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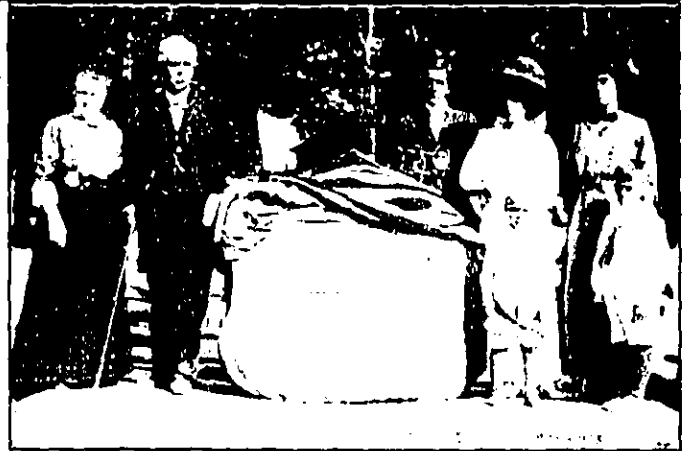
Filing info for Town offices

January 20 through January 29 are the filing dates for candidates for office and nomination papers. There is a \$1.00 fee for filing for any office that has compensation. The Town Clerk's office is open for filing on:

Friday, January 22, 8:00 am - noon
Monday, January 25, 2:00 - 7:00 pm
Tuesday, January 26, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Friday, January 29, 8:00 am - noon and 3:00 - 5:00 pm

The offices open for election (with the number of openings) are:

- Selectman for three years (1)
- Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years (1)
- Trustee of Brown Memorial Library for three years (3)
- Scholarship Committee for three years (1)
- Budget Committee for three years (2)
- Planning Board for three years (2)
- Zoning Board of Adjustment for three years (2)
- Cemetery Board of Trustees for one year (1)
- Cemetery Board of Trustees for two years (1)
- Cemetery Board of Trustees for three years (1)
- School Board representative for three years (1)
- Municipal Budget Committee representative for three years (1)



Dedication of Lafayette Plaque on August 20, 1913. Pictured from left to right: M Isabel Greeley, Regent of DAR; Ex-Gov. John Q.A. Brackett; Royal Flanders, Bugler; Soloist Mrs. John S. Pendleton; Mrs. Wm. M. Carr, who presented the address on the coming of Lafayette to Bradford; children in front are Ralph and Julian Dodge, grandsons of Col. Abel Blood, who fought with Lafayette. (identifications are educated guesses; can anyone confirm them?)

Town Forum on January 16

On Saturday, January 16 at 9:30 am at the Town Hall, the Bradford Voters Coalition will hold its second annual Winter Town Forum. The biannual forums have been established to provide an informal opportunity for townspeople to hear about town projects and activities and ask questions of their local officials.

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Forest perspectives course at John Hay Refuge

The Society for the Protection of NH Forests will be presenting its 1993 Forest Stewardship Course, called "Whose woods these are..." The course is designed to be an introduction to forest resources for landowners, community leaders, or anyone concerned with our green heritage.

Four lectures, beginning on Wednesday, February 10, will be held from 6:00-9:00 pm at the John Hay Refuge in Newbury. Two workshops will be held on Saturdays in Gilford. Course fee is \$55 (member discounts apply). For reservations, call 224-9945.

■ See FOREST, page 11

Budget Committee prepares for town meeting

The Budget Committee met with the Selectmen three times in December to review projected budgets proposed by town department heads and to get an overview of actual budget expenditures as the year neared its end.

State law prohibits overspending of town budgets without authorization. Our Selectmen have been extremely diligent in managing the town's finances in a particularly difficult year. Because certain financial restraints have been exercised to limit spending in the waning days of 1992 in order to bring

■ See BUDGET, page 13

Proposed amendments to the Bradford Zoning Ordinance

The following amendments have been proposed for the Bradford Zoning Ordinance, to be voted on in the coming Town elections. There will be a public hearing on these amendments on Tuesday, January 12 at 7:30 pm in the Town Hall.

Amendment #1
Article II, 15. [replace]
Manufactured Housing means any structure, transportable in one or more sections, which, in the travelling mode, is 8 feet or more in width and 40 feet or more in length or, when erected on site, is 320 square feet or more, and which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when connected to required utilities. See RSA 674:31
Reason: This definition is the state definition of Manufactured

Housing. Our former definition referred to this RSA and to the Bradford Mobile Home and Trailer Ordinance. The ordinance is obsolete and is being incorporated into the zoning ordinance with this new definition and the new Article III, 13.

Amendment #2
Article II, 23. [add]
Temporary Signs means a sign not permanently attached to the ground or other permanent structure, or a sign referencing an event of limited duration.
Reason: The Zoning Ordinance regulates permanent signs for businesses, but by oversight, neglects to allow for temporary signs. This definition and the new Article VI, Section 1,D will correct this. (Numbers 23 and 24 to be renumbered)

■ See AMENDMENTS, page 13

OBITUARY

Joan Ann Craigie

Joan A. Craigie died in Lebanon, New Hampshire on December 5, 1992. She was born in Lindhurst, New Jersey on August 14, 1933, the daughter of John and Virginia (Franklin) Meinwieser. She had lived in Chester, New Jersey before moving to Bradford in 1959.

Joan worked as a clerk at the Bradford IGA for 12 years and was a member of the choir of the First Baptist Church of Bradford.

Joan especially enjoyed gardening, raising vegetables and particularly a wide variety of flowers. She was known for her artistic ability, especially sewing and crafts.

Joan is survived by her husband of 38 years, Gordon; four children, Robert, Arlene, Alan and Ted; eight grandchildren; aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

A memorial service was held at the First Baptist Church, Bradford, on Tuesday, December 8. Rev. Joyce Ditlevson Lawlor officiated. Joan's son, Alan, gave the eulogy.

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Friends of the Library "Ask the Experts" lecture series

The Friends of Brown Memorial Library are sponsoring two January programs in their new "Ask the Experts" program series. Dick Conway, Financial Aids Officer for New Hampshire Technical College in Claremont, will give a talk for parents and students on "Where to Find Financial Aid for Your College Education," on Tuesday, January 12 at 7:00 pm.

Perley Strout will present a slide talk, "On the Good Ship, 'The East Wind': Ice Breaking at the South Pole," on Wednesday, January 20 at 7:30 pm.

A planning meeting for Friends members will be held at 6:45 pm on January 20, concluding before Perley's talk. The programs (free and open to all) will be held at Brown Memorial Library, Bradford. Refreshments will be served.

Conservation Commission to hold fund-raising dinner

A dinner, featuring Italian cuisine, will be served at the Blitzers' home on February 6. The cost for this sumptuous spread will be \$10.50 per person. The proceeds will go to the Bradford Conservation Commission for the construction and maintenance of trails and the evaluation and preservation of Bradford's wetlands.

Our expert chefs will prepare the following dishes: appetizers (with cash bar), minestrone soup, Chicken Milanese with rice or beef lasagna, garlic bread, green salad, and for dessert, Zuppa Inglese, an Italian fruit trifle.

For information and reservations, please call: Amy Blitzer at 938-5952 or Phyllis Whall at 938-5352.

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Road Committee activities

At its December meeting, the Road Committee continued gathering cost information for the Budget Committee to be presented at Town Meeting in March. Bridge repairs and matching funds were discussed, as was road oiling and ditch work.

Names of a few discontinued roads and those recommended for change of classification will be given to the Selectmen for presentation at Town Meeting.

--Mildred Schmidt

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Soo-Nipi Audubon Chapter news


"Australia" by Steve Urban will feature slides and music of that island continent at the regular meeting of the Soo-Nipi Audubon Chapter on Friday, January 8, 1993, 7:30 pm, at St. Andrews Episcopal Church on Gould Road in New London. Families with children are most welcome to attend, as Mr. Urban's presentation is well suited to young and old alike. Refreshments will be served. Contact Clare Bensley, 938-5482, for more information.


A day-long field trip to Cape Ann, Gloucester and Rockport, Massachusetts, to see wintering ducks and sea birds will take place on Saturday, January 16, 1993. This event will be led by Bob Vernon, a skilled birder of many Audubon Birdathon-Bloomathon weekends. Meet to carpool at Park 'n Ride, Exit 9, I-89, Warner at 8:00 am. Bring lunch, warm clothing and binoculars. For further information, call Bob at 526-6216. --Phyllis Curtiss

Pat's Peak ski clinic

Pat's Peak will hold a series of adult ski clinics starting the week of January 4. The clinics are one-day, Monday through Friday, each week for seven weeks, half-day skiing with one-hour lessons. Lunch is included. Nursery care with outdoor play and ski lessons for children ages 2-5 is also available at the same time. For more information, call Rosemary Blair at 428-7716.

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Nancy Hibbard, President, Bradford Women's Club, left, with Betty Lalla, right, winner of a quilted wall hanging at the Women's Club Holiday Crafts and Antiques Show.

Bradford Women's Club news


The Holiday Crafts and Antiques Fair, held Thanksgiving weekend, was a great success. Prize winners were: Suzanne Vitale, a decorated live Christmas tree; Betty Lalla, quilted wall hanging; and Phyllis Whall, gingerbread house. The club appreciates the generosity of Ann Hallahan for the use of her charming property for the occasion.


The Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, chaired by Mauri Scheffy, was another Women's Club event, provided with the support of the library, church (Santa visited the vestry), Len Sargent (his photos will be on display at Dodges), and kindergarten (cookies donated for refreshments). The tree lighting was made possible by Silver Bear Tree Service. As the lights went on, carols were enjoyed by all.

The next Women's Club meeting will be held Tuesday, January 19 at noon in the church vestry. There will be a potluck luncheon followed by town reports. --Louise Signorino

Notice from the Tax Collector

As of December 28, 1992, the second half tax bills will be charged 12% interest on any unpaid balance.
 --Sue Pehrson, Town Clerk/Tax Collector, 938-2288, 938-2094


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Letters

To the editor:

The Rosewood Country Inn wishes to thank the local media, the area merchants, and all our friends who attended our "Christmas Holiday Tea," making it a huge success!

Thanks to your efforts, The Rosewood was able to raise in excess of \$500 for FRIENDS FOR FORGOTTEN CHILDREN. The check was presented to Mrs. Eleanor Still, the founder of the organization. Again, thank you for opening your hearts to this worthwhile cause!

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Editor's note: Andrew Fullerton (son of Phil and Carol Fullerton of Mountain Lake Inn), Monica Smith, and several others left New York City on May 20 for Milan, Italy to begin a bicycle trip through Europe. Most of the group then returned to school or jobs, but Andrew and Monica continued, planning to bicycle around the world. So far, they have traveled through Italy, France, Switzerland, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Poland, the Baltics, Russia, Finland, Sweden, Denmark, Germany, Holland, Belgium, France, Tunisia, Egypt, Israel, Pakistan. They have spent the Christmas holidays in southern India. What follows are excerpts of Monica's most recent letter.

When we first arrived in Lahore, India, it appeared like an Indian version of Cairo...Islam is everywhere. All women cover themselves, whereas in Cairo we still saw some wearing Western, more revealing clothes, i.e. short skirts and short sleeves.

This means, of course, that people stared at me and my bare legs. Not to say that I went around offending deliberately, not at all. I bought a shalwar kameez, what the Pakistani women wear - a loose-fitting suit with a long shirt and harem pants, and a dupatta (scarf). The dupatta went over my head for visiting mosques. But on the bike, I was in lycra and Coolmax. People stared at our bikes as much as at us, so I don't think it mattered what I wore.

Boy did they stare. The first time we stopped to ask someone directions, ten people surrounded us immediately. Our first

lunch at a roadside stall caused a minor scene, as 50 people gathered to watch us eat dal (lentils) and chapatis (bread). Our next lunch brought 100 onlookers and the police broke up the crowd to prevent a traffic accident. A guy on a bike turned around to look at us and bumped into a parked car! Luckily he wasn't going very fast.

In both India and Pakistan, cycling has been fun when we have space and good pavement. It's hellish with the trucks, rickshaws, potholes and construction. In India, there are also cows on the loose.

We were at a birthday party when someone asked us what we thought about Kashmir, what was Bush's position on this issue and what did the American people think. I tried to explain that most Americans wouldn't easily know where Pakistan is, let alone Kashmir, and I honestly don't know what the official U.S. position is. Our questioner was surprised at American ignorance. I was embarrassed, but at the same time happy that I at least know something about it, and had an opinion. After all, that's why we're travelling, isn't it? To learn about what is important to different people around the world, and share our thoughts.

FORUM, continued

On the agenda for this meeting, to be moderated by Debbie Lamach, is •Selectmen's update, •Facilities Committee report by Glen Mayo, •Road Committee report by Bob Stewart, Jr., •update on planning for the summer Artists & Artisans Exhibition by Audrey Sylvester, and, finally, •presentation of Bradford's Community Cornerstones by Marcia Keller.

Coffee and refreshments will be served. All residents are invited to come participate in this kickoff for the 1993 political season.

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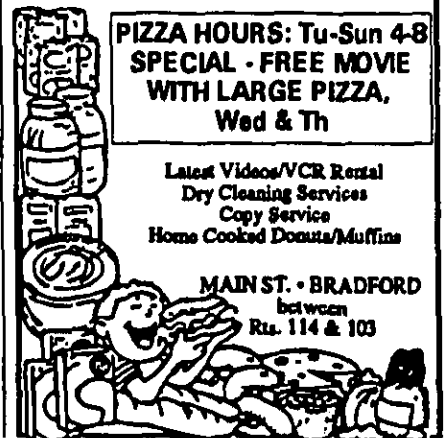
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KRSD December school board meetings

The School Board has been meeting weekly to prepare its budget. Highlights of the public portions of the December meetings are provided. The Budget presentation is by coded line items. Specifics and comparatives were not available to the public.

December 3. The Board approved installation of video monitors on school buses to curb student vandalism. The cost of \$4800 will come from mileage savings.

Richard Lizotte, Sutton School Principal, reported that the \$20,000 designated for equipping the new Sutton school went into the construction contract. He requested the Board to approve spending the \$12,000 remaining in the contingency fund for equipment. Approval was delayed pending other possible demands on that fund. Lizotte noted that money for paving at the school would be taken from deferred maintenance.

The EPA now requires extensive testing of the water from wells serving the public. Three schools not on public water systems will now require testing. The cost for each well will be \$4390 to test for 74 possible contaminants, unless waivers for certain contaminants are granted.

Budget items discussed include \$400 to join an association of middle schools, \$300 for the inspection of playground equipment installed at various schools, and \$900 to augment the Star program, part of special education in the elementary schools. \$15,000 is included to replace seven sliding door units at the high school to meet fire department requirements.

Carlton Fitzgerald, Principal of Bradford Elementary School, noted that Betty Ericson has purchased calculators for the school with money awarded to her as part of her national recognition as NH elementary math teacher of the year.

December 10. Paul Ezen, Kearsarge High School Principal, presented that school's budget, indicating that it has been reduced to a 14 1/2% increase (\$31,000) from 30% (\$60,000) suggested by the teachers. This does not include any increase for salaries, benefits, or maintenance. Ezen noted that the piano should be replaced, which led to a discussion of the use of the piano and the school itself by outside groups.

December 17. On behalf of the seven town boards of selectmen, Glen Mayo, Bradford, and Bill Syvertson, Newbury, made a presentation on installing an audio link between three sites for the annual school meeting. Providing accommodations for voters at the High School, Bradford Elementary School,

and the Middle School in New London would ease the crowded conditions at the High School. Questions were raised concerning legal issues, cost of checkers and moderators, need for standby emergency services, and competitive bids to carry out the work. \$10,000 would be needed to get the system operating. The Board took the proposal under advisement until their January 7th meeting.

Dick Petrin, Business Administrator, advised that the district's budget increase stands at 5.48%, excluding salaries and benefits, although it does include a salary increase for the superintendent.

The Board approved spending the \$12,000 remaining in the contingency fund for equipment at the Sutton School.

Marty Brown, Physical Education Director and Boosters Club member, and Bill Hoffman, landscape architect, presented a proposal for a preliminary study of existing conditions of grounds around the high school and for plans for further expansion of the existing facilities. The cost for the preliminary study is \$30,810. After Ellen Hersh, Bradford School Board member, spoke in support of the proposal, the Board voted to include this sum in the budget.

An enthusiastic presentation was made by Katherine Wilson, who is responsible for the thinking skills program, "Mind Stretch," offered to students in grades 3, 4, and 5. She stressed the success of the program, supported by marked improvements in CAT test scores. Wilson would like to expand the program to include middle school students. She has been directing this program for the past six years. A \$4,000 increase is included in the proposed budget.

Cynthia Currier, Director of Technology, has requested \$137,000 for a three-phase upgrade of the district's computers and audio-visual systems. Currier pointed out that today's multimedia changes the way education can be presented, particularly in dealing with "Nintendo" students, who are used to video rather than the more traditional class setting. The requested amount is included in the proposed budget.


The transportation budget is down by 0.5% and the SAU budget is up. Part of the increase is in legal fees, with an increase from \$38,000 to \$60,000 for the coming year. It was suggested that the budget include \$3,800 to continue the school article-advertising in the *Kearsarge Shopper*.


At each meeting, the status of payments to the district is noted and that Bradford is in arrears. --Dick Keller

Bradford - minus ninety-five

School district problems are not new in Bradford. From an article in THE VISITOR of April 13, 1898, it seems that the perennial issue is the equitable sharing of resources, but with a more rapid resolution than the current debate. It was reported that the Union School District meeting held in March of that year

"...was one of the largest attended school meetings ever held in Bradford. The interest was undoubtedly due to an understanding that a proposal would be made at that meeting to share the surplus funds of this district with the town districts. At the annual town meeting, it was manifest that there was a feeling on the part of our townsmen, who reside out of the village that the village people were selfish in keeping to themselves more money than was necessary to maintain the village schools, while the schools outside the village were suffering from lack of funds.... On the motion that the portion of the dog tax and literary fund belonging to this district be allotted to other districts of the town, there was a brief discussion.... The motion was amended was passed by unanimous vote. It was also voted to allow a reasonable number of scholars whose qualifications should be acceptable to the superintending committee, to attend the village grammar school free of charge."

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*Gaze at snowflakes and you may
Then hexagonal define.
As you shovel them away,
Marvel at each grand design.*

*How the gusting air is raw
When the winter north winds blow!
Finally will come the thaw;
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The completion of the organ restoration project just days before Christmas also heralded much rejoicing. Deborah Lamach reports that the gentlemen from Watersmith Pipe Organs in Enfield did a superb job in renovating the system. A glimpse at the refurbished organ, which has been moved forward and is now centered in the loft, attests, in part, to their craftsmanship. The beautiful music that once again fills the sanctuary offers further evidence. To celebrate the renovation, the Music Committee is planning a recital and rededication, which will hopefully take place in late winter or early spring. In the interim, the Committee wishes to again thank everyone who contributed to the organ fund, with a special note of gratitude extended to Dr. David Cofrin of Gainesville, Florida, for the substantial donation he made.

The Wednesday Night Adult Spiritual Growth Series resumes this month. Flora Slossom Wuellner's book *Prayer, Stress, and Our Inner Wounds* — a book on inner healing and transformation, which com-

bines explanation, examples, scripture references, and imagery prayer to bring persons to greater awareness of God's love — will serve as the basis of our study. The series begins on January 6 with Pastor Joyce hosting the first meeting at the parsonage at 7:00 pm.

The American Baptist Women's Ministries continues to meet on the first Tuesday evening of each month at 7:15 pm in the vestry. Shirley Cave, State Coordinator of Heifer Project International, will provide information on the organization's work in the U.S. and abroad, giving particular attention to its special role in the area of sustainable agricultural development. For details, please contact Marcia Strout at 938-2716.

After taking a break for the holidays, the youth group will start up again on January 17. Youths in grades six through twelve are invited to participate. Unless otherwise noted, meetings are held every other Sunday from 3:00 to 5:00 pm at the parsonage.

Throughout the winter, the church will maintain an emergency food pantry. For assistance, please call the church office at 938-5313.

Closing on a light note...On Saturday, January 23, the Lawlors will host the church's Fourth Annual Midwinter Relief Event — a potluck beach blanket party at the parsonage. The fellowship and fun begins at 6:00 pm. For more information, please call 938-2899.

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AGENDA

Presentation of 1993 Bradford Citizen of the Year	Fred Winch
Selectmen's Update	Selectmen
Road Committee	Bob Stewart, Jr.
Facilities Committee	Glen Mayo
Artists & Artisans Exhibition	Audrey Sylvester
Community Cornerstones Discussion and exhibition	Marcia Keller

All are Invited to Attend and Participate

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A Point of View

by Luanne Mayo

I hope that all of you had a peaceful, joyful holiday and are ready for whatever the New Year sends our way. All the seeds we sowed in 1992 will start coming to fruition.

Hopefully our votes will bring financial stability to each of us, our town and country. If the old pros and the new Turks can work together, we may emerge stronger on all levels ... which brings me back to Bradford and our unspoken schism.

Bradford has more than doubled in size since we came here in 1973. That is a lot of new energy in a little town. I have had the honor this past year to sit in on meetings of the Historical Society, Union Congregational Society, Bradford Women's Club, and the Voters Coalition. In each of these groups, I have heard the same concern. How do we get the town folks and "natives" to participate in civic activities? How do we get our town to pull together at all levels, economic, political, social?

Years ago, the Bradford Women's Club ran Whist games to raise money. Proceeds bought hot lunches for children attending the Central School. My husband played Whist as soon as he was old enough to sit at a table and count cards, over in Vermont. My California sister-in-law played as a little girl, as her grandmother's partner. There weren't TVs or VCRs ... communities all across the country came to gather to socialize and to raise funds; everybody came, all ages, both sexes.

There isn't an organization in town that couldn't use financial help. There isn't one of us who couldn't use a few new friends.... There are a few stalwart folks still around who can and would teach us. There are cards, card tables and maybe even pencils and score pads left over from those good old days.

Let's try it; let's play Whist! Please call me at 938-5425 and we'll start a new game in town.

Attention Artists! Save the Dates!

Members of the Exhibition Committee met in December to plan the 2nd Annual Bradford Artists & Artisans Exhibition, which will be expanded to a two-day event on August 14th and 15th at the Bradford Elementary School. (Dates to be confirmed by the school.) A reception for artists will be held from 2 to 4 PM on Sunday, August 15th.

The committee will follow the format of last year's show. The exhibit will be non-juried and open to all artists and artisans living in Bradford or near its borders; artists must be at least 18-years old; work may only be purchased privately from artists after the exhibit closes; and only new works not seen in the 1st Annual Exhibition may be exhibited.

The committee is eager to hear from anyone who would like to be included in the 1993 exhibition. If you are an artist who would like to take part, or are someone who knows someone who should be contacted, please call Amy Blitzer at 938-5952.



Trash Flash

Introducing ... Regina Stanion, who has held the position of Assistant Manager of the Transfer Station for the past six months. She enjoys the job and would like to thank everyone who participates in the recycling program. Regina joins Manager Ken Anderson in handling all the work involved with sorting materials, organizing the site, and educating the public on the details and importance of the recycling program.

That she takes recycling seriously is shown by a recent letter she sent to the Board of Selectmen calling their attention to someone who was not properly recycling. Chairman Battles contacted the person by phone, reminded him that recycling is mandatory and that failure to comply could result in loss of the privilege to use the facility. A letter confirming the individual's agreement to comply was then provided to the Transfer Station. Cheers to Ken and Regina!!

The Transfer Station looks great - neater and more organized than ever before.

Two disappointments in the past year have been the inability to find a cost effective market for plastic recycling and the loss of the market for junk mail. Junk mail and magazines have certainly contributed to the increased tonnage total for this year. As stopgap measures, until dependable market can be found for these items, five-cent returnable soda bottles are being collected for reuse and magazines are now being displayed, along with books, for anyone to take away for their own use. —Marcia Keller

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New Hampshire Prison System by Michael Johnson, County Attorney

Editor's note: Michael Johnson, Merrimack County Attorney, has agreed to write a series of articles describing county services. Part of our property taxes go to support county government and services, yet few of us are aware of these operations.

Many people and much prosperity came to New Hampshire in the 1980s. We experienced record growth and with it all the byproducts of change. One of the least understood and most costly of those byproducts can be found today in two large, modern and forbidding structures found in North Concord and Boscawen. The structures are prisons and their function is to protect our society on a daily basis from those among us whose behavior threatens our way of life. To accomplish this end, we as a society have spent millions of dollars in cement, steel and professional administrators. So long as our "criminals" stay in these institutions, we are safe. However, most of them will get out someday. More frightening however is that each day we are raising more like them.

The New Hampshire State Prison has stood in northern Concord for well over a hundred years. As a result of major capital expansion over the last ten years, the Prison has developed into one of the most modern secure penal structures in the country. Its population of 1,600 costs the state about \$18,000 annually per inmate.

About fifteen minutes up the road in Boscawen is Merrimack County's own small version of the prison. It is a modern structure on the site of what used to be called simply the "county farm" back when its residents would sun themselves out on the lawn before meandering back into the old

brick structure for supper. In the early eighties, the old brick building was torn down and a new multimillion dollar stone and steel structure was built in its place. Officially it is the Merrimack County House of Correction (emphasis on correction, please) and it houses between 130 and 160 inmates. A stay at the House of Corrections costs the property taxpayers about \$55 a day including meals.

Across the street from the House of Correction is a small, almost quaint 19th century clapboard school house. It has been the home of the Merrimack County Adult Diversion Program for about four months. The program is the newest innovation in criminal justice in New Hampshire and it is designed to help keep our citizens out of prison and our streets safer. It costs neither the taxpayers nor the state a single dime.

The program was developed by the Merrimack County Attorney with the assistance of the New Hampshire Department of Corrections and the Attorney General's Drug Policy Board. It is fully funded by federal drug racketeering forfeitures from the unlawful drug trade. The focus is on the identification of young, nonviolent offenders whose "attitude" makes them amenable to "rehabilitation" before they "graduate" to more serious crime and society sends them to prison. Towards this end, the program receives referral offenders from the prosecutor's office prior to indictment. The offender is subjected to intense screening for substance abuse needs, educational and vocational deficits and ability to perform meaningful restitution and community service.

If the offender is found to qualify for the program, he or she is offered a "long term"

contract requiring them to meet specific objectives over a period ranging from one to five years. If he or she accepts the contract, they must meet its requirements or face rejection from the program and return to the criminal justice system for prosecution.

The demands of the contract reflect a measured response from society to both the offense committed and the offender who committed it. The objective is to give the offender the skills necessary to control his own behavior and live a productive life outside of prison. These social skills include education, job skills, freedom from substance addiction and a sense of responsibility for his or her own conduct. For each success, there will be need for one less bed at taxpayers' expense down the road. Most importantly, there will be one more life to enrich our society in a positive way.

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THE COZY CORNER

by Mildred Schmidt



The holidays are over and now comes good ski time ... for those of you who ski. As for me, I'll be sitting by the fire and reading seed catalogs, while dreaming of warm weather!

Hash Browns

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| 1 C chopped onion | 3 Tbsp flour |
| 1/2 tsp dry mustard | 1/4 tsp salt |
| 1 C milk | 1/2 C chicken broth |
| 1/2 C shredded cheddar cheese | 1/2 C shredded Swiss cheese |
| 1/2 tsp black pepper | 1 C sour cream |
| 4 potatoes, peeled and sliced thin | |
- paprika

Coat a medium saucepan with cooking spray (or butter or marg); place over medium heat until hot. Add onion, saute three minutes or until tender. Add flour, mustard and salt; stir about one minute. Remove from heat; gradually add milk and broth, stirring with a wire whisk until blended. Cook over medium heat five minutes or until thickened, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; add cheeses and pepper, stirring until cheeses melt. Stir in sour cream. Layer a third of the potato slices in a medium casserole. Spoon some of the sauce over. Add another layer of potatoes, then more sauce. Add the remaining potatoes, then the remaining sauce. Cover and bake 30 minutes at 350°. Uncover and bake 30 minutes longer. Test with fork to make sure potatoes are cooked through. Sprinkle top with paprika.

A slice of ham and a salad, with French bread. Sound like a great meal? It is!

If we had no winter, the spring would not be so pleasant; if we did not sometimes taste of adversity, prosperity would not be so welcome. Anne Bradstreet, ca 1665

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Library Lantern

by Maggi Ainslie



The following is an important message to parents, grandparents, and to anyone who reads aloud: If you take 15 minutes out of your busy day to read to a child, experts agree that this is one of the best things you can do for your children. The time you share together can have long-lasting effects. There truly is no nicer way to share time together than by opening a book and having someone crawl into your lap or sit nearby eagerly waiting to hear the words to a special story.

The most important tip in reading aloud is NOT to read fast! Children learn a great deal by listening to the words you are reading and so reading should never be hurried.

There are times when we may also read to adults. A blind lady of 92 years loved hearing *Rascal*, by Sterling North, and *Thar Quail, Robert*, by Margaret Stranger. This lady had honeymooned and lived with her trapper-husband in the Sunapee area in the early 1900's. She told me wonderful stories about her early life and I looked forward to our weekly visits as much as she did.

As I said in the beginning, spending a few precious minutes reading to your children may be the most important thing you'll ever do for them. Somehow, time flies and one day, sooner than you think, they are reading to you!

During the month of January, John Moore's photo essay taken during Bradford's Artists and Artisans Exhibit in August will be on display. Jane Herbert's painting of Battles' Farm will also be exhibited. Be sure to take a few minutes to see both exhibits.

Recent titles added at Brown Memorial:
Encyclopedia of pastel techniques, by Martin
Gold in Concord, by Langton
Classics to read aloud to your children, by Russell
Mexico, by Michener
Rumpole on Trial, by Mortimer
Midwife's Advice, by Courter
Dinastory, by Morgan
Good parents for hard times, by Koch
Walking into the river, by Hemingway
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GARDENING

by Fred Winch

It used to be that active gardeners had to wait till January to see the seed and plant catalogs for the coming gardening season — not so now. The first I received this fall came before winter, just after Thanksgiving. It has been followed by a couple more before Christmas and a flurry after Christmas. Postmasters used to request that the Christmas mail not be "cluttered" with catalogs — that was before the population explosion some of us remember.

The catalogs emphasize a population explosion in the plant world as well. Plant breeders have been active in the last few years producing "new and improved" varieties of everything from asparagus to zinnias. But seedsmen have also been actively seeking the heirloom varieties as well, and now many of these older varieties are becoming available to the general public. Many of such heirlooms were only known in local areas. For instance, the New England favorite bean for baking was the yellow eye. I can remember well the planting, harvest, storage and "picking over" a quart or more of yellow eyes on Friday night (removing those with weevils) for Saturday morning baking in the wood stove's oven. The advent of home freezers in the '40's made weevils outmoded. The mass production of canned B&M or Friends baked beans of pea beans made yellow eyes a costly luxury — at over \$1.00 for a pound can.

It used to be that plant breeders were based primarily at our land grant colleges, such as UNH, working on small budgets to perfect crops for home use in their home state. New Hampshire had the good fortune to have E.M. Meader at the University. Prof. Meader is the breeder of note in the east. He has produced innumerable vegetables (beans, peppers, as well as blueberries and other perennials) for northern gardens. In his retirement, he continues his vocation.

Now many seed companies aiming for the commercial market have corps of plant breeders turning out vegetables for the growers of corn, peas, beans, melons and fruits suitable for mass sales or processing at canneries and freezer plants. Such vegetables are bred to ripen in a 4 to 10-day period and be harvested all at once to go to market or the processor. The plants are immediately tamed under for green manure and another crop planted.

Fortunately, universities are still seeking to improve varieties for the home gardener. At UNH, Dr. Brent Loy is working on vegetables for those of us here in New Hampshire, as well as methods of stretching our productive growing season. If you want to sample one of his outstanding products, check out the Passport melon — delicious!

The catalogs this year, depending on the company, will be touting anywhere from 25 to 135 new varieties of vegetables and flowers; the latter will be the most numerous. Among the seedsmen catering to our needs here in central NH are Johnny's and Pinetree in Maine, Vesey's in New Brunswick, Canada, Harris and Stokes in New York. They are all worth checking out.

So as the wind rattles your windows and the woodstoves throw out welcome heat, let your mind peruse those colorful and informative wishbooks and plan for that perfect 1993 garden — good dreaming!



Youthful Activities

by Mary Keegan-Dayton

Electronic toys ... I fought the urge to buy one for my daughter for Christmas. As I looked at the toy shelves filled with a multitude of dolls in all sizes and shapes, I pondered the destiny of the electronic belle whose earrings, feet, heart and crown emitted sparkles of light.

What would the impact of such a toy have on my six-year-old? Am I leading the way for her to be a consumer of material goods? Will such toys, similar to too much TV, detract from her imagination and creativity?? I was lost in thought when I spotted the plastic beauty on the top shelf. She appealed to the child in me. Long curly, blonde hair, silky white dress, pink bow and a crown adorning her curls. With a projection bulb set into her head, the doll, doubling as a flashlight, sent beams of colored light shining up and out of her crown. I pictured my daughter, on the island we frequent in northern Maine (without electricity), with her pink and white flashlight, I mean doll, tucked under her arm melting away the darkness.

When it comes right down to it, the toys and material gifts we give our children are insignificant. Yes, these items we make or buy do impact our children, but their experiences are what they remember. Memories can't be lost or broken. So why was I wrestling with indecision over the philosophical implications of toys that use batteries?

Starbright, the electronic belle, was scrapped recently at a gathering. All the new toys were left behind as the girls headed up to the attic to play in the homemade fort they had built. Hours became minutes as the girls used a few old quilts and their imaginations to build a fantasy world which they alone created.

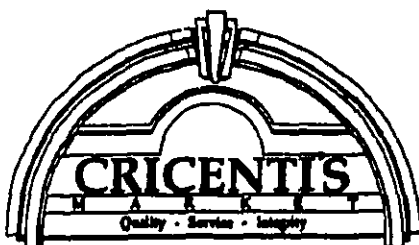
It's important that our children learn to entertain themselves independent of the props we place in their environment. Oh, my daughter loves the electronic belle I succumbed to purchasing. But what is most thrilling is when children use imagination to create their own castles of play. Starbright is her favorite toy, my daughter insists, but she spends more time painting, cutting and playing outside. I'm so glad.

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FOREST, continued

February 10. **Issues and Ecology.** What is it about a forest that makes it hard to explain but easy to endanger? Jeff Wallner, Field Education Director

February 17. **Tree Function and Identification.** Bring your forest to life by learning the identity and needs of individual trees. Dave Anderson, Hay Refuge Coordinator

March 10. **Aspects of Forest Management.** Helpful tips on improving forest health and habitat while making it pay for you. Beth McGuinn, Docent Coordinator

March 17. **Pollution and Pathology.** Learn about assaults on our forest heritage through the air and on the ground. Diane Yorke, Tree Stewards Coordinator

Two field workshops are included:

Saturday, March 6, 1:00-4:00 pm. Weeks Woods, Gilford. **Wild in the Woods.** Tracks and other traces, deer yards and den trees, hosting wildlife and finding habitat. Bring the family to a winter afternoon celebrating the wonders of wildlife through fun, hands-on activities. Co-sponsored by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department "Wonders of Wildlife" docents.

Saturday, March 27, 1-4pm. Weeks Woods, Gilford. **Working With Your Woods.** A look at the ways you can monitor and improve the health of your backyard trees or woodlot. Demonstrations of pruning, timber stand improvement, road and bounds maintenance, and checking vigor of trees.

Dave Anderson, John Hay Refuge Coordinator, reminds all area residents that the Refuge is open daily and will be lovely for cross country skiing when we get snow. The telephone in Newbury is 763-5958.



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At Work ~ At Home

by Audrey V. Sylvester

Woodworker Phil Byfield uses Yankee ingenuity, common sense and practicality when he invents specialty products for his business, "Massasecum Woodworks." He invented "The Byfield™," a one-hand paper towel holder, custom-made and handcrafted in cherry or oak. It has a unique hidden spring action "so superior that we can confidently guarantee your absolute satisfaction," his promotional brochure states.

Byfield has also invented an adjustable shrub-protector which expands as plants grow. He handles all aspects of production, including marketing and delivery to shops, garden centers and nurseries around New England.



Byfield learned woodworking from Ken Harris (League of New Hampshire Craftsman member) at the New Hampshire Technical College in Manchester. Byfield is in the middle of changing his woodworking business from heavy manufacturing to light manufacturing, a new line...specialty wooden lamps. Phil also designs custom picture frames for artists' exhibitions.

Byfield, guided by personal ethics when selecting wood for his products, says, "I use only native American hardwoods. I don't use any rainforest wood because, even though the amount I use as a woodworker is a small percentage, my conscience is

clear." He uses species that grow in this area - maple, walnut, hickory, beech, ash, oak and cherry.

Byfield's interests are not limited to a line of products. He makes fancy wooden boxes, has a passion for puzzle boxes with secret compartments, creates playful sculptures, and repairs antique furniture and wooden boats. Landscaping would be his favorite occupation if it were not seasonal.

He is an avid windsurfer, summer and winter, a sport he says is physically challenging, environmentally sound, and affordable. He also enjoys canoeing, hiking, playing the guitar, and "a good game of Scrabble."

Although Byfield grew up mostly in South Carolina (he can easily slip into a southern accent - "Y'all come back now") before moving to Bradford in 1971, he has deep New England roots. His great-grandfather was the doctor in Henniker, where his grandmother grew up. Byfield likes Bradford for its location and Lake Massasecum. He said, "It's out in the country, yet it's handy. It's very close to Concord and Manchester. I think it's very pretty around here."

Byfield believes in recycling. When he built his house, he used old doors to enhance the building and fitted out his professional woodshop with World War II industrial machinery, which he prefers because it is very heavy, solid, and seldom needs a part.

Byfield was Bradford's road agent for a time. He commented, "You have to have a tough skin to be a public servant." He relied on advice from an old-timer, who told him, "If you want to make this job work, you have one answer for everything ... Yes!" In good old Yankee fashion, Byfield was ahead of his time when he started recycling for the town. He put an extra town truck at the dump and had people throw cardboard into it. He turned the effort into a business, bought a baler, sold the cardboard, and made money for the town. He always wanted the town to run the dump as a business.

Although, like many small businessmen, Phil has felt the effects of the downturn in New England's economy, he remains optimistic about 1993. But he is not sitting around waiting for something good to happen. He is busy inventing new products and marketing strategies to accommodate today's conditions. Yankee ingenuity comes naturally to him as he copes with the changes. Here's to a happy and successful new year, Phil!

TECH TALK

by Howard Brooks

Some say they wonder where time goes. I seem to be counting seasons now rather than months as I used to. As for the last ten years, I have no idea where they went. I guess it will be a long time before mankind masters time. I think the good Lord sped up the clock and didn't tell us.

As for the future of this technological global revolution that we are into these days, I was talking to a GTE engineer the other day and he was telling me about the stuff they are working on... For example, your primary home or business computer will probably not be the personal type now selling in the millions each year. Instead, we will all be connected via fiber-optic transmission lines to central computers over leased data transmission lines. The telephone, FAX, and computer signals will all be carried on one cable. Your home computer could give you the lowest price of a particular food item and the food market carrying it ranked in concentric geographic locations from your home. Or how about the lowest price on gasoline at what station in what town. No more going to the grocery store...Simply call in the order from your terminal and it will be delivered from your choice of lowest priced stores.

Right now it amazes me that I can receive information in seconds on whether a MasterCard or Visa is valid. Orders from Great

Britain, New Zealand or Kenya all verified in the same time, and the same computer voice returns the authorization number.

My friend at GTE went on to tell me about foot controls to run your mouse cursor, or head motion that will guide the mouse while leaving your hands free to enter data. For the near future, the fast coming computer technology is being able to talk to your computer. I will write more about this exciting area of sound, motion video and computer graphics called multi-media in an upcoming article.

We discussed advances in satellite transmission for portable telephones with location coordinates. Or how about in your car, a computer screen showing a map of your current locale that will locate you and give you directions to your desired destination and plot your progress...No more road maps. I wonder why they haven't offered us a device to prevent tail-gating. The radar device would receive the return signal and automatically adjust our speed based on the distance from the car in front.

The US is still the software capital of the world, but I sure hope we catch on in these other areas soon. In the meantime, another month, another year and do have a happy and prosperous New Year!

Review of Selectmen's minutes

Ken Barton, South Road, Newbury, requested that the Selectmen review the Lake Todd Association's Emergency Action Plan for response to the dam breaking. He asked for their approval or disapproval of the plan and for their appointment of someone to be responsible for contacting key people if the dam should break. The plan was approved and Peter Fenton agreed to take the appointment.

A letter was received from the Lake Massachusetts Improvement Association regarding the revaluation. It stated their belief that they received unfair treatment by the assessors and are being unfairly taxed. Hambrecht made a motion to send the letter to the revaluation department for response.

Neil Canon, Concord Regional Development Corporation, Albert Dauray, on behalf of the New Kearsarge Corporation, and Peter Moyer, of the New Kearsarge Corporation, met with the Selectmen to discuss the status of the Community Development Block Grant. Canon discussed administration of the grant. Dauray addressed the status of the grant at the state level, noting that he had recently talked with Bill Ray at the Office of State Planning. Ray had told him that more information will be required before moving to the next step in the process. Dauray said that once the required information was submitted, the final steps would probably not take long. Moyer was asked when the outstanding property taxes would be paid by New Kearsarge Corp. Moyer and Dauray agreed that the taxes would be paid as soon as the grant money was received. Moyer added that if the grant were not approved, he would make other arrangements to pay the back taxes as soon as possible.

Bids were opened for installing a new oil furnace at the town hall. Five bids were received. Pickman and Sons submitted the lowest bid at \$3074, \$348 less than the next lowest, and was awarded the contract.

Selectmen approved the new Personnel Plan for all town employees. Copies will be made available to all employees.

Selectmen opened and reviewed bids for fuel and gasoline for the 1993 season. Three bids were received, and contract was awarded to Rymes Fuel of Peterborough, who submitted the lowest bid.

BRADFORD MARKETPLACE

To all of the concerned citizens of Bradford and the surrounding towns, we apologize for any and all inconveniences during the reconstruction of our gas station. These problems were not of our making and as many of you know, there were leaks going on here for many years. Those problems have finally been taken care of and we look forward to servicing all of our customers who had to go elsewhere during the past month.

Despite the efforts of the powers to be to control our business and/or force us out of business, we have survived these efforts. We will return with the same hours as before, 7:00 am until 11:00 pm, seven days a week.

Gas will be at a low discount price with no cash discounts anymore. You will pay the lowest possible price for gas that I can get from the wholesalers. We will also be offering the lowest prices for beverages and grocery items that are available. Of course we still have a wide variety of video rentals available and our special of "rent one, get one free" on Tuesdays.

We, the owners and members of our staff, look forward to serving all of our loyal customers again in the not too distant future. We wish you all the best for the holiday season and a very healthy and prosperous new year.

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Amendments, continued**Amendment #3**

Article III, Section 2. [add]

COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL USES.

Commercial or industrial establishments are allowed in all districts except the conservation district. Mining and excavation shall be permitted only in accordance with the provisions of Article III, 3. Any other commercial or industrial establishments shall require a site plan review and approval of the Planning Board. Change of ownership, renter, or alteration of use may require a modified site plan review and/or a special exception.

Reason: These uses were treated under the Rural Residential district only and should have been equally applied to both that district and the Business district. Thus it is being moved into the general provisions section. Since the provisions of the Site Plan Review are very stringent in the first instance, we feel that we should allow a more lenient approach when the same site is back again for a change to a site plan already filed. (Sections 2 - 11 to be renumbered)

Amendment #4

Article III, Section 10. [Replace first sentence]

Lot size is determined by the minimum lot size required by the particular zoning district.

Reason: The Town road classification was eliminated in the 1992 changes. This amendment, although it was only a wording change to conform to the other changes, was defeated and so was not changed.

Amendment #5

Article III, Section 13. [add]

Manufactured Housing which meets the requirements of the Bradford Building Codes and the construction and safety standards established by the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development may be placed on any building site which meets the zoning requirements for a single family dwelling. Thereafter, such housing shall be considered and treated, in all respects and for all purposes, the same as dwellings constructed on the site.

Reason: This section is being added to replace the former Mobile Home and Trailer Ordinance which had become obsolete. State law now requires that this type of housing cannot be restricted to certain areas and special zoning requirements.

Amendment #6

Article IV, Section 2,C,d. [replace]

Cluster residential development may be permitted in accordance with Article III, section 11.

Reason: Article III, Section 11 defines cluster development and its characteristics. This amendment clarifies that this type of devel-

opment is allowed in the Rural Residential district.

Amendment #7

Article VI, Section 1,D. [add]

Temporary signs must conform in size and illumination to all other signs. Locations not conforming to 1.B of this section may be allowed by the Selectmen for the duration of a limited event.

Reason: This section is added to allow temporary signs to be erected for specific events and purposes. It also allows the Selectmen to permit a sign which does not completely comply with the restrictions on distance, etc. in location.

Amendment #8

Amend Floodplain Development Ordinance to change the reference date of October 15, 1991 to "April 15, 1992, or as amended."

Reason: When the Town adopted the Floodplain Ordinance last year, the FIRM maps, which show the flood plain boundaries, had not been updated. They were updated April 15, 1992. The NH Office of Emergency Management has requested that we update our ordinance to reflect this change. By adding the words "or as amended," we will not have to redo this anytime it is further updated.

**BUDGET, continued**

in a balanced budget, the committee was anxious to learn where planned projects or expenses were altered to avoid overspending as these areas may have to be addressed in the 1993 budget.

A quick preliminary review indicated questions in some proposed budgets. Heads of the police, road, fire and administration have been interviewed to get background on their proposals. A primary objective is to attempt a fairly level budget with last year, although some costs, such as insurance and worker's compensation, are expected to increase dramatically.

It is important to try to address concerns raised by people responding to the Budget Committee's questionnaire mailed to residents in the fall. Approximately 20% of the forms were returned, so a good statistical result can be determined. Almost without exception the town road crew was commended for the needed improvements they completed this past year. The committee expressed this result to Arnold Anderson, Road Agent, and gave the road crew their "atta boy" congratulations.

January will see the Budget Committee meeting virtually weekly, starting with January 13th, to further review the budget figures, determine expected revenues, and to review warrant items as they may be proposed by residents or Selectmen. A public hearing will be held on the warrant articles in early February.

Please be aware that all warrant items must be received no later than February 2. Items with appropriate signatures may be left at the Selectmen's office.

—Bernie Lamach

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Monday, January 4

Selectmen's meeting, 7:00 pm

KRSD school board meeting, high school, 7:30 pm

Order of the Rainbow for Girls. Warner Lodge, 7:15 pm

Tuesday, January 5

Zoning Board of Adjustment, 7:00 pm

Bradford Fish & Game; Lake Todd Clubhouse, 8:00 pm

Thursday, January 7

KRSD school board meeting, Sutton School, 7:30 pm

Monday, January 11

Selectmen's meeting, 7:00 pm

Tuesday, January 12

Planning Board public hearing on proposed zoning ordinance amendments, town hall, 7:30 pm

Friends of the Library "Ask the Experts" talk by Dick Conway, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, January 13

Budget Committee meeting, town hall, 7:30 pm

Kindergarten/Preschool board meeting, town hall kindergarten room, 7:00 pm

Thursday, January 14

KRSD school board meeting, high school, 7:30 pm

Saturday, January 16

Town Forum, town hall, 9:30 am

Monday, January 18

No School, Civil Rights Day

Selectmen's meeting, 7:00 pm

Road Committee, town hall, 7:00 pm

Order of the Rainbow for Girls. Warner Lodge, 7:15 pm

Tuesday, January 19

Bradford Women's Club potluck luncheon meeting, noon.

Kindergarten/Preschool parents meeting, church vestry 6:45 pm
Babysitting available, call B. Raymond, 938-5480

Conservation Commission, Tillie Wheeler's, 7:30 pm

Wednesday, January 20

Friends of the Library business meeting, 6:45 pm

Friends of the Library "Ask the Experts" talk by Perley Strout, 7:30 pm

Thursday, January 21

KRSD school board meeting, high school, 7:30 pm

Monday, January 25

Selectmen's meeting, 7:00 pm

Tuesday, January 26

Planning Board, 7:30 pm

Wednesday, January 27

Historical Society meeting; Harold Yeaton will speak on building restoration; also Dodge Farm update; Old Post Office, 7:30 pm

Thursday, January 28

KRSD school board meeting, high school, 7:30 pm

Friday, January 29

No School, Staff Development Day

To list events for the month of February, call Louise Signorino, Calendar Editor, at 938-2608.

Classified Ads

CROCHET. Beginners class forming. Advanced or intermediate knitting lessons also available. Call 938-5182.

GERBILS FOR SALE. Classy black, with tiny white markings; males and females, born 11/25/92. New Year's special - two for \$2.50. Call Rachel at 938-2127 anytime.

WANTED. High school student for weekends. Washing walls and light cleaning. \$5.00/hour. Call Lorraine Reynolds at 542-9502.

WANTED. Does anyone have a file cabinet to contribute to the Road Committee? They are in dire need! Call 938-2993 to donate.

SINGLES DANCE. Elks Club, 48 Airport Road, Concord, 228-8919. Friday, January 15, 8:00 pm. Proper dress, \$5 admission. Three singles groups sponsoring.

FOR SALE. Panasonic 4410 laser printer. New in the box. \$689. Call 938-2127.

To place a FREE classified ad, call Mary Mitchell, Classified Rep, Monday - Friday at 938-5268.