

# THE BRADFORD BRIDGE

PROFILE

Liz and Ted Young  
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## Bradford Center School Reunion

August 29, 1999 was a banner day for the 1792 school at Bradford Center. Once again, the desks were filled with alumni, friends and relatives. Memories, pictures and tales were plentiful in the one-room school. The walls resounded with voices, laughter and the ringing of the school bell.

Churchgoers came to visit the school from 11:00–11:30am. At noon, the alumni and friends gathered for a luncheon and took time to visit with each other once again. Alumni sat in their own seat in the school they attended so long ago. Alumni attending were Louis Ansart, Eva Brown (both 94 years young), Walter Heselton, Clara Heselton Digilio, Frances Barstow Ward, Norman Brown, Wayne Brown, Helen Bagley Lynam, Bernice Bumford Merrill, Nelson Spaulding and George Ingalls. Relatives and friends attending were Bob Digilio, Kit Kittredge, Jane Brown, Bob Pugliese, Richard Whitney, Marjorie Bumford, Esther Cressy Spaulding, Mabel Cressy Chapman, Annie Bagley, Nancy Hibbard, Harriet Douglass and three younger Ingalls family members. Ray and Allene Hamilton hosted the Bradford Historical Society event.

The Bradford Center School was built in 1792. It is one of six one-room schools that served the town. The school was used continuously until 1937. The last graduate was Frances Barstow Ward and she was

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## Wrapping up on Main Street



*The additions to the Brown Memorial Library (above) and the Bradford Area Community Center (below) await siding.*



## Community Center Renovations Progressing

Building renovations are in their final stage. By November/December we will start furnishing and setting up the Center for operations. It is expected that the Center will be open for programs and services by January 2000. The Center will open with a temporary road and parking plan for the winter. This winter, exterior site work and landscape design plans will be completed and next spring the final site work will occur. If you have good furniture or equipment that could be donated to the Center the BACC Governance Board would like to hear from you. Items needed are kitchen equipment and supplies, Ping-Pong or pool table, desks, files, bookshelves, a couch and chairs. Call Sue Vitale at 938-2852 if you have items to donate.

On Saturday October 30 from 10:00am–noon, public tours will be conducted of the inside of the Center. In addition, the Lake Sunapee Visiting Nurses Association will be giving flu shots that day. The cost is \$10 Medicare cards will be accepted. The raffle drawing for the beautiful queen-size hand made quilt will take place that morning. Quilt raffle proceeds will be donated to the Center building fund. Tickets can be purchased at Sweet Patch, Dodge's or Bowie's Market.

*See page 12 for additional Community Center news.*

## Doings in Bradford

This is to bring everyone up to date on what's going on in town. West Road has been paved. After some minor final work is done on the bridge at Box Corner, that project will be complete. East Washington Road is being regraded on an ongoing basis. The rains of tropical storm Floyd required the road crew to work with the roads that were flooding. Between major construction on West Road, preparing and maintaining East Washington Road and washing out and preparing culverts for the winter, the road crew has done a great job. The work has been long and hard. Our next project, on which we are now doing the preliminary engineering work, is to replace the bridge on Fairgrounds Road. The Road Committee met recently to set up priorities for the next road projects.

Money will be coming from the state to assist us in implementing the new statewide property tax. The vendor that

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## Living in Bradford

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## Senior Rally News

The Area Senior Rally Council met on September 19 at which time a round table discussion was held. It was decided to formalize the group with an executive committee consisting of officers and committee chairpersons. The following persons were elected: President, Betty Perron; Secretary, Genie Polm and Treasurer, Donald Publicover. Committee chairpersons are: Activities, Erin De Bello, assistants, Dick Whall and Dick Kennedy; Communications, Donald Publicover, assistants Edna Herbert and Ruth Page; Publicity: Genie Polm, assistants, Nelson Perron, Ona Ruchti, Skip Smith; Public relations, Lynne Smith and Genie Polm; Refreshments, Ona Ruchti; Resource Guide, Betty Perron; Sunshine, Sophie Burke; Transportation to Rally Meetings, Dick Kennedy. Refreshments are served at the meetings.

The round table discussion emphasized the need for more emergency preparation. Look for the next Area Senior Rally Council meeting to be held on Saturday, November 20, at First Baptist Church Vestry in Bradford at 1:00pm. The topic for this meeting will be "Handling Emergencies." The guest speaker will be from the New Hampshire Office of Emergency Management.

The Senior Rally Council would like to thank the First Baptist Church for the use of its facilities and The Rosewood Inn for the refreshments.

—Genie Polm

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## Planning Board Notes

At the first meeting in September, several preliminary discussions were held with RCS Designs for a boundary adjustment between Kavala and Nikoforow on Pleasant View Road and a proposed rear lot subdivision on West Road. Dan Saxby asked what steps he needs to take to construct a second addition at Colonial Stair on Main Street. The Board agreed with Diane and Peter Taylor that a rear lot situation was appropriate for a parcel of land between West Meadow and Johnson Hill Roads. A work session has been tentatively set for October 12 to begin discussion of proposed changes to the Subdivision and Site Plan Regulations. Any changes would require a public hearing prior to final approval by the Planning Board. The Board will also address possible changes in the Zoning Ordinance. These would require approval of the voters in March.

—Marcia Keller

## Parks & Recreation News

We're very happy to say that with Toot Pickman and his trusted backhoe, we now have our rocks set for flower gardens in front of the Kiddy Beach at French's Park. Wacky was his helper and I was the supervisor. Thank you so very much Toot. We have more plans for French's Park. We would love to have some more volunteers. Please call 938-2570 if you can help. Archery still going on, Thursdays at 6:00pm. It really is a lot of fun. It is great for children and adults. We are going to do a program of archery with the Youth Group from the Baptist Church on Sunday afternoons. If we get the stakes cemented in at Brown Shattuck, the horseshoes may be rented from Bowie's Market. So watch for a sign at Bowie's. We are hoping to have Line Dancing in October, watch for flyers.

I am happy to say Jim Allen has joined Parks and Recreation. It is good to have him aboard.

—Jane Lucas

## Historical Society News

The Bradford Historical Society will hold its Annual Meeting on October 27 at 7:30pm at the Old Post Office. (The furnace works fine!) The 1999 gifts will be on display. Come and comment, and offer your input for future programs and direction.

The September meeting gave us a look at the many resources that can be used for working on genealogies. A first draft of the Town Genealogy from early settlers through the Civil War is available at the building for perusal (call 938-5386 to get in). Information on individual families can be obtained by contacting Kathy Beals (938-5751 through the end of October, 601 Madison Street, Albany, CA 94706, e-mail [KCBeals@jps.net](mailto:KCBeals@jps.net)) or Sherry Gould (938-2613, e-mail [gould@iamnow.net](mailto:gould@iamnow.net)).

—Milly Kittredge

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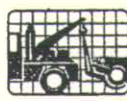
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**Police Report**

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—Pennie M. Spooner

**Road Committee News**

SEA Consultants submitted preliminary plans for the next bridge replacement on Fairgrounds Road. At the request of the Selectmen, the Committee reviewed and commented on these plans prior to their being forwarded to NHDOT for approval to proceed. The Committee also discussed possible projects for next year. Under consideration are several drainage problems, re-paving a section of East Washington Road, and shimming of some roads to extend their useful life before major work is necessary.

—Marcia Keller

**News from the Town Clerk and Tax Collector**

August 16. Rhodora Gerson died in Winter Park, Florida.

August 28. Anibal Andreallo and Jennifer Blanchard were married in Henniker.

August 31. Matthew was born to Frederick and Lynn Hubley in Concord.

September 4. Randal Desfosses and Tina Stewart were married.

September 21. John Grandmaison and Wanda Mosley were married.

September 25. Erik Johnson and Kathleen Robbins were married.

The second half tax bills will be going out in the middle of the month. They will be due in December.

The office will be closed on October 11 for the holiday and on October 15 for training.

—Sue Pehrson

**KRSD School Board Open House**

You're invited to an education open house on October 17 at 28 West Main Street in Bradford from 4:00–6:00pm.

Please join your representatives on the Kearsarge Regional School Board and the Municipal Budget Committee to discuss the upcoming budget process, the charter middle school proposal, and other topics you bring to share.

—Mark Fairbank

**Fun the Whole Family Can Enjoy**

It's that time of the year again, when the fall brings about special types of family fun. Last year my family and I had the opportunity to discover a local pumpkin lighting. The Courser Family of Warner is having its second annual Pumpkin Lighting Weekend. It all starts at the Courser Farm on Schoodac Road on October 17. The Courser family, friends and neighbors come together to carve as many pumpkins as possible. Most of the pumpkins used are grown right at the Courser Farm. Penny Courser says the carving takes up to three hours. The Coursers do all the cleaning of the pumpkins and then let everyone carve. There are no set rules to the carving process. Make up a design and off you go. Once carved, the pumpkins are then placed out in the field, candles are placed inside and lit as dusk falls and will stay lit until 9:00pm each evening. The actual lighting will take place on Friday, October 29 and last through Sunday, October 31. The Courser Family ask that if you do visit, take care when viewing. Parking is limited to the street and walking can be dangerous because the road is so dark. They ask that you consider just driving by to see the spectacular event. If you want to walk, please bring flashlights that can show other drivers where you are.

—Diane Gadoury

**Bradford Country Squares**

The Bradford Country Squares will host "Autumn Splendor" a main stream/plus level square dance on Saturday, October 16 at the Bradford Town Hall from 8:00–10:30pm. Ted Lizotte is the caller and Sally Lennox the cuer. Admission is \$4.00 per person. For more information call Bob Trombley at 763–3044. Spectators are welcome.

—Shirley Trombley

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# Letters

To the editor:

On September, 9, the Kearsarge District School Board voted to forward a proposal for a charter middle school in the Kearsarge District to the State Board of Education. A go-ahead from the State Board will insure that Kearsarge District residents will get a chance to vote on this charter middle school in March 2000.

The Kearsarge Charter Middle School Founders would like to thank publicly the six school board members who voted for the proposal: for their openness to new ideas (though our country has over 3,000 charter schools, not one is New Hampshire—yet); for their loyalty to their constituents (several school board members received an unprecedented number of letters and phone calls supporting the charter school proposal); for their ability to see charter schools not as a threat but as an opportunity to improve public education.

The proposal describes in detail how the Kearsarge Charter Middle School will operate, including everything from the school calendar to the "student council," from courses and workshops to our insurance coverage. Although some Board members expressed concerns about the proposal's sections on curriculum and assessment and wanted more details, the school's Founders Group is confident that the proposal is thor-

ough and complete and honors both the spirit and requirements of NH Charter School Law.

So, to Dean Bensley, Fred Creed, Charlie Giles, Jennifer Swett, Bonney Teti and especially Mark Fairbank (who chaired the board subcommittee), we thank you for your vote, your trust and your vision for the future of public education.

*Susan Farber for the Kearsarge Charter Middle School*

To the editor:

I am confused. I recently returned to Bradford to join a family business and put down roots after living elsewhere. I am excited to be back in the Lake Sunapee Region. As an eager returnee, I need to get involved in what is going on in Bradford and the surrounding towns. Since I live and work in Bradford, I want to put most of my energy here. I had kept up with town news and knew that there were several committees and groups to join. I went to every meeting recently held except for the Friends of Brown Memorial Library, which I could not attend. I listened and participated and put my name down to help.

Perhaps I should have just listened. When you think about the number of people in Bradford, and then think about the number who donate their time to the town, you are not talking about many people. Yet these few people are scattered about on different committees and all have way too much on their plates. I am amazed at how and why this is the way it is, and saddened, too.

I assumed that all of these address completely different issues and that is why there are so many groups. To some extent that is true, yet, as I attend these meetings I can't

help but notice that similar issues are discussed and only the solutions differ. This group doesn't like that group, this group does this better than that group, etc.

Why should some flower barrels be put around town by the Women's Club and others by the BBA? Why are both the BBA and BEOC talking about an information booth? Why aren't the Community Center and the BEOC working together on the Bradford Green project? And why do so many people have different opinions of what each of these groups is trying to accomplish?

I am confused and not sure what to do. How do I become an active member of my community and participate in all these meetings? How can I support one group over another? If we could consolidate some of these groups, get rid of the egos and get the people who are working hard to work together, perhaps we could accomplish more in less time, and with less frustration. Otherwise, you risk losing people who want to help but don't know how. People like me.

*Laura Hallahan*

## Bradford-Newbury Workshop

The Bradford-Newbury Workshop meets on Thursday, October 14, 11:00am at the Friendship House. Please be prompt as we have a speaker coming at 11:30am to tell us about the Fisherfield land on Old Province Road which the town has acquired recently and plans to develop for educational and recreational purposes. This is an exciting piece of land that will provide opportunities for both youngsters and oldsters in Newbury and surrounding towns. Bring a bag lunch and your ideas for future programs. Dessert and beverages will be provided. We will also be electing new officers at this meeting.

*—Clare Bensley*

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**Concord Coachmen  
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This performance is sponsored by the Women's Christian Guild and admission is free. Refreshments will be served. For further information, please call 938-2095.

—Debbie Lamach

**ZBA News**

The Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, October 5 at 7:15pm at Town Hall for a Special Exception, Art. V, sections B1 & 2 to construct a two foot addition and a deck to an existing building on a nonconforming lot in the RB district at 12 West Main Street, owners Mark Coleman and John LaVorgna. Tax Map 33-393.254.

An Appeal is pending for an Administrative Decision brought by abutters to the Lake Massasecum Camp Ground. It seeks a reversal of the Planning Board's decision that the use of 54 camp sites is "grandfathered", Art. V, Section A of the Zoning Ordinance. At present, a public hearing is scheduled for November 2. Minutes of the September meetings are available at the Town Hall.

—Milly Kittredge

**BEOC Back to Work**

The Bradford Economic Opportunities Committee (BEOC) is alive and well! A refreshed and revitalized group met at the Town Hall on September 9 to elect Committee members to key positions and to discuss the upcoming year. The Committee will probably go to a Co-Chairperson format, along with a Secretary and several Public Relations officers to help get the word out about what "economic opportunity" really means. A revitalized Mission Statement will be put forth at the next meeting, to be discussed and disseminated.

The main focus of the Committee for the time being is the Bradford Green project. Doesn't that sound nice...Bradford Green?! With the affirming vote last Spring for the Bradford Green project in hand, the BEOC is forging all their assets to make this project a reality. Fire and Rescue, Bradford-Newbury Youth sports, the Library and most any other organization will not only thrive in the new open space, but will turn a profit from activities/fundraisers held on the new Green. These always-needed funds will improve the service/organization while reducing their need for tax-payer contributions, a "reduction of the tax base" as it is called.

Another challenge for the BEOC is funding. Investments in the future do not come cheaply and Bradford does not have a "rich uncle" ready to pay the bill. However, the BEOC does have leads on grants that can spur the momentum of economic opportunities. Let us not forget Bradford's biggest, and sometimes least acknowledged, asset: the people who live, breathe

and savor living away from the cities and have chosen to call Bradford home.

Money alone will not bring the Green project to life, but people, with a passion and sincere desire to improve the already remarkable assets of Bradford, will. If you have any doubt of this, take a walk down Main Street. On both sides of Route 103, the heart of Bradford is blossoming with changes in businesses, community buildings and homes. The town is coming alive at every corner for one simple reason: Bradfordites truly want a better Bradford. The BEOC sees this and is ready to meet the challenges involved in making this a reality.

This month there will be some testing done of the Green area and we expect to have a Site Manager from the Department of Environmental Services attend the October meeting to discuss options and opportunities. Fruitful discussions about the Water & Sewer Committee and how we will use PlanNH information to our benefit were also held. Each step is being carefully considered with a clear eye toward the betterment and beautification of Bradford.

For those of you who still aren't sure what the BEOC is all about, a member of the Committee will make a presentation at the Bradford Women's Club Town Forum, to be held on October 19. Please come and hear how we, with much help from you, can make Bradford an even better place to live!

—Steve Manley



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## Bradford Women's Club Update

On September 10, two members of the Bradford Women's Club assisted nine residents of the Clough Extended Care Center who celebrated a birthday in September. All enjoyed cake, balloons and dance music.

A successful "Baby Memories Tea" was held poolside at the home of Mel Pfeiffle on September 21. Despite the rainy weather, there was warm congeniality under the tent and baby theme decorations. The hospitality committee did an outstanding job. Members had fun guessing the identity of the baby pictures. Millie Kittredge and Phyllis Whall each displayed a christening gown over 100 years old. New members Laura Hallahan and Kelly Demain were introduced.

Craft sessions are scheduled for October 14 at Nancy Hibbard's house, 938-2301; and for October 19 at Sue Vitale's, 938-2852. Both sessions will be from 10:00am continuing throughout the afternoon. Bring a sandwich if you plan to stay through lunch. The October 19 program will be a "Main Street Forum." Representatives from the BEOC, BBA, Selectmen and Library will speak on the progress of the Community Center, Library and the Bradford Green. It is guest night, so all residents are invited to attend at 7:30pm at the Town Hall. Yummy refreshments will be served.

—Suzanne C. Vitale, President



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## LINEC Fall Term begins October 4

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LINEC courses are tailored to the varied interests of adults and are held on the campus of New England College in Henniker. Membership in LINEC is affordable and open to all. LINEC, a member of Elderhostel Institute Network, provides an opportunity to continue learning with others who share the same enthusiasm. Other courses offered in LINEC's fall program, beginning on October 4, include a discussion group covering current affairs/news events of the week; Beatrice Trum Hunter's "Food Issues;" two Shakespeare plays, "Merry Wives of Windsor" and "Merchant of Venice" led by Herb Church; Tony Coomber's course on Roman Britain (an oxymoron?) and perennial favorite Fall Foliage Walks with the Libermans. Two video courses will round out the fall curriculum: The Great Ideas of Philosophy and How to Listen to and Understand Great Music with discussion of Baroque music led by Robert Babb and Joseph Chapline.

Fall 1999 course brochures are available in most area public libraries on October first. For further information on LINEC membership and the current course offerings, you may contact LINEC's Registrar at NEC Box 75, New England College, Henniker NH 03242, or phone Nancy Hibbard at 938-2301.

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## Warner Fall Foliage Festival October 8-10

It's hard to believe, but it's almost time for the Warner Fall Foliage Festival. This is special three-day event when hundreds of people in Warner volunteer their time to host the region's friendliest Fall Foliage event. The theme of this year's festival (now in its 52<sup>nd</sup> year) is "225 Years, Then and Now" which celebrates Warner's formal incorporation in 1774.

Everything is on schedule for the weekend of October 8-10. The Midway will open on Friday night, October 8 at 6:00pm with the Open Class Oxen Competition set for 6:30pm. On Saturday, a full weekend of events begins at 7:00am with a Country Breakfast followed by a full list of activities and attractions including crafts, parades, a road race, entertainment, music, magic shows, clowns, a petting zoo, cloggers, bingo, a woodsmen's contest and a children's fair. And, don't forget the food. Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be available with everything imaginable from pancakes to chicken BBQ to lobster. The Kearsarge Valley Community Action Program will provide free shuttle bus service from satellite parking lots around the Exit 9 area to the Festival.

A complete listing of this year's event can be found in the Fall Foliage brochure available at any Warner business location or by calling 456-2700. You can even go to the Festival's web site at <http://www.wfff.org>.

Each year, thousands of dollars are donated from Festival proceeds to community organizations and projects. Community organizations that benefited from the 1998 Festival included the Kearsarge Children's Center, the Pillsbury Free Library, the Warner Homeschoolers Program, Warner Cooperative Kindergarten, Warner Fire Department, Warner Youth Sports, the Warner Senior Center and the Warner New Paper.

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**Brown Memorial Library News**

Work on the new library addition is progressing rapidly, and with the walls up and the roof on it's now easy to see what a handsome building it will be. The new interior will be spacious and inviting and will retain many of the features of the original building. The trustees and librarians would like to take this opportunity to extend a sincere "thank you" to Bruss Construction for all their help with this project—many of the extra features in the expanded library have been made possible by their attention to detail and their willingness to find creative ways to work within a tight budget. Special thanks to Rick Alibrandi, the project foreman, for his expertise and valued suggestions about how best to retain the original features of our library building.



August 30 was packing day and in just under three hours our hard working crew of 22 volunteers, aged nine to 87, packed more than 10,000 books! Our sincere thanks to each and every one who helped. Thanks also to Yankee Book Peddler, who donated over 90 packing boxes, and to Mike Ripberger and the USPS, who donated the sealing tape. On September 3, thanks to another excellent volunteer crew, the large trailer on the front lawn of the library was loaded with all the books, furniture and bookcases. Everything will remain in the trailer until the completion of construction.

The budget for this project is on target and completion is just around the corner. The tentative completion date is November 4 and we

expect to be "open for business" in mid-December—watch the Bridge for further details.

We received an inspiring letter from a library patron recently. Enclosed with it was a donation from a woman who, because of physical handicaps, has not been able to get up the steps to

the library and has had to rely on others to pick up her books. She wrote, "I am looking forward to the time when I can ascend the handicapped lift and enter the library." The lift entrance will be located on Church Street and there will be handicapped parking space at the rear of the building, making the library accessible to everyone for the first time in 65 years.

It's time for the Wish List! With all this wonderful new space, the library will now be in need of bookcases, built-ins for the children's and work areas, and specific pieces of furniture. If you are a cabinet-maker or finish carpenter and you would like to donate your time and expertise to benefit the new library, we would like to talk with you about specific needs. For more information, call library trustee Marty Bunis at 938-5051.

—Brown Memorial Library Trustees

**Fall Concert Series**

The Four Corners Grill and Flying Goose Brew Pub present their Fall '99 Concert Series. On October 14 Christine Lavin will perform. Expect the unexpected from this prolific songwriter mixed with her hilarious sense of humor. Lavin's personal style is exceptionally unique and entertaining. Then catch Ellis Paul on October 28. Paul's fine acoustic fingerstyle and tuneful tenor accent lyrics of intimate stories. The Four Corners Grill is at the junction of Rtes. 11 and 114 in New London. Shows start at 8:00pm. Call 526-6899 for show reservations or more information.



**"Trains" Lecture and Slideshow**

The Pillsbury Free Library and the Kearsarge Senior Meals Program present a "Lunch at the Library" lecture and slideshow about trains by Harry Frye. Mr. Frye is a Train Society historian. The lecture will take place on Tuesday, October 12 at 11:00am, followed by lunch at noon. A bag lunch will be provided for seniors for \$2.00 (call 456-9200 to reserve), or you may bring your own lunch. Coffee and tea will be provided. CAP Bus transportation is available for seniors for \$1.00. All are welcome to attend.

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## Union Congregational Society News

The Union Congregational Society met for their annual meeting on September 12 at the historic schoolhouse at Bradford Center. Moderator Bernie Lamach conducted the meeting. The Board of Directors (new and present) are George Cilley and Robert Blank, 2002; Howard Klein and Alma Clinton, 2001; Joan Lettvin and Carey Rodd, 2000. Alternate to the board is Dick Vitale. The board will meet in October to elect their chairpersons. The Treasurer is Edythe Craig and Secretary, Mary Keegan-Dayton. The Worship Committee is Edythe Craig, Debbie Lamach and Ed Condict. Fellowship Committee is Amy Blitzer, Louise Clark and Sue Vitale. Nominating Committee is Marge Cilley, Charlie Betz and Audrey Sylvester.

Our three events of the summer, the Reggae Concert with chicken barbecue, Lettvin Concerts and the Pig Roast were a great success. Three worship services were held in the meeting house along with the Christmas Eve Pageant. A lot was accomplished this past year in the ongoing process of restoration of our historic meeting house. Several ideas were brought up for the year to come. The Society wishes to express our sincere thanks to all that participated who made the projects so successful for this worthwhile cause.

—Alma Clinton

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## Upcoming Events at the Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum

On Friday, October 1, the Museum will host two Wild Sentry Northern Rockies Ambassador Wolf programs. Program I at 5:30pm will be a family program and is suitable for children ages six and above. Program II at 7:30pm will be for adults only. Pre-registration is \$3.00 for adult members, \$2.00 for child members, \$5 for adult non-members and \$3.00 for child non-members. At the door, the fee will be \$4.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children.

On Sunday, October 3, we will celebrate the Harvest Moon Festival from 11:00am until 5:00pm. The fee is \$6.00 for members, \$8.00 for non-members and \$1.00 for children ages four to 12. Children under four may enter for free.

Lodges, Legends and Visions of the Night is a program on Saturday, October 30, from 4:30–9:00pm. Join us for this alternative to traditional Halloween trick-or-treating. Bring your children to this exciting educational event. Visitors of all ages will delight in the transformation of museum grounds to reflect the night environment of the Native American. Explore the darkness without fear; discover what it was like to spend evenings with the land and her creatures. Games, crafts, ceremony, and food will make for an evening of mystery, excitement and fun. Guided tours will last approximately one hour. Pre-registration for a specific time is required. Each tour has a maximum of 10 participants, so call early. Fee: \$5/members, \$6/nonmembers, children 2 and under free.

—Karen Booker



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## Wedding at Bradford Center

Donald Charles Johnsen II and Barbara Lynn Jamieson were married September 11 on the lawn of the Bradford Center Meeting House. Friends and family enjoyed the reception under a cloudless sky.

## Art Exhibits at SPNHF

The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests will host two exhibits at the Conservation Center in Concord this month.

From October 1 through 15 there will be an exhibit of paintings of seacoast protected lands by Kim Casey of Dover. There will be an opening on Friday October 1 from 5:00–7:00pm. Casey, who teaches art at Plymouth State College, received a fellowship through the New Hampshire Council of the Arts to paint areas in the state where land has been protected by state projects or private groups. She has painted large protected landscapes like Great Bay and smaller local area farms. She feels, "we all need to pause and reflect on how we choose to protect the land." This New Hampshire artist found her way through her painting.

From October 18 through November 27 SPNHF will exhibit paintings by New London artist Loa Winter. This exhibit, entitled "Edges", explores the places where garden, field, woodland, and brooks intermingle. Winter explores flat and tall hard edges and short, medium and tall soft edges in nature. In both interpretations, edges inspire to create sharp contrasts or delicate edges. The opening will be on October 22 from 5:00–7:00pm.

The openings and exhibits are free to the general public. The Conservation Center doubles as a meeting room. Before visiting, call 224-9945 to be sure the room is open.



## BNKP News

School started September 7 at the Town Hall with seventeen eager kindergartners and six sweet preschoolers. The fabulous teaching duo of Mrs. Kingsbury and Mrs. Conway is back. Mrs. Kingsbury is entering her eighth year as our teacher. Her first set of Bradford-Newbury kindergartners are now entering the seventh grade and occasionally stop in to tower over her. Those seventh graders are getting so tall! Mrs. Conway is entering her third year as the Teacher's Assistant for the kindergarten. She is so sweet with the children and has a big smile for everyone each morning.

There are two spaces still available for children in the preschool program. We are taking three and four year olds this year. Stop by the school or call us at 938-2442 for information. We are also still looking for a Teaching Assistant for the preschool. The hours are 1:00-3:00pm Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Call the school for an application. Volunteers for the preschool class are also needed. People who love children please apply.

What else do we need? Glad you asked. We are looking forward to moving our little school into the Bradford Community Center in November or December. Our school is looking for donations of a large desk for our teacher, a chair, wall shelves and closing cabinets for the new classroom.

There is a new Board of Directors for this school year. Karen Way and Rachel Teachout are co-presidents. Jennifer Dow is treasurer and Mike Carter is secretary. Our next board meeting is October 5, and the next parent meeting is on October 19. As usual, our fundraising activities are important to us. In order to keep school tuition affordable, we will be holding various fundraisers to meet daily expenses and to save up for playground equipment for our new location. We will be having a Giant Yard Sale on Saturday, October 9 from 7:00am until 1:00pm at Ayer & Goss on Rt. 114, across from the Junction Restaurant. Please buy tickets for our Fall Raffle for the Playground. Win some cordwood to keep you warm this winter and other prizes. Tickets are available at the Merrimack Farm Store and Bowie's Market, or at the Giant Yard Sale. See you there.

—Mary Keegan-Dayton

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## Soo-Nipi Audubon Chapter News

Join speaker Maggie Wittner and the Soo-Nipi Audubon Chapter on Friday, October 8, 7:30pm, at St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Gould Road, New London, for a slide program on Costa Rican birds. Wittner has been leading trips for Cheeseman's Ecology Safari to Costa Rica since 1989. Her program will cover the diverse species of birds and habitat variations found in this Central American country. Refreshments will be served. Contact Peter Newbern at 763-4308 for more information.

The Soo-Nipi Audubon Chapter will lead a mountain hike on Saturday, October 9 at 9:00am. This all day adventure will begin at the Stansfield home on Ekberg Road in Goshen, continue through Mount Sunapee State Park and end at the Bensley home on Mountain Road in Newbury. For this ten to 12 mile moderately strenuous hike, participants should meet at the Edgemont House on the corner of Brook Road and Route 103 in Sunapee. Bring lunch, hiking boots and two water bottles. For details contact Clare Bensley at 938-5482.

—Phyllis H. Curtiss

## "Put a Lid On It!" Exhibition

The League of NH Craftsmen offers an exhibition titled "Put a Lid On It!" on view through October 29 at the League's Gallery 205. The exhibit features work by 42 master craftspeople who explore the box as a form for creative expression. The League has challenged its juried members to revisit this everyday object. "For one exhibition each year we like to invite our craftspeople to create objects around a central theme," said Martha Lovejoy, managing director of the League of NH Craftsmen Foundation. "With this exhibition, the public will have an opportunity to see a wide variety of media and techniques employed to construct some form of container."

The 48 objects in the show attest to a range of media, techniques and philosophical approaches. Included in the show will be boxes made of paper, leather, stained glass, fiber and a variety of metals. Wooden boxes, some traditional, will appear alongside a variety of clay boxes. The Gallery is located at 205 North Main St. in Concord. Hours are weekdays from 8:30am to 4:30pm. Admission is free.

## Friday Night Events at MainStreet BookEnds

October 1, at 7:00pm Pulitzer Prize winning author Maxine Kumin will discuss and sign her new novel "Quit Monks or Die!" To reserve an autographed copy, call MainStreet BookEnds at 456-2700. Free.  
 October 8, at 7:00pm the Roaring Duck Puppet Show will perform with fun for all ages. At 8:00pm, a special musical program with the Granite State Orchestra Trio on guitar, oboe and flute. Admission is \$10; please make reservations by calling 456-2700.

October 15, at 7:00pm, noted Paleontologist Suzi Zetkus from the American Museum of Natural History in New York will present a slide show and discussion about dinosaurs. Free.

October 22, a solo concert with Ken LaRoche of DO'A. Admission is \$5, please call for time and reservations at 456-2700.  
 Saturday, October 30, at 7:00pm renowned storyteller Odds Bodkin offers a night of ghost stories called "Dark Tales from the Supernatural." This program is too scary for younger children. Admission is \$10. Please make reservations by calling 456-2700.



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## Selectmen's Meetings in September

*September 13.* Chief of Police John Sims and Mary Beth Fenton, Captain of the Bradford Rescue Squad, met with selectmen to discuss the focus of a meeting to be held September 16, 1999. Nancy Wurtz of NH Department of Emergency Management will attend the meeting and the coordinating of emergency services will be discussed. Dick Vitale suggested contacting Dick Whall of the town's Y2K committee. Mr. Whall has been preparing maps cross referencing residents and street addresses.

Susan Farber from the Charter School committee met to inquire of possible sites available in Bradford. The school will need approximately 4,000 sq ft to renovate but will also consider land to build. The location must be accessible to school buses. The selectmen were not aware of an existing building of that size available at this time.

Ken Anderson, transfer station employee, met with selectmen regarding his proposal for staffing the operation of the dump. Mr. Anderson believes he can handle the operation himself with a part time person during the summer months (June through mid September). Selectmen will visit the matter again during budget preparation. Mr. Anderson discussed costs associated with the disposal of magazines. He will continue to investigate the shipping and necessary storage requirements associated with changing vendors.

Selectmen reviewed a letter from Claire Dodge of the Office of State. The letter offered suggestions on using the FEMA maps and indicated the current zoning laws were in compliance with the requirements of the program. She suggested the town's building permits be modified to include a ques-

tion regarding location in a flood hazard zone.

Selectmen were provided with handouts from a 1993 report by the Facilities Committee on the Town Hall and suggested renovations. The departments working in the building are proposing changes when the kindergarten is moved to the Community Center. The discussion will continue during budget preparation.

The selectmen reviewed correspondence from Leslie Nelson regarding testing the monitoring wells at the former Naughton Property. The decision was made to engage the services of Easton Analytical Inc. The work will be completed this month.

The town has previewed software packages to handle assessing functions and tax billing. Implementing these programs now will assist in the revaluation process. The town will switch to Avitar software.

Selectmen have decided to change the time of their weekly meeting to 5:00pm Monday evenings effective October 4, 1999. The administrative assistant will post the information on the public access channel (cable) and in conspicuous areas around town.

*September 20.* Carol Adams met with selectmen for comments on the Community Center operating manual draft. Mention was made of the future need to roof the building, and Ms. Adams replied the issue was addressed in an agreement drafted in June. Selectmen also indicated they wished to reserve a veto on health-safety issues concerning activities in the building. These issues are listed in the BOCA codes and are available at the Town hall. They requested a disclaimer be added to the manual indicating the inability of any group to violate these codes. The alcohol policy listed in the

operating manual will be forwarded to the town's Liability Trust for review. Ms. Adams also requested a selectman be designated to the governance board. The formation of a building and grounds committee was discussed. Other comments on the manual included exploring the procedure for creating a new elected position within the town to serve on the Community Center Board and the use of the word "membership" not to include or imply cost to join, but as a list of those using the building.

Charlie Betz asked if the town had received an opinion from the town attorney on the Class VI road ordinance issue. Selectmen will review the ordinance and proceed with the necessary public hearing. Mr. Betz asked that an item be added to the policy to not release the road bonds during the winter, but wait until the ground was not frozen.

A purchase order for a waste oil filter crusher was signed. The crusher will be paid for by a grant from the State of NH.

A letter has been received from the Department of Environmental Services regarding violations at the Lake Massasecum Campground. The town has also issued a cease and desist order to Mr. Laurendeau's operating sites on the south side of the road.

A motion was made and vote passed to correct current use classifications for properties logged in the past five years. Non-productive parcels will be examined for proper classification.

Selectmen voted to continue the September 20<sup>th</sup> meeting to Tuesday the 21<sup>st</sup> to work on the personnel manual.

Selectmen voted to move to non-public session to discuss personnel issues.

—From public minutes prepared by  
Cheryl Behr



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PROFILE

Liz and Ted Young  
by Audrey V. Sylvester

When Main Street was reeling from its recent economic downturn, Liz and Ted Young's Merrimack Farm and Country Store stayed the course, "steady as she goes." Their Bradford store, located in a former Boston & Maine freight building in the old railroad station yard, has been a feed and grain store since the 1920's. Before the Youngs bought the place, the building was occupied by the Merrimack Farmer's Exchange.

Transportation routes have been important for Bradford's business climate. Although the main transportation route to Bradford (where roads from Concord, Henniker, Warner, New London, and Newport intersect Main Street) has changed with macadam replacing dirt roads and iron rails, the "crossroads" have always been a hub for downtown retail activity. Ted and Liz recognized the location's and market's potential.

At the time when Blue Seal Feed bought out the Merrimack Farmer's Exchange, Ted and Liz had been selling Blue Seal products at their tack shop at Highlawn Farm in Warner. Ted said, "We felt that somebody was going to be in here. We preferred that it would be us." Since they opened the store in 1980, they have built a second store in Henniker, and added two buildings in Bradford.

During the 19 years they have operated the Bradford store, the Youngs have developed a keen marketing sense. Their basic stock continually changes to add items that will appeal to today's customers. Knowing that things, people, and merchandise change, Liz distrusts the status quo. Purchasing and marketing are always a challenge. She said, "Just about the time you think you have a handle on it, you don't." One might believe that a farm store is a thing of the past, but as agriculture has become recreational, new markets have



opened. The store sells more seed products now than when the business was primarily a farming store. They sell feed for domestic farm animals, pets, birds, llama and buffalo. Customers can find kitty litter, bird litter, grain, jeans, fresh eggs, snowshoes, woolen clothing, back packs, maple syrup, horseshoe nails and birthday gifts. Merrimack Farm and Country Store has it all, and more—even a wee bit of Ireland. When the Irish sweater salesman called, Liz nearly refused to see him. In Irish accent, he cajoled, "Just let me come and show you, my dear." She said, "He showed me, my dear. The sweaters were beautiful and a good price." Roads that bring people to Bradford also take them away to shop. Liz knows that most merchandise can be purchased in other places if one is willing to chase it. She hopes their store will continue to compete by offering service, convenient parking and a neighborly atmosphere. Ted and Liz calculated correctly on their location. Customers come from as far away as Grantham and Goshen. Ted doesn't leave it to chance that customers will come. For his own enjoyment and for business, he built a sugar shack next to the store where he boils sap tapped from his

own trees—a ritual he has been doing ever since he was a little boy. When steam rises, customers turn off the highway in droves to sample spring's tonic. This year's Annual Fall Tent Sale and Customer Appreciation Day attracted 400 customers to the "crossroads."

Since Ted and Liz met at Simonds High School, the couple has "been there, done that." When Ted was in the U.S. Navy, he traveled to Japan, the Marshall Islands, and California. In the 1950's, the couple lived in Japan. For 14 years, Ted traveled all over the United States, Central America and Canada for a sawmill manufacturing plant as an engineer, salesman, installer and trouble shooter, leaving Liz at home where she operated a successful tack store and riding stable.

Both jobs prepared them for the challenges of running their farm store. Even with a demanding schedule, they find the time to give back to the community—Ted as a member of the Merrimack County 4-H Foundation board of directors and Liz as the Bradford/Warner representative to the board of directors of the New London Hospital.

With new businesses opening on Main Street, Liz and Ted Young share a sense of optimism and rejuvenation about the town. They hope that businesses will thrive. Liz said, "I think they will, because the minute there are one or two successes, things build on it. Nothing succeeds like success."



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## BACC News

The Bradford Area Community Center will operate as a cooperative building with a 13 member volunteer Governance Board. This board will have representation from a cross section of users, service providers, citizens and the BACC Councils and Committees. The Governance Board has representatives from the Senior Rally Council, Early Childhood Education Council, Bradford/Newbury Kindergarten & Preschool, Youth Council, Health and Human Service Council, Public Relations/Community Programs Committee, Financial Planning and Fund Development Committee, Building Operation and Maintenance Committee, Bradford Community Corporation, Parks and Recreation Committee, the Selectmen's Office and a member of the community chosen by town election. The interim BACC Governance Board has developed an operating manual that will provide guidelines as the Center opens for business. If anyone would like more information about the Governance Board or would like to volunteer your expertise on a committee or council please call Carol at 938-2562.

The Youth Council needs adults and youth to get involved in designing the activities, programs and services we would like to see for our children. Presently we are looking at dividing the Youth Council into three age groups (4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders, middle school and high school youth). A Youth Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 14 at the Baptist Church at 7:00pm. If you are interested in the Council but can not attend this meeting please call Yvonne McCormick at 938-5210.

The Young Children's Education Council will focus on infants through children in grade three. The BACC is looking for interested parents and adults to discuss programs and activities for this age group. If you are interested please call 938-2562.

The Senior Rally Council is looking forward to increasing membership once the

Center is open and senior programs and activities start. For more information on how you can get involved in the Senior Rally Council please call Betty Perron at 938-2640.

A committee is investigating having a dinner dance for adults at the Center on New Year's Eve 2000. They need your input. Please help them by answering a few questions. Would you be interested in attending? Would you be willing to help "get the show on the road" and how could you assist? (Planning, setting up tables and chairs, decorating, putting things back in order.) What do you consider a reasonable price per person for appetizers, beverage, main course, and dessert? Would you like the dinner to be potluck? Please send us your answers. Include your name, address, phone number and comments. If your response is positive—thanks. Someone will call you. If not, no one will "bug" you. We appreciate your participation! Please mail your answers to BACC-NY 2000, P.O. Box 436, Bradford, N.H. 03221 or call Phyllis Whall 938-5352 or Marion Hall 938-5387.

Many people have worked hard to keep the costs of the renovation project within budget. These folks have done a great job. The building space is wonderful. There still are some funds to be raised but the gap is narrowing. The Bradford Community Corporation has been approved for a special business tax credit incentive program. Any business that donates cash toward the Community Center building will receive a 75% tax credit. If you own a business or your employer is paying NH business profit taxes, maybe this program could benefit the Community Center and your business. If you would like more information please call Carol at 938-2562. In the last two months we received a \$3,000 grant from PSNH, a \$5,000 grant from Samuel P. Hunt Foundation, and a \$12,000 discretionary grant from the Community Development Finance Authority. Our local "Buy a Brick for Bradford Community Center" fundraiser is still in progress.

—Carol Conforti Adams

*REUNION Continued from page 1*

given a graduation ceremony. In 1946, the town was prepared to destroy the building because of disrepair and lack of use. Walt Heselton offered to have it moved across the street to his property. In January of 1988, the Bicentennial Historical Society (committee) moved the schoolhouse back to its original site. A committee of the Historical Society called the "3R's" (Relocation, Regeneration and Restoration) undertook the restoration of the old school. Volunteers raised funds through many activities, drives and hard work. The result is the wonderfully restored one-room school now returned to its original location where it stood from 1792 until 1937.

—Allene S. Hamilton

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we use for this purpose will not have the software ready to allow us to separate out the new tax on the next bill. We plan to insert an explanation with the next bill to help everyone understand what has been done. The Selectmen and members of the Budget Committee will be meeting a representative from the Department of Revenue Administration in early October to set the tax rate for this year.

We are currently changing over all the property assessment cards to a computerized system. We are in the process of signing a contract with a firm that will provide us with the software and training to do this. Thanks to Administrative Assistant Cheryl Behr, with the help of Town Clerk Sue Pehrson, we are modernizing the Town Offices with little cost to the taxpayer. Things are happening in Bradford!

The Selectmen have decided to change their Monday night meeting time from 7:00pm to 5:00pm beginning on October 4. This will allow people having business to come to the Selectmen when they get home from work and before dinner. We want to make the offices more "user friendly." We now have a recording for the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office that states the times it is open. This will avoid repeated calls because you are wondering why no one picks up the telephone.

Until next month, enjoy the foliage!

—Dick Vitale, for the  
Board of Selectmen



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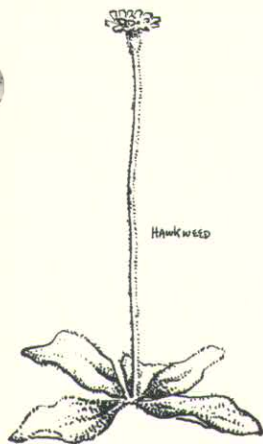
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by Ann Eldridge

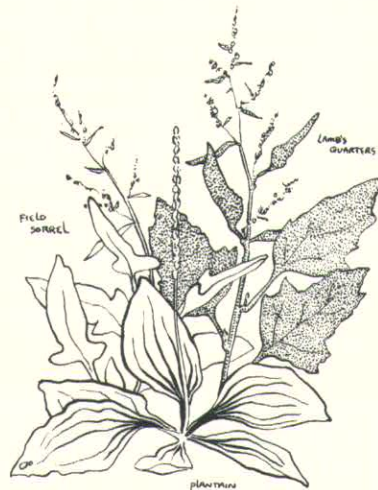


Within sight of my door: red clover [*Trifolium pratense*], burdock [*Arctium lappa*], chamomile [*Anthemis nobilis*], hawkweed [*Hieracium aurantiacum*], curled dock [*Rumex crispus*], mullein [*Verbascum thapsus*], pigweed [*Amaranthus retroflexus*], dandelion [*Taraxacum officinale*], lamb's quarters [*Chenopodium album*], yarrow [*Achillea millefolium*], purslane [*Portulaca oleracea*], plantain [*Plantago major*], field sorrel [*Rumex acetosella*]. A late season European cabbage butterfly [*Pieris rapae*] flips by. As for myself [*Homo sapiens*], I am of Scottish and English descent. We are all settlers from other continents. I'm sure that a large number of these grasses before me are relatively new to this landscape as well. All colonists arrived at the North American 'melting pot'. For some of these 'soup pot' is more accurate. Sorrel, purslane, dock, and lamb's quarters were certainly intentionally imported for their edibility. Who at the time knew when packing for the trip to the "New World" whether you could get a decent salad once there? It may impress or distress some to know that 100,000 pounds of dandelion root were still being imported as recently as 1957 for its medicinal uses. Plantain was also carried over early on as a pharmaceutical—so much so that the Native Americans dubbed it "white man's foot" because it seemed to appear wherever the Europeans touched down. A great many of our familiar non-native species came in soil used as ballast in cargo ships from

Europe. The ballast was dumped on shore and the ships sailed off with loads of raw goods like lumber. The hawkweeds, plantains, mulleins, and dandelions are among those that grow from a flattened rosette of basal leaves. This adaptation, formed over thousands of years of European pastoralism, has preserved them from the grasping lips of grazing animals. They can rapidly send up a flowering stalk and they can set seed with alacrity. This trait has also admirably suited them to avoid the depredations of lawn mowers.

A book I've been reading recently describes a theory explaining the current presence of large numbers of species suited to what we with our various biases refer to as "waste places" and "disturbed ground". Paleobotanists find no fossil trace of most of what we now refer to as weed species any earlier than the last Great Ice Age. As you may recall, the last Ice Age began some two million years ago finally retreating 14,000 or so years ago. Some very industrious plants evolved at the edges of action—the advancing and retreating of glaciers, the avalanches and scouring and general slow chaos. Year after year after year. Finally the last glaciers shrank back north leaving only their rivulets behind. The prairies and forests began to inch their way back north, a process not yet completed. The inhabitants of this previously much disturbed ground were unable to compete with the return of thick grasses and the shade of trees, surviving only in patches of blowdowns and fire-torn areas. Then came us. With our animals and our plows, rubbish heaps and construction sites, roadsides and finally railroad tracks we essentially rescued them from a marginal existence. Wherever we go now, so do they. Even the Great Ice Age was not able to disturb so much of the surface of the earth as the practices of agriculture and settlement.

My food garden, which counts as "disturbed ground" and which consists of helpless plants of tropical origins is full of dandelion, burdock, and lamb's quarters—plants I also eat. Sorrel, purslane, carpetweed, chickweed, and wild amaranth are everywhere in it and for the most part we get along. But if my garden turns back to lawn and then field most of these interlopers will be crowded out. Sorrel, coltsfoot, dandelion and hawkweeds grow on the recently logged top of the Rowe Hill nearest me. Soon they will fade out as the shade slowly deepens again.





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
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## From the kitchen of Lesley Marquis

There's a nip in the air—mornings are brisk and clear. This time of year always brings out the homemaker in me. There is nothing more comforting than the aroma of freshly baked bread or the scent of cinnamon. So on one of these beautiful autumn days, get out and go apple picking!

### APPLE BREAD

- 3 cups apples, cored, but not peeled
- 3 cups flour
- 2 ½ cups sugar
- 1 ¼ cups oil
- 4 eggs, slightly beaten
- 4 teaspoons vanilla
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1 ½ teaspoons salt
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon ground cloves
- ½ teaspoon baking powder
- 2/3 cup raisins or chopped dates
- ½ cup chopped walnuts

Preheat oven to 325°. Grease 2 large loaf pans or 6 small pans on bottom only.

Mix all ingredients in a very large bowl. Pour into prepared pans. Do not over fill!

Bake 60–70 minutes, or until toothpick inserted comes out clean. Delicious!



## BOOK REVIEW

by Pauline Dishmon

### BURIED TREASURES OF NEW ENGLAND

W. C. Jameson  
August House, Inc.  
1998

Jameson, a college professor, author and adventurer, travels throughout the nation in search of stories about treasures. The 31 stories in his book are connected since all occurred in New England.

A fascinating story involves a wicked man named Black Bellamy. In 1716, he decided the Machais River in Maine would be an ideal location for hiding his spoils. Not only did he loot, but also he got men and women to help. At one point his workers helped him steal a ship. The reader will wonder about the people willing to work for a cruel man like Bellamy.

Benedict Arnold, a colonel in George Washington's army suggested an invasion and capture of Quebec City. The General entrusted Arnold to lead a company through Maine's wilderness. Washington provided him with a chest of gold coins worth 54 thousand dollars. Arnold left Boston Harbor and sailed to Newburyport. When the ships landed at the Kennebec River near Brunswick, Maine there was one problem after another. The crew suffered shortages, dysentery and cold weather. Troops were compelled to eat shoe leather and some men deserted. Finally, the gold-

filled chest was lost in a storm. Arnold was asked to account for the coins. Some researchers believe Arnold didn't lose the gold but instead buried it somewhere near the river. In recent years, some treasure hunters have attempted to find the treasure by using sensitive metal detecting devices.

Most of Jameson's stories focus on coins in chests and the pirates that hid them. There is an interesting situation concerning a diamond necklace belonging to Marie Antoinette. Another story tells of an incident at Pennichuck Pond about two and one-half miles from Nashua. Jameson has written various books in this "Buried Treasure Series" focussing on tales from Texas to Appalachia.

### Warner Book Sale

The Pillsbury Free Library, 18 E. Main Street in Warner, will hold a book and bake sale during the Warner Fall Foliage Festival on Saturday, October 9 and Sunday, October 10 from 9:00am until 3:00pm. The sale will benefit the Library and the Town of Warner. For more information call 456-2289.

### Warner Gallery Exhibit

The Gallery at MainStreet BookEnds of Warner presents an exhibition of local artists working in wood, stained glass, clay, watercolors and oils, including the original works of Jeremy Guitar, Byron Carr, David Carroll and others. The Gallery is open every day from 9:00am until 6:00pm. Call MainStreet BookEnds of Warner at 456-2700 for further information.

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## Legislative Report

*By Representative  
Barbara Connor French*



I hope you had a great summer. Even though the legislature has been on break, committees have been meeting regularly. We are still faced with the major issue of the shortfall in the state budget because of education funding. There have been discussions between Democrats and Republicans, separately and together, to look at our options. Potential solutions range from a constitutional amendment to overturn the court's decision, to finding a reasonable, long term and reliable way of funding our state's public education system. I think that we can all agree that all of our children need the opportunity for an adequate education to prepare them for life in today's world. This means that we must look at the broad aspects of education, not just the funding. Both are crucial. I believe that our taxpayers are committed to this, however, they deserve to have a fair, equitable tax structure to meet these needs. I support a long term, responsible and reliable solution; however, I am committed to ensuring that the plan we passed last May has adequate funding in the interim. I believe that if we come up with a good, dependable, long term solution then we won't have to be in court using taxpayer money. I am committed to supporting the Supreme Court's decision.

Another equally important issue that the legislature is continuing to work on is the electric industry restructuring. As a result of an agreement in 1989, we have been suf-

fering with some of the highest electric rates in the country. That agreement did not work out. Now, there is a concerted effort in the legislature's Science and Technology committee and consumer's groups, namely the Campaign for Ratepayers Rights, to ensure that the ratepayers are treated fairly. One of the major concerns that we are looking at is the percentage decrease. The first year decrease of 18% sounds good, but what is the real, long-term reduction? Another concern is the securitization plan. The agreement would allow PSNH an initial write-off of \$225 million of its debt with another \$10 million written off later. The settlement provides the company with \$725 million in low-cost financing in a new trust that would guarantee payment to bondholders. Benefits to ratepayers should be lowered rates in service when PSNH starts paying lower interest rates. But the issues here are very complicated and the legislature wants the best agreement we can obtain. Certainly, the Governor and PSNH have made a sincere effort to reach an agreement so that this issue gets out of the courts and on to the issue of real electric competition. Other important issues to be considered are other forms of energy, including renewable forms, and energy conservation and efficiency. It is important to me that we all have safe, healthy energy sources available to us.

The Wellness and Primary Prevention Council, established in Senate Bill 360,

which I co-sponsored, will have its organizational meeting on October 7. Council appointments have already been made. This is a very significant bill that will develop a good relationship between public and private agencies working to help children and families in all areas of our state.

Other study committees are hard at work on such issues as: financial arrangements among hospitals, health care providers, and insurance companies; land use management and protection of farmland; rural character and environmental quality and sprawl; seed sterilization study; youth tobacco use prevention and education; methods to promote the use of renewable energy sources; non-group health insurance market; campaign contribution and expenditure; the impact of federal welfare reform on the cities and towns of New Hampshire; and the improvement of employment opportunities in New Hampshire for persons with disabilities.

I encourage the residents of Bradford and Henniker to contact Rep. Beth Rodd or me with any issues or concerns you may have relative to the Legislature or state government.

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# October Calendar

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 4

Bradford Cemetery Commission, Town Hall, 9:00am, call 938-5386 for more information

Selectmen's Meeting, Town Hall, 5:00pm

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5

ZBA, Town Hall, 7:00pm

ZBA Public Hearing, Town Hall, 7:15pm

Bradford Fish and Game Club, Gillingham Drive, 7:30pm

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6

Library Trustees, Town Hall, 7:00pm

KRES at Bradford PTC, Elementary School, 7:00pm

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

Bradford Community Corporation, Town Hall, 7:00am

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12

BWC Executive Board, Sue Vitale's House, 10:00am

Bradford Revolving Loan Committee, Candlelite Inn, 7:00pm

Planning Board, Town Hall, 7:30pm

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14

BWC Crafts Session, Nancy Hibbard's House, 10:00am, call 938-2301 for details

KRSD School Board, New London Elementary School, 7:00pm

BEOC Meeting, Town Hall, 7:00pm

BACC Youth Meeting for Adults, Young Adults, and Children, Church Vestry, 7:30pm

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17

Bradford School Board Open House, 28 W. Main Street, 4:00-6:00pm

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 18

Bradford Area Community Center Governance Board Meeting, Church Vestry, 9:00am

Selectmen's Meeting, Town Hall, 5:00pm

BBA Meeting, Church Vestry, 7:00pm

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19

BWC Crafts Session, Sue Vitale's House, 10:00am, call 938-2852 for details

Conservation Commission, Town Hall, 7:30pm

BWC Main Street Forum, Town Hall, 7:30pm

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

Country Capitalist Meeting, call 938-2878 for details

Friends of the Library, Town Hall, 7:00pm

Library Trustees, Town Hall, 7:00pm

Road Committee, Town Hall, 7:00pm

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

Parks and Recreation Meeting, Town Hall, 7:00pm

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

Bradford Community Corporation, Town Hall, 7:00am

Haunted House, KRES at Bradford, 6:30pm. Come join the fun.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 25

Selectmen's Meeting, Town Hall, 5:00pm

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26

Planning Board, Town Hall, 7:30pm

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27

Historical Society Annual Meeting, Old Post Office, 7:30pm

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28

KRSD School Board, Sutton Elementary School, 7:00pm

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

BACC Raffle Drawing and Public Tours of the New Community Center, Flu Shots (\$10), 10:00am-12:00pm

## SATURDAYS IN OCTOBER

Bradford Historical Society, by appointment, call 938-5386 or 938-5380

## MONDAYS IN OCTOBER

Thistle Spinners, 1:00-3:00pm, Thistle and Shamrock Inn, All are welcome to attend, come and learn a new craft.

**To list events for the November calendar, please call Betty Hague at 938-2722.**

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**Trick or Treat Hours**

The Bradford Police Department recommends the following schedule for Halloween trick or treating (on Sunday, October 31): Children ages twelve and under, 4:00-6:30pm; youth ages thirteen and over, 6:30-9:00pm.

—John Sims, Jr., Chief of Police

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