meal together. "It's important for kids of color to see themselves in books, but it's just as important for white kids, especially in less-than-diverse places like Gorham, to see other cultures represented in their books." Studies have shown that white children need to see faces of color in their literature to be fully open to a multicultural future. "Feast for 10" has been her best seller, selling more copies than the rest of her books combined. Since then, she has released nine other books featuring children of color.

Cathryn Falwell signs books at a recent book fair in Boothbay. In 1996. Falwell and her fam-

ily moved from the bustling city of Hartford to the quiet hamlet of Gorham. With a pond in her backyard full of singing frogs, her books shifted to show children exploring nature. "Kids grow up curious when their senses are engaged by nature," she said. As evidence of her love of the outdoors, she commissioned a neighbor to build her a treehouse overlooking her pond. "Once my kids left home, I thought, 'you know, I've always wanted a treehouse.' But it's kind of an old lady treehouse with stairs and a rocking chair. I'll sometimes sit out there and write," she said.

Two of her nature-inspired books include "Turtle Splash!" and "Pond Babies," both of which have been included in Maine's Raising Readers program. This program is designed to provide children a free book at every well child doctor's visit from birth through age five. Her books have been distributed to 40,000 children across Maine.

Words tell only half the story. Her books are filled with colorful and inventive collage illustrations made from paper, fabric, and even pieces of nature, from wasp nests to leaf prints. "I make a huge mess," she laughed. Several of her stories focus on inspiring artistic creativity and self-expression. "David's Drawings" teaches children how to create collaboratively and independently while "The Nesting Quilt" demonstrates how to incorporate nature into art.

Though Falwell loves making these books, her favorite part of her job is visiting schools and libraries and interacting directly with her readers. Sometimes she will have them make their own books using scraps of paper and fabric for the illustrations. "When they're starting out, kids create linear art, mostly drawing stick figures. But when they make collages, their imaginations open up. They'll see a scrap of fabric that looks like a dinosaur, and suddenly the story is about dinosaurs," she said.

Gorham has been a welcoming community for Falwell over the last twenty years. Baxter Memorial Library houses two murals she has painted for the children's area. Additionally, she and The Bookworm have an arrangement that if a customer buys one of her books and would like it signed, she will come down to the store and sign it for the customer to pick up later.

Falwell's commitment to diversity, reverence of nature, and passion for artistic expression has inspired a generation of empathetic, curious, and creative children, distinguishing her as more than deserving of this award. But what's her favorite book she's written? "It's always the one I'm working on next," she smiled.

## **Love Your** Library? Come Join Us.

DIANE CASWELL President, Friends of Baxter Memorial Library

Who are the Friends of Baxter Memorial Library? What do they do?

The Friends is an all-volunteer group established more than 10 years ago to give time and financial help to the Baxter Memorial Library. This nonprofit organization supports the library through fundraising and special events.

In the past two years we have purchased 10 computers, computer chairs, a fax machine, DVDs, graphic novels, and craft items for our children's story time activities to help the library become an even better local resource for members of the public. We also are planning to help develop a Teen Room on the first floor.

As part of our efforts to promote the library as a cultural center, we have hosted free, public readings by such authors as Tess Gerritsen, Paul Doiron, Julia Spencer-Fleming, poet laureate Wesley McNair, and the women of Maine's prison system.

We have joined with Gorham schools to offer the Summer Reading Program, convened local book clubs to share their stories, and joined with the Gorham Garden Club to learn more about how to protect and attract beneficial pollinators such as mason bees.

Perhaps you heard about our Spring into Summer event, which is a thank you to the community for helping our library continue to flourish. Children can get a close-up, inside look at fire trucks and police cruisers and enjoy hot dogs or snow cones prepared by town officials.

We do all these things and more with membership dues and two book sales a year. We are currently a group of about 35 active members, but we need more. Maybe you'd like to help staff one of our public readings, or give an hour of your time at

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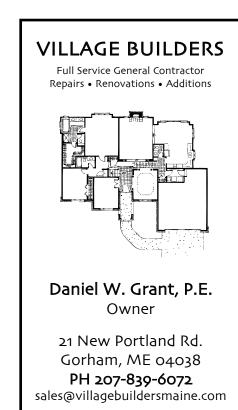
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## **Spring Has Strained?**

ROB LAVOIE

Springtime is a time of renewal. The birds start singing while nature around begins its rebirth. Humans begin our own process of rebirth with renewed energy and happiness. For those in the northern states, it is much anticipated after a long, dark winter. We begin to recreate and enjoy the outdoors more by going for walks and hikes. We dust off that bike in the corner of the garage. There is nothing more renewing than smelling the spring air while on a bicycle.

With the sprouting flowers and plants come our typical springtime chores and tasks. The lawn needs to be raked clear of leaves and branches. Our gardens need to be tidied, mulched and planted. That tree in the backyard that fell during a heavy snow storm must be cut up and hauled away. Our outdoor furniture has to be carried from winter resting places to our decks and patios. There is much to do to get ready for the warmer months

With this rejuvenation, come certain health risks and injuries. Nobody is immune to injury. Common springtime complaints are muscle strains, sprains, spasms, joint pains and back aches. It is not wise to get on that bike that sat dormant for months without pumping air in the tires and oiling the chain first. The same holds true for humans. We must make sure our bodies are able to adapt to spring activity after months of hibernation. Here are some valuable tips to help keep your

back and body healthy and injury-free this spring.

When participating in outdoor activities such as a hike or bike ride, remember to warm up and stretch beforehand. Limit the duration of the activity and gradually build up endurance over the

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course of weeks. Going for a three-mile run outdoors may seem okay if you have been using a treadmill all winter; however, your body is not acclimated to a different surface such as pavement. We see many cases where patients start running outdoors and develop knee pain. This is sometimes due to "crowned" or uneven roads that put stress on our joints.

A family bike ride is a fun springtime activity. As with running, start slow and ramp up your duration gradually. Be sure to check your kids' bikes for a proper fit. They may have grown over the winter and the seat may need to be raised. Beware of hazards such as loose sand, sticks or branches on the roadside.

When raking and shoveling, warm up properly before your chore. Do some light stretching of your torso and lower back. If you have a chronic lower back issue, consider wearing a lumbar support brace. Remember to keep the rake or shovel near your body. Extending it away and pulling sharply inward could spell trouble for older or vulnerable backs. Try not to twist your torso. This is by far the most common cause of injury while raking or lifting. When lifting and shoveling, lift with your knees while keeping your back straight. Take more trips with a lighter load versus a heavier load that taxes your lumbar spine. Take frequent breaks. Overuse injuries such as tennis elbow tend to arise when doing a repetitive motion that one is not accustomed to. Some people work nonstop for many hours and feel fine, yet wake up the next

Whether you are raking the lawn, planting a garden, or enjoying a family bike ride, make sure you are properly hydrated. In cooler weather our body wicks away moisture at a faster rate. You may not feel like you are sweating and losing moisture but you are. It is always wise to drink before you become thirsty.

morning barely able to move.

Lastly, if you do happen to "spring a strain," or develop some pain or discomfort, do not ignore it. Listen to your body and rest. If it persists, consult your healthcare provider so that you can avoid further harm and return to health. Now go get outdoors!



Robert Lavoie D.C. is the owner of Chiropractic & Massage Clinic of Gorham.

## **Mill Brook Preserve Expands to Over** 100 Acres

RACHELLE CURRAN APSE Executive Director

The Presumpscot Regional Land Trust (PRLT) just closed on a new 32 acre parcel along Mill Brook in Westbrook as part of the newly created 102 acre Mill Brook Preserve. Mill Brook flows through a secluded forested valley and will expand the recreational hiking opportunities for the public in the greater Portland area.

Mill Brook is a priority for PRLT to conserve as open space because the brook supports the largest and most productive alewife run in Casco Bay. Alewife migrate from the ocean up the Presumpscot River through Mill Brook to Highland Lake where they reproduce and then head back out to the ocean each fall, where they become an important part of the food chain for larger species. This concentration of migrating fish, sometimes numbering in the tens of thousands, attracts a wide variety of wildlife to the valley, including bald eagles, gulls, herons, and osprey.

The newest parcel of land features 2000 feet of river frontage along Mill Brook off Bridgton Road in Westbrook. Ralph Hatt generously donated the land to the Presumpscot Regional Land Trust so it would forever remain open space with public access trails. "After walking my land for 45 years, I am so happy to share with the public the effort I have put into the land to make trails so everyone can enjoy the beauty of the land that is part of the greater Portland metropolitan area," said Ralph Hatt.

Mike Parker, Board President of the PRLT, said, "When I first met Ralph Hatt

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## **TOWN OF GORHAM BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF MEETING** MAY 19, 2016

The Gorham Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, May 19, 2016 at 7:00 pm in the Burleigh Loveitt Council Chambers at 75 South Street, Gorham to consider the following:

Acceptance of the March 17, 2016 meeting minutes as printed and distributed.

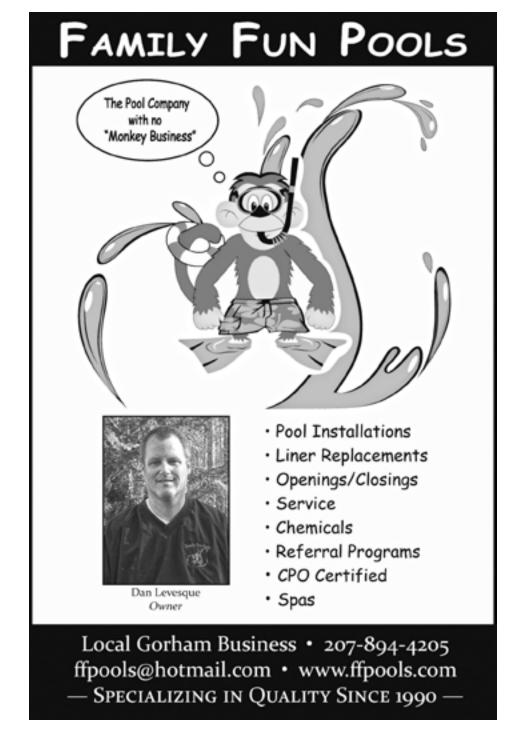
Election of a New Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for the Board of Appeals.

Appeal #16-03 Enlargement of an existing Non-Conforming Use. keal Estate Holding LLC, Moody's/Snawn Moody property owner and petitioner, is seeking to enlarge a Non-Conforming Use. The property is located at 200 Narragansett Street, Gorham (Map 39 Lot 22) and the subject property is located in the Narragansett Development District.

Appeal #16-04 Conversion of a Non-Conforming Use to another Non-Conforming Use. Ron Greco/KR Commercial Properties LLC is seeking conversion of a legally existing Non-Conforming Use (auto sales and repair) on Map 23, Lot 16 located at 346 South Street, Gorham, which is in a Rural Residential zoning district.

Appeal #16-05 Conversion of a Non-Conforming Use to another Non-Conforming Use. Ron Greco/KR Commercial Properties LLC is seeking conversion of a legally existing Non-Conforming Use (storage building) on Map 23, Lot 16 located at 346 South Street, Gorham, which is in a Rural Residential zoning district.

Adjourn



## Preble Street CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

willing to pay to move it off-site. While several people looked into that option, no one chose to move the house and 21 Main St. was sold to Amato's for use as an expanded parking area. The building was torn down, the parking lot was expanded, and a right-turn only exit onto Main St. was added.

Dr. Clint Steele, of Leading Edge Chiropractic, and his fiancée, Tina Howe, recently purchased the Town-owned property at 10 Preble St. Steele notes that they will need to tear down the barn as the foundation is rotten, but expects to restore the house for use as a residence. Under the old carpets are "beautiful old wood floors," says Steele. They plan to save the original floors along with other components of the house which was built around 1900. As reported previously, the land behind the barn is being kept by the Town for possible future parking in the village.

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two years ago he handed me a card that read, 'I have 30 acres with 2000 feet of frontage along Mill Brook that I want to conserve.' What it didn't say was that he had been manicuring the land and building a trail network on it for 30 years. The parcel that he donated is park-like in character, a gem in the daisy chain of parcels that now constitutes our Mill Brook Preserve." While the land was donated, the transaction was made possible by a grant from the Casco Bay Estuary Partnership.

This May the alewife will migrate up Mill Brook by the thousands, and the land trust will be hosting a World Fish Migration Day Hike on this new parcel of Mill Brook Preserve to observe them. This event is open to the public and will be held on May 21st. Please go to www.prlt.org for more details and to register for the event.

The Presumpscot Regional Land Trust's new Stewardship and Outreach Coordinator, Toby Jacobs, will be coordinating the effort to build a three mile trail this summer on Mill Brook Preserve for the public to access and enjoy the serene beauty of Mill Brook. Building the trail will involve dozens of volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact toby@prlt.org.

## **Gorham Residents Thrive** in the Theater

MEGAN BENNETT USM Student Intern

From acting in a new feature film to winning a prestigious award for his two-act play, Gorham residents, Maureen Butler and her husband David Butler, the Senior minister at First Parish Church, have proven their theatrical talents and achievements in the dramatic arts.

Maureen has taken on the role of Kay in the much anticipated film, "Neptune," playing May 13-15 at the Portland Museum of Art. Comprised entirely of an all-Maine cast, producers are calling this movie "a love letter to Maine," and it was named one of five great films at the 2016 Slamdance Film Festival by Indiewire.

Taking place in the late 1980s on a fictional island off the coast of Maine, "Neptune" follows the last summer of Hannah Newcombe's childhood, played by Jane Ackermann. Raised by the church, Hannah becomes obsessed by the disappearance of a classmate, and her haunted dreams and visions propel her to push past her sheltered life. This beautiful and visually dynamic coming-of-age drama was directed by Portland filmmaker Derek Kimball, founder of Last House Productions. Visit http://www.portlandmuseum.org/ movies/neptune for movie times and ticket information.

Although David Butler did not act in a movie like his wife, he wrote an original play called "Dying to Know,

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a book sale and other events. Maybe you would just like to support your library financially through a \$25 annual membership.

Right now we are gearing up for our Spring Book Sale at the Gorham Rec Center on May 6 from 9 a.m.—7 p.m. and May 7 from 9 a.m.—1 p.m. You can browse through hundreds of adult and children's books. Pay what you want for them and support the library in the process.

If you want more information on the Friends of the Baxter Memorial Library, please e-mail jrathbun@ msln.net. I hope you can join us in supporting our public library.

A Tale of Life and Death in Two Acts" and won an esteemed award, the 2015 Gold Prize at the Clauder Competition.

The Clauder Competition, a play competition for writers from New England, generates over 200 submissions every three years. Each play receives at least two evaluations and all writers are sent a letter including individualized response from readers. Winning work is included in the Little Festival of the Unexpected, a weeklong development process culminating in two staged readings. The final step is a Main stage production and cash prize. The Annual Little Festival will be held May 11-14 at Portland Stage. Butler has never won an award like this before and is very excited to have been honored for his work. He said, "It's a wonderful encouragement that your work is recognized and appreciated." Performances will be on May 11 at 7:00 p.m. and May 14 at 1:00 p.m. during the Little Festival of the Unexpected at Portland Stage.

## **SCHOOL**

## **School Notes**

On May 17, there will be a K-5 chorus concert at Great Falls School with special guest Mike Nobel, singer/songwriter well-known for his Color Me Green songs for kids.

Ethan Ho, a 12-year-old student at GMS and budding singer focusing on R&B and Reggae, tried out in an open call audition for America's Got Talent in New York City. Ho has been singing since he was a young child and prepared for this audition for three years. He did not make the open call in NYC, nor was he selected by a video he sent to the producers, but the experience taught him to be brave and confident with himself and his singing. He plans to try out again next year and has his own YouTube channel: https:// www.youtube.com/channel/UCyg0Jb7-E1qAlObI01Ued g. Currently, Ho is working on a demo album in a studio in Hollis. He writes his own songs and has learned how to use professional recording equipment.

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Mr. GHS is an annual fundraiser for the senior class, and every year it packs in students and faculty from across the district. Held on April 1, the night began with each competitor in a suit and tie, walked to the stage by an escort.

For the first round, each boy answered a surprise question about themselves. The second round was "runway style" and showed the boys in an outfit of their choice. This was followed by a talent round in which each boy had the opportunity to sing, rap, dance, play piano, show off a comedy sketch, or another "talent" of their choice.

Erik Andreasen took home first place and was crowned Mr. GHS for 2016. Zac Meyers came in second and Dane Heckathorn won third place. An honorable mention went to Tyler Bernier for his



Erik Andreasen, shown with organizer and host Maddie Poulin, was crowned Mr. GHS at this year's annual fundraiser for the senior class.

answer to the question: "What would you change about GHS?" His answer, "More snow days of course."

The whole night was hilarious fun and raised just over \$1,300 for the senior class.

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## Gorham Teams Compete at Odyssey of the Mind Tournaments

DIANE KNOTT Odyssey of the Mind Coordinator

Hundreds of students from over 70 Maine schools traveled to Biddeford on April 2 to compete in the Odyssey of the Mind state tournament. In all, 66 Gorham students participated in Odyssey this year, with six teams advancing to the state tournament after the regional tournament on March 12 in Sanford. At the state tournament, students from Gorham schools earned five trophies: two first-place, two secondplace, and one third-place.

The Gorham High School Classics team (see top right) earned first place in the State, Div. III, for a magical skit that enchanted the audience. Team members, coached by Pamela Weiss, will compete in the World Finals at Iowa State University, May 25 - 28.

The Village School Technical team (see photo to right) earned first place in Div. I. When asked about the program, team member Patrick Cyr said, "We learned how to fix our devices and not to give up." "Odyssey teaches you how to work on a team. We are better together," added Grace Johnson.

Odyssey of the Mind is an international educational program designed to challenge students and promote creative problem solving. Student teams solve problems, present solutions in front of an audience, and receive scores based on quality and creativity points earned - without adult assistance.

Students from Gorham Schools received problems in the fall and worked throughout the year to solve a variety of challenges including technical, vehicle, classical, and performance categories, designed to encourage teamwork and "outside the box" thinking. A non-competitive level is offered to K-2 students.

Other students who participated in this year's program include: Primary Team including Rory Pigeon, Tucker Curtis, Alek Nauman, Sydney Nauman, Sawyer Wheaton, Elizabeth Springer, and Lily Beardsley, coached by Kathleen Pigeon; GMS Technical Team including MacKenna Homa, William Stein, Campbell Fowler, Sophia Lachance, and Aaron Jones, coached by Carlye Homan; and GMS Performance Team including Sam D'Amico, Drew Baber, Lauren Bachner, Emma Mullin, and Noah Badeau, coached by Misty D'Amico.

Two elementary Vehicle Teams also attended the regional tournament. The Village Team included Sam Parenteau, Trevin Macomber, Ethan Castonguay, Jackson Bassard, Joseph Vetterline, Abby Rosingana, Riley Lopez, and Dawn Parenteau as coach. The Great Falls Vehicle Team included Brady Smith, Cole Smith, Hayden Anderson, Lexi Caron, Lucien Beardsley, Lillian Andreasen, and Amy Smith as coach.

For photos of teams who competed in the regional competition only visit our website at www.gorhamtimes.com/ odyssey.

> Third place GMS Classics Performance Team, coached by Sara Castonguay, pictured (back row) is: Abigail Houp and Clara Shvets. Front row: Erin Castonguay, Cassie Novak, Calvin Cummings, Dylan Morrell, and Killian Kolb.



First place GHS Classics Performance Team is headed to the World Finals in Iowa. Pictured (left to right) is Samuella Spurr, Elizabeth Lemieux, Avery Arena, and Sophia Hendrix. Missing is Madeline Joyal-Myers, Emelia Nejezchleba, and Kayley Mason.





The Village Technical Team, coached by Amy Wu and Kelly Cyr, earned first place for their creative devices and entertaining performance in Div. I. Pictured (back row) is Kevin Luo, Patrick Cyr, Madeline Downey, and Makenna Wheeler. Front row: Grace Johnson, Peter Wu, and Sam Larkin.



Second place GMS Vehicle Team, coached by Ben Wilkins, included (back row) Bodhi Wilkins, (middle row) Amelia Yahwak and Zakary Lembarra, and (front row) Xander Lemieux, and Riley Griffin. Missing is Chris Lewis.



Performance Team, coached by Rebecca Badeau, pictured (left to right) is Aidan Lee, Evelyn Rush, Brooke Gerry, Lucy Dubail, Coach Rebecca Badeau, and Gwyneth Dubail. Front is Gabe Badeau.

Second place Village





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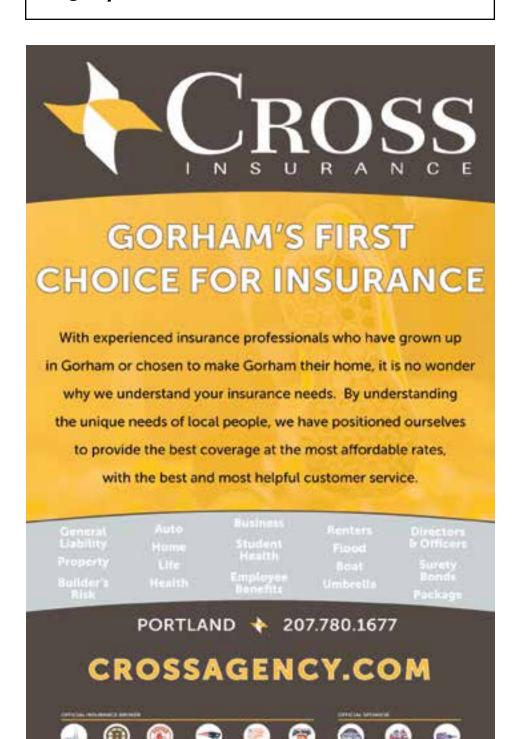


WGME chief meteorologist, Charlie Lopresti, visited with the second grade class at Great Falls School last month. He gave a very informative presentation and did an experiment with the students on how lightning works. Lopresti left quite an impression on the second graders and a few of them are now aspiring to be meteorologists.



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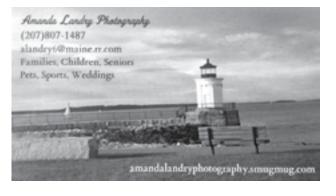
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## In the Zone

Portland Press Herald's Players to Watch: Thomas Brent, GHS senior, was named one of 10 tennis players to watch this spring as he returns for his third season at No. 1 singles. He went 12-2 in team competition last spring and reached the Round of 32 in singles tournament. He also played on the 2013 Class A state championship team. GHS junior Carter Landry was named one of 15 lacrosse players to watch. Landry is a three-year starter and figures to be the top returning goalie in the SMAA this season for a team expected to improve.

## **Sport Etc.**

**Gorham Athletic Boosters Electing Board** of Directors: The Gorham Athletic Boosters will have their annual election for positions within the Board of Directors on May 9th at 6:30 p.m. at Gorham High School. The purpose of the non-profit organization is to help raise funds to support the Gorham Athletics programs and the student athletes and to meet the needs beyond what is part of the school department's annual budget. The following positions are open to be filled: Vice President, Concessions Manager and Team Liaison Director. For consideration in these positions, email a letter of interest to Kelley Burghardt at kelleyb985@gmail.com.

## **Spring Road Racing Season Kicks into Gear**

Martin Gagnon Sports Editor

With the sun shining on a beautiful spring morning, runners of all ages kicked off the local road racing season at the Gorham Lions Club 5k and 10K race. Onlookers, family, and friends lined the Gorham neighborhoods near the recreation building encouraging



Gorham's Peter Downing catches his breath after finishing the annual Gorham Lions Club 5K road race with the top time in the male division.

runners along the way.

In the 5K race, the top male finisher was Peter Downing of Gorham who crossed the finish line with a scorching time of 18 minutes and 25 seconds. The top female finisher in the 5K distance was Sherri Walker-Towle with a time of

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## **Early Season Look at High School Spring Sports Season**

Martin Gagnon Sports Editor

For months the local athletic fields and outdoor courts lay dormant under their blanket of snow. As the snow melted and the fields dried, the athletes returned armed with tennis rackets, bats, lacrosse sticks, and running sneakers. The Gorham Times recently asked the Gorham High School coaches to give an early assessment of their teams for the spring season.

#### Boys' Outdoor Track and Field (Last season Record: 9 wins - 2 losses)

Coach: Jason Tanguay

Outlook: Coach Tanguay said that his squad has a good blend of veterans and newcomers. With this solid blend of experience and youth, Tanguay said he believes the "team will be competitive in the regular season meets and could be competitive in the championship meets if some of the underclassman can step up." Key meets for the team include the Cumberland County and SMAA Championship.

Key Returners: The team will rely heavily on several seniors for the upcoming season. The seniors are Stephen Burns, Connor Goodall, Colin Jones, Branden Kuusela, Spencer Linscott, Nathaniel Nadeau, Sean Pratt, Billy Ruby, and Jesse Southard. Underclassman expected to make a big contribution include James Benson, Luke Gowen, and Ethan Orach.

#### Girls' Outdoor Track and Field (Last Season Record: 9 wins - 4 losses)

Coach: John Caterina

Outlook: The girls' team is infused with youth who will need to shine for another successful spring season. Coach Caterina said that "Gorham will be very young, with numerous freshmen and sophomores expected to play a key role." Despite the loss of defending one mile state champion Anna Slager to a knee injury during the preseason, the team remains determined to continue to be one of the top teams in the SMAA.

Key Returners: Key returning seniors are Diana Albanese, Sarah Flanders, and Lizzy Sullivan. The roster of key underclassman include Erin Esty, Emily Hayward, Jamie Juskiewicz, Sarah Lorello, Heather Woodbury, Hayley Bickford, Meadow Fortier, Alexis Fotter, Bridget Rossignol, Maddie Rossignol, and Anna Slager when she returns from injury.

#### Boys' Tennis (Last Season Record: 7 wins – 5 losses)

Coach: Aaron Landry Outlook: Ending last season with a defeat in the Western Maine Quarterfinal, Coach Landry said the squad looks to continue their improved play. "We lost three Seniors last year so we will need to replace them in the

lineup. Last year we improved in our three-set match record, and we look to improve on that again this year." Landry added that several freshmen and sophomores have come out for the team.

**Key Returners: Captain Thomas** Brent, who made it to the Round of 32 in the State Singles Tournament last season, returns to the team for his final season. Expected to play a significant role in doubles competition are Ryan Firmin and Kevin Brewer. Other key returners are Connor White, Thomas Matthews, Connor Sweat, Dylan Weeks, Bryan Nelson, and Cam Stevens.

#### Girls' Tennis (Last Season Record: 9 wins - 3 losses)

Coach: Nicole Bergeron

Outlook: For the girls' tennis team, optimism is high and there is excitement in the air. "We lost a strong doubles team after last year, but all the girls are really stepping it up, so I'm even more optimistic about this season. They are, at the very least, the most motivated and eager group of girls I've ever coached as both an assistant and head coach, including our captains who more than live up to their positions," said Coach Bergeron. The co-captains are seniors Molly van-Luling and Lizzie Kutzer.

Returning Varsity Players: Whitney King, Jenna Cowan, Molly vanLuling, Avery Arena, Lauren Poirer, and Lizzie

#### Boys' Baseball (Last Season Record: 9 wins - 9 losses)

Coach: Chuck Nadeau

Outlook: Much like the Red Sox, pitching and defense will be a key to a successful season. "Like most teams in the SMAA, we will go as far as our pitching and defense will take us. We should pitch and defend well which will make us competitive in most games. The SMAA will be very strong with 10 or more teams having legitimate championship aspirations," said Coach Nadeau. He urged Gorham residents to mark their calendars for a key matchup on May 6 against Westbrook to be played under lights at 7 p.m. The team battled Massabesic in their season opener but came up short in a 3 - 0 defeat.

Key Returners: Captains Sam Kilborn, Cam Smith, and Gerek Brown are all expected to carry the leadership role on the team. In the pitching department, Jackson Taylor returns after a tremendous 2015 season. Offensively Logan Drouin and Ben Nelson are expected to lead the charge.

#### Girls' Softball (Last Season Record: 7 wins - 9 losses)

Coach: Renee Thibodeau Outlook: This year, the girls have a solid defensive team led by senior Captains, Lindsay Wilcox, Renee Deering and Katie Bertin. The team is looking forward to continued improvement and feels they will be competitive throughout the season. According to Coach Thibodeau, "The girls have a great attitude about the season ahead their motto - #whynotus." The girls remain undefeated after 2 games defeating a strong Thornton Academy team 8-6 after a great 7th inning rally and a win against Deering in their home opener.

Key returners: Sophomore Grace McGouldrick, Senior Lindsey Wilcox and Sophomore Shay Harris

#### Boys' Lacrosse (Last Season Record: 10 wins - 4 losses)

Coach: Dan Soule

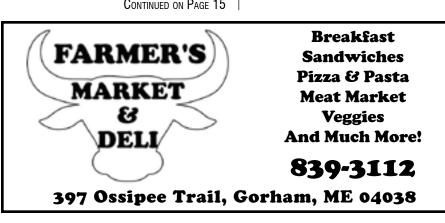
Outlook: Several key returning players have sparked the Rams to a historic 2 - 0 record to start the season. The Rams opened their season with a thrilling 9-8 double overtime victory for their first ever win against Scarborough. Junior Alex York scored the game winning goal on a beautiful assist by fellow junior Cam Wright. Junior goaltender Carter Landry had twenty saves in the game. In their home opener, Gorham jumped out to an early lead against Biddeford and never looked back. Gorham defeated Biddeford 16 - 8 to remain undefeated. Last season, Gorham had made it as far as the Western Class A state semifinals before losing to South Portland.

#### Girls' Lacrosse (Last Season Record: 7 wins - 6 losses)

Coach: Mary Guimond

Outlook: "We have a very young roster this year, but will look to our underclassmen to step up big time, led by a solid core of upperclassmen," said Coach Guimond, hoping to improve upon last year's record. The team won its season opener at South Portland on April 28.

Key returning players: Jen Darasz (senior defender, tri-captain), Allison Sinnett (senior goalie, tri-captain), Emma Smith (junior midfielder, tricaptain), Athena Pappalardo (junior defender), Marina Pappalardo (junior attacker), Audrey Perreault (junior midfielder).







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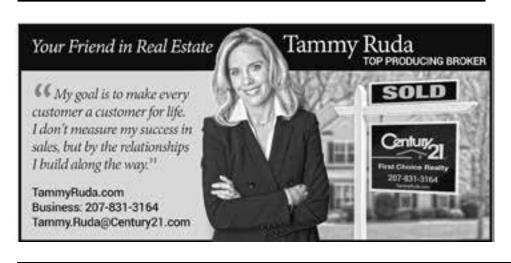
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#### **OF INTEREST**

Dawn Rioux was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi. Rioux was initiated at University of Southern Maine.

Courtney Burns (GHS '12) was recently inducted into the Harding University (Arkansas) circle of Omicron Delta Kappa.

Spencer Ruda (GHS '15) was accepted into the National Society of Collegiate Scholars. Ruda is a freshman at Loyola Marymount University in California.

Baxter Library Gorham and the American Red Cross are hosting a blood drive memory of their long-time library director Pam Turner who passed away earlier this year. Friday, May 6 from 1 to 6 p.m. in Shaw Gym in the Gorham Municipal Building, 75 South Street. Schedule a time to donate at www.redcross.org/rcbmobile/drive/ driveSearch.jsp using "BMLibrary" as the sponsor code.



The Annual Mail Carriers Drive in Gorham will take place on Saturday, May 14. Gorham residents are asked to put bags of non-perishable food items near or on their mailboxes for the letter carriers to pick up and deliver to the Gorham Food Pantry.

The Lakes Region Senior Center will host Taco Monday on May 9 at 11:30 a.m. Hamburg or Pulled Pork with sides, dessert and beverages. \$5, 40 Acorn St, Gorham. Bring a friend, wear your sombrero and don't be late.

The Grange is hosting the 2nd Acoustical Jam Session on Sunday, May 15, from 4-7 p.m., 33 Wilson Rd, Gorham. Bring your instruments and join in the fun. Free will offering, coffee and treats available. FMI Ann Rust 839-3946.

David Tanguay will speak at the Lakes Region Senior Center, 4 Acorn Street, on Gorham's Gunpowder Mills on Monday, May 23 at 10 a.m. This event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

The St. Anne's Chapter of Gorham Knights of Columbus #10221 won Council of the Year in Maine 2016 B Division (under 100 members). Pictured are State Deputy David Roy (Standish), Program Director Mark Andrews (Gorham), Deputy Grand Knight Mike Foster (Gorham), Grand Knight and State Community Director Anthony Alfiero (Gorham), and Chancellor Mike Chabot (Gorham).



Dance Studio of Maine Company Dancers donated funds to the Wounded Warriors Project and breast cancer research in lieu of receiving trophies at competitions this season.



Photo courtesy of Port City Photography

Police officers from Windham, Westbrook, and Gorham will take on the Harlem Superstars Basketball Team on May 21 at 7 p.m. at Gorham High School. Sponsored by the Gorham-Windham-Westbrook Triad; proceeds go to the Triad program. \$10. FMI, 839-3171.

#### **ON-GOING EVENTS**

The Gorham Food Pantry, located at 299-B Main St. (parking lot of St. Anne's Catholic Church), is open every Thursday morning from 9-11 a.m. and the second and fourth Wednesday of every month from 6-7 p.m. Free for Gorham residents in need. FMI, 222-4351 or visit www.gorhamfoodpantry.org.

The Lakes Region Senior Center, located at the Little Falls Activity Center. 40 Acorn Street in Gorham is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Join them daily for coffee, tea and socializing. Ongoing daily activities include Mahjong on Mondays; beginners welcome. FMI, Diane 892-9529. Tuesday crafts and card games. FMI, Avis 892-0298. The Memoir Writing Group meets the second and fourth Wednesday of the month, FMI, David 892-5604. Thursday Table Games at 10 a.m. and Friday Art Workshop at 9 a.m. FMI, 892-0299.

The Gorham Medical Closet located at the Municipal Center, 75 South St., is free and available to Gorham residents in need of portable wheelchairs, hospital beds, shower seats, commodes, walkers, canes and more. FMI, call 839-4579, 839-3630, 839-2484, or 839-3859.

St. Anne's Church will hold a Plant and Craft Sale on Saturday, May 7 from 9 a.m. to noon. Plants and homemade craft items for sale. FMI, 839-4857.

West Gorham Union Church, 190 Ossipee Trail/Rte. 25, will hold a Public Supper on Saturday, May 7 starting at 5 p.m. with tickets on sale at 4 p.m. Beans, hot dogs, chicken pie, American chip suey, casseroles, salads, pies, and more. \$8/\$3. FMI, 839-5946

#### **USM NOTES**

The USM Youth Ensembles Spring Choral Concert will be held on Thursday, May 5 at 7 p.m. at Corthell Concert Hall, USM Gorham Campus. Donations accepted. FMI, 780-5555.

A free Ying String Quartet Master Class co-presented with Portland Ovations will be held on Friday, May 6 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Corthell Concert Hall, USM Gorham Campus. FMI. 780-5555.

#### **CLOSE TO HOME**

A Brief History - Windham's One Room School Houses on Saturday, May 14 at 10 a.m. Sponsored by Windham Historical Society, 234 Windham Center Road. Public welcome. Refreshments. Suggested donation \$5.

Free Camp for Children Affected by Suicide: Camp Kita will run a free week-long overnight camp for kids ages 8-17 who have lost a parent or loved one to suicide. Held in Rome, Maine, hosted at The Pine Tree Camp facilities on Belgrade Lake. August 16 to 21. FMI, www.campkita.com or info@campkita.com.

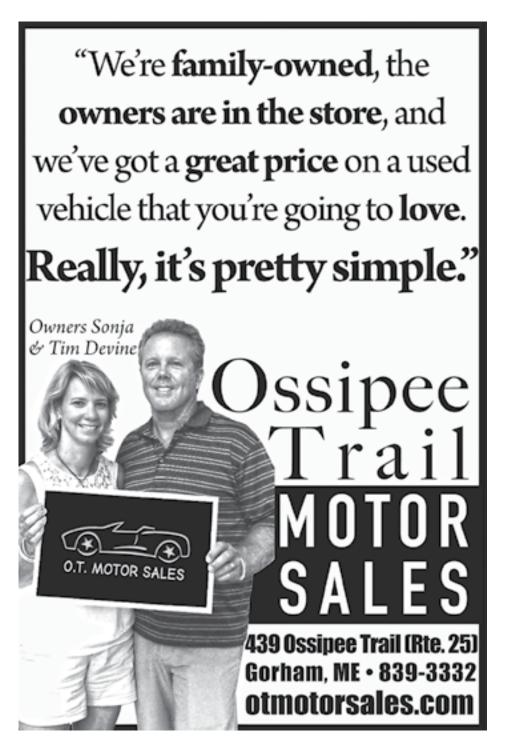
Aging expert Dr. Bill Thomas and musical guest Nate Silas Richardson offer an exploration of aging on May 20 at Hannaford Hall at the Abramson Center, 88 Bedford St., Portland. "Disrupt Dementia—Aging Workshop," 2:30-4:30 p.m.; "Aging Life's Most Dangerous Game—Theatre Performance," 7-8:30 p.m. \$15 per show, tickets available at drbillthomas. org/local/portland-me.

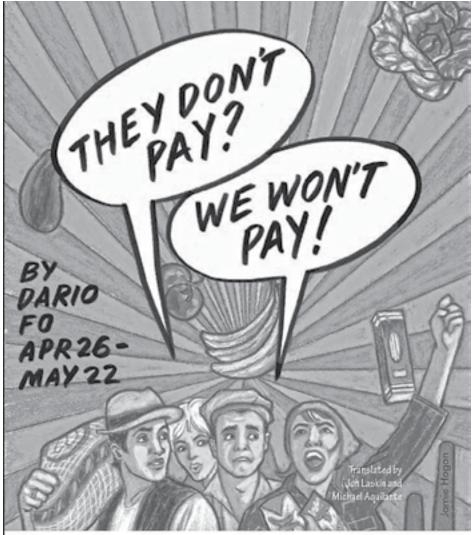












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## **GORHAM BUSINESS EXCHANGE SPOTLIGHT**

## **Gorham Savings Bank**

By Sarah Adams Gorham Business Exchange

Gorham Savings Bank, with over 170 employees working in its eleven branches, has just rolled out a new technology center right here in its Main Street branch which has tools to help everyone stay abreast of the bank's new technologies. Gorham Savings Bank has embraced a "High Tech, High Touch" philosophy that allows this community bank to remain highly competitive with the large national institutions, while maintaining the familiarity and personal service that has been a foundation of this home town establishment since its founding in 1868.

The cornerstone of the technology center is the Interactive Teller Machine (ITM), which looks like a regular ATM, but with the added touch of a live GSB Customer Service Representative who appears on the screen. They are able to talk with you, address your questions and handle banking transitions, beyond the standard balance inquiries, deposits and withdrawals that an ATM machine handles. Presently, Gorham Savings Bank has ITM machines in three locations: Main Street in Gorham, Munjoy Hill in Portland and Kennebunk. This allows for extended banking hours, while keeping a personal touch that customers have grown accustomed to. Earlier this month, several other community banks came to GSB to view the tech center as well as the support functions related to this exciting new technology.

In addition to the ITM, there are several educational tools at the GSB



Gorham Savings Bank employees Jody **Hamilton and Trease Mader demonstrate** the new Interactive Teller Machine at the Main Street location.

technology center. There is a large screen desktop computer on hand to walk customers through the extensive online banking options. They also have several different mobile devices including an iPad and an iPhone available to demonstrate how mobile check deposit and various mobile banking apps work. These technologies can make traditional banking steps more streamlined for those who choose to embrace them. Gorham Savings Bank has a concierge ready to help walk anyone through these banking technologies, along with traditional tellers for anyone who wants to have these options explained further. Stop by the Main Street branch and see all that Gorham Savings Bank has to offer.



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Bear Run caller reported a suspicious person in a black vehicle. Man had taken photo of the garage as he wanted to build one like it. Police received a second call about the same man in a black vehicle taking pictures of a garage on Gray and Libby.

Officer responded to a call about a male passed out in the driver's seat on Gray Road. He was charged with operating after suspension.

Suspicious person on Mosher Road was checking the church to make sure lights were off.

Narragansett St. caller turned in a wallet a customer had left behind. The wallet had credit cards and a license but no cash. Owner was located and was happy to get wallet back.

Shaw's Mill Road caller thought someone had been in her house while she was gone for 10 minutes. Nothing missing and the back door did not lock. Their were no shoe prints in the house or outside.

Officer responded to a family fight on Landing Drive but determined there was no crime.

Man was arrested on Longfellow Road for OUI and operating without a license.

Caller had questions about neighbors on Tink Drive and recent activity there.

Officer responded to a call about a disturbance on County Road. Man was arrested for reckless conduct with a dangerous weapon.

Female reported being threatened. Male was given a verbal warning for criminal trespass.

Officer made an arrest for domestic violence assault on Gray Road.

Hemlock Drive complaint about noise was children playing inside their home. Caller was told that the neighbors were not making unreasonable noise.

## Lions Club 5K CONTINUED FROM PAGE 11

26 minutes. They were some other outstanding performances to note. One of the youngest competitors was 11-yearold Annie Cunningham, of Gorham, who finished first in her age group with a time of 34 minutes and 12 seconds. Maeve Donnelly, also 11 years old and from Gorham, nearly caught up to Cunningham but finished just one second behind. Another top Gorham performance was Frank Arsenault who won the male 60 years or older age division.

While the 5k competitors cooled down, the 10k competitors were still pounding the pavement. However, it wasn't long before the top male and female racers were spotted approaching the finish line. Mandy Bailey, of Gorham, was the top female finisher with a time of 48 minutes and 38 seconds. Gorham's Jeremy Earl finished second

overall and second in the men's division with a time of 42 minutes and 40 seconds. Thom Courtney, of Gorham, won the 50 to 59 age group with a time of 49 minutes and 6 seconds.

Capitalizing on the increasing popularity of running events, organizers said the race had nearly a 30 percent increase in participation over the 2015 event. Organizers offered special thanks to the Gorham Recreation Department, Boy Scout Troop 73, and a number of other sponsors for their help in staging the event. The Gorham Lions Club conducts various fundraising events throughout the year to support local and worldwide charities.

To view complete race results, please visit www.facebook.com/gorhamlionsraces.

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### CALENDAR

#### FRIDAY, MAY 6

- Friends of Baxter Memorial Library Book Sale, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Baxter Memorial Library.
- Blood Drive in memory of long-time library director Pam Turner. 1-6 p.m., Shaw Gym. Schedule donation at www.redcross.org/rcbmobile/drive/driveSearch.jsp using "BMLibrary" as sponsor code.

### **SATURDAY, MAY 7**

- Greater Gorham Farmers Market, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Baxter Memorial Library lawn.
- Friends of Baxter Memorial Library Book Sale, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Baxter Memorial Library.
- Bean Supper, White Rock Community Club, 34 Wilson Road, 4:30-6 p.m. \$8/\$4 under 12.

#### MONDAY, MAY 9

• Lakes Region Senior Center's Taco Monday, 11:30 a.m., 40 Acorn St, Gorham, \$5.

## **TUESDAY, MAY 10**

• Preschool Story Time: Language enrichment program for children age 3-5 years old. Stories, rhymes, songs, music and creative movement activities, crafts and more. 9:30 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

- Story Time, birth-3 yrs., 10-10:30 a.m., North Gorham Public Library.
- Town of Gorham Senior Lunch Program, St. Anne's Church, Gorham. Opens at 11 a.m. Lunch served promptly at 12 p.m. \$4. FMI, 839-4857.

#### **THURSDAY, MAY 12**

- Baby and Me: for babies 0-18 months and their caregivers. 9:30 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.
- Toddler Time: children 18-36 months. 10 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.

• Train Days: Maine 3 Railers, an O-Gauge model railroad club from all over Maine will bring trains of all kinds to the library. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Baxter Memorial Library.

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- Lego Club: Bring your own Legos or use the library's. 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Baxter Memorial Library.

#### **TUESDAY, MAY 17**

- Gorham House Itsy Bitsy store, 1:30-3:30 p.m., GH lobby. FMI, 839-5757.
- Preschool Story Time: ages 3-5 years old, 9 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library.

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

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- Town of Gorham Senior Lunch Program, St. Anne's Church, Gorham. Opens at 11 a.m. Lunch served promptly at 12 p.m. \$4. FMI, 839-4857.

#### **THURSDAY, MAY 19**

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